BOZEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7
WILLSON BOARD ROOM #217A
MONDAY -- November 9, 2026 -- 5:45 PM

Regular Board Meeting

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5:45 **1. Call to Order -- Roll Call -- Pledge of Allegiance**

2. BSD7 Experience

2.1 Student Representatives Report

2.2 Board Education - Business Services Structure

The Board Education Opportunity is a **15-minute** segment that allows our Board to receive an educational snippet of what is happening in our District.

2.3 Recognition and Awards

2.3.1 Recognition of the Bozeman High School Marching Band

2.3.2 MTSBA Golden Gavel Award

3. Action Items -- Consent

3.1 Policy 2nd Reading

3.2 Minutes

3.2.1 Consider Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

3.3 High School District

3.3.1 Consider Approval of New High School Course - Emergency Medical Technician

3.3.2 Consider Calling for May 4, 2027 School Election - High School District

3.4 Both Districts

3.4.1 Consider Approval of Personnel Actions

3.4.2 Consider Approval of Financial Reports, Warrant Approval, and Donations

3.4.3 Consider Approval of the 2027-2028 School Calendar

3.4.4 Consider Approval of High School and Middle School Out-of-State and Out-of-County Field Trips

3.4.5 Consider Approval of Nonresident Students

3.5 Elementary District

3.5.1 Consider Calling for May 4, 2027 School Election - Elementary School District

4. Action Items -- Singular

4.1 Both Districts

4.1.1 Consider 2027 Legislative Platform

4.2 High School District

4.3 Elementary District

5. Board Discussion

5.1 Policy 1st Reading

5.2 2026-27 Enrollment Update and Future Projections

6. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Recognition of visitors and explanation of procedures to be followed when addressing the Board. Members of the community are given the opportunity to make brief comments to the Board on any matter that is not included in the agenda. Public matters do not include any pending legal matters, private personnel issues or private student issues. Please do not attempt to address such issues at this time or you will be ruled out of order.

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7. **Reports**

7.1 Executive Cabinet Report

7.2 Board of Trustees

Requests, Calendar, Concerns, Reports, Future Agenda Items, Open Meeting Topics for Next Meeting

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Public comment may be submitted electronically to trustees@bsd7.org

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Montana Code Annotated 2019
TITLE 45. CRIMES
CHAPTER 8. OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER
Part 1. Conduct Disruptive of Public Order

Disorderly Conduct

45-8-101. Disorderly conduct. (1) A person commits the offense of disorderly conduct if:

(a) the person knowingly disturbs the peace by:
- (i) quarreling, challenging to fight, or fighting;
- (ii) making loud or unusual noises;
- (iii) using threatening, profane, or abusive language;
- (iv) rendering vehicular or pedestrian traffic impassable;
- (v) rendering the free ingress or egress to public or private places impassable;
- (vi) disturbing or disrupting any lawful assembly or public meeting;
- (vii) transmitting a false report or warning of a fire or other catastrophe in a place where its occurrence would endanger human life;
- (viii) creating a hazardous or physically offensive condition by any act that serves no legitimate purpose; or
- (ix) transmitting a false report or warning of an impending explosion in a place where its occurrence would endanger human life; or

(b) in the course of engaging in any of the conduct prohibited by subsections (1)(a)(i) through (1)(a)(vi), a peace officer recognizes the person's conduct creates an articulable public safety risk.

(2) (a) Except as provided in subsections (2)(b), (3), and (4), a person convicted of the offense of disorderly conduct shall be fined an amount not to exceed $100.

(b) A person convicted of a second or subsequent violation of subsections (1)(a)(i) through (1)(a)(vi) within 1 year shall be fined an amount not to exceed $100 or be imprisoned in the county jail for a term not to exceed 10 days, or both.

(3) A person convicted of a violation of subsections (1)(a)(vii) through (1)(a)(ix) shall be fined an amount not to exceed $1,000 or be imprisoned in the county jail for a term not to exceed 1 year, or both.

(4) A person convicted of a violation of subsection (1)(b) shall be fined an amount not to exceed $500 or be imprisoned in the county jail for a term not to exceed 1 day, or both.

