

Seneca Valley School District



SCHOOL BOARD ACTION SESSION

Seneca Valley Intermediate High School Auditorium - 7 p.m.

Public Agenda

October 12, 2026

**** Subject to Change****

1. **CALL TO ORDER** by Mr. Eric DiTullio, President
 - A. **Moment of Silence**
 - B. **Pledge of Allegiance** – “I Led the Pledge” – Cameron Hayson – Grade 5 – Haine Middle School.
 - C. **Roll Call**
2. **INFORMATION REPORTS**
 - A. **Student/Staff Recognition** – Seneca Valley’s Jazz Ensemble I has been selected to perform as a guest ensemble at the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) Annual Conference April 14-17, 2027. The annual conference is one of Pennsylvania’s largest gatherings of music educators and student musicians and is held in conjunction with the PMEA All-State Student Festival. The selection was determined through a competitive audition process and places Seneca Valley among a select group of instrumental and vocal ensembles chosen to showcase excellence in music education and performance. It marks only the third time in school history that a Seneca Valley Jazz Ensemble has been selected to perform at the PMEA Annual Conference. Read more about the honor at [Headlines - Seneca Valley School District](#).
 - B. **Dates to Remember**

October	Breast Cancer Awareness Month
October 17	PSAT Testing – SHS
October 20	SVAOC End of First Nine Weeks, Grades 7-12
October 21	Winter Sport Drug Testing and Concussion Testing – SHS Athletic Office – 2:45 p.m.
October 21	Roblox Safety and Online Predators Presentation with PA State Police, 6 p.m., Haine Elementary and Middle School
October 22	Ehrman Crest Fun Run benefiting the Ehrman Crest PTO – Ehrman Crest Upper Field – 9 a.m.
October 23	Act 80 Day – No School for Students
October 23	SV End of First Nine Weeks, Grades 7-12

October 27	CVE Fall Family Fun Night – CVE – 5:30 – 7 p.m.
October 31	Halloween
November 1	Daylight Savings Time Ends
November 1	Seneca Valley Foundation’s Fourth Annual Ryan Gloyer Memorial Run/Walk presented by Westinghouse – Secondary Campus – 9 a.m. SFC Ryan Gloyer Memorial Run
November 2	IHS Academic Wing Topping Off Ceremony – Secondary Campus – 5 p.m.
November 2	National School Psychology Week Begins
November 2	School Board Work Session – IHS Auditorium - 7 p.m.

C. **All-Star Award, Winner, October 2026** – Ms. Christina Utter – Haine Cafeteria Cook, presented by Mr. Nolen Fetchko and Dr. Wilcher.

D. **Agency Reports** –

1. I.U. IV – Mr. DiTullio
2. PSBA - To help members understand the growing number of state requirement placed on public schools, PSBA has developed the Mandate Report. This resource outlines many of the mandates affecting school districts and explains how they impact school budgets, operations and local decision-making. You can read the full report on myPSBA or simply click on these links to access the Mandate Report and accompanying supplement. The report will be updated later this year and shared with PSBA members and the General Assembly again in early 2027. – Mr. DiTullio

E. **Financial Reports**

1. Operations
2. Seneca Valley Grades 7-12 Activities
3. Athletics
4. Food Service
5. Tax Collections
6. Capital Projects Funds

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. **Action Meeting** – September 14, 2026

5. **TREASURER’S REPORT**

6. **GENERAL FUND BILLS**
2026 – 2027 Grand Total: \$4,800,158.61

7. **CONSTRUCTION FUND BILLS**
2026 - 2027 Grand Total: \$1,952,936.67

8. **ADMINISTRATION**

A. **Board Policies** – Approve the following:

1. Board Policy 204 – Attendance – revised, second and final reading.
2. Board Policy 626 – Federal Fiscal Compliance - revised, second and final reading.
3. Board Policy 704 – Maintenance – new, second and final reading.
4. Board Policy 901.1 – Social Media - revised, first reading.
5. Board Policy 705 – Facilities and Workplace Safety – revised, first reading.

B. **Research Studies** – Approve the following research studies:

1. Ivan Aranha Doctoral Research Study: Approve a qualitative study, conducted as part of doctoral research at Gwynedd Mercy University and approved by IRB, examining how school-based administrators experience and respond to teacher staffing challenges. Eligible Seneca Valley principals and assistant principals serving students within the K–6 grade span may voluntarily participate in a confidential virtual interview lasting approximately 45–60 minutes.
2. Quincy Gildea Dissertation Study: “Increasing School Connectedness Amongst English Language Learners” - Through this dissertation study, Quincy Gildea will utilize the data collected following a professional development session with a focus group of educators from the Intermediate High School on effective instructional practices for supporting English Language Learners (ELLs), with an emphasis on language acquisition, school connectedness, belonging, and engagement in the general education setting. Participating educators will complete pre- and post-surveys to examine the impact of the professional development on their confidence in supporting ELL students. While the study will focus on educator learning and confidence, the findings may help inform future efforts to support ELL students across Seneca Valley. Seneca Valley School District will not be identified in the dissertation, and all participant identities will remain confidential. This study was submitted to IRB for review and acknowledged.

