



Gloucester Public Schools School Committee

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GLOUCESTER SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY, August 26, 2026

6:00 pm

Gloucester High School Library, 32 Leslie O. Johnson Road, Gloucester, MA 01930

Meetings are Recorded

The public is welcome to attend meetings in person or, alternatively, through the Zoom link provided on the agenda. The meeting notice will reflect if the meeting is via Zoom only. As Open Meeting Law allows, the School Committee may continue to hold meetings remotely. Please note the in-person meeting will not be suspended or terminated if technological problems interrupt the remote connection.

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AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER/STATEMENT OF MISSION/ROLL CALL**
- II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**
- III. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**
- IV. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON**
- V. RECOGNITIONS**

Our Mission is for all Students to be Successful, Engaged, Lifelong Learners

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - 1. School Committee Meeting Minutes of August 12, 2026
- B. *Approval of Warrants
- C. Approval of Transfers
- D. Acceptance of Donations

VII. DELIBERATIONS ON EDUCATION ISSUES/SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. Superintendent's Report
- B. School Opening Update
- C. Student Handbooks
- D. GHS School Improvement Plan

VIII. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS (Items listed under X. ACTION may be brought forward with reports)

IX. ACTION

- A. Approval of the Superintendent's Goals
- B. Approval of the Student Handbooks
- C. Approval of Prior Year Expenses for a Total of \$51,317.23
 - 1. Employee Travel Reimbursement Expense of \$246.76
 - 2. MA Nurses Association Settlement Expense of \$46,980.60
 - 3. MA Nurses Arbitrator Expense of \$2,889.87
 - 4. Teamsters Arbitrator Expense of \$1,200
- C. Acceptance of Grants
 - 1. FY2027 EEC Commonwealth Preschool Partnership Initiative Grant of \$423,733
 - 2. FY2027 FC 589 Civics Teaching and Learning Grant of \$40,000

X. DISCUSSION/OTHER COMMUNICATION/OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The listing of matters is those reasonably anticipated by the Chair, which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. Action items may include motions that come out of sub-committees.

***Enclosures**

****Oral Communication:** The public shall have the opportunity at every regular School Committee meeting to be heard under Oral Communications. Oral Communications shall allow any resident who has a request or complaint of any nature relative to the School Committee

business to appear before the School Committee, state their problem without debate, and the matter may be referred to the proper sub-committee.

For items that are on the agenda, members of the public may address the Committee with the permission of the Chair. Persons speaking under Oral Communications shall be limited to three (3) minutes each and shall submit a copy of their prepared communication to the Recording Secretary.

Calendar of School Committee and Subcommittee Meetings

School Committee – Meetings are at 6:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted. They will be held at the GHS Library, 32 Leslie O. Johnson Road

Wednesday, September 9, 2026
Wednesday, September 23, 2026
Wednesday, October 14, 2026
Wednesday, October 28, 2026
Wednesday, November 4, 2026
Wednesday, November 18, 2026
Wednesday, December 2, 2026
Wednesday, December 16, 2026
Wednesday, January 13, 2027
Wednesday, January 27, 2027
Wednesday, February 24, 2027
Wednesday, March 10, 2027
Wednesday, March 24, 2027
Wednesday, April 7, 2027
Wednesday, April 28, 2027
Wednesday, May 12, 2027
Wednesday, May 26, 2027
Wednesday, June 9, 2027
Wednesday, June 23, 2027

Building & Finance Subcommittee – Meetings are at 5:00 p.m., unless otherwise noted. They will be held at the GHS Library, 32 Leslie O. Johnson Road

Wednesday, September 16, 2026
Wednesday, October 7, 2026
*Monday, November 9, 2026
Wednesday, December 9, 2026
Wednesday, January 20, 2027
Wednesday, February 3, 2027

*Thursday, February 4, 2027
Wednesday, February 10, 2027
Wednesday, March 3, 2027
Wednesday, April 14, 2027
Wednesday, May 19, 2027
Wednesday, June 16, 2027

Program Subcommittee – Meetings are at 5:00 pm, unless otherwise noted. They will be at GHS Library, 32 Leslie O. Johnson Road

Wednesday, September 30, 2026
Wednesday, October 21, 2026
Wednesday, January 6, 2027
Wednesday, March 31, 2027
Wednesday, May 5, 2027

Personnel Subcommittee – Meetings will be held at the GHS Library, 32 Leslie O. Johnson Road

*Meetings with an asterisk do not follow the usual weeks/days in the month