History: En. 94-8-101 by Sec. 1, Ch. 513, L. 1973; R.C.M. 1947, 94-8-101; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 508, L. 1989; amd. Sec. 8, Ch. 415, L. 1991; amd. Sec. 1693, Ch. 56, L. 2009; amd. Sec. 1, Ch. 250, L. 2013; amd. Sec. 16, Ch. 321, L. 2017; amd. Sec. 2, Ch. 372, L. 2019.

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Meeting Date:	November 9, 2026
Category:	Recognition and Awards
Agenda Item #:	2.3.1
Originated By:	Marilyn King and Mike Van Vuren, Deputy Superintendents; Patrick McClellan, Director of Student Programs
Others Involved:	Kelly Berdahl, BHS Marching Band Director Beth Campbell, Music and Fine Arts TOSA

MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN

Topic:
Recognition of the Bozeman High School Marching Band.

Fiscal Impact:
N/A

Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS: The Bozeman High School Band competed in the Mt. Timpanogos regional marching band competition at American Fork High School in Utah on October 24, 2026; and

WHEREAS: Bozeman High won first place in the 3A Division; and

WHEREAS: Bozeman High School also won the "Outstanding Visual" award;

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees recognize and honor the Bozeman High School Marching Band.

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Meeting Date: November 9, 2026

Category: Recognition and Awards

Agenda Item #: 2.3.2

Originated By: Casey Bertram, Superintendent

Others Involved: Bozeman Board of Trustees

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Topic:
MTSBA Golden Gavel Award

Fiscal Impact:
N/A

Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS: The Montana School Boards Association recognizes Boards that have collectively completed extensive training and have attained certification within the same 12-month period with the Golden Gavel Award; and

WHEREAS: The Bozeman Trustees have consistently shown a commitment to training opportunities. In doing so, they recognize the connection between board education and effective governance; and

WHEREAS: The Bozeman Board of Trustees was recognized at the annual MTSBA meeting on October 15, 2026, as one of just a handful of Boards having achieved this accomplishment;

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Bozeman Board of Trustees be honored for their collective effort in attaining the MTSBA Golden Gavel Award for the 2025-2026 school year.

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Meeting Date:	November 9, 2026
Category:	Action Item - Consent - Both Districts
Agenda Item #:	3.2.1
Originated By:	Lacy Clark, District Clerk
Others Involved:	Lori Ross, Executive Assistant

MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN

Topic:
Consider Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

Facts & Discussion:
1. Minutes of the October 7, 2026, and October 21, 2026, Board Presentations.
2. Minutes of the October 12, 2026, Regular Board Meeting.
3. Upon approval, the minutes represent the official actions of the Board of Trustees of School District No. 7.

Fiscal Impact:
N/A

Superintendent's Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the Board Presentations on 10-07-2026 and 10-21-2026 and the Regular Board Meeting on 10-12-2026 as presented.

Other Alternatives:
1. Do not approve the recommendation and request that the administration propose changes.

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Meeting Date:	November 9, 2026
Category:	Action Item - Consent - High School District
Agenda Item #:	3.3.1
Originated By:	Marilyn King and Mike Van Vuren, Deputy Superintendents
Others Involved:	Dan Mills, BHS Principal, and Erica Schnee, GHS Principal

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Topic:
Consider Approval of New High School Course - Emergency Medical Technician

Facts & Discussion:

1. The Biomedical Science program builds foundational knowledge and employability skills aligned with National Health Science Standards. The EMT course would add applied health care training with industry credentials. The course will add an advanced level of real world clinical application, decision-making, hands-on patient care, and professionalism.
2. Current data demonstrate consistent demand for entry-level EMS and healthcare workers, with over 20,000 job openings statewide at any given time and a persistent need across rural and urban communities. (Bureau of Labor and Statistics).
3. The course proposal is linked here.
4. This will be reflected in the curriculum guide.

Fiscal Impact:
Although this will require .16 FTE for the course to run at each high school, we will not be adding additional staff. If there is sufficient student interest for this course to run, principals will adjust their master schedule accordingly.

Superintendent's Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt the new high school course proposal as presented.

Other Alternatives:
1. Do not approve the recommendation and request that the administration propose changes.

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Meeting Date:	November 9, 2026
Category:	Action Item - Consent - High School District
Agenda Item #:	3.3.2
Originated By:	Lacy Clark, District Clerk
Others Involved:	

MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN

Topic:
Consider calling for May 4, 2027 School Election - High School District

Facts & Discussion:

1. HB406 from the 2025 Legislative session provides that the Board of Trustees must pass a resolution calling for an election at least one hundred forty-five (145) days before the date of the election. The first Tuesday following the first Monday in May shall be the regular School Election Day.

