MARGATE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

AGENDA

November 18, 2026

6:00 P.M.

1. Call to order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Certification of Notice

4. Roll Call

5. Public Comment**:** The Board of Education welcomes public comment and views this as an important aspect of community relations. The Board will set aside a portion of every board meeting for public comment on school district issues. Usually, there will be a public comment period devoted exclusively to comment on agenda items and a public comment period dedicated to general school district issues, however, this format may be altered in light of the business of the Board, provided that at least one period is set aside at each meeting for public comment. The maximum length of each public comment period is thirty (30) minutes unless stated otherwise on the meeting agenda.
   The public comment period is a time for members of the public to express their comments and/or concerns. It is not a question and answer session. Notwithstanding, members of the administration and/or board members may choose to answer questions raised during public comment periods. They may do so during the public comment period or after it has closed. The public should understand that there are reasons why questions will not be answered, including reasons related to litigation, privacy, confidentiality, employment rights, student rights and the absence of information from which answers can be formulated.

   Each speaker making a public comment shall state his name and address before speaking. As stated above, the total amount of time allocated to each comment period is limited. The following additional time limitations also apply. The total amount of time allotted to each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. A speaker may not extend his or her time by seeking to utilize the unused time of a person who has spoken or who has yet to speak. The total length of time allotted to all speakers making public comments on a particular agenda item or on a particular subject will be limited to ten (10) minutes. The Board President, or the person presiding in the Board President's absence, has flexibility to alter these time limitations. Absent his/her expressly doing so, the time limitations stated here apply.

6. Report of Superintendent of Schools:
   A. Enrollment:

Enrollment as of 10/5/2026		**Enrollment as of 11/11/2026**	
Ross School		**Ross School**	
Pre K (1/2 day)	9	Pre K (1/2 day)	11
Kindergarten	29	Kindergarten	29
Grade 1	28	Grade 1	28
Grade 2	32	Grade 2	32
Grade 3	32	Grade 3	32
Grade 4	46	Grade 4	46
Sub-total	**176**	**Sub-total**	**178**
Tighe School		**Tighe School**	
Grade 5	32	Grade 5	33
Grade 6	37	Grade 6	37
Grade 7	37	Grade 7	37
Grade 8	34	Grade 8	35
Sub-total	**140**	**Sub-total**	**142**
***Total Enrollment**	**316**	***Total Enrollment**	**320**

***Above enrollment includes Longport and Tuition enrollment below**

Longport Enrollment:		**Tuition Students:**	
William H. Ross	9	William H. Ross	11
Eugene A. Tighe	16	Eugene A. Tighe	2
Total	25	Total	13

ACHS (Margate)	23
OCHS (Choice)	59
MRHS (Choice)	15

   B. Instructional Support
      1. Update on Principal/Director activities
      2. Review activity calendars.
      3. Review fire drill, security drill and bus drill report.
      4. Share that Ryan Gaskill and Chief Matt Hankinson met to review the 2026 Memorandum of Agreement Between Education and Law Enforcement Officials.
      5. Share the School Safety and Security Plan Annual Review Statement of Assurance was submitted to the Atlantic County Office of Education on November 10, 2026.
      6. Report the findings of HIB Investigation R01-202627.
      7. Report the findings of HIB Investigation R02-202627

   C. Communications

   D. District Committee Reports

7. MEF Update

8. MEA Report

9. General Board Discussion

10. General Approvals

It may appear to members of the public that the City of Margate Board of Education takes formal action with limited comment or member discussion. This is not so. Prior to the time any formal action is taken, the district administration and school board members thoroughly review all supporting documentation. After each matter has been thoroughly discussed and after the superintendent is satisfied that each matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, it is then referred to the appropriate Board Committee for discussion and analysis by members of the Board. The members of the School Board Committees work with the Superintendent to assure that all members are fully briefed on all pertinent details and understand the motions. When the Committees are satisfied with the motions, the motions are then placed on the agenda for action at a public meeting.

A. <u>Personnel</u>

1. Approve Veronica Valencia as the Choreographer for Tighe Middle School 2026-2027 School Play. Cost: $1,200.00 stipend.
2. Approve Edith Hoerner for enrollment of the online graduate course UDUC 5330-Survey of Mild Learning Disabilities in Special Education at Stockton University. Cost: not to exceed $1,757.25.

B. <u>Instructional Support/Activities</u>

1. Approve Mayor Mike Collins as a guest speaker for the Ross School's Fourth Grade Classes in November 2026.
2. Approve the following Tighe PRIDE fundraising activities and events for the 2026-2027 school year:
    - Spirit Gear Sale
    - Candy Grams, Candy, and Flower Sales during school play performances
    - Cheesecake Fundraiser
    - Cookie Dough Fundraiser
    - Dodging Drugs Dodgeball Tournament in March 2027
    - Annual Career Day in March
    - PRIDE Competitions and Spirit days throughout the school year

C. <u>Facilities/PAC</u>

1. Approve Tracey Blake-Rossell and Blake's Gymnastics to utilize the Tighe Gym and PAC for a gymnastics invitational on February 19-21, 2027 and February 26-28, 2027. Rental Fees: $13,798.00.
2. Approve Tracey Blake-Rossell and Blake's Gymnastics to utilize the Tighe Gym and PAC for a gymnastics invitational on April 2-4, 2027. Rental Fees: $6,949.00.
3. Approve the rental of the PAC by Comic Cure, INC for the following dates: June 19, 2027, July 24, 2027, and August 21, 2027. Cost: PAC Rental and Staff $5,927.50.

D. <u>Students</u>

1. Approve an evaluation for student 2651671127 at Medford Family Psychiatry as part of a Child Study Team Evaluation. Cost: $600.00.

11. Presentation and Approval of Minutes: October 14, 2026 Regular Session Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Minutes

12. Report of the Board Secretary:

    a. Financial Reports – September 2026

    b. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23-16.10(c) Margate City Board of Education certifies that as of September 30, 2026, after review of the Secretary's Monthly Financial Reports (Revenue and Appropriation Sections) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials that to the best of our knowledge there have been no changes in anticipated revenue sources and/or amounts and no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-16.10(c)3-4 so that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

    c. Report of Receipts and Disbursements - September 2026

    d. Cash Report - September 2026

    e. Bills and Payrolls - $1,260,430.77

    f. Transfer of Funds within General Current Expense Account

Ratified Budget Transfers for 2026-2027

TO:	11-000-222-600-00-01-010	MEDIA SUPPLIES	$300.00
	11-000-222-600-00-04-025	RENAISSANCE LEARNING	$3,000.00
	11-401-100-600-00-04-025	MEMORY BOOKS	$200.00
		TOTAL	$3,500.00
FROM:	11-190-100-610-01-01-010	MEDIA SUPPLIES	$300.00
	11-190-100-610-01-04-025	RENAISSANCE LEARNING	$3,000.00
	11-190-100-610-01-04-025	MEMORY BOOKS	$200.00
		TOTAL	$3,500.00

13. New Business

    A. Approve the transportation jointure between Mainland Regional High School (HOST) and Margate Board of Education (JOINER) for fifteen students to attend Mainland Regional High School for the 2026-2027 school year at a cost not to exceed $30,825.00.
    B. Approve change order GC-02 in the amount of ($25,000.00) as a credit for the unused allowance included in the base proposal for the Ross School Chiller-CT Replacement project - 24K043.
    C. Approve change order #1 in the amount of $111,767.52 to address masonry concerns including the cracked concrete facade, concrete window facade, recaulking concrete corner joints, repair and hydroshed coating to stair tower access steps, and installation of reinforced concrete on the northwest sidewalk; outside of the original scope of the Ross School roof resurfacing and building envelope project.

D. Approve change order #2 in the amount of $13,711.98 to supply and install a Kattsafe Aluminum Stair Crossover; outside of the original scope of the Ross School roof resurfacing and building envelope project.
E. Approved the submission of the Health and Safety Evaluation of School Buildings Checklist Statement of Assurance to the County Office of Education for the 2026-2027 school year.
F. Motion to approve the following resolution for the disposal of surplus property:

WHEREAS, the Margate City Board of Education is the owner of certain surplus property which is no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Margate City Board of Education is desirous of selling said surplus property in an "as is" condition without express or implied warranties.

NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED by the Margate City BOARD OF EDUCATION in the City of Margate, County of Atlantic, as follows:

(1) The sale of the surplus property shall be conducted through GovDeals in accordance with the terms and conditions of the cooperative purchasing contract 041316-GDI through Sourcewell. The terms and conditions of the agreement entered into with GovDeals is available online at govdeals.com and also available from the Business Office of the Margate City Board of Education.

(2) The sale will be conducted online and the address of the auction site is govdeals.com.

(3) The sale is being conducted pursuant to Local Finance Notice 2008-9.

(4) A list of the surplus property to be sold is as follows:

Lot A: EveNflow Car Seats - End of Life

(5) The surplus property as identified shall be sold in an "as-is" condition without express or implied warranties with the successful bidder required to execute a Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement concerning use of said surplus property.

(6) The Margate City Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any bid submitted.

G. Approve increasing Lunch Aide wages to $16.48 per hour effective January 1, 2027, to align with New Jersey State Minimum Wage Laws.

14. Other Matters

15. Public Comment

16. Executive Session:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-13 requires adoption of a resolution of the Board to go into Executive Session;
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, New Jersey Title 18A and the Margate City Board of Education Bylaw No. 9322 hereby enters Executive Session to discuss matters involving:

Personnel, student matters, advice of counsel, contracts or other matters for which an executive session is permitted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the minutes of this Executive Session shall be made public following formal action by the Board and/or at the conclusion of any investigation(s), due process proceeding, or litigation, so long as not prohibited by law and so long as the need for maintaining confidentiality no longer exists.

17. Open Session

18. Adjournment