C. **Board Secretary** – Reappoint Ms. Julia Benson to serve as School Board Secretary for the current term ending June 30, 2028.

D. **Vo-Tech JOC Representatives** – Appoint Mr. Tim Hester and Mr. Nick Brower as Butler County Area Vocational-Technical School Joint Operating Committee (BCAVTS JOC) representatives.

E. **Vo-Tech JOC Alternate Representative** – Appoint Ms. Allyson Mazzoni as a Butler County Area Vocational-Technical School Joint Operating Committee (BCAVTS JOC) alternate representative.

F. **School Bus Drivers** - Approve the additional bus driver list for the 2026-27 school year as provided by transportation vendor of First Student Inc.

G. **Future Ready Comprehensive Plan Stakeholder Committee Members** – Approve the list of staff, parent/guardian, and community stakeholders to participate in the comprehensive planning process.

9. **INSTRUCTION**

- A. **Conferences** – Approve conference requests.
- B. **Student Trips** - Approve the following student trips:
1. The 7-12th Grade Student Council trip to Clarks Summit, PA on November 12-14, 2026, under the supervision of SHS teacher, Ms. Rebecca Mutschler, RGMS Guidance Counselor, Mr. LaVarr Stephens-Howling and RGMS teacher, Ms. Staci Hughes. Students will miss two days of instruction. The trip is at no cost to the District.
 2. The Seneca Valley Girls Basketball program (Varsity & JV) trip to Tampa Bay, FL (previously approved for Orlando, FL), December 27-31, 2026, under the supervision of coaches Dorothea Epps, Julia Fornadel, Amanda Kalin and Krystal Epps. The trip is at no cost to the District.
 3. The Seneca Valley Baseball program (Varsity and JV) trip to Orlando, FL, March 19-22, 2027, under the supervision of Head Coach, Mr. Eric Semega and assistant coaches. Students will miss two days of instruction. The trip is at no cost to the District.
- C. **Grant Disbursements** - Grant permission to apply for and disburse, if approved:
1. The Heros & Helpers 2026 Grant in the amount of \$2,000, funded by Target and requested by Ms. Gildea, Dr. Wilcher and Ms. Kress. Funds will be used to support Haine's "Shop with a Cop" event with the Cranberry Township Police Department.
 2. The Holocaust Education Grant in the amount of \$1,000, funded by Schonwetter Holocaust Education Foundation and requested by Ms. Russo and Ms. Gildea. Funds will be used to support Holocaust Education events and projects offered through the IHS Light Center and 10th grade English classes.
 3. The Seneca Valley Native Heritage Garden Grant in the amount of \$6,518, funded by the PA Department of Agriculture and requested by Ms. Hadley and Ms. Gildea. Funds will be used for the SHS Horticulture students to establish a native plant garden at Powell Farm in Cranberry Twp.
 4. The Toshiba Innovation: KindWind Program Grant in the amount of \$1,000, funded by Toshiba Innovation and requested by Mr. Friday and Ms. Gildea. Funds will be used to expand our districts KidWind program from three elementary schools to all six, providing more students with access to authentic, hands-on STEM learning.
- D. **School at McGuire Memorial** - Approve the agreement with the School at McGuire Memorial for Extended School Year (ESY) program and services for ESY 2027. Pending solicitor review.
- E. **Butler County Community College Agreement** – Approve the agreement with Butler County Community College for the Seneca Valley School District to serve as an American Heart Association Training Site to provide training to students and staff.
- F. **Strength & Conditioning Equipment Repurpose & Donation** – Approve the repurposing or donation of serviceable West Field House Strength & Conditioning

Equipment being replaced as part of a facility improvement initiative at no cost to the District.

10. **BUSINESS/FINANCE**

- A. **Joint Purchasing Agreement AIU** - Approve the Joint Purchasing Agreement Resolution for the Allegheny Intermediate Unit for the 2026-2027 school year.
- B. **Greentrail Solutions** - Approve a one-year agreement with Greentrail Solutions to provide software for tracking food purchases from sources outside of the United States, including food products and ingredients. This tracking is required by the United States Department of Agriculture. Pending solicitor review.
- C. **Change Order** – Approve the construction change order for the Intermediate High School/Performing Arts Center (IHS/PAC).

11. **PERSONNEL** – Approve resignations, appointments, contracted service, contract renewal, leaves, tenure and retirements.

12. **LETTERS SENT TO THE SCHOOL BOARD**

- a. Emily Callahan
- b. Julie Jones
- c. Jeweleanne Broussard - student
- d. Farrah Scarlatelli – student
- e. Brittany Jovenall
- f. Sawyer Berty – student
- g. Lila Padgelek – student
- h. Aubrey Morelli – student
- i. Erin Wroblewski – student

13. **ADJOURNMENT**