

Board of Education Meeting - Apr 20 2026





Monday, April 20, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Carthage Technical Center, Community Room - 1100 E. Airport Drive

1. Preliminaries of the Meeting - Ms. Niki Cloud, President

- A. Call to Order - Ms. Niki Cloud, President
- B. Roll Call - Mrs. Lora Phelps, Secretary
- C. Establishment of a Quorum - Ms. Cloud
- D. Pledge of Allegiance - Ms. Cloud


2. Consent Agenda - Ms. Cloud, President - Motion to Approve

- A. Approve Open Session Consent Agenda
- B. Approve Minutes of Previous Open Session Meeting - March 12, 2026
[Open Session Minutes - March 12, 2026.pdf](#) 
- C. Approve Payment of Bills
[Additional March 2026 Checks Written.pdf](#)  [April 2026 Accounts Payable.pdf](#) 
- D. Approve District Financial Report
[Carthage R-9 School District Financial Report March 2026.pdf](#) 
- E. Approve Amendments to FY26 Budget
The preliminary budget approved by the Board in June of each year is based on projected revenues and expenditures. It is necessary to amend this document throughout the year as new financial information becomes available. The Board will consider amending the FY26 budget to reflect a \$920,555 increase in revenues from higher investment earnings and state funded grants and a \$4,686 increase in expenditures funded by a state grant.



3. Reorganization of the Board

- A. Administer Oath of Office to Newly-Elected School Board Member - Ms. Niki Cloud
Lora Phelps, Jeff Jones, and Robin Blair were the only candidates for the three open positions on the Carthage R-9 Board of Education this year, making it unnecessary for the district to hold an annual election. In accordance with RSMo 115.124 (1), Mrs. Phelps, Mr. Jones, and Mrs. Blair will take the oath of office and assume their responsibilities at the same time and in the same manner as if they




had been elected. Mrs. Phelps, Mr. Jones, and Mrs. Blair will be sworn in to serve three-year terms of the Board of Education.














- B. Election of Officers - Dr. Luke Boyer and Newly-Elected President (Motion of Approve)
Dr. Boyer will conduct the election of a new board president and the newly-elected president will conduct the election of the vice-president, secretary, and treasurer to serve from April 20, 2026, until the reorganization of the Board in April 2027.
- C. Establish Board Representatives and 2026-2027 Board of Education Meeting Schedule - Newly-Elected President
Each Board member is asked to represent through various committees and organizations. The following responsibilities will be assigned:
- Missouri School Boards' Association (MSBA) Delegate
 - MSBA Alternate
 - R-9 School Foundation Representatives
 - Professional Development Committee Representative
 - Safety Committee Representative
 - Parents As Teachers Advisory Committee Representative
 - Personnel Committee Representative
 - Finance Committee Representative
- The 2026-2027 Board of Education Meeting Schedule is attached.
[2026-27 Board Meeting Schedule.pdf](#) 

4. Reports

- A. Summer School 2026 - Dr. Scott Ragsdale
[2026 Summer School Presentation for School Board.pdf](#) 
- B. MSIP 6 Report to the Board - CSIP Priority 1: Developing Successful Students - Dr. Matt Huntley (Motion to Approve)
[BOE Report - Priority 1, Objective 1 26.4.20.pdf](#) 
- C. Carthage R-9 School Foundation Update - Ms. Maria Sanchez

5. New Business

- A. Auditorium Project Update - Crossland Construction Company, inc.
- B. 2026-27 Capital Improvement Projects - Mr. Dan Hill (Motion to Approve)
[Board Report 2026-2027 Capital Projects - 26-27.pdf](#) 
- C. KE Baker Remodel - Bid Package - Mr. Hill (Motion to Approve)
[KEBaker Concessions RFP.pdf](#) 
- D. Custodial Supplies - Bid Package - Mr. Hill (Motion to Approve)
[2026-04-14 Custodial Supplies RFP.pdf](#) 

- E. Pest Management Control - Bid Package - Mr. Hill (Motion to Approve)
[2026-04-14 Pest control RFP.pdf](#) 
- F. HVAC - Energy Services Company (ESCO) - Bid Package - Mr. Hill (Motion to Approve)
[2026-04-15 HVAC - ESCO RFP.pdf](#)  [Carthage R-9 RFP Public Notice.pdf](#) 
- G. Approve Employee Health Insurance Plan for 2026-2027 - Dr. Holley Goodnight (Motion to Approve)
[Health Plan Renewal 4-20-2026.pdf](#) 
- H. Approve Health Insurance Third-Party Administrator and Stop-Loss Carrier for 2026-2027 - Dr. Goodnight (Motion to Approve)
[Stop-loss Carrier 4-20-2026.pdf](#) 
- I. Approve Dental Insurance Carrier for 2026-2027 Plan Year - Dr. Goodnight (Motion to Approve)
[Dental - Carthage R9 School District Proposal 94300.pdf](#) 
- J. Review 2026-27 Student Handbooks - Dr. Huntley
All changes are highlighted. [Tiger Cub Care Handbook 2026-27.docx.pdf](#)  [Early Childhood Handbook-English 2026-27.docx.pdf](#)  [K-3 Student-Parent Handbook 2627.docx.pdf](#)  [CIC 26-27 Handbook English.docx.pdf](#)  [26-27 6GC Handbook EDITS .docx.pdf](#)  [OFFICIAL 26-27 JH Student Planner.docx.pdf](#)  [CHS Handbook with changes for 26 27.pdf](#) 

6. Report of the Superintendent - Dr. Luke Boyer, Superintendent

- A. Report of the Superintendent - Dr. Boyer

7. Adjourn to Closed Session for Discussion of Legal, Personnel, and Student Matters, Pursuant to Section 610.021 (1), (3), and (6) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri