MORRIS HILLS REGIONAL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION	**AGENDA:** REGULAR MEETING Monday, October 26, 2026 6:30 p.m., BOE Conference Room

I. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

II. ROLL CALL

Meeting Roll Call	
Michael Bertram	
Christie D'Asti	
Frank Francia	
Barbara C. Levy	
William Maher	
Patrick Napolitano	
William Serafin	
Michael Wieczerzak	
Theresa Yeager	

Others in Attendance	
Nicholas Norcia	
Nisha Zoeller	
Danielle Matovski	
Alicia Valverde-Mesa	
Dan Haug	
Ryan MacNaughton	
Todd Toriello	
Dezaray Semer	
Elias Aboushanab, SGA MK	
Alexa Francia, SGA MH	

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION TO ENTER CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION: WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., permits a public body to enter into closed executive session for certain matters; and **WHEREAS**, the Morris Hills Regional District Board of Education finds it necessary to discuss confidential personnel and/or legal matters pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(7) and (8); **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Morris Hills Regional District Board of Education shall enter into closed executive session to discuss said matters; and **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the discussions and minutes of the closed session shall remain confidential until such time as the need for confidentiality no longer exists and disclosure is permitted by law; and **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED,** that the Board shall return to open public session following the conclusion of the executive session to continue its regular business, at which time formal action may be taken.

	Motion By:				**Seconded By:**				
Roll Call	Mr. Bertram	Mrs. D'Asti	Mr. Francia	Ms. Levy	Mr. Maher	Mr. Napolitano	Mr. Serafin	Mrs. Yeager	Mr. Wieczerzak
AYES:									
NAYS:									
ABSTAIN:									

IV. OPENING STATEMENT - NOTICE OF MEETING

In accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was published in The Daily Record and The Citizen on January 9, 2026.

Additionally, notice was mailed to the municipal offices of Denville Township, Rockaway Borough, Rockaway Township, and Wharton Borough for posting, as well as to the Morris County Clerk's Office. Notice was also posted in the lobbies of Morris Hills High School, Morris Knolls High School, and the Board of Education building on January 6, 2026.

A subsequent notice announcing the revised executive session start time of 6:00 p.m. was published in The Daily Record and posted on the District's website on October 16, 2026."

V. PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

A. Approval to accept the minutes September 28, 2026: Public Session Closed Session

	Motion By:				**Seconded By:**				
Roll Call	Mr. Bertram	Mrs. D'Asti	Mr. Francia	Ms. Levy	Mr. Maher	Mr. Napolitano	Mr. Serafin	Mrs. Yeager	Mr. Wieczerzak
AYES:									
NAYS:									
ABSTAIN:									

VI. CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE

VII. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT STATEMENT

"Please know that the Board of Education recognizes and respects your right to make public comments under Federal and State law, as well as Board Bylaw 0167. This is not a dialogue between the commenter and the Board. This is an opportunity for the Board to hear comments from the community. Questions regarding District operations or procedures should be directed to the appropriate administrative staff.

Consistent with the Bylaw, public comment is limited to five minutes. The board may interrupt, warn, or terminate public comment when the statement is too lengthy, abusive, obscene, or irrelevant. Further, the Board may request anyone to leave its meeting if that person does not observe reasonable decorum. Again, we respect your right to public comment, but please be aware of this caution and warning, the rights of other persons, and the Board's rights concerning your comments."

IX. FIRST PUBLIC PORTION - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

X. FIRST BOARD DISCUSSION PERIOD

XI. AGENDA

A. Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation (Item 1-1)

1. Approval of the use of the facilities requests by the following priority groups III, IV, and V: n/a

Priority	Requestor/Activity	Permit
III	Christine Robinson / White Meadow Lake Women's Club Dance & Acro Recital	2609-0076
IIIA	MK Volleyball Booster Club / MKVB Senior Night	2610-0013
V	Alexis Sinegra / NFINITE ALL STARS All Stars Showcase	2609-0050

	Motion By:	Mr. Frank Francia, Chair.			**Seconded By:**				
Roll Call	Mr. Bertram	Mrs. D'Asti	Mr. Francia	Ms. Levy	Mr. Maher	Mr. Napolitano	Mr. Serafin	Mrs. Yeager	Mr. Wieczerzak
AYES:									
NAYS:									
ABSTAIN:									

B. Finance (Items 1-10)

1. Acceptance of the following reports:

Name	Month / Year
a. Treasurer's Report	September 2026
b. Board Secretary's Report	September 2026

2. Ratification of Payments:

Type	Month / Year
a. Accounts Payable Detail	September 2026
b. Agency AP Summary	September 2026
c. Accounts Payable Voids	September 2026

3. Ratification of Budget Transfers w/ no over expenditure lines:

Type	Month / Year
a. Budget Transfer Summary	September 2026
b. Budget Transfer Detail	September 2026

4. Ratification of Special Services Evaluation and Related Services as follows:

OUTSIDE PLACEMENT – SCHOOL YEAR/ESY 2026-2027

Student	School	Placement Start Date	Cost (Prorated)
ODP74180	BCSS 1:1 Aide	08/31/2026	$56,754.00

5. Ratification of the following tuition agreements for the 2026-2027 school year:

Student	Sending District	School	Program	Related Services	Amount
20266623	Dover Public Schools	MKHS	MD	Speech / OT	$48,328.90
20267466	Hopatcong Public Schools	MKHS	MD	OT / PT / Shared Para	$65,168.50

6. Ratification of an increase to the amount not to exceed for the following previously approved contracts:

Vendor Name	Term Year	Original Amount	Revised Amount	Reason
SportsCare Arena	2026-2027	$41,600.00	$49,000.00	Increase in Ice Time

7. Approval of the following Professional Services for the 2026-2027 school year:

Vendor Name	Service	Rate	Amount not to Exceed
Hillmar, LLC.	Specialty Language Interpreter	$210.00/hr	$2,100.00
Hillmar, LLC.	Specialty Language Translations	$0.27 / per word	$4,050.00

8. **Ratification of Revised Authorized Check Signatories** – Athletic Revolving Accounts

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Morris Hills Regional District Board of Education hereby approves the following authorized check signatories for the Morris Knolls High School and Morris Hills High School Athletic Revolving Checking Accounts maintained at PNC Bank:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all checks issued from either Athletic Revolving Account shall require two (2) authorized signatures, subject to the following conditions:

First Signature: The Athletic Director shall serve as the first signatory. In the Athletic Director's absence, the Building Principal is authorized to sign. In the absence of both the Athletic Director and Building Principal, any of the designated Assistant Principals for the respective school may sign.

Final Signature: The School Business Administrator, Danielle Matovski, shall serve as the required second and final signatory on all checks issued from either account.

School	First Signatory	First Alternate	Additional Alternates	Final Signatory
MKHS	Laura Palmerzzi, AD	Ryan MacNaughton, Principal	Lara Carlson, AP Joseph Cirigliano, AP Michael Bouroult, AP	Danielle Matovski, BA
MHHS	Claire Herman, AD	Todd Toriello, Principal	Emily Barkocy, AP Eugene Melvin, AP Dominique Dixon, AP	Danielle Matovski, BA

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these authorizations shall supersede all previously approved check-signing authorizations for the respective Athletic Revolving Accounts, effective upon Board approval, and that PNC Bank shall be notified accordingly.

