

Dallas Co. R-1 School Board Highlights
July 14th, 2026

Board Agenda

Consent Agenda

The Board approved the following items under Consent Agenda:

- **Approval of Minutes**
- **Approval of Payment of Bills** - Board members given copies of paid bills
- **Approval of Substitutes** - Board members were given copies of the substitute list
- **Approval of Rivendale Therapy Services** - Rivendale Institute of Learning and Autism Center, operated by The Arc of the Ozarks, provides specialized educational and therapeutic services for students with autism and other developmental needs.
- **Approval of KVC Services Agreement** - KVC Behavioral Healthcare Missouri provides specialized educational and therapeutic services for students whose Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) require placement in a private separate day school.
- **Approve Speech and Language Services Agreement** - Susan Buchen, M.A., CCC-SLP is a licensed speech-language pathologist who provides specialized speech and language services for Early Childhood Special Education (ECSE) students. This agreement allows Ms. Buchen to provide ECSE speech-language evaluations, IEP development, consultation, meeting participation, and supervision of a speech-language pathology assistant during the 2026–2027 school year.
- **Approve Therapy Log Services Agreement** - Therapylog provides licensed school-based behavioral health services, including counseling, behavioral interventions, psychological assessments, and special education consultation through both telepractice and on-site support.
- **School Resource Officer (SRO) MOU** - This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) establishes a partnership between the Dallas County Sheriff's Office and Dallas County R-I School District to authorize the District's commissioned School Police Officers under Missouri law.

Information Items

Finance Report

Dr. O'Quinn presented the monthly finance report. The District ended the 2025–2026 fiscal year with an operating fund balance of \$2.4 million (7.13%), an increase of approximately \$910,000 from last June. While overall revenues were slightly lower due to the expiration of one-time federal funding, expenditures were significantly below last year's total, resulting in a stronger year-end financial position and ending the year within budget.

Action Items

Tax Rate Hearing Information

The Board of Education approved setting the Dallas County R-I Tax Rate Hearing for 6:20 PM

on August 11, 2026.

Approve 2026-2027 Professional Development Handbook

The Board of Education approved the 2026/2027 Professional Development handbook as presented.

Approve 2026-2027 Student/Parent Handbook

It is the recommendation of the administration for the Board of Education to approve the 2026/2027 Student/Parent Handbook as presented. Only general changes, such as dates and names were changed.

Amend 2026-2027 Certified Teacher Salary Schedule

It is the recommendation of the administration for the Board of Education to approve a \$440 increase in the following steps:

BS (1) - Step 11

BS (4) -Step 11

BS (8) - Step 11

BS (12) - Step 11

BS (16) - Step 13

BS (20) - Step 13

BS (24) - Step 15

BS (28) - Step 16

This will insure all eligible employees will receive a 0.96% increase in compensation for the 2026-2027 school year and will begin to reduce the number of frozen steps on the certificated salary schedule. The overall financial impact will be \$6,122.00

Approve 2026-2027 Meal Prices

It is the recommendation of the administration for the Board of Education to approve the 2026-2027 student meal prices as presented.

Meal Prices -Students

	BREAKFAST	LUNCH
Elementary	1.70	3.00
Middle School	1.75	3.10
High School	1.80	3.35
Reduced Price	.30	.40

Breakfast prices for students increased by fifteen cents and lunch prices by ten cents. This increase is required because our current meal price is below the level set by the USDA's annual pricing guidelines for paid lunches. Adult breakfast and lunch prices will be set next month.

Approve Renewal of Conflict of Interest Policy

Every year, the district is required to renew the Conflict of Interest Policy to meet Missouri Ethics Commission guidelines. It is the recommendation of the administration for the Board of Education to adopt the attached policy.

Executive Session

The Board voted to approve the following hiring recommendations:

Personnel Report		
Hiring Recommendations 07/14/2026		
Name	Location	Position
Amanda Grube	Transportation	Driver
Stevie Dill	Transportation	Aide

Transfers		
Paula Burns	Transportation	Aide