



Springfield Public Schools
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S P R I N G F I E L D P U B L I C S C H O O L S

AGENDA OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING Thursday, April 9, 2026

LOCATION
City Hall, 36 Court Street, Room 220,
Springfield, MA

All meetings may be viewed live in real-time at:
<https://www.youtube.com/@schoolcommitteeSPS/streams>

ORDER OF BUSINESS

STUDENT ADVISORY SPEAKERS @ 6:00 PM

REGULAR MEETING @ 6:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING – ROLL CALL

- A. Invocation
- B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- A. Vote to approve the Minutes of the School Committee's Chapter 74 Vocational Meeting on February 26, 2026.
- B. Vote to approve the Minutes of the School Committee's Special Meeting on March 12, 2026.

III. VOTING ITEMS:

- A. Vote to approve Renaissance's overnight field trip request to Red Gate Farm in Ashfield, MA on June 16, 2026, and returning June 18, 2026.
- B. Vote to approve the SY 2026-2027 School Committee Meeting Dates schedule.
- C. Vote to approve the addition of a Lifeguard Training course for the Social Studies Department at Springfield Central High School.
- D. Vote to approve the addition of AP Art History for the Social Studies Department at Springfield Central High School.
- E. Vote to approve the addition of AP Cybersecurity for the Social Studies Department at Springfield Central High School.

- F. Vote to approve the addition of AP Business with Personal Finance for the Social Studies Department at Springfield Central High School.
- G. Vote to approve the Racial/Gender Epithet and Sexual Content Reading Materials Opt-Out Form for sensitive/mature content in secondary ELA texts analysis.
- H. Vote to approve the new Policy for Responding to Parental Curriculum Challenges Based on the Presence of Racial/Gender Slurs and Sexual Content.
- I. Vote to approve the authorization of the School Department to request that the City Council authorize a contract term greater than three-years for a Food Service Management Company.
- J. Vote to appoint a School Committee member, to serve on the Scoring Committee for purposes of evaluating proposals submitted in response to the Request for Proposals for the Management of the Springfield School Food Services Program (RFP Bid No. 26-128).
- K. Vote to approve the expenditure of \$40,000.00 from the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care – State Earmark Legislature Grant.
- L. Vote to approve the expenditure of \$50,000.00 from the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care – State Earmark Legislature Grant.
- M. Vote to approve the expenditure of \$63,000.00 from the One8 Foundation – Project Lead the Way Grant.
- N. Vote to approve a transfer from Lost-Time Savings in the amount of \$1,400,000 to electricity.
- O. Vote to approve a transfer from Lost-Time Savings in the amount of \$1,368,300 to snow removal.

IV. REPORT OF THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE:

- A. Student Representative – Anthony “Tony” Martins, Senior at Springfield Virtual School.

V. PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Celebration of Graduation Rates.
- B. *** Recognize awardees for the Pioneer Valley Excellence in Teaching (PVET) Award.
- C. *** Exceptional Learners.

VI. INFORMATIONAL/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. SY 2026-2027 School Calendar.

VII. REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES:

- A. Student and Parent Concerns (Ms. Gresham, Chair)
- B. Buildings and Maintenance (Mr. Gomez, Jr., Chair)
- C. Legislative and Contracts (Ms. Crawford, Chair)
- D. Curriculum and Programs (Ms. Hurst, Chair)
- E. Budget and Finance (Ms. Monroe-Naylor, Chair)

F. Career Technical Education (Mr. Gomez, Jr., Chair)

G. Technology (Ms. Monroe-Naylor, Chair)

H. School Safety (Ms. Gresham, Chair)

I. Diversity/Equity/Inclusion (Ms. Crawford, Chair)

J. Innovation School (Ms. Valentin, Chair)

VIII. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

X. NEW BUSINESS:

**** Slide deck/video to be presented by FOCUS Springfield.*