9. Approval of the tentative budget development calendar for FY 28:

Date	Activity
10/26/26	The Board of Education adopts the FY28 budget calendar.
11/2/26	The Central Office team reviews budget procedures
11/02/26 - 11/30/26	C&I reviews budgetary needs from District NJQSAC requirements, District priorities, District subgroup performance and action plans, curriculum plans, textbook replacement plans, COS revision plans, technology plans, professional development plans, LRFP, and maintenance plans
11/02/26 - 11/28/26	Position Inventory is reviewed and reconciled
11/9/26 - 11/28/26	Central Office reviews current staffing/enrollment and projected enrollment
11/9/26 - 11/30/26	The Administrative Team is supplied with historical budget data and enters their itemized budgets, prepares reports, and completes staffing/non-staffing sheets

Date	Activity
12/1/26 - 12/23/26	The Business Office develops personnel salary and benefit costs and reviews departmental budgets
1/4/27 - 1/30/27	Superintendent's budget review meetings with Administrators
2/8/26 – 2/12/27	Contact Municipal CFOs to verify tax data
2/15/27	Budget, supporting documentation, tax analysis, & funding proposals presented to the Superintendent
2/16/27	Board Committees review preliminary budget data
2/26/27	State Aid data scheduled for release.
3/8/27	Board Committees review the Proposed Advertised Budget
***3/15/27**	Board of Education adopts Proposed Advertised Budget
***3/19/27**	The final proposed budget is submitted to the Executive County Superintendent.
***4/19/27**	The FY 2028 District Budget is advertised.
***4/26/27**	Public Hearing is held on the FY 2028 Budget
***4/27/27**	The User-Friendly Budget is posted to the District's website.
*Dates will be determined based on the State budget calendar, Governor's Address, and subsequent State Aid release. Board meeting dates are subject to Organizational meeting approval	

10. A RESOLUTION OF Morris Hills Regional District AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF electricity SUPPLY SERVICES FOR PUBLIC USE ON AN ONLINE AUCTION WEBSITE

WHEREAS, Morris Hills Regional District has determined to move forward with the EMEX Reverse Auction in order procure electricity for Morris Hills Regional District and

WHEREAS, the Local Government Electronic Procurement Act (P.L. 2018, c. 156) (the "Act") authorizes the purchase of electricity supply service for public use through the use of an online auction service; and

WHEREAS, The Morris Hills Regional District will utilize the online auction services (the "Reverse Auction") of EMEX, LLC d/b/a Mantis Energy ("Mantis Energy") an approved vendor pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, Mantis Energy is compensated for all services rendered through the contract rate collected by the participating supplier that is awarded a contract resulting from the Reverse Auction; and

WHEREAS, the Reverse Auction will be conducted pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, Morris Hills Regional District desires to specify rate benchmarks for corresponding contract duration(s) (the "Auction Benchmark(s)") that would serve as the criteria for determining if it could award a contract to the winning supplier in the Reverse Auction., provided that such supplier's offer is equal to or less than the Auction Benchmark for that particular contract duration (a "Conforming Offer")

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Auction Benchmarks for the Reverse Auction are set at:

- 12 – 0.9678
- 18 – 0.10185
- 24 – 0.10013 and

BE IT RESOLVED, that for the selected term Morris Hills Regional District may award a contract to the winning supplier where the contract price is less than or equal to the Auction Benchmark for the selected term (a "Conforming Contract") and the Business Administrator of the is hereby is authorized to execute on behalf of Morris Hills Regional District such a Conforming Contract.

	Motion By:	Mr. William Maher, Chair.			**Seconded By:**					
Roll Call	Mr. Bertram	Mrs. D'Asti	Mr. Francia	Ms. Levy	Mr. Maher	Mr. Napolitano	Mr. Serafin	Mrs. Yeager	Mr. Wieczerzak	
AYES:										
NAYS:										
ABSTAIN:										

C. Curriculum, Extended Education, Athletics, and Student Activities (Items 1-13)

1. Approval of the following Curriculum Revision Cycles for 2026-2031:

Department	Year	Course Titles
Academy for the Performing Arts	2026-2027	Academy Acting 1/Musical Theatre H Academy Acting 2/Musical Theatre H Academy Vocal / Piano Studio H Academy Acting 3/Musical Theatre Production H Academy Technical Theatre H Academy Introduction to Dance as an Art Form H Academy Intermediate Dance Technique H Academy Dance Technology & Theoretical Studies H
Academy for the Performing Arts	2027-2028	Academy Choreography & Career Planning H Academy Advanced Dance Technique H
Academy for Math, Science, and Engineering	2026-2027	Academy Technical Writing H Academy Business Strategies H Academy Engineering & Product Development 2H
Academy for Math, Science, and Engineering	2027-2028	Academy Fundamentals of Engineering H Academy Engineering & Product Development 3H Academy Social Studies 1H Academy Social Studies 2H Academy CAD H Academy Macroeconomics H
Academy for Math, Science, and Engineering	2028-2029	Academy Analysis 1H
Academy for Math, Science, and Engineering	2029-2030	Academy Analysis 2H Academy English 1H Academy English 2H
Academy for Math, Science, and Engineering	2030-2031	Academy Biotechnology H Academy Engineering & Product Development 1H
Adult High School	2027-2028	English 1 English 2
Art	2026-2027	Introduction to Art Digital Art and Design Advanced Art Techniques
Art	2027-2028	Advanced Digital Art & Design Cartooning & Animation AP Art History
Art	2028-2029	AP Studio Art Studio Art Workshop Digital Photography Mixed Media Sculpture
Business	2026-2027	AP Business with Personal Finance Business & Personal Law Business Management Sports & Entertainment Marketing Structured Learning Experience
Business	2027-2028	College Accounting 1H College Accounting 2H Game Development Investment Strategies Marketing Social Media Marketing Yearbook 1 and Yearbook 2
Business	2030-2031	Introduction to Business Microsoft Professional Personal Finance Entrepreneurship Esports Experience
English	2026-2027	Film Studies
English	2027-2028	English 12: Expository & Creative Writing English 12
English	2028-2029	AP Language & Composition AP Literature & Composition English 9 CP English 10 CP English 11
English	2029-2030	English 9 Honors/Academy 1H English 10 Honors/Academy 2H Bridges to Success - ELA English 12: Service Learning Theatre Arts

Department	Year	Course Titles
English	2030-2031	Public Speaking & Writing SAT Prep News in the Digital Age Multimedia Journalism
Family/Consumer Science	2027-2028	Exploring Childhood Introduction to Education
Family/Consumer Science	2029-2030	Food Service Management/Culinary Arts III
Family/Consumer Science	2030-2031	Food and Nutrition/Culinary Arts I Food, Cultures, and Traditions/Culinary Arts II
Mathematics	2026-2027	Cybersecurity Foundations AP Statistics Bridges to Success - Math
Mathematics	2027-2028	College Math Topics Algebra 1 Geometry Statistics and Probability
Mathematics	2028-2029	Calculus & Analytic Geometry H AP Calculus AB/BC Algebra 2 Precalculus Data Science
Mathematics	2029-2030	SAT Prep AP Computer Science A AP Computer Science Principles ESL Intermediate Math I ESL Intermediate Math II
Mathematics	2030-2031	Calculus III - Multivariable H Financial Algebra Research-Based Analysis IH
Music	2026-2027	Choir Band String Orchestra
Music	2027-2028	Music Theory/Composition Music Appreciation AP Music Theory
Physical Education/Health	2027-2028	Driver's Education (Health 10) Character Education Health 11
Physical Education/Health	2028-2029	Health 9 Physical Education Health 12 Physical Education for Dancers
Science	2026-2027	Environmental Science AP Environmental Science AP Chemistry AP Physics C Physics CPA
Science	2027-2028	Animal Behavior Geology Astronomy AP Seminar
Science	2028-2029	AP Research Chemistry Forensic Science Physical Science CPB
Science	2029-2030	AP Biology Introduction to Aviation Biology Anatomy & Physiology
Science	2030-2031	AP Physics 1 Drone & UAS Technology Advanced Aviation
Social Studies	2027-2028	AP European History AP Economics AP Psychology AP US Government & Politics AP United States History US History 1 H-CP/Academy Social Studies 2 Honors US History 2 CP World History H-CP/Academy Social Studies 1 Honors
Social Studies	2028-2029	Introduction to Economics AP Human Geography Psychology

Department	Year	Course Titles
Social Studies	2029-2030	Sociology Foundations of Philosophy Sports in American Culture Academy Macroeconomics H
Social Studies	2030-2031	Anthropology Criminology African American Studies Military History
Special Education	2026-2027	Community-Based Instruction Learning Strategies Workforce Readiness - SLE Work-Based Learning
Special Education	2027-2028	Foundations for Success Adaptive Physical Education Multiply Disabled Program Adaptive Health Reading
Special Education	2030-2031	Unified Physical Education Unified Health
Student Services	2026-2027	Gifted/Talented Program Library/Media Services School Counseling AVID Elective 12
Student Services	2027-2028	AVID Elective 9 AVID Elective 10
Student Services	2029-2030	Student Assistance Counseling
Student Services	2030-2031	AVID Elective 11
Technology Education	2026-2027	Cabinet Making & Furniture Design Architectural Design Auto Mechanics 1 Electrical Trades Engineering Design TV Production 3
Technology Education	2027-2028	Auto Mechanics 2 / 3 Computer Aided Design 2 Robotics 1 Metals & Manufacturing Tech (including Advanced) Metalworking Introduction to Graphic Communications Introduction to Woodworking TV Production 2 Advanced Graphic Production & Manufacturing
Technology Education	2030-2031	Computer-Aided Design 1 Electricity TV Production 1 Engineering Maker Lab Robotics 2
World Language	2026-2027	AP German Language AP French Language AP Spanish Language German 1 French 1 Spanish 1 ESL Composition ESL Intermediate ESL Advanced
World Language	2027-2028	ESL Newcomer ESL Beginner ESL Literature and Language Spanish Language 1 Spanish Language 2 German 2 French 2 Spanish 2
World Language	2028-2029	French 3H Spanish 3H German 3H French 4H German 4H Spanish 4H

2. Approval of the following 2026 Curriculum Revision:

Subject Area	Course Title	Standard Alignments
Business	Esports Experience	2020/2023 NJSLS

3. Approval of 16 German Exchange Students to attend the Morris Hills Regional District from March 20 to April 11, 2027 through the Partnership International Exchange.