2. The Board of Trustees must pass a resolution calling for the 2027 regular school election by December 10, 2026. The budget outlook for the upcoming year will be reviewed at a future meeting.

3. The Trustees will finalize levy amounts on March 8, 2027. However, the Board has until March 25, 2027, to cancel the election if it is determined that the election is not needed.

4. The District intends to fully cooperate with and assist the Gallatin County election administrator to the extent needed to conduct the election.

Fiscal Impact:
Approximately $48,000, General Fund

Superintendent's Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Board of Trustees call for the annual school election and adopt the following resolution.

Other Alternatives:

1. Do not approve the recommendation and request administration propose changes.

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RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN ELECTION

Be it resolved, the Board of Trustees for Bozeman High School District #7, Gallatin County, State of Montana, will hold the Annual Regular School Election on Tuesday, May 4, 2027, which date is not less than one hundred forty five (145) days after the passage of this resolution.

The purpose of the election is voting on one Trustee for a three-year term, a General Fund operating levy, a Building Reserve fund levy, and a Technology fund levy.

The election will be held by mail ballot conducted by the Gallatin County Election Administrator with all qualified electors in Bozeman High School District #7 participating.

If it is later determined that any portion of the election is not required, the Board of Trustees authorizes Lacy Clark, District Clerk, to cancel the affected portion of the election in accordance with Montana Code Annotated (MCA).

Lacy Clark, District Clerk, is instructed to notify the County Election Administrator of the date of the election, and request him to close registration and to prepare election materials as required by law. The Gallatin County Election Administrator is further instructed to submit a written mail ballot plan to the office of the Montana Secretary of State in a timely manner and to publish and post notice of the election in a manner and at the times required by law, and to appoint a sufficient number of judges and to conduct the election as required by law.

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Meeting Date:	November 9, 2026
Category:	Action Item - Consent - Both Districts
Agenda Item #:	3.4.1
Originated By:	Lacy Clark, Director of Business Services
Others Involved:	Gina Miller, Administrative Assistant of Operations

MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN

Topic:

Consider Approval of Personnel Actions

Facts:

As per MCA 20-3-324 -- Powers and Duties of Trustees -- the trustees of each district shall employ or dismiss personnel considered necessary to carry out the various services of the district.

Fiscal Impact:

Noted on report.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Board of Trustees is requested to employ, dismiss, or accept the resignations of those noted on the Personnel Action Report.

Other Alternatives:

1. Do not approve the recommendation and request that the administration propose changes.

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Meeting Date:	November 9, 2026
Category:	Action Item - Consent - Both Districts
Agenda Item #:	3.4.2
Originated By:	Lacy Clark, Director of Business Services
Others Involved:	Brooke Swain Cantu, District Bookkeeper

MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN

Topic:
Consider Approval of the Financial Reports, Donations, and Warrant Listing

Facts & Discussion:
This monthly update on the fiscal business of the District is designed to provide Trustees and the public with up-to-date and timely information on revenue and expenditures, fiscal operations, and the overall financial position of the Bozeman Public Schools.

The Warrant Registers are available in the Business Office and have been sent to the Trustees. October 2026 warrants are as follows: Operational warrants were $8,387,963.24; net Payroll, taxes and deductions were $6,225,760.74; Warrants disbursed for October 2026 were $14,613,723.98.

Investment of District Funds in accordance with State law as of:	September 30th, 2026
Gallatin County Investment Pool	$ 99,674.47
First Interstate Bank	$ 25,742,386.73
STIP Investment Pool	$ 14,923,215.17
Nonexpendable Endowment (D.A. Davidson)	$ 960,053.24
Total District cash and investments	$ 41,725,329.61

Fiscal Impact:
Refer to the attached report.

Superintendent's Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Financial Reports, Donations, and Warrant Listing as presented.

Other Alternatives:
1. Do not approve the recommendation and request that administration propose changes.

