St. Joseph County ISD

Building Better Futures for Children and Communities

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Board of Education Regular Meeting

November 16, 2026
4:30 p.m.
St. Joseph County Intermediate School District Office, 62445 Shimmel Road, Centreville, MI

AGENDA

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Introduction of Visitors and Guests
Public Participation - *Per Board Policy #2504, this portion of the agenda is limited to 3 minutes per participant.*

Introduction of new staff:

- Richard Heckman, Technology Support Specialist

PUBLIC HEARING - Content Filtering Annual Review

The Board must provide reasonable public notice and hold at least one public hearing or meeting to address a proposed technology protection measure and Internet safety policy. The ISD utilizes two different systems for content filtering: Linewize and Palo Alto. The information for both systems will be available for public review in the St. Joseph County ISD Superintendent's Office on November 16, 2026, from 4:00 to 4:30 p.m. The opportunity for public input on content filtering will be provided during this Public Hearing.

PRESENTATION: 2025-26 Financial Audit Report

Presented by Ian Rees, CPA of Gabridge & Company

PRESENTATION: Renovations/Safety & Security Upgrades at Pathfinder Educational Center

Presented by Sarah Mitchell and Eric Hackman, E.H. Goodman Architects

CONSENT AGENDA:

The administration recommends the Board approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

1. Approval of Minutes of October 19, 2026, Regular Meeting. (Attachment #1)
2. Approval of Financial Report as of October 31, 2026. (Attachment #2)

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3. Approval of Monthly Expenditures:
    a. General Fund in the amount of $859,501.71
    b. Career-Technical Education in the amount of $156,297.66
    c. Information Services in the amount of $276,896.70
    d. Special Education in the amount of $1,804,849.44
4. Approve the hire and contract with the following staff, contingent upon successful return of criminal records check, misconduct form, and recipient of credentials:
    a. Debra Hall, Early Childhood Special Education Assistant Teacher
    b. Richard Heckman, Technology Support Specialist
    c. Kinsey Harrison, Speech Language Pathologist
    d. Kelsi Steiner, GSRP Aide (Part-Time)
5. Approval of the resignation, termination and/or retirement of the following staff:
    a. Shyann Gabbard, Assistant Teacher, effective 11/3/26
    b. Ali Montoya, Assistant Teacher, effective 10/30/26
    c. Taylor Schabes, Office Assistant for Administrative & Pupil Auditing, effective 11/13/26
    d. Beth Schwartz, Early Childhood Enrollment Specialist, effective 12/18/26

NEW BUSINESS

Action Items

1. Recommend approval of the following Early Head-Start Child Care Partnership (EHS-CCP) information: (Attachment #3)
    a. EHS-CCP Program Report
    b. Average Daily Attendance
    c. Purchase Card Statements
    d. Personnel Report
    e. EHS Continuation Grant Application and Budget 2027-28

    Information Only:
    f. No October 2026 Policy Council Meeting
    g. GSRP Monitoring Report

2. Recommend approval of 2025-26 Financial Audit for St. Joseph County ISD. (Attachment #4)

Informational & Communication Items

1. Other Personnel Updates (Attachment #5)

2. Superintendent's Report (Attachment #6)

3. Letter of Agreement between SJCISD and SJC Intermediate Education Association (IEA) for Dental and Vision Insurance (Attachment #7)

Reminder: The next ISD Board Meeting is Monday, December 14, 2026, 4:30 p.m.

Other

Adjournment

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