4. Approval of the following Guest Speakers:

Program	Speaker	Description	Total Fee
Excelsior and Summa Award Winners	Cornell Thomas	Cornell Thomas, international speaker, entrepreneur, author, coach, and Morris Hills High School graduate, will share his inspirational story and speak about goal setting, positive mindset, handling adversity, and other motivational topics -- October 27, 2026	$2,000.00
English 12 Service Learning	Christi Kobus Rokicki	Christi Kobus Rokicki, MAS, CFRE, CVA, Vice President of External Affairs, National Summer Learning Association, will share her experience working in multiple nonprofit settings, including the United Way, American Red Cross, and Huntington's Disease Society of America. She will discuss fundamentals of grant writing, development, and fundraising for nonprofit organizations and events. Students will also share their areas of research interest with the speaker, who can use those to suggest potential contacts at community organizations relevant to students' interests -- December 2026/January 2027	$0.00
English 12 Service Learning	Amelia Raybould	Amelia Raybould, Denville Bluebird Committee founder, will talk about her process in founding the Bluebird Committee in Denville, alongside community partners, to set up bluebird houses and monitor them, to support the local bluebird population -- January/February 2027	$0.00
CTE	Carlos Isaza-Zuloaga	Carlos Isaza-Zuloaga, Morris Knolls HS Aviation Alumnus, will be sharing his journey in flight school and acquiring additional ratings. -- November 2026	$0.00
CTE	Jaclyn Morales	Jaclyn Morales, from Atlantic Health, will be presenting the November Lunch and Learn as part of the Career Pathways District Goal -- January 2027	$0.00
Criminology	Autym Grace Dymarczyk	Autym Grace Dymarczyk, Juris Doctor candidate at Seton Hall University School of Law and Symposium Editor for Volume 57 of the *Seton Hall Law Review*, will lead a Q&A session on the pathway to a legal career -- November 13, 2026	$0.00
US History	Mayor Andes	Mayor Andes of Denville will speak to Mr. DiPaolo's US History classes regarding the democratic process, the role of local government, voting and elections, and the value of becoming informed, active community members -- November 2026	$0.00

5. Approval of the following Academy for the Performing Arts Guest Artist and Fee:

Program	Artist	Description	Total Fee
Musical Theatre/Theatre/Vocal Performance	Ashley DeLane Burger	Actor Know Thyself Workshop 1 and 2 - 10 sessions: November 2026	$2,250.00

6. Approval of the following Academy for Math, Science, and Engineering alumni partners for the 2026-2027 school year, who will share their professional and academic expertise with seniors in the Academy for Math, Science, and Engineering:

Alumni Partner Name	Year of Graduation	Post-Secondary Institution
John Ferdinandi	2026	University of Maryland
Timothy Lee	2025	Purdue University
Joshua Estrin	2025	Lehigh
Steve Makuch	2008	Drexel (BS); Rutgers (MS)
Wyatt Glasser	2026	Rochester Institute of Technology
Esteban Cambronero Saba	2019	Stanford
Kyle Buznitsky	2016	Rutgers, MIT
Kevin Mathew	2019	Wharton
Anish Mahapatra	2025	Purdue University
Oma Makhija	2026	California Institute of Technology
Nick Falcone	2026	WPI
Matt Lubin	2011	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Anu Suresh	2025	Rice University

Alumni Partner Name	Year of Graduation	Post-Secondary Institution
Priyanka Patel	2025	Stanford University
Virginia Wei	2018	Dartmouth College
Tatva Kabat	2026	Cornell University
Sosi Hoerning	2025	Boston University
Aum Shah	2026	University of Pennsylvania | Jerome Fisher Program in Management and Technology
Jacob Fuhr	2021	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rohith Nibhanupudi	2020	Georgia Tech
Shiamak Bhatt	2026	Georgetown University
Huaiming (Ming) Xu	2005	Rutgers (transferred), NYU Stern
Prathamesh Trivedi	2024	UC Berkeley
Ruthvik Venkatesan	2025	New Jersey Institute of Technology
Neeha Pathan	2016	Rutgers New Brunswick/ Robert Wood Johnson Med School
Srivatsa Kundurthy	2023	Stanford, Cornell
Sahaj Bhandari	2026	Cornell University
David Xu	2024	Carnegie Mellon University
Evan Park	2024	Rice University
Herman Sokiran	2018	Boston University (2022), UT Austin (2024)
Raj Pahilwani	2026	Purdue University

7. Approval of the implementation of Game of Life, an interactive, school-based program developed by Deirdre's House, at the Mental Health Fair at Morris Knolls High School on February 5, 2027 at no cost.

8. Approval of the disposition of the following textbooks:

Title	Author(s)	Publisher	Year	Quantity	Reason	School
Geometry: Concepts and Applications	Jerry Cummins, Tim Kanold, Margaret Kenney, Carol Malloy, Yvonne Mojica	Glencoe McGraw-Hill	2008	7	Outdated	Morris Hills
Active Physical Science	Dr. Arthur Eisenkraft Gary Freebury	Herff Jones Education Division	2005	28	Outdated	Morris Knolls
Prentice Hall: Exploring Physical Science	Anthea Maton, Jean Hopkins, Susan Johnson, David LaHart, Maryanna Quon Warner, Jill D. Wright	Prentice Hall	1999	34	Outdated	Morris Knolls
Pacemaker Biology	Richard Lowell Richard Grybos Christine Mason	Globe Fearon Inc.	2004	38	Outdated	Morris Knolls
AGS Earth Science	Robert H. Marshall and Allen B. Rosskopf	AGS Publishing	2004	33	Outdated	Morris Knolls

9. Ratification of Athletic Schedule Changes for September 2026 for Morris Hills High School and Morris Knolls High School.

10. Approval of Athletic Trips for November 2026 for Morris Hills High School and Morris Knolls High School.

11. Ratification of the following Field Trip:

Name / School	Dept./ Trip #	Location / Date	Field Trip Summary	Cost to Student	Est. BOE Cost
~~**Timothy Mein / MH**~~ **CHANGED TO: CARYN GRAF** Nicholas Pelosi / MH	AVID AT-09453	Wayne, NJ 10/9/2026	Morris Hills High School AVID students will tour William Paterson University as part of their curriculum.	$0.00	MHRD buses*