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Meeting Date:	November 9, 2026
Category:	Action Item - Consent - Both Districts
Agenda Item #:	3.4.3
Originated By:	Casey Bertram, Superintendent
Others Involved:	District Calendar Committee

MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN

Topic:
Consider Approval of the 2027-2028 School Calendar

Facts and Discussion:

1. Bozeman Public Schools Policy 2100/2100P describes the School Calendar Policies and Procedures.
2. Documents related to the creation of the School Calendar also include Bozeman Education Association Collective Bargaining Agreement Article 13 and Montana Code Annotated 20-1-301.
3. The Calendar Committee met with members of the Bozeman Education Association and District Administrators to create this recommendation.

Superintendent's Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the 2027-2028 School Calendar as presented.

Other Alternatives:

1. Do not approve the recommendation and request that the administration propose changes.

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Meeting Date:	November 9, 2026
Category:	Action Item - Consent - Both Districts
Agenda Item #:	3.4.4
Originated By:	Casey Bertram, Superintendent
Others Involved:	Marilyn King and Mike Van Vuren, Deputy Superintendents

MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN

Topic:
Consider Approval of High School and Middle School Out-of-State and Out-of-Country Field Trips

Facts & Discussion:

1. On an annual basis, the Board receives a list of possible high school and middle school field trips. Because some out-of-state trips are determined as a result of competitions, it is difficult to provide advance estimates and exact locations for all trips listed.

   Bozeman/Gallatin High School
   Senior trips
   School Club trips
   Co-curricular out-of-state and out-of-country trips for educational and competition purposes
   Curricular trips to Yellowstone National Park or to sites pertinent to content standards
   Various trips for Band, Orchestra, Choir, and Art

   Chief Joseph/Sacajawea Middle School:
   Various trips for Band, Orchestra, and Choir
   Co-curricular out-of-state and out-of-country trips for educational and competition purposes
   Curricular trips to Yellowstone National Park or to sites pertinent to content standards
   School Club trips

Fiscal Impact:
N/A

Superintendent's Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the list of 2027-28 high school and middle school trips as submitted, with the understanding that trips may be canceled or postponed at the discretion of the district administration or trip organizer.

Other Alternatives:

1. Do not approve the recommendation and request administration propose changes.

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Meeting Date:	November 9, 2026
Category:	Action Item - Consent - Both Districts
Agenda Item #:	3.4.5
Originated By:	Casey Bertram, Superintendent
Others Involved:	Enrollment Office

MOTION	SECOND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN

Topic:
Consider Approval of Nonresident Students

Facts and Discussion:

1. The 2023 Montana Legislature passed HB203, which opens nonresident enrollment across Montana's public schools. On January 1, 2026, the application process for nonresident families wishing to attend a BSD7 school for the 2026-2027 school year was publicized. Enrollment applications were accepted through January 31st. Information was provided on the Enrollment Website.
2. Bozeman Public Schools Policy 3141/3141P describes the Nonresident Student Enrollment Policy and Procedures.
3. The District utilizes the LRSP Open Enrollment Guidance Document for the nonresident student enrollment process.
4. The application review process prioritizes the quality of education for residents, children of District employees, and siblings of current nonresident students.
5. Decisions will be made per Policy 3141 and Section 20-3-320, MCA.
6. Policy 3141 states, "A previously enrolled resident student requesting continued enrollment for the remainder of the current school year as a nonresident student may submit an application at any time during the current school year once a new residence outside the District is claimed as specified by law and this Policy."
7. The applications are for students who recently moved out of the district but wish to remain at their current schools for the 2026–2027 school year.
8. Approvals are granted on a year-to-year basis.
9. The superintendent and executive team prepared THIS spreadsheet, including de-identified information on the student's approval recommendation.

Fiscal Impact:
Tuition receipts as determined by enrollment dates in accordance with HB203.

Superintendent's Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the nonresident student applications as presented.

Other Alternatives:

1. Do not approve the recommendation and request that the administration propose changes.

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Meeting Date:	November 9, 2026
Category:	Action Item - Consent - Elementary School District
Agenda Item #:	3.5.1
Originated By:	Lacy Clark, District Clerk
Others Involved:	

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Topic:
Consider calling for May 4, 2027 School Election - Elementary School District

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Fiscal Impact:
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Superintendent's Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Board of Trustees call for the annual school election and adopt the following resolution.

Other Alternatives:

1. Do not approve the recommendation and request that the administration propose changes.

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RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN ELECTION

Be it resolved, the Board of Trustees for Bozeman Elementary School District #7, Gallatin County, State of Montana, will hold the Annual Regular School Election on Tuesday, May 4, 2027, which date is not less than one hundred forty five (145) days after the passage of this resolution.

