

**RECORD OF BOARD PROCEEDINGS  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**The Hopkins Co. Board of Education met at 320 South Seminary Street, Madisonville, KY at 5:30 o'clock P.M. on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026, with the following members present:**

(1) Nicholas Foster, Chairman	(2) Steve Faulk, Vice Chairman	(3) Martha Phelps
(4) Kerri Scisney	(5) Shannon Embry	Keith Cartwright, Board Attorney

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Nicholas Foster, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

**A. Pledge; Moment of Silence; Mission Statement--Unite as one team to learn and inspire.**

Board members led the pledge to the flag.

**B. Adoption of Agenda**

**Order #64 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the agenda as outlined passed with a motion by Mr. Steven Faulk and a second by Ms. Kerri Scisney.

Mr. Shannon Embry	Yes
Mr. Steven Faulk	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Foster	Yes
Mrs. Martha Phelps	Yes
Ms. Kerri Scisney	Yes

**STUDENT/STAFF PRESENTATIONS AND/OR RECOGNITION**

**A. Superintendent and Staff**

**Damon Fleming, Ed. D, Superintendent**

**Great Futures Start Here Award**

Maranda Steele, Speech CIA, Hanson and Grapevine Elementary

**Matt Bell, Director of Athletics and Special Programs**

Recognize SHMS Girl's 8th Grade Basketball WKAC Champions

**SBDM Reports**

**High Schools**

Mike Zimmer- HCCHS  
Alaina Lancaster- HCCTC  
Nathan Howton - HCDT/HCA  
Adam Harris - MNHHS

**STUDENT LEARNING AND SUPPORT SERVICES (DIALOGUE, NO ACTION)**

**A. School Calendar**

**NO SCHOOL**

March 13, 2026, No School  
April 3, 2026, No School  
April 6-10, 2026, Spring Break  
May 19, 2026, Election Day

**CENTRAL OFFICE CLOSED**

April 10, 2026, Spring Break  
May 25, 2026, Memorial Day

**COMMUNICATION**

**A. Public Comment**

**None**

Hopkins County Board of Education Policy 01.421 states:

Public comments will be allowed at regular meetings only if the topic is regarding an agenda item. Persons wishing to address the Board must first be recognized by the chairperson. Persons who wish to address an agenda item need to submit the Public Comments Form by noon on the day of the meeting to request to speak at the meeting that evening.

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**STUDENT LEARNING AND SUPPORT SERVICES (CONSENT-ACTION)**

**Order #65 - Motion Passed:** Approval of the listed consent items passed with a motion by Mrs. Martha Phelps and a second by Mr. Shannon Embry.

Mr. Shannon Embry	Yes
Mr. Steven Faulk	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Foster	Yes
Mrs. Martha Phelps	Yes
Ms. Kerri Scisney	Yes

**A. Approval of Minutes, Bills, and Salaries**

The Board approved the minutes of February 17, 2026, board meeting and March 2, 2026, special called work session, and the bills and salaries for the month of March 2026.

**B. Approval of Leaves of Absence**

The Board approved the following leaves of absence.

1. Employee #8623, Teacher, SHMS, Military Leave, Kentucky National Guard, March 13, 2026 & April 17, 2026.
2. Employee #8257, Instructional Assistant, GES, Extended Disability Leave starting February 24, 2026.
3. Employee #6619, Teacher, HES, Return to Work on March 2, 2026, from FMLA.
4. Employee #7173, Teacher, WHS, FMLA starting March 25, 2026, not to exceed twelve (12) weeks.
5. Employee #4211, School Secretary, HCCTC, FMLA starting January 23, 2026, not to exceed twelve (12) weeks.
6. Employee #8107, Teacher, HES, FMLA starting March 2, 2026, not to exceed twelve (12) weeks.
7. Employee #5658, Teacher, HCCHS, FMLA starting February 23, 2026, not to exceed twelve (12) weeks.
8. Employee #8761, Cook/Baker, PES, Return to Work on March 2, 2026.
9. Employee #7894, Cook/Baker, SES, Extended Disability Leave starting February 13, 2026.

**C. Approval of Out of District/Overnight Trips**

The Board approved the following out of district, overnight, or non-school sponsored events as requested by the principal of the school, subject to date rescheduling as necessary.

