

**CHRISTIAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
JULY 16, 2026
8:00 A.M.**

BOARD RETREAT

The Christian County Board of Education met at Christian County High School, 1 Tiger Way, Hopkinsville, KY on July 16, 2026, at 8:00 A.M. for a Board Retreat.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Tom Bell, Chairperson

Mr. Lindsey Clark, Vice-Chair

Ms. Erin Westerfield

Ms. Rebecca Pepper

Ms. Ambrea Watkins

Mr. Chris Bentzel, Superintendent and Board Secretary

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Also present: Jack Lackey, Board Attorney; Kevin Crider, Assistant Superintendent; Dr. Jason Wilson, Assistant Superintendent; Trevor Herndon, District Facilities Coordinator; Johnna Brown, Director of Communications; Michael Seis, Chief of School Safety and Security; Clayton Sumner, Director of School Safety and Security; Ken Carver, Executive Principal, Christian County High School; Megan Kem, Principal of Instruction, Christian County High School; Dr. Kadi Ralston, Director of Academies; Dr. James Neihof, GRREC; Tim Geegan, Alliance Corporation; Jack Faber, Hafer Architects; Eric Rang, Hafer Architects

ACTION/ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bell called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.

DISCUSSION:

INTRODUCTIONS/PURPOSE OF RETREAT

Mr. Bell and Mr. Bentzel introduced everyone and discussed the purpose of the board retreat.

SAFETY UPDATE

Clayton Sumner, Director of School Safety and Security, was present to provide the Board a Safety Update.

**NEW CCHS HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION AND
TRANSFORMATION UPDATE**

Tim Geegan, Alliance Corporation; Jack Faber, Hafer Architects; Eric Rang, Hafer Architects; Dr. Jason Wilson, Assistant Superintendent; and Ken Carver, Executive Principal, were present to provide the Board a Construction and Transformation Update on the new Christian County High School.

INSTRUCTION/STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Kevin Crider, Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Kadi Ralston, Director of Academies, and Dr. James Neihof, GRREC were present to provide the Board an Instruction/Strategic Plan Update.

MISCELLANEOUS/CLOSING COMMENTS

Chris Bentzel, Superintendent, discussed miscellaneous topics as well as answered board member questions, comments, and/or concerns.

#1 ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Clark, second by Ms. Watkins, to adjourn 12:30 P.M.

Voting yes: Mr. Clark, Ms. Watkins, Ms. Westerfield, Ms. Pepper,
 Mr. Bell

Voting no: NONE

APPROVED CHAIRPERSON _____

APPROVED SECRETARY _____