The purpose of the election is voting on three Trustees for three-year terms, a General Fund operating levy, and a Technology fund levy.

The election will be held by mail ballot conducted by the Gallatin County Election Administrator with all qualified electors in Bozeman Elementary School District #7 participating.

If it is later determined that any portion of the election is not required, the Board of Trustees authorizes Lacy Clark, District Clerk, to cancel the affected portion of the election in accordance with Montana Code Annotated (MCA).

Lacy Clark, District Clerk, is instructed to notify the County Election Administrator of the date of the election, and request him to close registration and to prepare election materials as required by law. The Gallatin County Election Administrator is further instructed to submit a written mail ballot plan to the office of the Montana Secretary of State in a timely manner and to publish and post notice of the election in a manner and at the times required by law, and to appoint a sufficient number of judges and to conduct the election as required by law.

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Meeting Date:	November 9, 2026
Category:	Action Item - Singular - Both Districts
Agenda Item #:	4.1.1
Originated By:	Casey Bertram, Superintendent
Others Involved:	Board Leadership

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Topic:
Consider 2027 Legislative Platform

Facts & Discussion:

1. The 70th session of the Montana Legislature convenes on Monday, January 4, 2027. State legislative sessions present both critical opportunities and distinct challenges for K–12 education in Montana.

2. In discussions with Board Leadership, the Superintendent has prepared a three-part recommendation to formalize the District's legislative priorities and advocacy structure:
    a. 2026-2027 BSD7 Legislative Priorities: This document outlines recommended advocacy priorities for the upcoming session, as well as detailing foundation commitments.
    b. 2026-2027 BSD7 Legislative Process and Advocacy Memo: This document outlines an intentional, disciplined, and transparent advocacy process for the upcoming session.
    c. 2026-2027 BSD7 Authorization for Individual Trustee Legislative Advocacy: Supported by recommendations from MTSBA, this document formalizes the authorization of individual trustee advocacy during the legislative session.

Fiscal Impact:
N/A

Superintendent's Recommendation:
It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the draft 2026-2027 BSD7 Legislative Priorities, 2026-2027 BSD7 Legislative Process and Advocacy Memo, and 2026-2027 BSD7 Authorization for Individual Trustee Legislative Advocacy documents as presented.

Other Alternatives:

1. Do not approve the recommendation and request that the administration propose changes.

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Meeting Date:	November 9, 2026
Category:	Discussion - 2026-27 School Enrollment & Projections
Agenda Item #:	5.2
Originated By:	Lacy Clark, Director of Business Services
Others Involved:	Mike Waterman, Executive Director of Business and Operations

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Topic:
2026-27 School Enrollment Update and Future Projections

Discussion:
The first official enrollment count for the 2026-27 school year is complete, and the future enrollment projections are available. This discussion will allow the Board to ask questions about the report and consider how current and projected enrollment trends may impact staffing, facilities, and budget.

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Meeting Date:	November 9, 2026
Category:	Reports
Agenda Item #:	7.1
Originated By:	Casey Bertram, Superintendent
Others Involved:	Executive Cabinet

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Topic:
The Executive Cabinet will provide updates on current issues in their respective areas of responsibility. Since the topics that may come up have not been properly noticed, these reports should not result in extensive discussion by the Board and the public at this meeting. They may, however, lead to future agenda items that have been properly noticed.

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Meeting Date: November 9, 2026

Category: Reports

Agenda Item #: 7.2

Originated By: Trustees

Others Involved:

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Topic:
Individual Trustees will be provided the opportunity to make requests, express concerns, give reports, and request future agenda items. Since the topics that may come up have not been properly noticed, these reports should not result in extensive discussion by the Board and the public at this meeting. They may, however, lead to future agenda items that have been properly noticed.

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Bozeman Public Schools

MISSION

"Bozeman Public Schools exists to ensure high-level learning for all students."

VISION

"Bozeman Public Schools will empower all students to reach their full potential for achievement and thrive in their community. We will promote inclusive community involvement; support a passionate education team; and nurture a dynamic learning environment."

CORE VALUES

- **High Student Achievement:** We commit to ensure all students learn at their highest potential.
- **Committed, Quality Staff:** We strive to attract, retain, and support well-qualified, dedicated, and passionate staff members.
- **Inclusive Culture:** We foster respect, diversity, and adaptability, where all stakeholders feel safe, empowered, supported, and valued.
- **Collaborative Engagement:** We believe quality staff, family engagement, and community support are essential contributors to student well-being and achievement.
- **Integrity and Transparency:** We operate with honesty, use research-based decision-making, and provide open communication.
- **Fiscal Responsibility:** We are responsible in the management and expenditure of all District resources.

MEASURABLE GOALS

Goal Area 1 - Academic Performance

- ***Grade Level Reading Goal:*** By 2029, 90% of all BSD7 3rd grade students will demonstrate grade-level reading skills by achieving a proficient score on the Acadience reading assessment at the end of the school year.
- ***Graduation Goal:*** By 2029, 95% of BSD7 students in each graduation cohort will earn a high school diploma in four years or fewer.

Goal Area 2 - Operations and Capacity Building

- ***Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) Goal:*** By spring of 2028, all BSD7 schools PK-12 will have fully implemented PLCs in place that will support the closing of the achievement gap, thus qualifying BSD7 as a Solution Tree Model PLC District.

Goal Area 3 - Community Engagement and Partnerships

- ***Early Literacy Goal:*** 85% of all children entering kindergarten will have requisite literacy skills as measured by Acadience.

Goal Area 4 - Student and Staff Well-being

- ***Staff Well-Being Goal:*** By 2028, BSD7 will increase staff well-being to 85% or above as measured by the Panorama survey.
- ***Student Well-Being Goal:*** By 2031, fewer than 15% of students will self-report depression symptoms as measured by the Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS). This represents an almost 60% decrease in self-reported depression symptoms at the high school level, and an almost 50% decrease at the middle school.

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Welcome to the Bozeman Public Schools Board of Trustees meeting!

If this is your first meeting

If this is your first time attending a meeting, let us extend our special welcome! These meetings are designed to give everyone the opportunity to participate in seeing how the Bozeman trustees facilitate school business.

What is the purpose of these meetings?

The meetings of the Bozeman Public Schools Board of Trustees are always open to the public. These meetings are held to officially conduct the business of the school district, as governed by Montana law. Trustees are responsible for key decisions, some of which include hiring of employees, reviewing negotiated agreements, approving new curriculum or changes to existing curricula, facility usage requests, and paying of monthly expenses.

How can I address the trustees?

Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items is the time for comment on public matters that are not on the agenda. Members of the audience are encouraged to briefly address the trustees on an issue that is not on the agenda. The Chair of the Board will seek comments from the audience on significant items as they occur. Public matters do not include any pending legal matters, private personnel issues or private student issues. Please do not attempt to address such issues at this time or you will be ruled out of order.

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES	TERM
Kevin Black -- Chair	2029
Lauren Dee	2028
Lei-Anna Bertelsen	2027
Gary Lusin	2027
Melissa Moran	2027
Greg Neil	2029
Sandra Wilson	2027
Sarah Wilson	2028

EXECUTIVE CABINET	POSITION
Casey Bertram	Superintendent
Chad Berg	Director of Special Education and Student Health
Lacy Clark	Director of Business Services
Marilyn King	Deputy Superintendent
Patrick McClellan	Director of Student Programs
Matt Stark	Director of Facilities
Mike VanVuren	Deputy Superintendent
Mike Waterman	Executive Director Business and Operations

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES STANDING COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Equity Advisory Committee	**Trustees** Sarah Wilson
Long-Range Strategic Planning (LRSP)	**Trustees** Full Board
Long-Range Facilities Planning (LRFP)	**Trustees** Kevin Black Greg Neil
Long-Range Collaboration Plan via the District Ongoing Collaborative Committee (DOCC)	**Trustees** Melissa Moran Sandy Wilson Greg Neil - Alternate
District Safety	**Trustees** Lei-Anna Bertelsen
Student Well-Being Committee	**Trustees** Sarah Wilson

BOARD OF TRUSTEES AD-HOC OR AS NEEDED COMMITTEES

Budget Committee	**Trustees** Full Board
Certified (BEA) Negotiations	**Trustees** Lauren Dee Melissa Moran Sandy Wilson Greg Neil - Alternate
Classified (CBEA) Negotiations	**Trustees** Sarah Wilson Kevin Black - Alternate

