

**GOVERNEUR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Education**  
**June 1, 2026**  
**5:30 PM – HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**  
**Final Agenda: [www.gcsk12.org/boe/](http://www.gcsk12.org/boe/)**  
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I. CALL TO ORDER  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS REVISIONS TO THE DISTRICT CODE OF CONDUCT

The purpose of this public hearing is to afford the Board of Education the opportunity to hear opinions from the public regarding the Code of Conduct on school property.

The current Code of Conduct is posted on the District website: <https://www.gcsk12.org/about-us/code-of-conduct/files/25-26-Code-of-Conduct.pdf>

***The 2026-2027 District Code of Conduct will be recommended to the Board for adoption at the regular meeting on June 15, 2026.***

III. COMMENT PERIOD

IV. DISCUSSION

A. Presentations – Staff Recognition Award

The District Shared Decision-Making Committee has chosen Bonnie Bates and Cherie Zira to receive the Staff Recognition Award for the month of June

B. Communications

C. Wildcat News

D. Upcoming Events

June 2 – HS Music Concert (Chamber Singers, Strings, Jazz), 7:00 PM, HS Auditorium

June 12 – Moving Up Day ceremony, 12:50 PM, HS Auditorium

**June 15 – School Safety Plan Public Hearing and Regular BOE Meeting, 5:30 PM, HS Auditorium**

June 16 – *Last day of classes at SWT and HS*

June 16 – SWT Student Recognition ceremony, 9:00 AM, Hermon-DeKalb CSD

June 16 – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Farewell Ceremony, 6:30 PM, HS Auditorium

June 17-25 – HS Regents Exams

June 19 – Juneteenth holiday – no school

June 26 – Graduation, 7:00 PM, Grandstand (weather permitting)

E. Student Board Representative Report – Ashlyn Besaw

V. FINANCIAL REPORT

A. Adopt Gouverneur School District Reserve Plan Updated June 2026

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. School Safety Plan Public Hearing – June 15, 2026

The current School Safety Plan is available to view on the District website:

<https://www.gcsk12.org/documents/>. Anyone who would like to add comments or suggestions can email the Superintendent ([kelly.jackie@gcsk12.org](mailto:kelly.jackie@gcsk12.org)) or the District Clerk ([kennedy.tatia@gcsk12.org](mailto:kennedy.tatia@gcsk12.org)) by June 12. Comments will also be welcome at the public hearing.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Jacquelyn L. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the following items as a Consent Agenda:

A. Minutes of the Annual Meeting and Vote, held May 11 and 19, 2026, and the May 11, 2026 Regular Meeting

B. Claims Auditor's Reports for the period

C. CSE Business

D. CPSE Business

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA - PERSONNEL:

Upon presentation and recommendation of Jacquelyn L. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the following Personnel items as a Consent Agenda:

A. Memorandum of Agreement #9 between the Gouverneur Central School District and the Gouverneur Education Association

Approve the MOA #9 to the contract between the District and GEA to amend Appendix A: Club classifications – remove Performing Arts Director (Class E) and add A-V (Audio-Visual) Director (Class C), effective 8/31/26.

B. Appointments

1. Instructional

Art Teacher. Appoint Jessica Huto, holding NYS initial certification in Visual Arts, to the position of Art Teacher in the *Art* tenure area, for a four-year probationary period commencing on August 31, 2026.

2. Substitutes and Tutors

a) Approve the following returning substitute(s) for the 2025-26 school year: Cole Siebels

b) Approve the rate change for certified substitute Patricia A. Williams, who holds permanent NYS certification in *Nursery, Kindergarten & Grades 1-6*, and has substituted continuously for employee ### during her leave of absence, to the established rate of 25+ days effective 4/22/26.

3. Summer

a) High School Summer School. Approve the appointment of GHS Summer School staff as presented on the attached document.

b) Middle School Summer School. Approve the appointment of GMS Summer School staff as presented on the attached document.

c) Elementary Summer School. Approve the appointment of GES Summer School staff as presented on the attached document.

d) Summer Related Service Appointments.

- ESY Speech/Language Therapy: Pam Ault, Emily Elliott, Erin Bartlett
- ESY Occupational Therapy: Megan Morrow, Taylor Marcellus

e) Summer CSE/CPSE Support. Appoint Shea-Marie Mussaw for up to 20 hours/week to work on CSE reevaluations.

f) Summer Guidance Support.

Elementary	Grace Mashaw	Up to 5 days
Elementary	Ashley Morehouse	Up to 5 days
Middle	Hunter Hitchman	Up to 10 days
Middle	Monica Scott	Up to 20 days
High	Marcy Tyler	Up to 20 days
High	New Counselor (TBD)	Up to 20 days

g) Summer Nursing Support.

RN	Christine Sitts	Up to 7 days
LPN's	Brittaney Fairbanks, Natalie Wood, Kynlyne Stamper	Up to 3 days each

h) Summer Instructional Technology Coach Support – Stephanie Plaisted. Approve up to 10 days for support to include but not be limited to setting up all instructional technology services and offering support for purchased technology for teachers.

i) Summer Instructional Math Coach Support – Jessica Cappellino. Approve up to 10 days for instructional support services for teachers.

4. Students

Buildings & Grounds. Appoint the following students as substitutes in the Buildings & Grounds department for the summer of 2026: James Minckler, Niklas Tharaldsen.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Upon presentation and recommendation of Superintendent Jacquelyn L. Kelly, that the Board of Education consider the following items:

A. Merger Requests - Athletics

- a) Approve a merger with the Ogdensburg City School District to allow their students to participate on the Gouverneur Girls' Wrestling team at the Varsity level during the 2026-27 school year.
- b) Approve a merger with the Canton Central School District to allow our students to participate on the Canton Boys and Girls Hockey teams at the Varsity level during the 2026-27 school year.
- c) Approve a merger with the Canton Central School District to allow our students to participate on the Canton Boys and Girls Lacrosse teams at the Varsity level during the 2026-27 school year.

B. Authorization to Declare as Surplus and Dispose of Used Items

Whereas, the School District owns certain items which are obsolete, no longer useful or necessary for school district purposes and of no value to the School District;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of Education hereby declares such items to be surplus property and of no value to the School District and authorizes the Business Administrator to dispose of such items in accordance with Board Policy and in the best interests of the School District.

Item	Number	Condition	Reason for Disposal	Recommended means of disposal
Spotlight	2	Fair	no longer used	Auction/Sale

C. Policy Review – first reading

1620 Revised **Annual Organizational Meeting**

*This policy was revised in response to Senate Bill S6737 to allow boards of education to meet on any date in July on or before the Monday after July 20 for their annual organizational meeting.*

3111 Delete **School District Standards and Guidelines for Web Page Publishing**

*This policy is recommended for deletion. Information is contained in other policies or is included in law/regulations that we follow.*

5322 Delete **Use of the District Cell Phone**

*This policy is recommended for deletion. We no longer have any employee(s) with district cell phones and no plan to provide any future employee with a district cell phone.*

7370 Revised **Student Use of Computerized Information Resources (Acceptable Use Policy) – title changed to Acceptable Use Policy (Student)**

*This entire policy was rewritten based on the NYSED acceptable use policy and aligns with the recommendations of recent Comptroller's audits.*

7540 Revised **Student Directory Information**

*This policy was revised per the June 2025 guidance document released by NYSED, which recommends that districts do not release place of birth as directory information because this may be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed.*

7570 Delete **Notification of Release of Sex Offenders**

*This policy is recommended for deletion. This is not a required policy and is outdated (created 20+ years ago). Current procedures are covered by state law and handled by law enforcement.*

D. 2026 Annual Organizational Meeting

Set the date, time, and location for the Annual Organizational Meeting as Monday, July 13, 2026 at 5:30 PM in the High School Auditorium.

E. 2026-2027 Board of Education Meeting Dates (Discussion)

X. COMMENT PERIOD

XI. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

To discuss the employment history of particular persons.

XII. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT