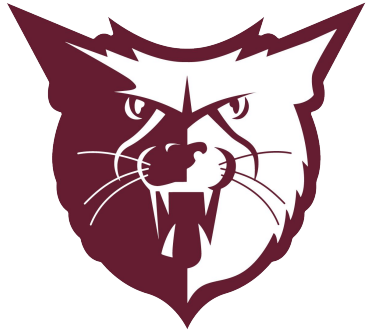




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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

District-Level Planning Committee Meeting #2

**Amy Pesina, Assistant Superintendent of
Curriculum and Instruction**

November 6, 2025

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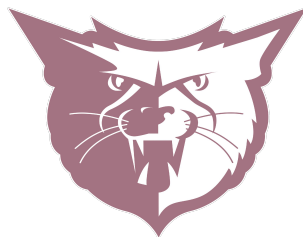
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Adam Patterson
Mignon Plyler
Blake Hays
Amy Porter
Melissa Ramirez
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Meghan Cone
Julie Kerr

**Community
Members**

Jazmine Softly
Jennifer Snyder

Business Representative

Martha Tapia
Haley Banks



Welcome from Dr. O'Neal

Housekeeping

Minutes from October 2, 2025-

Timekeeper: Torie Washington

Notetaker: Victoria Mathews

Facilitator: Cynetta Putsche



District-Level Planning Committee

What is the purpose of the District-Level Planning Committee?

The District-Level Committee's primary purpose is to advise district administration in the planning, operating, supervising and evaluating of the district's educational program. (BQA)



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Board Goals

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| I. Sherman ISD will hire, train and retain high quality personnel in a supportive working environment. | IV. Sherman ISD will continue to integrate instructional technology in classrooms at all campuses and grade levels. | VII. Sherman ISD will develop a balanced annual budget and maximize resources that are needed to achieve district priorities. |
| II. Sherman ISD will demonstrate positive and proactive leadership that inspires teamwork and collaboration. | V. Sherman ISD will address the diverse needs of students to maximize their academic achievements. | VIII. Sherman ISD will continue to monitor and plan for district facility needs. |
| III. Sherman ISD will provide a high-quality curriculum, research-based instructional practices and resources to ensure progress in student achievement. | VI. Sherman ISD will empower, engage and equip students for success in a diverse and complex world. | IX. Sherman ISD will engage all community stakeholder groups to enhance educational experiences for students. |



Purpose of our task today.....

The Site-based/Calendar Committee is comprised of representative stakeholders in Sherman ISD who can offer direction and feedback on the district calendar for 2026-27. The committee will consider several factors as they devise one district calendar. After deciding upon a draft calendar for 2026-27, we will post it during a comment period.

The 2026-27 calendar will then be proposed as an administrative recommendation to our Sherman ISD Board of Trustees for final approval in January.



Factors to Consider

- Maximize time for instruction and provide ample instructional days prior to local/state assessments.
- Adhere to 75,600 minutes in a school year
- Provide staff days used as staff development or work days
- Provide early release day(s) for teacher specific planning or professional learning.
- Account for bad weather by banking additional time (minimum 2-3 days).
- Match Grayson College common spring break March 15-19th
- Traditionally observe Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas/New Year's, Martin Luther King Day, President's Day and Memorial Day, with President's Day for Staff Development



Let's Plan the Calendar

You have been provided an enlarged version of the academic calendar with our traditionally observed holidays marked for you. Please discuss and add the following to the your calendars:

- New Teacher Academy (Min. 2 days)
- Teacher Work Days (yr)
- Convocation/Work Day
- Professional Learning (yr)
- First Day of School
- Parent Conference Day (Elem)
- Early Release-Dec/May.
- Staff Exchange Days x 2
- Graduation/Teacher Work Day

REMINDERS:

- *Incorporate Professional Learning Days/Student Holidays into both semesters.*
 - *Early Release days for SHS in the fall/spring. (at minimum 1 day per semester)*
 - *Adhere to 75,600 minutes in a school year-approx. 170 days.*
 - *Staff must have 180 work days*
 - *New Staff to SISD 182 work days*
- Time to complete: 30 minutes***



Gallery Walk-Let's review our work

Now that you have developed your calendar, it is time to share with others. Hang the anchor chart and highlight key points of your calendar on the right.

Allotted time: 10 minutes to review and add comments

Group 1



- NTA Aug 1-2
- Professional Learning Day

Leave this area open so other groups can add suggestions.

Let's Vote!

1. Each group will designate a person to share their calendar with the group. Please share key points about your calendar.

2. Voting Time: Grab four dots. For your 1st choice place (3) dots. On your 2nd choice place (1) dot.

Allotted time: 15 minutes



Next Steps

Total dots will be counted for each calendar. The top two will be brought back to this committee for final revisions. The top calendar will then be provided to the Board of Trustees for board approval.

Next meeting will be in January to approve the calendar.





Questions?