1. HCCHS, FFA, Union City, TN, Wednesday, April 1, 2026, Tour exhibits for agricultural education. Travel by school bus.
2. HCCHS, Academic Team, Louisville, KY, Friday, March 20, 2026 - Saturday, March 21, 2026, state competition. Travel by school vehicle.
3. HCCTC, TSA Students, Louisville, KY, Monday, March 16, 2026 - Wednesday, March 18, 2026, state competition. Travel by school vehicle.
4. HCCTC, Skills USA, Louisville, KY, Monday, March 30, 2026 - Thursday, April 2, 2026, state competition. Travel by school bus.
5. HCCTC, Automotive Students, Princeton, IN, Wednesday, April 22, 2026, plant tour. Travel by school bus.
6. JSES, Archery, Louisville, KY, Friday, March 13, 2026- Saturday, March 14, 2026, state competition. Travel by school bus.
7. JMMS/BSMS, Academic Team, Louisville, KY, Friday, March 20, 2026 - Saturday, March 21, 2026, state competition. Travel by school bus.
8. MNHHS, Dance, Frankfort, KY, Friday, February 20, 2026- Saturday, February 21, 2026, state competition. Travel by school vehicle.
9. MNHHS, Powerlifting, Rockport, IN, Saturday, March 14, 2026, competition. Travel by school bus.
10. MNHHS, FCCLA, Louisville, KY, Tuesday, March 24, 2026 - Friday, March 27, 2026, state competition. Travel by school vehicle.
11. MNHHS, Academic Team, Louisville, KY, Friday, March 20, 2026 - Saturday, March 21, 2026, state academic meet. Travel by school vehicle.
12. WBES, 5th Grade, Evansville, IN, Wednesday, May 20, 2026, reward trip. Travel by school bus.
13. WHS, 8th Grade, Santa Claus, IN, Wednesday, May 20, 2026, end of year trip. Travel by school bus.

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**D. Approval of KETS Payment of Invoice(s)**

The Board approved to pay the following invoices from Kentucky Technology Trust Fund (KETS).

1. Encore, \$96,170.43, District Wide, Servers for Virtual Environment.

**E. Approval of Payment of Invoice(s)**

The Board approved to pay the following invoice(s).

1. Thermal Balance, \$650.00, testing and balance service for the New Central Office renovation project, to be paid from BG23-121.
2. LE Gregg Associates, \$6,172.85, geotechnical exploration services for the Southside/South Middle School renovation project, to be paid from BG23-030.
3. Compass Security Solutions, \$21,032.00, network security for the New Central Office renovation project, to be paid from BG23-121.
4. Compass Security Solutions, \$1,403.71, network security for the New Central Office renovation project, to be paid from BG23-121.
5. Kerr Workplace Solutions, \$30,475.46, storage/filing system for the New Central Office renovation project to be paid from BG23-121.
6. Garmong Construction, \$280,041.37, construction services for the New Central Office renovation project, to be paid from BG23-121.
7. Louisville Tile Distributors, Inc, \$9,500.00, ceramic tile for the New Central Office renovation project, to be paid from BG23-121.
8. Midwest Specialties, LLC, \$6,190.00, restroom accessories for the New Central Office renovation project, to be paid from BG23-121.
9. Evapar, Inc, \$62,600.00, Generac generators for the New Central Office renovation project, to be paid from BG23-121.
10. Danco Construction, \$84,336.92, construction services for the New Southside/South Hopkins renovation, to be paid from BG23-030.
11. Carter Waters LLC, \$31,077.89, wire mesh for the New Southside/South Hopkins renovation, to be paid from BG23-030.
12. Architectural Sales, \$7,984.71, metal hardware for the New Southside/South Hopkins renovation, to be paid from BG23-030.
13. Mak Steel Servies, LLC, \$85,000.00, structural steel for the New Southside/South Hopkins renovation to be paid from BG23-030.
14. Winsupply, \$16,259.62, plumbing fixtures for the New Southside/South Hopkins renovation project, to be paid from BG23-030.
15. Cole Lumber, \$10,534.40, lumber supplies for the New Southside/South Hopkins renovation project, to be paid from BG23-030.
16. Dubois County Block and Brick, Inc, \$8,606.40, block for the New Southside/South Hopkins renovation project, to be paid from BG23-030.
17. Mills Supply Company, \$48,249.40, rebar for the New Southside/South Hopkins renovation project, to be paid from BG23-030.
18. Meuth Construction Supply, \$22,054.00, concrete for the New Southside/South Hopkins renovation project, to be paid from BG23-030.

**F. Approval of School Activity Fundraiser(s)**

The Board approved the following activity fundraiser(s).

1. WBES, PTO, Little Caesars, proceeds will be used to support staff and students.

**G. Approval of Shortened School Day/Week for Students with Disabilities  
A copy may be found in Abstract File #117**

The Board approved Shortened School Day/Week for students with Disabilities.

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**H. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between the Hopkins County Health Department and Hopkins County Schools for a Suicide Prevention Program and Assessment at West Hopkins School  
A copy may be found in Abstract File #118**

The Board approved Memorandum of Understanding between the Hopkins County Health Department and Hopkins County Schools for a Suicide Prevention Program and Assessment at West Hopkins School.

**I. Approval of Traceable Communication System Edmentum for Students that attend Hopkins County Schools**

The Board approved the Traceable Communication System Edmentum for Students that attend Hopkins County Schools.

**J. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Western Kentucky University for Professional Education Preparation Partnership  
A copy may be found in Abstract File #119**

The Board approved Memorandum of Understanding with Western Kentucky University for Professional Education Preparation Partnership.

**K. Approval to Accept Bids on a Double Sided Message Center Sign at Hanson Elementary School  
A copy may be found in Abstract File #120**

The Board approved to Accept Bids on a Double Sided Message Center Sign at Hanson Elementary School.

**L. Approval of FY 2026 KETS Second Offer of Assistance  
A copy may be found in Abstract File #121**

The Board approved the FY 2026 KETS second offer of assistance in the amount of \$47,547.00 to be fully matched at the present time.

**M. Approval to Accept Bid from Kate Faupel Chevrolet on a Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD 4WD Crew Cab Custom or Work Pickup Truck for the District Maintenance Department  
A copy may be found in Abstract File #122**

The Board approved to accept the Bid from Kate Faupel Chevrolet on a Chevrolet Silverado 2500HD 4WD Crew Cab Custom or Work Pickup Truck for the District Maintenance Department.

**N. Approval of the 2025-2026 Graduation Dates**

The Board approved the 2025-2026 Graduation Dates.

**HOPKINS COUNTY SCHOOLS ACADEMY GRADUATION**

HCSA Graduation, Thursday, May 14, 2026, 6:00 p.m. at Hopkins County Central High School

**MADISONVILLE NORTH HOPKINS GRADUATION**

Awards Ceremony, Friday, May 15, 2026, 1:00 p.m.  
Baccalaureate, Sunday, May 17, 2026, 6:00 p.m. at Victory Church  
Graduation, Wednesday, May 20, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

**HOPKINS COUNTY CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION**

Baccalaureate, Sunday, May 17, 2026, 3:00 p.m.  
Awards Ceremony, Sunday, May 17, 2026, 5:30 p.m.  
Graduation, Thursday, May 21, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

**O. Approval of the Revised BG1 for the Hopkins County Field Turf and Track Improvements Project BG26-232**

**A copy may be found in Abstract File #123**

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The Board approved the revised BG1 for the Hopkins County Field Turf and Track Improvements Project, BG26-232.

**STUDENT LEARNING AND SUPPORT SERVICES (ACTION LIKELY)**

**A. Personnel**

**A copy may be found in Abstract File #124**

The Board reviewed personnel changes made by the Superintendent since February 17, 2026.

**BOARD CALENDAR**

**Review Board Meeting Dates**

Monday, March 23, 2026, HCBOE Board Meeting, Central Administration Office, 5:30pm.

Monday, April 20, 2026, HCBOE Board Meeting, Central Administration Office, 5:30pm.

Monday, May 4, 2026, HCBOE Board Meeting, Central Administration Office, 5:30pm.

Monday, May 18, 2026, HCBOE Board Meeting, Central Administration Office, 5:30pm.

Monday, June 1, 2026, HCBOE Board Meeting, Central Administration Office, 5:30pm.

Monday, June 15, 2026, HCBOE Board Meeting, Central Administration Office, 5:30pm.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Order #66 - Motion Passed:** Motion to adjourn until the next scheduled meeting on March 23, 2026, passed with a motion by Mr. Shannon Embry and a second by Ms. Kerri Scisney.

Mr. Shannon Embry	Yes
Mr. Steven Faulk	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Foster	Yes
Mrs. Martha Phelps	Yes
Ms. Kerri Scisney	Yes

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Nicholas Foster, Chairman

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Dr. Damon Fleming, Superintendent