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Owatonna Public Schools seeks community members for Budget Advisory Council

Owatonna, MN—Owatonna Public Schools is accepting applications for the district's Budget Advisory Council. The district is seeking engaged community stakeholders to join this important group, which plays a vital role in fostering transparency and collaboration regarding the district's financial health.

The Budget Advisory Council's primary purpose is to promote active community participation and increase understanding of the district's budget, property tax levy, and other financial matters. The council will provide input to the school board and district administration regarding financial plans that support the district's long-term goals, policies, and initiatives.

Up to 20 members representing a broad spectrum of the Owatonna community will be selected for the council. This includes district residents, parents, high school students, business representatives, and representatives from the district employee bargaining groups.

The council will meet at 6:00 p.m. at the District Office, located at 333 East School Street. The scheduled meetings for the 2026-27 school year are September 9, November 18, January 13, March 10, and May 19.

Interested individuals are encouraged to complete the application form on the Owatonna Public Schools website. For questions or additional information regarding the council, please contact Mark Stotts, Director of Finance & Operations, at 507-444-8605 or mstotts@isd761.org.

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