

NICHOLAS COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 17, 2026 6:00PM
NICHOLAS CO. BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Nicholas County Board of Education met in regular session, at the Nicholas Co. Board of Education in Carlisle, Kentucky, on the 17th day of August, 2026 with the following members present: Cheryl Rawlings, Brenda Mattox, Sharon Wilson, Jarad Bromagen, and Heather Anderson

Others present: John Derek Faulconer, Tyler Duncan, Dawn Curran Letcher, Stacey Allison, Nikki Orazen, Dennis Jackson, Sara Kiskaden, Alicia Hughes, Amy Switzer, Mandy Anderson, Jeremy McCord, Ross Haney, Amy Mitchell, Gail Mitchell, Priscilla Barbee, Kathy Livingood, Ashley Hopkins, Linda Campbell, Tenille Johnson, Shannon Cohorn, Cameron Cohorn, Matt Cohorn, Sueann Morgan, Tanner Morgan, Ashley Watkins, Brandon Watkins, Jayden Watkins, Kaden Leggett, Tiffany Banks, Craig Aossey (G. Scott & Associates), Michael Clary (Carlisle Mercury)

- A. Meeting Opened with Moment of Silence
 - B. Call to Order & Roll Call: Bromagen (P); Mattox (P); Rawlings (P); Wilson (P); Anderson (P)
 - C. Student/Staff Recognition
 - D. Public Comment
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Motion #9627

Motion by Wilson, second by Mattox, to approve the Consent Agenda and to acknowledge receipt of the required report from the Superintendent regarding personnel actions:

Minutes of the Following Meetings:

July 20, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

August 13, 2026 Special Called Work Session Minutes

Treasurer's Report and Payment of Bills for Periods 13 & 1 & 2 (June-July & July & Aug. 2026):

Nicholas Co. Board of Education Accounts

Nicholas Co. Elementary School Accounts

Nicholas Co. Elementary School SBDM Minutes

Nicholas Co. Middle/High School Accounts

Nicholas Co. Middle/High School SBDM Minutes

Superintendent's Report of Personnel Actions:

Superintendent Report/Travel/Other Expenses

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Travel Reimbursement

Employment/Transfers

Recommendation- Nadine Hale- NCMHS Music Teacher & Band Director

Recommendation- Sarah Schanding- NCMHS Instructional Asst.

Recommendation- Logan Gilvin- NCHS Band Color Guard Assistant Sponsor

Recommendation- Kacey Rodriquez- NCMHS Teacher

Recommendation- Lindsay Brunner- NCMHS English Teacher

Recommendation- Robert Hopkins- NCMHS Health/PE Teacher (Part-time)

Recommendation- Ginger Neace- NCMHS Science/Biology Teacher (Part-time)

Recommendation- Penny Bretz- NCMHS General Science Teacher (Part-time)

Recommendation- Nicolle Vaughn- NCES Instructional Assistant

Recommendation- Julie Banks- NCMHS Exceptional Child Teacher (LBD)

Recommendation- Greg Letcher-NCMHS Co-Op/Personal Finance Teacher (Part-time)

Recommendation- Mary Malone- NCES Teacher
Recommendation- Eli Hughes- Bus Monitor
Recommendation- Michelle Fuller- Substitute Teacher
Recommendation- Brian Dufresne- NCMHS Science Teacher
Recommendation- Susan Carr Bamforth- ESS Daytime Tutor-Intervention teacher
Recommendation- Stephanie Hawkins- ESS Daytime Tutor-Intervention teacher
*Note to July Recommendation- Melanie Sanders- NCMHS Math Teacher (Part-time)
Recommendation- Alyson Emerick- Substitute Teacher
Recommendation- Christina Herrington- Substitute Teacher
Recommendation- Brandi Ritchie- Substitute Teacher
Recommendation- Ashleigh Rose- Substitute Teacher
Recommendation- Dakota Burnette- Substitute Teacher
Recommendation- Andrew Buchanan- Substitute Teacher
Recommendation- Paula Watkins- NCES Instructional Asst.
Recommendation- Wes Hopkins- NCMHS Track Head Coach
Recommendation-Teacher Mentors:

- Jenna Hester- Susan Carr Bamforth- Year 2
- Brittany Hoskins- Susan Carr Bamforth- Year 2
- Macey Randolph- Stephanie Smith- Year 2
- McKenzie Sebastian- Lindsay Moran- Year 2
- Sydney Howard- Jenny Sims- 1st half Year 2
- Destiny Glass - Lindsay Moran - Year 1
- Carlton McCarty - Sydney Webb - Year 1
- Shelby Adams- Wes Hopkins- Year 2
- Laurel McDaniel- Melanie Sanders - Year 2
- Julie Banks- Hannah Yazell- Year 1