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BOARD OF TRUSTEE REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES/COUNCILS ASSOCIATED WITH BSD7

Bozeman Schools Foundation (BSF)	**Trustees** Gary Lusin - Voting Member Kevin Black - Board Leadership
MTSBA Municipal Director and Delegates	**Trustees** Lei-Anna Bertelsen - Director Kevin Black - Delegate Gary Lusin - Delegate Sarah Wilson - Alternate

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SCHOOL LIAISONS

Bozeman High School	Melissa Moran
Bridger Charter Academy	Sandy Wilson
Gallatin High School	Greg Neil
Chief Joseph Middle School	Lauren Dee
Sacajawea Middle School	Sarah Wilson
Emily Dickinson Elementary School	Greg Neil
Hawthorne Elementary School	Gary Lusin
Hyalite Elementary School	Sandy Wilson
Irving Elementary School	Lei-Anna Bertelsen
Longfellow Elementary School	Gary Lusin
Meadowlark Elementary School	Melissa Moran
Morning Star Elementary School	Sarah Wilson
Whittier Elementary School	Lei-Anna Bertelsen

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Bozeman Public Schools
Future Board Meetings
5:45 PM - Willson Library #217A

November 9, 2026	Monday	Regular Board Meeting
*November 23, 2026	Monday	Special Board Meeting
December 14, 2026	Monday	Regular Board Meeting
January 11, 2027	Monday	Regular Board Meeting
*January 25, 2027	Monday	Special Board Meeting
February 8, 2027	Monday	Regular Board Meeting
*February 22, 2027	Monday	Special Board Meeting
March 8, 2027	Monday	Regular Board Meeting
*March 29, 2027	Monday	Special Board Meeting
April 12, 2027	Monday	Regular Board Meeting
*April 26, 2027	Monday	Special Board Meeting
May 17, 2027	Monday	Regular Board Meeting
June 14, 2027	Monday	Regular Board Meeting
*June 28, 2027	Monday	Special Board Meeting

*The second meeting of every month is considered a "special board meeting" and will take place at the discretion of the Board Chair and Vice Chair if the agenda warrants holding a meeting.

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Bozeman Public Schools
Upcoming Board Presentations
2026-2027

November 17, 2026	Tuesday	Gallatin High	9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
January 19, 2027	Tuesday	Whittier	12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
February 3, 2027	Wednesday	Bridger Charter	9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
February 17, 2027	Wednesday	Hawthorne	9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
March 3, 2027	Wednesday	Morning Star	9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
March 10, 2027	Wednesday	Emily Dickinson	9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
March 24, 2027	Wednesday	Irving	9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
April 7, 2027	Wednesday	Longfellow	9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
April 21, 2027	Wednesday	Chief Joseph	9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
May 4, 2027	Tuesday	Hyalite	12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

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Bozeman Public Schools Calendar 2026-2027

PIR Dates & Conferences - No School

August 26-28	K-12 PIR Day
September 28	K-12 PIR Day
October 15-16	K-12 PIR Day
November 12-13	K-5 P/T Conferences
November 20	9-12 PIR Day
January 18	K-12 PIR Day
January 25	9-12 PIR Day
April 8	6-8 PIR Day
April 9	6-12 PIR Day
May 28	K-12 PIR Day
June 11	K-12 PIR Day

Holidays & School Closures- No School

September 7	Labor Day
November 25-27	Thanksgiving
December 21 -January 1	Winter Break
January 18	Martin Luther King Jr.
February 15	President's Day
March 15-19	Spring Break
May 31	Memorial Day

Important Dates

August 31	School Begins 1-12
September 3	Kindergarten begins
January 20-22	HS Final Exams
June 5	HS Graduation!
June 10	Last Day of School, students released at 12:45 p.m.

Grading Periods

K-5: January 22
June 10

6-8: Semester 1 - January 22
Quarter 1 - October 30
Quarter 2 - January 22
Quarter 3 - April 2
Semester 2 - June 10

9-12: Period 1 - October 9
Period 2 - November 20
1st Semester - January 22

Period 1 - March 5
Period 2 - April 23
2nd Semester - June 10
HS Credit Recovery Required Days - June 14-June 25

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Please note that our individual schools might have additional important dates related to other school functions. Please check with your local school for these dates and events.

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