BOARD OF EDUCATION
NORTH BRANCH EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CENTER
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AGENDA

BOARD OF EDUCATION **August 10, 2026**
Board Room ***Please remember to silence your cell phones during the meeting*** **7:00 p.m.**

Our Vision: Preparing every learner for success.

Regular Meeting

1. **Call to order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call**
4. **Approval of Agenda**
5. **Student Report**
6. **Presentation**
7. **Board Committee Reports**
   a. **Long Range Facility Planning Committee – August 5**
   b. **Long Range Facility Planning Committee – August 10**
8. **Comments from the Public - relating to agenda items**
9. **Consent Agenda**
   a. **Approval of the July 27, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes**
   b. **Review of the July Account Payables - $1,452,227.95**
   c. **Review of the July Food Service Bills - $171.15**
   d. **Acknowledge the resignation of Austin James, Ruth Fox Middle School teacher**
   e. **Acknowledge the resignation of Paul Skinner, High School ELA teacher**
10. **Items for Discussion/Action**
    a. **Approval of the employment of a Special Education Teacher at Ruth Fox Middle School**
    b. **Approval of the employment of a 5 hour Special Education Paraprofessional at Ruth Fox Middle School**
    c. **Approval of the employmenty of a 5.5 hour Special Education Paraprofessional at North Branch Elementary**
    d. **Approval of the employment of a 2.5 hour lunch/recess Aide at North Branch Elementary**
    e. **Approval of employment of a 2.5 hour lunch/recess Aide at North Branch Elementary**
    f. **Approval of the employment of a 2.5 lunch/recess Aide at North Branch Elementary**
11. **Communications**
    a. **Principals**
    b. **Special Education Supervisor**
    c. **Director of Finance & Human Resources**
    d. **Director of Facilities & Operations**
    e. **Director of Technology**
    f. **Director of Curriculum & Instruction**
    g. **Superintendent**
12. **Items for Future Discussion/Action**
    a. **Adoption of the District Continuous Improvement Plan 2026-2027 (August 24)**
    b. **Building Tours (August 24 @ 6 p.m.; begin at HS)**
    c. **Approval of the North Branch Early Learning Center Staff and Parent Handbook, and the 2026-2027 GSRP Handbook (August 24)**
    d. **Approve the overnight trip to Huntsville, Alabama for Space Camp – Summer of 2027**
    e. **Audit Presentation (November)**

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13. Comments from the Public

14. Comments from Board Members

15. Other Business

16. Adjournment

Next Meeting – August 24, 2026

2026 BOARD OF EDUCATION GOALS

1. North Branch Area Schools and the Board of Education will teach, measure, and continuously improve instruction aligned with state standards for increased student achievement and College and Career readiness.
2. North Branch Area Schools and the Board of Education will evaluate and enhance opportunities for students by adopting and executing a budget that prioritizes teaching and learning in a safe environment while improving the district's financial stability.
3. North Branch Area Schools and the Board of Education will validate the importance of every staff member as critical to the success of the district and will maintain partnerships of integrity and trust within the North Branch Community.
4. North Branch Area Schools and the Board of Education will support professional learning, teaching and integration of generative Artificial Intelligence as a way to ensure BK-12 students acquire the AI literacy skills and dispositions needed for College and Career readiness.

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