12. Approval of the following Field Trips:

Name / School	Dept. / Trip	Location / Date	Field Trip Summary	Cost to Student	Est. BOE Cost
Richard Abad / MK Sandra Ostrowski / MK Samora Brice /MK Stacy Wieringa / MK Rachel Gallo / MK **ADDED:** **THERESA CATLOW / MK** **PATRICIA AMBROSI/ MK**	Art AT-09431	Trenton, NJ 10/30/2026	Morris Knolls High School Photography, Digital Art, and AP Art students will visit Grounds for Sculpture.	$10.00	$75.00 (chaperone fees) +MHRD buses*
Michelle Uhler/ MH	Music AT-09579	Denville, NJ 11/3/2026	Morris Hills High School Vocal students will travel to Morris Knolls High School to participate in District Vocal Music Day.	$0.00	MHRD buses*
Krystal Beck / Dist. Jodie Adessa / MK Lindsay Dunn / MK	APA AT-09519	Wharton, NJ 11/9/2026	Academy for the Performing Arts Musical Theatre students will perform at St. Mary's Senior Club.	$0.00	MHRD buses*
Christopher Carrano / MK Anthony Vasile /MK Nicholas DiPaolo/ MK 15 Staff Assistants Nurse	Special Education AT-09615	Denville, NJ 11/10/2026	Morris Knolls High School Independent Living Skills students will practice social skills, academic skills learned in class, and life skills during a trip to Denville Dog. (Group #1)	$0.00	MHRD buses*
John Miraldi / MK David Honig / MH William Erickson / MK	Technology AT-09600	Flanders, NJ 11/12/2026	Morris Hills High School and Morris Knolls High School CTE students will attend the Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship Fair at Mount Olive High School to explore career opportunities and connect with employers and training providers.	$0.00	MHRD buses*
Christopher Carrano / MK Anthony Vasile /MK Nicholas DiPaolo/ MK 15 Staff Assistants Nurse	Special Education AT-09550	Denville, NJ 11/12/2026	Morris Knolls High School Independent Living Skills students will practice social skills, academic skills learned in class, and life skills during a trip to Denville Dog. (Group #2)	$0.00	MHRD buses*
Joy Mazur / MK Amanda Manjorin / MK Nurse	English AT-09590	Madison, NJ 11/13/2026	Morris Knolls High School Theatre Arts students will have the opportunity to be an audience member in a professional theater for a production of *Hamlet*, as well as the chance to hear from the actors and director in a talkback session following the show at the Shakespeare Theatre of NJ.	$20.00	$40.00 (chaperone fee) + MHRD buses*
Jihanne Radzieski / MH Vincent Limon / MH **ADDED:** **KEITH BIGORA / Dist.**	Business AT-09435	East Rutherford, NJ 11/17/2026	Morris Hills High School Sports & Entertainment Marketing students will attend the Jets Sports Business Day at MetLife Stadium to gain a better understanding of running a sports franchise.	$55.00	MHRD buses*
Aaron Lipsen / MK Kieran McLaughlin / Mk Parent Chaperone	Multicultural Club AT-09556	Boonton, NJ 11/18/2026	Morris Knolls High School Multicultural Club members will tour Boonton to experience an early 20th-century downtown and enjoy a meal at Eric's Jamaican Cuisine.	$25.00	MHRD buses*
Christopher Carrano / MK Anthony Vasile /MK Nicholas DiPaolo/ MK 15 Staff Assistants Nurse	Special Education AT-09551	Rockaway, NJ 11/18/2026	Morris Knolls High School Independent Living Skills students will practice social skills, academic skills learned in class, and life skills during a trip to Target. (Group #1)	$0.00	MHRD buses*
Holly Bridge / MH John Nugent / MH Bryant Wanamaker / MH Brian Bollette / MH Nurse	Social Studies AT-09576	Randolph, NJ 11/19/2026	Morris Hills High School Criminology students will attend the County College of Morris Criminal Justice Career Fair. Students will stop for lunch at the Randolph Diner.	Cost of lunch (optional)	MHRD buses*
Jenna Miller / MH	Gifted & Talented AT-09603	Denville, NJ 11/20/2026	Morris Hills High School Model Congress students will travel to Morris Knolls High School for the Model Congress Summit, where delegations from both schools can meet one another, prepare for Party Day, and practice congressional vocabulary.	$0.00	MHRD buses*
Justin Hill / MK	Technology AT-09562	Upper Saddle River & Haskell, NJ 11/24/2026	Morris Knolls High School Advanced Metal Shop and Metals GT students will travel to the HAAS Factory Outlet for their CNC exam. Students will stop at Jersey Mike's for lunch.	Cost of lunch (optional)	MHRD buses*

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Name / School	Dept. / Trip	Location / Date	Field Trip Summary	Cost to Student	Est. BOE Cost
Christopher Carrano / MK Anthony Vasile /MK Nicholas DiPaolo/ MK 15 Staff Assistants Nurse	Special Education AT-09617	Rockaway, NJ 11/24/2026	Morris Knolls High School Independent Living Skills students will practice social skills, academic skills learned in class, and life skills during a trip to Target. (Group #2)	$0.00	MHRD buses*
Lauren Sherburne / MH	FCS AT-09580 (MH) AT-09582 (MK)	Wharton, NJ 12/3/2026 (MH) 12/10/2026 (MK)	Morris Hills High School and Morris Knolls High School Introduction to Education students will meet with the library coordinator at the Wharton Public Library and will participate in story time to learn various techniques on sharing literature with early childhood-aged children.	$0.00	MHRD buses*
Kristen Markowski / MK Brett Izsa / Dist. Jennifer Brady / MK Parent Chaperone	Music AT-09678	Parsippany, NJ 12/4/2026	Morris Knolls High School Choir members have been invited to the NJSMA Region 1 Choir Festival at Parsippany Hills High School.	$0.00	$250.00 + MHRD buses*
Cara Russo / MH Amy Calzone /MH	English AT-09545	Wayne, NJ 12/7/2026	Morris Hills High School Film Studies students will view *Hunger Games - Sunrise on the Reaping* at the Cinemark Movie Theater. Students will have lunch at the Willowbrook Mall food court.	$16.25 + Cost of lunch (optional)	$32.50 (cost of chaperones) + MHRD buses
Carla Petti / MK Denis Arias / MK	World Language AT-09612	Dover, NJ 12/11/2026	Morris Knolls High School Spanish 3 Honors, Spanish 4, and Spanish 5 AP Classes will enjoy a cultural lunch at Sabor Latino.	$15.00	MHRD buses*
Jenna Miller / MH Emma Evans / MK Lauren Sherburne / MH Tracy Hornby / MH (emergency chaperone)	Gifted & Talented AT-09663	Trenton, NJ 12/11/2026	Morris Hills High School and Morris Knolls High School Gifted and Talented Model Congress Seminar students will participate in Party Platform Day at the NJ State House Annex.	$0.00	MHRD buses*
Brian Bollette / MH Benjamin Smolinski / MH William Livingston / MH Pam Schiele / MH	Wrestling AT-09602	Manahawkin & Stafford, NJ 12/11 - 12/12/2026	Morris Hills High School Varsity Boys Wrestlers will compete in the Robin Leff Invitational Tournament at Southern Regional High School.	$0.00	$600.00 + MHRD buses*
Kristen Markowski / MK	Music AT-09583	Mountain Lakes, NJ 12/21/2026	Morris Knolls High School Choir members will perform at the Lakeland Hills YMCA Holiday Party.	$0.00	MHRD buses*
Brian Bollette / MH Benjamin Smolinski / MH William Livingston /MH Pam Schiele / MH	Wrestling AT-09623	Red Bank & Middletown, NJ 12/29 - 12/30/2026	Morris Hills High School Varsity Boys Wrestlers will compete in the Walter Woods Holiday Wrestling Tournament at Middletown South High School.	$0.00	$600.00 + MHRD buses*
Laura Malec / MK Robert Geary / MK Jennifer Volz / MK Kristi Augenstein / MK John Miraldi / MK/ Emma Evans / MK	Ski Club AT-09605 AT-09606 AT-09607 AT-09608 AT-09609	Tannersville, PA 1/7/2027 1/14/2027 1/21/2027 1/28/2027 2/4/2027	Morris Knolls High School Ski & Snowboard Club members will participate in 5 weekly trips to Camelback Ski Resort.	$350.00 - $630.00	MHRD buses*
Sandra Ostrowski / MK Richard Abad / MK Stacy Wieringa / MK Rachel Gallo / MK Samora Brice / MK 1 chaperone TBD Nurse	Art AT-09592	New York, NY 1/22/2027	Morris Knolls High School Art classes will experience original artworks firsthand during a trip to the MoMA	$9.00	$150.00 (chaperone fees) + MHRD buses*
Bryant Wanamaker / MH Andres Diaz / MH Erick Gill / MH Pam Schiele / MH	Wrestling AT-09622	Toms River & Bayville, NJ 1/23 - 1/24/2027	Morris Hills High School Varsity Girls Wrestlers will compete in the Golden Eagle Grapple Wrestling Tournament at Central Regional High School.	$0.00	$500.00 + MHRD buses*
Bruce Campbell / MH Mark DiGennaro, Sr. / MH Joseph Visaggio / MH Anthony Lusardi / MH	Football AT-09561	East Rutherford, NJ 2/12/2027	Morris Hills High School Football team members will volunteer at the Project Kind: Worthy of Love event at MetLife Stadium with the New York Giants. They will assist with event coordination, supply distribution, and serve as peer buddies to guests.	$0.00	MHRD buses*

Name / School	Dept. / Trip	Location / Date	Field Trip Summary	Cost to Student	Est. BOE Cost
Brian Bollette / MH Benjamin Smolinski /MH William Livingston / MH Bryant Wanamaker / MH Andres Diaz / MH Erick Gill / MH Anthony Vasile / MK Christopher Cervona / MK Erik Leonhardt / MK Michael Kaiser / MK Christopher Lantz / MK	Wrestling	Atlantic City, NJ 2/24 - 2/27/2027	Morris Hills High School and Morris Knolls High School Boys and Girls Wrestling team members who qualify for the Individual State Wrestling Championships will participate in the State Tournament.	$0.00	Lodging: $7,050.00 ($2,350.00 for MK Boys, MH Boys, MH Girls each) Meals: $2,618.00 ($238.00 per coach) Mileage: $1,406.24 ($127.84 per coach) Tolls/Parking: $1,100.00 ($100.00 per coach)
Jenna Miller / MH Emma Evans / MK Peter Adams / MH (emergency chaperone) Tracy Hornby / MH (emergency chaperone)	Gifted & Talented AT-09664	Lawrenceville, NJ 2/26/2027	Morris Hills High School and Morris Knolls High School Gifted & Talented Model Congress Seminar students will participate in Leadership Day at Rider University.	$0.00	MHRD buses*
Cara Russo / MH 1 chaperone TBD	English AT-09549	Teaneck, NJ 3/12/2027	Morris Hills High School Film Studies students will view the classic film, *Jaws*, on the big screen at Teaneck Cinema.	$16.00	$48.00 (chaperone fees) + MHRD buses*
Samara McGhee / MK Rebecca Hansen / MK	Speech & Debate Club AT-09460 AT-09461	~~**Flemington, NJ**~~ **CHANGED TO: MORRISTOWN, NJ** 3/13/2027 3/14/20217	Morris Knolls High School Speech and Debate Club students will compete in the 2-day State Championships at ~~**Hunterdon Central High School.**~~ **CHANGED TO: DELBARTON HIGH SCHOOL.**	$0.00	~~**MHRD buses***~~ **CHANGED TO: $0.00**
Samara McGhee / MK Rebecca Hansen / MK	Speech & Debate Club AT-09619 AT-09465	~~**Bridgewater, NJ**~~ **CHANGED TO: FLEMINGTON, NJ 3/19/2027 3/20/2027**	Morris Knolls High School Speech and Debate Club students will compete in the 2-day District Qualifiers at ~~**Bridgewater-Raritan High School.**~~ **CHANGED TO: HUNTERDON CENTRAL REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL.**	$0.00	MHRD buses*
Keith Bigora / Dist. Justine Sobieski / MH Martha Fundora / MK	Aviation AT-09538	Succasunna, NJ 4/8/2027	Morris Hills High School and Morris Knolls High School Aviation and Drones students will participate in an interactive Aviation Day experience at Roxbury High School featuring flight simulators, drone competitions, guest speakers, and an aviation career fair.	$0.00	MHRD buses*
Jennifer Baggot / MK Amy Richter / MK James Pisciotto / MK	PE/Health AT-09540	Parsippany & Rockaway, NJ 4/27/2027	Morris Knolls High School PE/Health 11 students will apply physical education concepts in a recreational setting during a trip to Top Golf. Students will stop for lunch at Rockaway Townsquare Mall.	$14.00 + cost of lunch (optional)	MHRD buses*

*Per the MHRD Transportation Trip Rate Guide

13. Approval of the following Staff Conferences:

Name / School	Location / Date	Conference	Account	Est. District Cost	Est. Emp. Reim.*
Shari Russo / MK	Online 10/27/2026 - 1/30/2027 (asynchronous)	NJPSA/FEA: Legal One Anti-Bullying Specialist Online Certificate Program	27-11-000-218-580-000-04	$600.00	$0.00
Janine Rinaldi / MH Heather Jensen /MK	Online 10/27/2026	Rutgers University: Understanding and Addressing the Needs of People with Dual Diagnosis	N/A	$0.00	$0.00
Heather Jensen / MK	Online 11/2/2026	Rutgers University: Introduction to Positive Behavior Supports	N/A	$0.00	$0.00
Melissa Sabo / MH Rusty Obra / MK	New Hyde Park, NY 11/3/2026	Culinary Institute of America PD	27-11-190-100-580-807-03 (M.S.) 27-11-190-100-580-807-04 (R.O.)	$164.00	$164.00

Name / School	Location / Date	Conference	Account	Est. District Cost	Est. Emp. Reim.*
Kristen Markowski / MK	Atlantic City, NJ 11/4/2026	NJMEA: NJ All State Mixed Choir Choral Procedures Chair	N/A	$0.00	$0.00
Kelly Lestrange / MK	New Brunswick, NJ 11/4/2026	The Arc of NJ: The 3rd Annual Beverly Roberts Memorial Healthcare Symposium	27-11-000-219-580-292-06	$71.08	$71.08
Kristen Markowski / MK	Vernon, NJ 11/11/2026	Sussex County Choral Directors Association: Guest Conductor for Sussex County Honor Choir 2026	N/A	$0.00	$0.00
Nicholas Pelosi / MH	Sparkill, NY 11/13/2026	Counselor Connect: A Networking Lunch at St. Thomas Aquinas College	27-11-000-218-580-000-03	$47.47	$47.47
Monika Weissensee / MH	New York, NY 11/16/2026	College Board: AP Reading Technology Pilot	N/A	$0.00	$0.00
Ciana Roman / MH	Wharton, NJ 11/16/2026 11/30/2026	Picatinny Arsenal: Programming Language Literacy	N/A	$0.00	$0.00
Lara Carlson / MK	Monroe, NJ 11/17/2026	FEA: Human Advantage Skills in an AI World - Leading for Impact	27-11-000-240-580-000-04	$257.64	$62.64
Emily Barkocy / MH	Online 11/19/2026	NJPSA/FEA: Foundation for Education Administration - Legal One - Attendance, Residency, and Homelessness Issues	27-11-190-100-500-099-03	$170.00	$0.00
Nicholas Pelosi / MH	South Orange, NJ 11/20/2026	HESAA School Counselor Workshop at Seton Hall University	27-11-000-218-580-000-03	$22.61	$22.61
Janine Rinaldi / MH	Online 11/24/2026	Rutgers University: Introduction to Positive Behavior Supports	N/A	$0.00	$0.00
Meaghan Cordero / MK Sara Lakatos / MK Kristin Pennisi / MK	New Providence, NJ 11/30/2026	Morris-Union Jointure Commission: Streamlining the Digital Classroom - AI As a Teaching Assistant	27-11-190-100-580-103-04 (M.C., S.L., K.P.)	$440.85	$53.85
Christopher Frangipane / MK	Morristown, NJ 12/3/2026	CAE: Aviation Round Table	27-11-190-100-580-113-04	$7.71	$7.71
Brenda Gupta / MH Rebecca Rock / MK	Montclair, NJ 12/4/2026	Montclair State University Counselor Workshop	N/A	$0.00	$0.00
Joseph Avagliano / MH	Princeton, NJ 12/4/2026	NJ Council for History Education at Princeton University	27-11-190-100-580-112-03	$149.74	$54.74
Stefana Niemoczynski / MH Lauren Sherburne / MH	Old Tappan, NJ 12/7/2026	NJ AI Literacy Summit: Presenters of “Leveraging AI to Enhance Critical Reasoning Skills” at Northern Valley Regional High School.	27-11-000-223-580-000-03 (S.N., L.S.)	$71.44	$71.44
Lauren Jackson / MH Angela Salisbury / MK Mark DiGennaro, Jr. / MH	Woodland Park, NJ 12/10/2026 Jersey City, NJ 1/21/2027 Ramsey, NJ 3/18/2027 TBD 5/20/2027	NJCECA Meetings	27-11-190-100-580-802-03 (L.J., M.D.) 27-11-190-100-580-802-04 (A.S.)	$495.00	$345.00
Tiffany Doltz / MH	Morristown, NJ 1/8 - 1/10/2027-	American Flyers Private Pilot Ground School	27-11-190-100-500-113-03	$583.84	$33.84
Meaghan Cordero / MK Sara Lakatos / MK	New Providence, NJ 1/11/2027	Morris-Union Jointure Commission: AI in Action - Practical Strategies for Using Artificial Intelligence to Strengthen Student Learning	27-11-190-100-580-103-04 (M.C., S.L.)	$293.90	$35.90
Kevin Doyle / Dist.	Online 1/13/2027	TMI Education: Leveraging Artificial Intelligence to Create Three-Dimensional Assessments in Science	27-11-190-100-580-111-04	$160.00	$0.00

