

Cumberland School Department

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Cumberland School Committee Meeting

A regular meeting of the Cumberland School Committee will be held on **Thursday, August 13, 2026,**
at the Cumberland High School Transitional Building Cafetorium,
2602 Mendon Road, Cumberland, R.I. at **7:00 PM.**

Whenever Possible, a Live Stream of the Meeting can be found at:

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Document Access: <https://cumberlandschools.org/minutes-and-agendas/>

Agenda –

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - A. Approval of Minutes
 - 1. Regular Meeting 7/16/2026
 - 2. Executive Session 7/16/2026
 - B. School Bus Inspection Reports 6/30/2026
 - C. Enrollment Report 8/11/2026
- V. Report Out of Executive Session Meeting
 - A. Report Out of Executive Session Meeting on 8/13/2026
 - 1. Report Out of Executive Session Votes
 - 2. Vote to Seal Minutes of Executive Session
- VI. Personnel Announcements Including District Teachers and Support Staff Appointment, as well as Fall Coaching Appointments
- VII. Superintendent's Report
 - A. Back-to-School Events 2026– Schedule of Activities for August Events throughout the District in Preparation for the New Year
 - B. RIPIN Back to School Celebration, Saturday, August 15th, 10:00 AM-1:00 PM at Garvin– All are Welcome!
 - C. Helpful Links for the Upcoming Year– School Supplies, Handbooks, Middle & High School Schedules. As well as Bus Routes & Menus to be posted in the coming weeks
 - D. Enrollment Update Including Processing Out-of-District Requests

- E. Construction Update Including the BF Norton New Construction Project and North Cumberland Middle School Elevator & Vestibule Project

VIII. Reports of Standing Committees

- A. Policy & Procedures Sub-Committee Update
- B. Fiscal Management Sub-Committee Update
- C. Achievement & Communications Sub-Committee Update
- D. District Health & Wellness Sub-Committee Update

IX. Public Hearing

- A. Reading of Amended Policies
 - 1. I-2 Computer Internet Electronic Device Acceptable Use
 - 2. G-14 Computer Internet Electronic Device Acceptable Use
 - 3. I-14 High School Proficiency Based Graduation
- B. Reading of Amended Handbooks to Reflect Policy Amendments
 - 1. 2026-2027 Cumberland High School Handbook
 - 2. 2026-2027 Cumberland Middle Schools Handbook
- C. Comments from the Public Regarding Public Hearing

X. Comments from the Public

XI. Old Business

- A. Discussion and/or Vote on Superintendent Authorization for MOA Between CSD and New England Institute of Technology for “Early College Program”
- B. Transpar Update Regarding Start Times and Transportation Efficiency

XII. New Business

- A. Discussion and/or Vote on CHS Cross Country Overnight Field Trip Requests:
 - 1. Manchester Invitational, September 18-19, 2026 in Hooksett, NH
 - 2. Boudoin XL Invitational, September 25-26, 2026 in Fishkill, NY
 - 3. New England Championship, November 12- 14, 2026 in Belfast, Maine- Pending Qualifications
- B. Discussion and/or Vote to approve Change Order Request #01 for Colliers Project Leaders Budget Reallocation in an amount not to exceed \$0
- C. Discussion and/or Vote to approve Proposed Change Order Request for Add Security/Door Contacts at NCMS Elevator/ Security Project in an amount not to exceed \$36,438.
- D. Discussion and/or Vote to approve Change Order Request for Add Three Color Metal Panels in an amount not to exceed \$28,342.37.
- E. Discussion and/or Vote to approve Change Order Request for Add Washer Dryer Connections in an amount not to exceed \$31,655.39.
- F. Discussion and/or Vote to approve Change Order Request for Add Reflection Room Wall/Door Padding in the amount not to exceed \$46,619.

- G. Discussion and/or Vote to approve Retaining Wall Alternate Design in the amount not to exceed \$69,873.
- H. Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Home Instruction Requests for the 26/27 SY
- I. Vote on Superintendent's Salary/Benefits for 2026-2027 School Year Per Existing Contract
- J. Discussion and/or Vote on Insurance Agreement for Volunteer Therapy Dog Program, at CHS Between Windwalker Humane Coalition (WHC) of Warwick, RI and Cumberland School Committee
- K. Discussion and/or Vote on Amended Policies
 - 1. I-2 Computer Internet Electronic Device Acceptable Use
 - 2. G-14 Computer Internet Electronic Device Acceptable Use
 - 3. I-14 High School Proficiency Based Graduation
- L. Discussion and/or Vote on Amended Handbooks
 - 1. 2026-2027 Cumberland High School Handbook
 - 2. 2026-2027 Cumberland Middle Schools Handbook
- M. Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Resolutions:
 - 1. SC-PR-08-2026-082- CHS Wellness Center Boiler Heat Exchanger to Automatic Temperature Controls, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$23,480.00
 - 2. SC-PR-08-2026-083- BF Norton ES July Invoice #0025B-2405.00 & Invoice #003A-2405.00_Reimbursable to Ai3 Architects, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$34,196.20
 - 3. SC-PR-08-2026-084- BF Norton ES Pay Requisition #011 to Consigli Construction Co., Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$2,707,246.71
 - 4. SC-PR-08-2026-085- Multiple School Projects Payment Request #4 September through April to Ahlborg Construction Corp. in an amount not to exceed \$566,628.00

N. Discussion and/or Vote to Approve Payment of Bills

- XIII. Vote to go into Executive Session Discussion on Items Referred to in R.I.G.L. § 42-46-5: Before going into executive session, the school committee shall state for the record that any persons to be discussed pursuant to subsection (1) have been notified, and this statement shall be noted in the minutes of the meeting.

A. Personnel Matters- Exception (1)

- 1. Negotiations/Litigation/Legal Advice – Exception (2)
 - a) CTA/ICSE/NON-UNIT
 - b) Litigation Update/Potential Litigation/Legal Advice
 - c) Discussion of Performance of Administrator "A"
 - d) Discussion Regarding Settlement Demand by Former Teacher A and Potential Litigation

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- e) Legal Advice on ADA Compliance
- 2. Personnel Matters- Exception (1)
 - a) CTA/ICSE/NON-UNIT
 - b) Discussion of Superintendent Year-End Goals and Evaluation Process in accordance with Policy B-4
 - c) Discussion of Superintendent Goals for 2026-2027
 - d) Discussion of Superintendent's Performance/Salary/Benefits for 2026-27 school year
- XIV. Vote to Reconvene Meeting in Open Session
- XV. Report Out of Executive Session Meeting
 - A. Report Out of Executive Session Votes
 - B. Vote to Seal Minutes of Executive Session
- XVI. Adjournment



Amy S. Vogel, Chairperson
Cumberland School Committee

N.B. All interested persons and the public at large will be given a fair opportunity to be heard on said items on said agenda. Individuals requesting interpreter service for the hearing impaired must request such service 48 hours in advance of this meeting. The Cumberland School Department does not discriminate on the basis of age, gender, gender expression, race, religion, national origin, color or disability in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.