



*The mission of the Bedford School District is to develop a community of learners who are curious, resourceful, and respectful. Academic achievement is the district's highest priority.*

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## **BEDFORD SCHOOL BOARD PLANNING SESSION**

**Wednesday, August 20, 2025**

**SAU Office board room**

**103 County Road, Bedford NH 03110**

**6:00 p.m.**

### **AGENDA**

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**1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call**

**6:00 p.m.**

**2. Affirm Agenda Items**

**3. Participation at School Board Meetings**

**Citizen participation can occur in two ways:**

1. Written comments can be submitted directly to the School Board at [bedfordschoolboard@sau25.net](mailto:bedfordschoolboard@sau25.net). If you would like your written comment to be included in meeting minutes please specify this and include your full name and address.
2. Comments can be made in person during the designated time for public comments.

The following procedures pertain to Public Participation at Board meetings as per policy BEDH:

- Individual speakers will be allotted up to 3 minutes per person. Speakers may not relinquish allotted time to another speaker.
- An individual desiring to speak shall give his/her name, address, and the group, if any, that is represented.
- The School Board will not hear personal comments of complaints of school personnel nor against any person connected with the school system.
- Please refer to Policy [BEDH Public Participation at Board Meetings](#) for more details.

#### **4. School Board Candidate Interviews and Appointment**

Proposed Action:

The Board will conduct interviews with the remaining candidates who have expressed interest in filling the vacant Board seat. Once interviews are complete, the Board will deliberate in nonpublic (RSA 91-A:3, II(c)) and then vote in public on the candidate they have selected to fill the position. If present, the chosen candidate may be sworn in as the newly appointed Board member.

Candidate Interviews:

[Nadir Ali](#)

[Leonard Evansic](#)

[Kim Kendrix](#)

[Stephanie Nichols](#)

[Beth Purcell](#)

[Keith Saunders](#)

[Craig Stevens](#)

#### **5. Full Day Kindergarten Update**

Proposed Action:

Elementary Principals Daley, McCarthy, and Schappler will present the Board with an update on current student enrollment figures and staffing/hiring progress.

**Supporting Documents:**

- [Kindergarten Update 2025](#)

#### **6. RBS Intensive Needs Staffing Request**

Proposed Action:

Riddle Brook School Principal McCarthy will discuss a staffing request for the Intensive Needs classroom at RBS aimed at supporting students in the program.

Supporting Documents:

- [Additional Staffing Request Memo](#)

#### **7. Performance Metrics**

Proposed Action:

Assistant Superintendent Laliberte will share how the Bedford schools performed on their annual performance goal metrics.

Supporting Documents:

- [Goal Metrics 24-25 Results](#)

#### **8. District Goals Update**

Proposed Action:

Superintendent Fournier will present the Board with a review of the Bedford School District Goals.

Supporting Documents:

- [District Goals Update](#)
- [Proposed Goal for RAINN](#)

## **9. Budget Priorities FY26**

Superintendent Fournier will share the FY26 Bedford School District budget priorities with the Board.

Budget Priorities for Discussion:

- a. Board Goals
- b. [Staffing & Enrollment](#) (Not updated until 2nd Tuesday in September)
- c. Chromebooks
- d. BESSA & BEPA Contracts (to expire June 30, 2026)
- e. CEP & Maintenance
- f. Other Considerations

## **10. De-Icing MOU Reauthorization**

Proposed Action:

Superintendent Fournier will provide an update on recent discussions concerning the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Bedford School District and the Town of Bedford, focusing on ongoing collaboration for de-icing efforts during winter weather conditions.

Supporting Documents:

- [Winter Maintenance MOU showing suggested edits](#)
- [Clean Winter Maintenance MOU](#)

## **11. Policy Updates**

Proposed Action:

Superintendent Fournier presented the Board with policy updates. Using Draftable.com's side-by-side comparison tool, changes were color-coded as follows: red indicated deletions, blue represented replacements, and green signified relocated content.

Second Read:

Policy AB - New Hampshire Parental Bill of Rights

- [Clean Policy AB \(Recommended by NHSBA\)](#)

Policy JICJ: Unauthorized Communication Devices

- [Current Version](#)
- [Clean Policy JICJ \(Reviewed by NHSBA\)](#)
  - [JICJ-R\(1\)](#) - For withdrawal

First Read:

Policy EHAG - Use of Artificial Intelligence

- [Clean Policy EHAG \(Reviewed by NHSBA\)](#)

Policy JIH - Student Searches and Their Property

- [Current Version](#)
- [Side by Side Comparison](#)
- [Clean Policy JIH \(Recommended by NHSBA\)](#)

Procedure JIH-R - Student Searches and Their Property - Search of Students -  
Procedures and Regulations

- [Current Version](#)
- [Side by Side Comparison](#)
- [Clean Procedure JIH-R \(Reviewed by NHSBA\)](#)

Policy IHBH - Extended Learning Opportunities

- [Current Version](#)
- [Side by Side Comparison](#)
- [Clean Policy IHBH \(Recommended by NHSBA\)](#)

Policy IHBI - Alternative Learning Programs & Individual Plans

- [Current Version](#)
- [Side by Side Comparison](#)
- [Clean Policy IHBI \(Recommended by NHSBA\)](#)

Policy IIB - Class Sizes and Student-Educator Ratios

- [Current Version](#)
- [Side by Side Comparison](#)
- [Clean Policy IIB \(Recommended by NHSBA\)](#)

## **12. Minutes**

- [Draft Minutes of 08.11.2025](#)

## **13. Materials Included**

- [Summer Hires](#)
- [07.07.2025 BSB Meeting Minutes](#)
- [Corrected 8.12.2025 Manifest Summary](#)

## **14. Consent Agenda**

- [Manifest of 08.21.2025](#)
- [Revised School Board Meeting Calendar](#)

## **15. Short Subjects and Good News Notes**

## **16. Nonpublic Session Per RSA 91-A:3 (If Necessary)**

## **17. Adjournment**

**TBD**