Name / School	Location / Date	Conference	Account	Est. District Cost	Est. Emp. Reim.*
Lori Vertucci / MK Emily Rapagnani / Dist. Dominique Brock / MK	Ewing, NJ 1/27/2027	The College of New Jersey: AI With Intention - Helping Students Think, Question and Create	27-11-000-223-580-000-04 (L.V.) 27-11-190-100-580-103-04 (E.R.) (D. B.)	$980.10	$174.27
Michele Hudak / MK	Denville, NJ 1/29/2027	AP Round Table at Morris Knolls HS	N/A	$0.00	$0.00
Lindsay Dunn / MK	Montclair, NJ 3/10/2027	Montclair State University: Theatre Day for Teachers	27-11-190-100-580-163-04	$194.84	$19.84

**Estimated Employee Reimbursement may include Lodging, Meals, Mileage, Parking, Tolls, Baggage, Taxis, Airfare, etc.*

	Motion By:	Mrs. Barbara Levy, Chair.			Seconded By:				
Roll Call	Mr. Bertram	Mrs. D'Asti	Mr. Francia	Ms. Levy	Mr. Maher	Mr. Napolitano	Mr. Serafin	Mrs. Yeager	Mr. Wieczerzak
AYES:									
NAYS:									
ABSTAIN:									

D. Community Relations (Items 1-7)

1. Approval of the Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying investigation results as received and affirmed by the Chief School Administrator.
2. Approval to submit the Affirmation Form for the Uniform State Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials to the County Superintendent of Schools in conformance with N.J.A.C. 6A:16-6.1 and 6A:16-6.2(b) 14.
3. Approval of a materials grant valued at $532.44 from Donors Choose to the Morris Hills High School HOPE Club.
4. Approval of a materials grant valued at $498.93 from Donors Choose to the Morris Hills High School HOPE Club.
5. Approval of a materials grant valued at $631.27 from Donors Choose to the Morris Hills High School HOPE Club.
6. Approval to accept the following donations of gift cards from local businesses to the MHRD Wellness Committee, to be raffled off to staff members in support of the District's Student and Staff Wellness goal initiative:

Business:	Value
The Pasta Shop, Denville	$25.00
The Exchange, Rockaway	(2) $50.00 ea
Diamond Spring Brewing Co., Denville	1 month Circle Club membership ($20.00)
Thatcher McGhee's, Denville	$25.00

7. Approval to authorize acceptance of the Verification of 2025-26 District Annual Report of Violence and Vandalism:

Count of Incidents	2025-26	2024-25	2023-24	2022-23	2021-22
Violence	14	13	5	11	20
Vandalism	3	0	0	1	5
Weapons	0	0	1	3	1
HIB	6	5	10	17	9
Substance Abuse	9	30	32	35	24
Incident Total	32	48	47	67	59

	Motion By:	Mrs. Christie D'Asti, Chair			Seconded By:				
Roll Call	Mr. Bertram	Mrs. D'Asti	Mr. Francia	Ms. Levy	Mr. Maher	Mr. Napolitano	Mr. Serafin	Mrs. Yeager	Mr. Wieczerzak
AYES:									
NAYS:									
ABSTAIN:									

E. General - NONE

F. Personnel (Items 1-2)

1. Consider accepting, with regret, the resignation of the following personnel for the purpose of retirement:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Eff. Date
Vergara, Gilberto	Custodian - Night Supervisor	MK	BB-0004-22-02A	27-11-000-262-100-000-04	12/31/26
Gorman, William	Custodian	MK	BB-0004-22-14A	27-11-000-262-100-000-04	12/31/26
Yuen, Jack Non	Custodian	MK	BB-0004-22-13A	27-70-990-262-100-000-04	12/31/26

2. Consider accepting the resignation of the following personnel:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Eff. Date
Dunn, Lindsay	Assistant Golf Coach	MK	X-0004-28-87A	27-11-402-100-100-947-04	10/27/26

Motion By:	Mr. Patrick Napolitano, Chair.	**Seconded By:**	
IN FAVOR:			
OPPOSED:			
ABSTAIN:			

F. Personnel Continued (Items 3-15)

3. The Chief School Administrator recommends rescinding the contract and appointment of staff and payment of salary of the following non-certified positions for the 2026-2027 school year:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Step / Salary (*prorated)	Eff. Date
Alexander, Christina	National English Honor Society Advisor	MK	X-0004-28-87A	27-11-402-100-100-947-04	$315.60	01/01/27-06/30/27

4. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing a leave of absence or revision for the 2026-2027 school year:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Effective Dates *(all dates are on or about)*			
					Sick and/or Personal	FMLA / NJFLA	Unpaid	Return to Work
Alexander, Christina	Teacher of English	MK	V-0004-03-20A	27-11-140-100-101-000-04		08/24/26 - 11/13/26	**Change From:** 11/16/26 - 01/01/27 **To:** 11/16/26 - 02/26/27	**Change From:** 01/04/27 **To:** 03/01/27
DiStasio, Marissa	Teacher of Math	MK	V-0004-09-20A	27-11-140-100-101-000-04		10/05/26 - 11/13/26		11/16/26
O'Shea, Mary	LDT-C	MK	U-0004-17-02A	27-11-000-219-104-000-04	01/05/26 - 04/06/26	04/07/26 - 09/03/26	**Change From:** 09/04/26 - 01/01/27 **To:** 09/04/26 - 06/10/27	**Change From:** 01/04/27 **To:** Start of 2027-2028 School Year
Palanker, Tori	School Counselor	MK	M-0004-00-02A	27-11-000-218-104-000-04	01/12/27 - 01/30/27	02/01/27 - 04/30/27		05/03/27
Escobar, Alina	Staff Assistant	MK	Y-0004-00-26A	27-11-000-217-100-000-04		10/06/26 - 11/30/26		12/01/26
De Prospo, Anthony	Bus Driver - Full Run	Dist.	CC-0008-00-16A	27-11-000-270-160-000-08	09/23/26 - 09/24/26	09/25/26 - 11/02/26		11/03/26

5. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2026-2027 school year the appointment of staff and/or revision of dates and payment for the following 1/6 stipend positions:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Stipend *(*prorated)*	Effective Dates *(all dates are on or about)*
Moreno, Allyson	Teacher of Science	MH	V-0003-13-03A	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	MA+30 $19,338* + $1,133* Longevity	10/26/26 - 04/30/27
Pollison, Haley	Teacher of Science	MK	V-0003-13-03A	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	MA $18,088*	10/26/26 - 04/30/27

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Stipend *(*prorated)*	Effective Dates *(all dates are on or about)*
Weissensee, Monika	Teacher of Science (2) 1/6 positions	MH	V-0003-13-03A	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	MA+30 $19,338* x 2 = $38,676*	10/26/26 - 04/30/27
Niemoczynski, Stefana	Teacher of Science	MH	V-0003-13-03A	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	MA+30 $19,338* + $417* Longevity	10/26/26 - 04/30/27
Quinones, Jacqueline	Teacher of Spanish	MH	V-0003-15-03A	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	MA $18,088*	10/01/26 - 11/30/26
Perez, Kerby	Teacher of Spanish	MH	V-0003-15-03A	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	MA $18,088*	10/01/26 - 11/30/26
Dalton, Maria	Teacher of Spanish	MH	V-0003-15-03A	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	MA+30 $19,338* + $517* Longevity	10/01/26 - 11/30/26
Bailey, Laura	Teacher of Spanish	MH	V-0003-15-03A	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	MA+30 $19,338*	10/01/26 - 11/30/26
Henriques, Lindsay	Teacher of Spanish	MH	V-0003-15-03A	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	MA+30 $19,338* + $517* Longevity	10/01/26 - 11/30/26
Shubert, Joseph	Teacher of Math	MK	V-0004-09-20A	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338* + $1,133* Longevity	10/05/26 - 11/13/26
Hobson, Christina	Teacher of Math	MK	V-0004-09-20A	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338* + $1,133* Longevity	10/05/26 - 11/13/26
Berkheiser, Melissa	Teacher of Math	MK	V-0004-09-20A	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338*	10/05/26 - 11/13/26
Hudak, Michele	Teacher of Math	MK	V-0004-09-20A	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338* + $1,133* Longevity	10/05/26 - 11/13/26
Taddeo, Nicole	Teacher of Math	MK	V-0004-09-20A	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338* + $1,133* Longevity	10/05/26 - 11/13/26
McMahon, Bryan	Teacher of Science	MK	V-0004-13-15A	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338* + $417* Longevity	**Change** **From:** 09/30/26 - 10/21/26 **To:** 09/30/26 - 10/28/26
Fudrini, Vanessa	Teacher of Science	MK	V-0004-13-15A	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338* + $650* Longevity	**Change** **From:** 09/30/26 - 10/21/26 **To:** 09/30/26 - 10/28/26
Fisher, Maryanne	Teacher of Science	MK	V-0004-13-15A	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338* + $517* Longevity	**Change** **From:** 09/30/26 - 10/21/26 **To:** 09/30/26 - 10/28/26
Mindrebo, Eric	Teacher of Science	MK	V-0004-13-15A	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338* + $1,133* Longevity	**Change** **From:** 09/30/26 - 10/21/26 **To:** 09/30/26 - 10/28/26
Orenstein, Amanda	Teacher of Science	MK	V-0004-13-15A	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338*	**Change** **From:** 09/30/26 - 10/21/26 **To:** 09/30/26 - 10/28/26
Falconi-Shubert, Nicole	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-31-01A	27-11-213-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338* + $1,133* Longevity	**Change** **From:** 09/28/26 - 11/04/26 **To:** 09/28/26 - 12/23/26
Sills, Elizabeth	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-31-01A	27-11-212-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338*	**Change** **From:** 09/28/26 - 11/04/26 **To:** 09/28/26 - 12/23/26
Kaufman, Reid	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-31-01A	27-11-212-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338*	**Change** **From:** 09/28/26 - 11/04/26 **To:** 09/28/26 - 12/23/26
Lestrange, Kelly	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-31-01A	27-11-213-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338*	**Change** **From:** 09/28/26 - 11/04/26 **To:** 09/28/26 - 12/23/26
Di Paolo, Nicholas	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-31-01A	27-11-212-100-101-000-04	BA+30 $17,671*	**Change** **From:** 09/28/26 - 11/04/26 **To:** 09/28/26 - 12/23/26
Miniter, Craig	Teacher of Special Education	MK	V-0004-31-01A	27-11-212-100-101-000-04	MA+30 $19,338* + $1,133* Longevity	**Change** **From:** 09/28/26 - 11/04/26 **To:** 09/28/26 - 12/23/26

6. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2026-2027 school year the appointment of staff and/or revision of dates and payment for the following 2/6 stipend positions:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Stipend *(*prorated)*	Effective Dates *(all dates are on or about)*
Callanan, Maria	Learning Disability Teacher Consultant	MK	U-0004-17-02A	27-11-000-219-104-000-04	$7,735* + $453* Longevity	**Change From:** 08/24/26 - 12/23/26 **To:** 08/24/26 - 06/10/27
DiFulco, Bianca	Learning Disability Teacher Consultant	MK	U-0004-17-02A	27-11-000-219-104-000-04	$7,735*	**Change From:** 08/24/26 - 12/23/26 **To:** 08/24/26 - 06/10/27
McMally, Debra	Learning Disability Teacher Consultant	MK	U-0004-17-02A	27-11-000-219-104-000-04	$7,735*	**Change From:** 08/24/26 - 12/23/26 **To:** 08/24/26 - 06/10/27
Vetter, Robyn	Learning Disability Teacher Consultant	MK	U-0004-17-02A	27-11-000-219-104-000-04	$7,735*	**Change From:** 08/24/26 - 12/23/26 **To:** 08/24/26 - 06/10/27
Ossa, Jovanna	Learning Disability Teacher Consultant	MK	U-0004-17-02A	27-11-000-219-104-000-04	$7,735*	**Change From:** 08/24/26 - 12/23/26 **To:** 08/24/26 - 06/10/27

7. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2026-2027 school year a change of assignment and payment of salary of the following staff members:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Step / Salary *(*prorated)*	Effective Dates *(all dates are on or about)*
Escobar, Alina	Unified Sports Coach Soccer **Change From:** Full position **To:** .5 position	MK	99-0000-60-000	27-20-092-100-100-292-06	$1,500*	**Change: From:** 09/01/26 - 11/30/26 **To:** 09/01/26 - 10/05/26

8. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2026-2027 school year the revision of staff and payment of salary of the following certified positions, subject to appropriate New Jersey Department of Education certification and required documentation:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Step / Salary *(*prorated)*	Effective Dates *(all dates are on or about)*
Assadourian, Nicole	Teacher of English (Lv. Repl.)	MK	V-0004-03-20A	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	BA, Step 1. $72,125*	**Change From:** 08/24/26 - 12/23/26 **To:** 08/24/26 - 02/26/27

9. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2026-2027 school year the appointment of staff and payment of salary of the following non-certified positions, subject to receipt of required documentation:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Step / Salary *(*prorated)*	Effective Dates *(all dates are on or about)*
Lakatos, Sara	National English Honor Society Advisor	MK	FF-0004-29-77A	27-11-401-100-100-160-04	**Change From:** $210.40 **To:** $526	**Change From:** 09/01/26 - 12-31-26 **To:** 09/01/26 - 06/30/26
Gabel, Doug	Unified Sports Coach - Soccer (.5 position)	MK	99-0000-60-000	27-20-092-100-100-292-06	$1,500*	10/06/26 - 11/30/26
Cleffi, Kyle	Girls Winter Track Assistant Coach	MK	X-0004-28-48A	27-11-402-100-100-947-04	$6,781	12/01/26 - 03/15/27
Landshof, Michael	Girls Spring Track & Field Assistant Coach	MK	X-0004-28-77A	27-11-402-100-100-947-04	$6,781	03/16/27 - 06/30/27

10. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2026-2027 school year this 2026 Sidebar Agreement between the Morris Hills Regional Board of Education and the Morris Hills Regional District Transportation Association.

11. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2026-2027 school year the appointments of staff and payments of fees for the following Revised and New Staff Development Workshops:

Workshop/Program	Date	Presenter and Participants	Expense	Account Number
DYOD: **Social Studies IB: Understanding the IB Extended Essay Rubric**: This workshop is designed to train mentors to better understand the IB Extended Essay rubric which has undergone substantial revision this year.	We will be meeting on November 3, 2026 for 2 hours. Other meetings will be asynchronous for a total of 5 hours.	**Presenter**: Lori Vertucci **Participants**: Joseph Barchetto Jason Collinsworth Kadeem Dennis Nicholas DiPaolo Daniel DiStasio Laura Foley Kevin Kane Amanda Manjorin Samara McGhee Kieran McLaughlin Eric Mindrebo Amanda Orenstein Kristin Pennisi *Yesenia Rivera-Carney	**Presenter Fee:** 5 hours at $55.00/hour = $275.00 **Participant Fee:** 5 hours at $20.00/hour = $100.00 each *N/A	27-11-000-223-110-000-03/04 27-20-272-200-100-000-03/04
PLC: AI and MATHEMATICS AI is here, and will not be going away any time soon. It is our responsibility to teach students responsible ways to use it. They may be ahead of our curve on available tools, but that doesn't mean they understand the human centered needs and how it will be able to support learning. In this PLC math teachers will work together to design and implement classroom experiences that utilize AI in a productive way. As teachers, we may feel less experienced in the uses of AI for teaching our subject, and this PLC will give us an opportunity to collaborate and create effective learning opportunities for students that are directly tied to our curricular goals.	This PLC plans to meet twice monthly from October - April, 2 hours per meeting. We will meet both synchronously and include asynchronous work between meetings. Time/Day TBD by participant availability..	**Coordinator:** Lora Santucci **Participants:** Lisa Predenkoski Amy Skutnik	**Coordinator Fee:** $200 + $400 Participant Fee **Participant Fee:** $20.00/hour for a maximum of 20 hours = $400.00 each	27-11-000-223-110-000-03/04 27-20-272-200-100-000-03/04
THE LATEST AND GREATEST IN AI FOR EDUCATION: Get a quick look at some of the newest AI tools and updates making waves in education right now. We'll cover realistic and easy-to-use shortcuts to help cut down your prep time while keeping up with how students are actually using this tech.	**November 11, 2026** **MK - 2:45-3:45** **November 11, 2026** **VIRTUAL - 7:00-8:00** **November 16, 2026** **MK Practical Lab - 2:45-3:45**	**Presenter:** Jenny Malin **Participants:** **MK - November 11:** Kristi Augenstein Rebecca Brennan Dominique Brock Melissa Cedano Nicholas DiPaolo Maryanne Fisher Justin Hill Marlene Kong Eileen Ninivaggi Lisa Predenkoski Leandra Raybould Kimberly Steimke Lori Vertucci	**Presenter Fee:** $55.00 for 1 hour **Participant fee**: 1 hour at $20.00/hour	27-11-000-223-110-000-03/04 27-20-272-200-100-000-03/04

Workshop/Program	Date	Presenter and Participants	Expense	Account Number
		Virtual - November 11: Amy Calzone Tiffany Doltz Laura Foley Michelle Lis Lynn Lubrecht Tracy Petrosino Kyle Plucinsky Ciana Roman Cara Russo Jaclyn Weisz **MK LAB - November 16:** Kristi Augenstein Rebecca Brennan Dominique Brock Melissa Cedano Nicholas DiPaolo Tiffany Doltz Maryanne Fisher Laura Foley Justin Hill Marlene Kong Michelle Lis Lynn Lubrecht Eileen Ninivaggi Lisa Predenkoski Ciana Roman Kimberly Steimke Lori Vertucci		
BOOSTING STUDENT ENGAGEMENT ACROSS THE CONTENT AREAS: Learn tried and true techniques to get your students talking (productively!) in your classes. Join us to discuss and practice strategies that move away from the Chromebook and increase your students' sense of ownership over their learning.	**November 17, 2026** **MK - 2:45-3:45** **November 18, 2026** **VIRTUAL - 7:00-8:00**	**Presenter:** Samara McGhee **Participants:** **MK - November 17:** Melissa Cedano Rachel Mandel Chris Mickens Eileen Ninivaggi Jihanne Radzieski Adam Trollinger Lori Vertucci Stacy Wieringa **Virtual - November 18:** Amy Calzone Nicholas DiPaolo Erick Gill Marlene Kong Seth Mandel Cara Russo Kimberly Steimke Jaclyn Weisz	**Presenter Fee:** $55.00 for 1 hour **Participant fee**: 1 hour at $20.00/hour	27-11-000-223-110-000-03/04 27-20-272-200-100-000-03/04
THE SCIENCE OF STRESS: Explore the neurobiological mechanisms driving stress and burnout to understand how your (and your students!) body and brain respond to the high-demand classroom environment. Participants will master evidence-based, low-lift nervous system regulation	**December 1, 2026** **MK - 2:45-3:45** **December 2, 2026** **VIRTUAL - 7:00-8:00**	**Presenter:** Jaclyn Weisz **Participants:** **MK - December 1:** Kieran McLaughlin Chris Mickens Eileen Ninivaggi Lori Vertucci	**Presenter Fee:** $55.00 for 1 hour **Participant fee**: 1 hour at $20.00/hour	27-11-000-223-110-000-03/04 27-20-272-200-100-000-03/04

Workshop/Program	Date	Presenter and Participants	Expense	Account Number
techniques that restore daily energy and foster a calmer, more resilient learning environment.		**Virtual - December 2:** Nicholas Di Paolo Tiffany Doltz Erick Gill Marlene Kong Jenny Malin Michael Moncalieri Samantha Pino Victoria Rama Cara Russo Kimberly Steimke		

12. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2026-2027 school year the appointment of the following Substitute employees:

Name	Substitute Position	Position #	Distribution #	Period	Certificate	Rate
Harris, Andrea	Substitute Teacher	FF-0901-00-01A	27-11-140-100-101-000-09	10/27/26-6/10/27	County Certificate	$120/day

13. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2026 - 2027 School Year the appointment of staff and rate of pay for the following positions:

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Period *(all dates are on or about)*	Add'l Info.	Rate of Pay	Job Code
Rama, Victoria	Homebound Instructor	DIST	99-0000-61-000	27-11-150-100-101-292-06	10/27/26 - 06/30/27	As needed	$55/hr	HOMEH HOMEK
Frangipane, Christopher	Homebound Instructor	DIST	99-0000-61-000	27-11-150-100-101-292-06	10/27/26 - 06/30/27	As needed	$55/hr	HOMEH HOMEK
Ninivaggi, Eileen	Homebound Instructor	DIST	99-0000-61-000	27-11-150-100-101-292-06	10/27/26 - 06/30/27	As needed	$55/hr	HOMEH HOMEK
Adessa, Jodie	APA Audition Panel	MK	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 7.5 hours	APAH
Dunn, Lindsay	APA Audition Panel	MK	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 7.5 hours	APAH
Izsa, Brett	APA Audition Panel	MK	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 7.5 hours	APAH
Markowski, Kristen	APA Audition Panel	MK	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 7.5 hours	APAH
Peluso, Lisa	APA Audition Panel	MK	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 7.5 hours	APAH
Schwartz, Daniel	APA Audition Panel	MK	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 7.5 hours	APAH
Shaffer, Ryan	APA Auditions Check-In	MK	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 7.5 hours	APAH
Beck, Krystal	APA Auditions Check-In	MK	n/a	n/a	12/06/25 (snow date 12/13/25)	As needed	Administrator: No Pay	n/a
Hartsuiker, Michelle	APA Auditions Check-In	MK	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-04	12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	Per diem hourly OT rate for up 7.5 hours	OT
Schweizer, Shannon	Magnet & School Choice Testing Check-In	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 & 12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	Per diem OT hourly rate up to 6 hours/day	OT
Castaneda, Ingrid	Magnet & School Choice Testing Check-In	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 & 12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	Per diem OT hourly rate up to 6 hours/day	OT
Acquaviva, April	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 & 12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR
Avagliano, Joseph	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 & 12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR

Name	Position	Loc.	Position #	Distribution Number	Period *(all dates are on or about)*	Add'l Info.	Rate of Pay	Job Code
Conti, Constance	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 & 12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR
Dennis, Kadeem	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 & 12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR
Di Paolo, Nicholas	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 & 12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR
Doltz, Tiffany	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 & 12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR
Fundora, Martha	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 & 12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR
Giovine, Robert	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 & 12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR
Lindstrom, Haley	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR
McGhee, Samara	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR
Pelosi, Nicholas	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR
Perry, Colleen	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 & 12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR
Roman, Christopher	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 & 12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR
Santucci, Lora	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR
Trollinger, Adam	Magnet & School Choice Testing Proctor	MH	99-0000-61-000	27-11-140-100-101-000-03	11/21/26 & 12/05/26 (snow date 12/12/26)	As needed	$45/hr. For up to 6 hours/day	ADPR

14. The Chief School Administrator recommends authorizing for the 2026-2027 school year the appointment of volunteers, subject to receipt of required documentation:

Name	Position	School
DiStasio, Daniel	Powder Puff Chaperone	MK
Fischer, Thomas	Powder Puff Chaperone	MK
Ross, Michael	Volunteer Wrestling Coach	MH

15. The Chief School Administrator recommends, authorizing a temporary paid administrative leave for Employee #014427, effective September 24, 2026.

	Motion By:	Patrick Napolitano, Chair.			**Seconded By:**				
Roll Call	Mr. Bertram	Mrs. D'Asti	Mr. Francia	Ms. Levy	Mr. Maher	Mr. Napolitano	Mr. Serafin	Mrs. Yeager	Mr. Wieczerzak
AYES:									
NAYS:									
ABSTAIN:									

G. Policy (Item 1-1)

1. Consider authorizing for the first reading the following Policy and Regulation:

Number	Title	New or Revised
a. Policy 7510	Use of School Facilities (Original Version)	Revised
b. Policy 7510	Use of School Facilities (Revised Version)	Revised
c. Regulation 7510	Use of School Facilities (Original Version)	Revised
d. Regulation 7510	Use of School Facilities (Revised Version)	Revised

	Motion By:	Michael Bertram, Chair.			**Seconded By:**				
Roll Call	Mr. Bertram	Mrs. D'Asti	Mr. Francia	Ms. Levy	Mr. Maher	Mr. Napolitano	Mr. Serafin	Mrs. Yeager	Mr. Wieczerzak
AYES:									
NAYS:									
ABSTAIN:									

G. Policy Continued (Item 2-2)

2. Consider authorizing for the second reading the following Policy:

Number	Title	New or Revised
a. Policy 8561	Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs	Revised

	Motion By:	Michael Bertram, Chair.			**Seconded By:**				
Roll Call	Mr. Bertram	Mrs. D'Asti	Mr. Francia	Ms. Levy	Mr. Maher	Mr. Napolitano	Mr. Serafin	Mrs. Yeager	Mr. Wieczerzak
AYES:									
NAYS:									
ABSTAIN:									

XII. SECOND PUBLIC PORTION - ANY ITEM

XIII. SECOND BOARD DISCUSSION

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

A. Approval to adjourn the regular meeting.

	Motion By:	**Seconded By:**	
IN FAVOR:			
OPPOSED:			
ABSTAIN:			