

VISION STATEMENT

The Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools is the district of choice for prospective students, parents, and staff in Central Wisconsin. WRPS meets the needs of diverse learners, preparing them to compete and reach their full potential in an evolving and global economy while cultivating values of responsibility, respect, and citizenship to contribute meaningfully to their community and beyond.

MISSION STATEMENT

Working together with home and community we are dedicated to providing the best education for every student, enabling each to be a thoughtful, responsible contributor to a changing world.

AGENDA

July 13, 2026

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

LOCATION: District Office, 510 Peach Street, Wisc. Rapids, WI 54494
Conf Rm A/B – *enter through doors on the north end off of Lincoln or Peach Street*
(Note that the meeting will also be live streamed at this link: [Meeting Livestream Link](#))

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

- I Call to Order
- II Pledge of Allegiance
- III Roll Call
- IV Comments From Citizens and Delegations
Persons who wish to address the Board may make a statement pertaining to a specific agenda item. The Board President will establish limits for speakers due to time constraints. **Persons wishing to address the Board should sign up to do so** with the Board Secretary before the meeting begins. You can sign up when you arrive at the meeting, or in advance of the meeting by emailing Christine Wefel at christine.wefel@wrps.net (emails must be received by noon on the day of the meeting) – call Chris at 715-424-6701 if you have any questions. Comments made by the public shall be civil in content and tone. Speakers bear the personal risk if comments made are defamatory, slanderous, or otherwise harmful to another individual. Please keep in mind that this is a meeting of the Board open to the public, and not a public hearing.
- V Minutes
 - A. Regular Board of Education Meeting – June 8, 2026
 - B. Special Board of Education Meeting (Budget Hearing) – June 29, 2026
 - C. Special Board of Education Meeting – June 30, 2026
- VI Committee Reports
 - A. Educational Services Committee
 - 1. Action to approve the Title VI of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act: Indian Education Formula Grant; 2026-27 Pupil Academic Standards; Act 89 Policy Updates; Remote Work Policy; and Memorandum of Understanding between Boys & Girls Club of the Wisconsin Rapids Area and Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools: Morning Jumpstart Program.
 - 2. Updates and reports on Wisconsin Rapids' School District's Section 504 Procedures.
 - 3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of July 6, 2026.

The Wisconsin open meetings law requires the Board, or Board Committee, only take action on subject matter that is noticed on their respective agendas. Persons wishing to place items on the agenda should contact the District Office at 715-424-6701, at least seven working days prior to the meeting date for the item to be considered. The item may be referred to the appropriate Committee or placed on the Board agenda as determined by the Superintendent and/or Board President. With advance notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of persons with disabilities by providing a sign language interpreter or other auxiliary aids, by calling 715-424-6701.

VII Committee Reports *(continued)*

B. Business Services Committee

1. Action to approve of the Annual Insurance Premium Summary; Purchase of Two Minivans; Washington Field #5 Naming Rights; and the Audit Services Proposal.
2. Updates and reports on invoices, bid specs, and purchase orders; Donations; District Phone Replacement; Auditor Engagement Letter to the Board of Education; Wisconsin Retirement System Rate Increase; and SWC Stadium Lighting.
5. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of July 6, 2026.

C. Personnel Services Committee

1. Action to approve employee appointments, resignations, and retirements; a 2.63 percent increase to the following employee groups effective July 1, 2026: Athletic Director, Middle School Athletic Director-RASC Coordinator, Assistant Athletic Director-Aquatics Director, Food Production Coordinator, Food Services, School Nurses, Computer Technicians, PAC Director, PAC Assistant Coordinator, Network Manager, Systems Manager, Instructional Software Support, Confidential Secretaries, Van Drivers, Custodial and Maintenance, AV Coordinator, and Office/Clerical and Aide Support Staff; a wage increase of \$520 to the School Psychologists effective July 1, 2026; a 3% co-curricular stipend for the Middle School Theater Director, a 2% co-curricular stipend for the Middle School Assistant Director, a 5% stipend for the Children's Theater Director, and a 3% co-curricular stipend for the Children's Theater Assistant Director; a 3% co-curricular stipend for the LHS Costumer; Nurse/Health Aide Changes; and Next Level Speech and Language Pathology services.
2. Updates and reports on the School-Based Mental Health Services Grant Funds.
3. Action to approve regular Committee meeting minutes of July 6, 2026.

VIII Agenda Referrals/Information Requests

IX Legislative Agenda

X Bills

A. Action on Receipts and Disbursements

XI New Business

- A. Possible action on employee appointments, resignations, and retirement requests.
- B. Discussion and possible action to amend the 2025-26 District budget.
- C. Discussion and updates on 2027 Health Insurance Renewal.
- D. Discussion and possible action to approve SPOT pet insurance as an employee benefit at the employee's expense.
- E. Discussion and approval of NVA vision insurance option 1 as an employee benefit at the employee's expense effective January 1, 2027.
- F. Discussion and possible action to adopt The Wisconsin Rapids Safe Routes to School Plan 2026.

XII Calendar

The calendar reflects meetings and events that are scheduled as of July 13, 2026:

1. July 13, 2026 (Mon) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
2. July 24, 2026 (Fri) – WRPS Education Update on WFHR – “Perspective” – Podcast
3. July 28, 2026 (Tues) – Boundaries and Buildings Task Force Meeting (Howe Elementary) – 6:00 p.m.
4. Aug. 3, 2026 (Mon) – Board Committee Meetings
 - Educational Services Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
 - Business Services and Personnel Services – Immediately following the Ed Services Meeting but not before 6:15 p.m.
5. Aug 10, 2026 (Mon) – Regular Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.
6. Aug 11, 2026 (Tues) – Boundaries and Buildings Task Force Meeting (WRAMS) – 6:00 p.m.
7. Aug 18, 2026 (Tues) – Boundaries and Buildings Task Force Meeting (Woodside & Grove) – 6:00 p.m.
8. Aug 25, 2026 (Tues) – Back to School Gathering for Staff (PAC) – 8:00 a.m.

XIII Adjourn

WRPS Pupil Nondiscrimination Statement

The School District of Wisconsin Rapids is committed to equal educational opportunity for all District students. The District will not deny any person admission to, participation in, or the benefits of any curricular, extra-curricular, pupil services, recreational or other program or activity because of a person's gender, race, national origin, ancestry, creed, religion, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, transgender status, gender identity, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability, or any other characteristic protected under State or Federal civil rights laws. Please review [Board Policy 411](#) for additional information. Incidents of discrimination or harassment should be reported to a teacher, administrator, supervisor or other District employee to be addressed or forwarded on to District Compliance Officer Brian Oswall.

Special Statement Regarding Sex Discrimination Under Title IX

In compliance with the federal Title IX statutes and regulations set forth in Chapter 106 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the District does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of sex in any education program or activity that the District operates. Title IX's requirement not to discriminate in any education program or activity extends to cover, but is not limited to, District students, certain admissions processes, and District employment. Inquiries regarding how Title IX and the federal Title IX regulations apply to the District may be referred to the District's Title IX Coordinator (as designated below), to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights at the U.S. Department of Education, or to both. Please refer to [Board Policy 411.24](#) for additional information.

WRPS Title IX Coordinators (located at 510 Peach Street, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494)

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