Resignation/Termination/Retirement

Resignation- Casey Johnson- NCHS Teacher
Resignation- Shelania Yerian- NCES Teacher
Resignation- Nick Clark- NC Bus Driver
Resignation- Robert Hopkins- NCMHS Track Head Coach

Sick Leave/Other Leave/Donation Sick Days

Other

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9628

Motion by Bromagen, second by Anderson, to acknowledge the Data Security Presentation/Policies by District Tech Coordinator, Jeremy McCord, for the current year, as presented

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9629

Motion by Bromagen, second by Mattox, to acknowledge receipt of the following generous donation(s):

- RT Hays- sharpies for schools
- Nicholas Co. Fiscal Court (Mathers Fund)- \$2,125 to NC Band (17 students @ \$125 per)
- Gracious Goodness LLC (The Sterling Gypsy)- \$600 to NC Football
- Jeff Sidles- \$750 to NC Football

- KY Property Hunters Real Estate (Broker: Dustin R. Mitchell)- \$600 to NC Football
- The Mulhollem-Cravens Foundation- \$7,500 to NC FFA
- Brett Construction Co.- \$850 to NC Football
- Sterling Health Solutions Inc.- \$1,000 to NC Athletics
- Zack Banks- \$850 to NC Football

*NCMHS FRYSC Donations listed below:

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| • Martha Holbrook | Shoes |
| • Headquarters Homemakers | Backpack Program \$85 |
| • Lois Gates / CCC Sunday School | Shoes in the Pews \$150 |
| • Carlisle Catholic Church | Shoes in the Pews |
| • Ashley Vice | Babysitter Bootcamp 2026 |
| • The Sterling Gypsy | Brand New Clothing |
| • Barbara Kenney | Shoes in the Pews \$150 |
| • Sonja and Pat McCarty | Twin bed, mattress, box spring, dresser and bedding |
| • Jai Hardin | \$50 towards Boots for student |
| • Greg & Paige Curtsinger | New boots for HS student |
| • John Hamilton | New boots for HS student |
| • Jenci Caswell | New boots for HS student |
| • Tabbatha Tubbs | Haircuts for students |
| • Nicholas County Public Library | 60 Hygiene Bags for back to school cuts |
| • Blue Licks Christian Church | Shoes in the pews |
| • Carlisle Christian Church | Shoes in the pews |
| • A Little Off the Top | |
| • Renee Mola | Haircuts for students |
| • Grace Dailey | Haircuts for students |
| • Theresa Myiner | Haircuts for students |
| • Kenzie Myers | Haircuts for students |
| • Georgia Gilvin | Sorted & fit shoes |
| • Kay Shankland | Sorted & fit shoes |
| • Vickie Mitchell | Sorted & fit shoes |
| • Mike Mitchell | Sorted & fit shoes |
| • Gail Barton | Sorted & fit shoes |
| • Jo Thornsberry | Sorted & fit shoes |
| • Mrs. Sparks | Sorted & fit shoes |
| • Johnya Earlywine | Shoes & Cleats |
| • Mulholem/Cravens | Donation \$7,500 |
| • Carlisle Methodist Church | Shoes in the Pews |
| • Linda Hatton | Shoes |
| • Hovermale | BPP - \$500 |
| • Humana | Hygiene/Feminine Pantry Sponsorship \$750 & Hygiene Bags |

*NCMHS OPEN HOUSE Donations (FRYSC):

- Nicholas County Public Library Gift Card Tree \$100
- Nicholas County Extension Office

- Blue Licks Christian Church
- Heather Anderson
- Jared Bromagen
- Patricia Tedder
- Upward Bound
- Sterling Health
- Bourbon Behavioral Health

*NCES FRYSC Donations listed below:

- Danyale and Matt Durham - school supplies (binders, folders, tissues, etc)
- Vicky Mitchell - girls clothing
- Blue Licks Christian Church - church members volunteered time (8 hours) for Step Into Success back to school shoe event.
- A Little Off The Top - employees donated their time (8hours) as well as hygiene bags to all students in attendance for free haircuts.
- Back To School Readifest: the following organizations donated school supplies to students and their time (3 hour event, .5 hours setup):
 - KYNECT
 - Edward Jones Investing
 - City National Bank
 - Humana
 - WEDCO
 - Passport by Molina Healthcare
 - Sterling Health Solutions
 - Nicholas County Cooperative Extension
 - Nicholas County Public Library
 - Nicholas County Migrant Education
 - Traditional Bank
 - Harrison Memorial Hospital
 - New Vista
 - Meadowview Regional Hospital
 - Centerpoint Health
 - Carlisle Christian Church
 - Blue Licks Christian Church
 - Nicholas County Sherriff's Department
 - JuniBo's Shaved Ice
 - NC Board members
- Carlisle Presbyterian Church- shoes in pews

