MAGNOLIA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Learning and Achieving School
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MAGNOLIA BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Tuesday, November 17, 2026 - 6:30 pm
Magnolia Elementary School

Mission Statement
The mission of the Magnolia School District is to develop well-rounded, engaged, and confident learners who are proud, respectful, and contributing members of their school and community.

Superintendent's Report

Presentation

1. Jennifer Pontarelli, Supervisor of Curriculum and Instruction, Spring 2026 NJSLA results presentation.

A. Informational Items

1. Dylan Smith has been named the 2026 Teacher of the Year. Congratulations, Mr. Smith!

2. For the 29th consecutive year, Philabundance partnered with WMMR's Preston & Steve to collect food donations supporting communities facing food insecurity across Southeastern Pennsylvania and Southern New Jersey. On November 19, 2026, Mr. Sorrentino will accompany approximately 25 students to deliver over 2600 cans plus dry goods from the Magnolia School District's food drive to this meaningful cause.

3. The BCIP State of the JIF Dinner will be held on Wednesday, December 2, 2026, at 6:30 pm at The Mansion in Voorhees Township.

4. The NJHS Induction Ceremony will be on Tuesday, December 8, 2026, at 6:00 pm.

5. The Winter Concert will be on Tuesday, December 22, 2026, at 6:00 pm.

B. Curriculum/Programs
(No items at this time)

C. Interdistrict
(No items at this time)

D. Public Relations/Liaison
(No items at this time)

E. Student/Parental Issues and Concerns
(No items at this time)

F. Buildings and Grounds

1. A fire drill was held on October 14, 2026.

2. A lockdown drill was held on October 28, 2026.

G. Negotiations/Contractual *(Executive Session)*
Be it resolved that the Board of Education will now convene into Executive Session to discuss __. The discussion conducted in Executive Session shall be disclosed to the public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists. The Board will reconvene in public session at the conclusion of the Executive Session and may take action at that time.

H. Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying (HIB)

1. Be it resolved that the Board of Education has reviewed the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) incident report as presented by the Superintendent from September 16, 2026 through October 27, 2026, and hereby affirms the Superintendent's decision regarding this incident.

I. Miscellaneous
(No items at this time)

J. Principal's Report

1. Principal's Report - October 2026

2. Nursing Report - October 2026

Items for Board Approval

Motion to approve the recommendations of the Superintendent as listed below:

A. Personnel

1. Approval of the following employees for the school safety & climate/culture committee for the 2026-2027 school year to be paid from Title II 200-100:

Last Name	First Name	Rate	Hours	Not to Exceed
Livingston	Kelly	$20.00	Up to 20	$400.00
Pontarelli	Jennifer	$20.00	Up to 20	$400.00
Sorrentino	Paul	$20.00	Up to 20	$400.00
Turnbull	Lezley	$20.00	Up to 20	$400.00

2. Approval of the following staff member for up to 30 hours of professional development during the 2026-2027 school year at the rate listed below. Funds to be paid from the New Jersey Preschool Expansion Aid (PEA 100-100):

Last Name	First Name	Rate
Livingston	Kelly	$20.00

3. Approval of Ashton Whitaker to assist the Supervisor of Curriculum with QSAC Curriculum Audit at a rate of $40.00 per hour for up to 20 hours to be paid from the general fund.

4. Approval of placing Nicole Lopez on the salary guide as BA+15, Step 9, at an annual salary of $74,557.00 (prorated), effective January 31, 2027, through June 30, 2027.

5. Approval of Courtney Glorioso as a part-time (0.80) Teacher Assistant, Step 16, at an annual salary of $21,738.40 (prorated), without medical benefits, at the applicable per diem rate, retroactive to November 16, 2026, through December 23, 2026, and continuing effective January 4, 2027, through June 30, 2027.

6. Approval of Karen Macpherson and Kelly Livingston to attend NJASA Techspo 2027 from January 27, 2027, through January 29, 2027. The general fund will cover the admission ($625.00 per person), hotel ($235.52), mileage, and miscellaneous expenses.

B. Students
(No items at this time)

C. Programs
1. Approval of Magnolia Performing Arts program funds for the 2026-2027 school year in the amount of $2,200.00 to be paid by the Magnolia Board of Education.

2. Approval of the following curriculum:
   Career Readiness, Life Literacies, & Key Skills
   Computer Science & Design Thinking
   English Language Learner (ELL)
   World Languages

D. Trips
1. Approval of the Camp Out for Hunger field trip to Stateside Live! on November 19, 2026, for students to deliver the district's collected food donations in support of the annual hunger relief initiative.

E. Plans
(No items at this time)

F. Job Descriptions
(No items at this time)

G. Facilities
(No items at this time)

H. Policies

1. First Reading - Approval of the new, revised, and/or updated policies and/or regulations provided by Strauss Esmay Associates pursuant to the authorization granted at the Special Meeting held on May 25, 2010, allowing the Superintendent to implement policy updates from Strauss Esmay Associates in advance of formal board approval.

P 0143	Board Member Election and Appointment (Revised)
P 2361.6	Unauthorized Audio and/or Video Recording (New)
P 2363	Student Use of Privately-Owned Technology (Abolished)
P & R 2412	Home Instruction Due to Health Condition (M) (Revised)
P 2422	Statutory Curricular Requirements (M) (Revised)
P & R 2422.02	Parental Opt-Out From Certain Instruction (M) (New)
P & R 5320	Immunization (Revised)
P & R 5516	Student Use of Internet-Enabled Devices (M) (Revised)
P & R 6471	School District Travel (M) (Revised)
P 8660	Transportation by Private Vehicles – To and From School-Related Activities (M) (Revised)
P 8662	Transportation by Private or District-Owned Vehicles – To and From School (M) (New)
P 9181	Volunteer Co-Curricular Activity Advisors/Assistants (Revised)
P 9182	Athletic Coaches (New)

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen E. Macpherson
Superintendent