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9630

Motion by Wilson, second by Bromagen, to approve to have Momentum Construction remove and replace unsuitable soils at the Central Office footprint at unit cost of \$86.25/CY and to pay for this with available contingency funds - this action is an authorization to continue under the Construction Change Directive until the final quantities are available for the Change Order to be processed

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9631

Motion by Wilson, second by Mattox, to approve proposals from Oheil Site Solutions to provide the required Performance Bond at a cost of \$6,175.00 and also to provide conduit for future athletic lighting at a cost of \$3,501.75, for a total cost of \$9,676.75, and to pay for this with available contingency funds

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9632

Motion by Mattox, second by Wilson, to approve the following Pay Applications, Direct Purchase Orders and/or Invoices for the Nicholas Co. New Central Office Project (BG 26-292) and the Nicholas Co. High School Athletic Renovation Project (BG 25-098), at the discretion of the Superintendent:

● Momentum Construction LLC	Pay App #2 BG 26-292 (1 DPO)	\$24,346.80
○ MMI of Kentucky	DPO-10 BG 26-292	\$9,796.80
● G. Scott & Assoc. Architects, PLC	Direct Inv. BG25098 Ath. Tennis Courts 80%	\$15,537.23
● L.E. Gregg Associates	Direct Invoice- BG 26-292- Spec. Inspect.	\$491.00

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9633

Motion by Wilson, second by Anderson, to propose tax rates for the Nicholas Co. Board of Education as follows: a general fund tax levy of 42.7 cents on real property and 43.9 cents on personal property, this includes 0.2 for exonerations for the 2026-2027 School Year as follows:

Rate Type:	Compensating Rate
Hearing Date:	N/A
Real Estate:	42.5 per \$100 in value*
Tangible Property:	43.7 per \$100 in value*
	<u>*Plus 0.20 allowable exonerations</u>

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9634

Motion by Mattox, second by Bromagen, to propose to approve the Motor Vehicle Tax Levy for the Nicholas Co. Board of Education, including exonerations, for the 2026-2027 School Year as follows:

Motor Vehicle:	55.5 per \$100 in valuation
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Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9635

Motion by Wilson, second by Mattox, to approve the declaration of an emergency vacancy for the following certified positions, as no qualified applicants applied for the vacant position previously posted for the 2026-2027 school year:

- 4th Grade Teacher
- HS Science Teacher - 2 positions
- MS Math Teacher (temporary - as we are awaiting Praxis scores)
- HS Math Teacher
- Gifted and Talented Teacher

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9636

Motion by Mattox, second by Anderson, to approve to hire Emergency Substitute Teachers, on the basis of anticipated shortages of certified teachers and substitute teachers

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9637

Motion by Anderson, second by Bromagen, to approve to pay a stipend to employees who elect to participate in Passive Restraint and De-escalation Training for 2026-2027 school year, in the amount of \$25/hour

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9638

Motion by Bromagen, second by Anderson, to approve the 2026-2027 Master Bell Schedules for Nicholas Co. Middle School, including the regular day schedule and shortened day schedule, as presented

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9639

Motion by Wilson, second by Bromagen, to approve the 2026-2027 District Funding Assurances and District Funding Assurances Statement

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9640

Motion by Bromagen, second by Mattox, to approve the Facility Use Request by Nicholas County Little League Basketball/Cheerleading to use the Nicholas County Elementary School gym/cafeteria for practices and the Nicholas County Middle School gym/concession area for games in the months of October 2026 through March 2027

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9641

Motion by Wilson, second by Anderson, to approve the Facility Use Request by Nicholas County Youth Football to use the Nicholas County High School Football Field for games on: August 22nd, September 19th, October 3rd, October 17th, and October 24th

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9642

Motion by Wilson, second by Bromagen, to approve NCES School-wide Cookie Dough Fundraiser for 2026-2027, as approved by NCES SBDM

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9643

Motion by Bromagen, second by Mattox, to approve the Travel Request by Nicholas Co. FFA to attend the Kentucky State Fair on 8/21/2026 in Louisville, KY

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9644

Motion by Anderson, second by Mattox, to approve the Travel Request by Nicholas Co. FFA to attend the Rising Sun Conference on 9/11/26 – 9/12/26 in Hardinsburg, KY

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9645

Motion by Wilson, second by Anderson, to approve pay a stipend for the 2025-2026 School Year to the Softball Concessions Coordinator in the amount of \$1,000

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9646

Motion by Anderson, second by Bromagen, to approve to amend the 2026-2027 Extracurricular Activities & Extra Duty Salary Schedule, making changes / additions to concessions coordinators stipends, as presented

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9647

Motion by Mattox, second by Bromagen, to approve a shortened school day for three students, due to a medical necessity, for the remainder of the 2026-2027 School Year

Vote for motion: 5-0

Motion #9648

Motion by Wilson, second by Bromagen, to adjourn

Vote for motion: 5-0

Board Chair

Board Secretary