



A G E N D A

THOMASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

Monday, June 8, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. Thomaston High School Learning Commons – Main Entrance Doors

This meeting can be attended in-person by the public or viewed live/recorded on the [Board of Education YouTube Channel](#).

If school or afterschool/evening activities are canceled: The Board of Education meeting will be held virtually only (no in-person meeting). If the meeting is virtual-only and public comment is on the agenda, comments must be emailed to mstanley@thomastonschools.org at least one hour before the meeting starts.

([Bylaws of the Board 9322 – Public and Executive Sessions](#) and [Bylaws of the Board 93261 – Taping/Recording Board Meetings](#))

Mission Statement:

In a partnership of family, school and community, our mission is to educate, challenge and inspire each individual to excel and become a contributing member of society.

2025-2026 Board of Education Goals:

1. By June 2026, the Thomaston Board of Education will adopt a districtwide curriculum alignment policy requiring that all English Language Arts (ELA) curriculum documents in grades PreK–12 explicitly identify connections to the Portrait of a Graduate (POG) competencies, as evidenced by formally approved curriculum maps that include POG indicators and a documented review process.
2. By June 2026, the Thomaston Board of Education will adopt a family-school communication policy that streamlines districtwide messaging practices as evidenced by published protocols and parent school climate survey results.

Members:

Nathan Vieira, Chairperson
 Cara Files
 Amy Sedgwick
 Larry Duffany

Sarah Ethier, Vice Chairperson
 Francine Coss, Superintendent
 G Wilmont Hungerford, Student Representative
 Lucas Koval, Student Representative
 Tyler Veronesi, Student Representative

Tanya Galpin, Secretary
 Marissa McGee Treasurer
 Anthony Kepler
 Roxy Fainer

1. Establishment of a Quorum and Call to Order

([Bylaws of the Board 93251-Quorum](#))

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Approval of Agenda ▲

([Bylaws of the Board 93252-Order of Business](#) and [Policy 1205-Participation by the Public/Agenda Format/Preparation and Dissemination](#))

Vote to accept/reject the agenda dated June 8, 2026 as presented.

4. Public Participation ▲▲▲ (to be read aloud by the Board Chairperson prior to soliciting public comment)

([Bylaws of the Board 9325 – Meeting Conduct](#) and [Community Relations 1120 – Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings](#))

The Board welcomes public participation in accordance with the rules of common courtesy and the Bylaws of the Board 9325 – Meeting Conduct:

- **TIME LIMITS:** Five minutes may be allotted to each speaker and a maximum of twenty minutes to each subject matter, unless modified by the Chairperson to ensure fairness or to accommodate significant public interest.
- **ORDER and DISRUPTION:** Conduct that materially disrupts the orderly conduct of the meeting shall not be permitted. A speaker who persists in materially disruptive conduct after warning may have their privilege of address terminated by the Chairperson solely to restore order. If necessary to restore order, the Chairperson may take reasonable steps consistent with constitutional standards to allow the Board to continue the meeting.
- **STUDENTS and PERSONNEL MATTERS:** Consistent with Policy 1120, oral presentations shall not be used to address confidential student matters or confidential personnel matters. Comments involving such matters may be redirected to appropriate administrative or statutory processes in order to protect privacy, due process, and legal obligations. This provision shall be applied in a viewpoint-neutral manner.
- **CIVILITY and LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY:** Speakers shall conduct themselves in a manner that does not materially disrupt the meeting. Speech shall not be restricted based on viewpoint, criticism, tone, or disagreement with the Board, its members, or its policies. While the Board does not seek to stifle public comment, speakers remain legally responsible for their own statements. Nothing in this policy shall be construed as prior restraint or as a determination by the Board regarding the legality of any comment.
- **LIMITED BOARD RESPONSE:**
 - 1) Chair-Only Response – The Board Chairperson may, at their discretion, provide a brief and limited response following public comment.
 - 2) Permitted Scope of Response – Any response shall be limited to one or more of the following purposes:
 - Acknowledging the speaker’s comments.
 - Clarifying Board policy or procedure.
 - Correcting clear factual inaccuracies related to publicly available information.
 - Explaining the appropriate process for addressing a concern.
 - Indicating that a matter may be considered for inclusion on a future agenda.
 - 3) Informational Nature – Responses are informational only and shall not constitute debate, deliberation, or Board action.
 - 4) No Dialogue – Public participation shall not be used as a forum for dialogue. Speakers shall not engage in rebuttal or follow-up during the public comment period.
 - 5) Discretion Not to Respond – The Board Chairperson is not required to respond to every comment at the meeting. The absence of a response shall not be construed as agreement or disagreement.

5. Consent Agenda ▲

[\(Bylaws of the Board 9325.21 - Consent Agenda\)](#)

5.1. Minutes

5.1.1. [Special Meeting Minutes - May 11, 2026](#)

5.1.2. [Regular Meeting Minutes - May 11, 2026](#)

5.2. ParentSquare Correspondence from Superintendent - Posts/Alerts

5.2.1. Happy Mother's Day Thomaston! - May 10, 2026 at 9:01AM EST

5.2.2. 2026.05 Happenings of the BOE - May 15, 2026 at 9:04AM EST

5.2.3. We Appreciate Our Speech-Language Pathologists! - May 18, 2026 at 9:00AM EST

5.3. Personnel

[\(Policy 4112/4212-Certified/Non-Certified Appointment and Conditions of Employment\)](#)

5.3.1. New Hires

5.3.1.1. Wanda Dulac, full-time Custodian II, District-wide floater*June 8, 2026

5.3.1.2. Jonathan Hotchkiss, full-time Custodian II, Black Rock School*June 1, 2026

5.3.1.3. Kathleen Hynick, full-time Lead Secretary, Black Rock School*June 17, 2026

5.3.2. Transfer/New Assignment/Reassignment

5.3.2.1. Yvette Lefebvre, reassignment of Summer Custodian (temporary), Thomaston Public Schools*June 29, 2026 - August 21, 2026

5.3.2.2. Thomas Stockno, reassignment of Summer Custodian (temporary), Thomaston Public Schools*June 29, 2026 - August 21, 2026

5.3.2.3. Christine Thomas, reassignment of Clerical Assistant (temporary, summer only), Central Office *June 24, 2026 - August 21, 2026

5.3.2.4. Brian Ulrich, transfer from full-time Custodian II, District Wide (floater) to full-time Custodian II, Thomaston High School*June 1, 2026

5.3.3. Resignations - None

5.3.4. Retirements

5.3.4.1. Brian McCarthy, Lead Custodian, Black Rock School*April 9, 2027

5.3.5. Terminations/Non-Renewals

5.3.5.1. Sana Masood, Paraprofessional, Black Rock School*May 22, 2026

5.3.6. Summer Enrichment Program - Temporary/Part-Time: June 23, 2026 - July 20, 2026

5.3.6.1. Sarah DeMatteis - Certified Teacher (Grades 7-12)

5.3.6.2. Kimberly Guerrera - Certified Teacher (Grades 1-6)

5.3.6.3. Cheyenne Kiely - Program Director (Grades 1-12)

5.3.6.4. Julia Kunic - Certified Teacher (Grades 1-6)

5.3.6.5. Jennifer McAtee - Certified Teacher (Grades 1-6)

5.3.7. Extended School Year (ESY) - Temporary/Part-Time: June 24, 2026 - July 17, 2026

5.3.7.1. Kimberly Adamski - Paraprofessional

5.3.7.2. James Alberto - Paraprofessional

5.3.7.3. Rachel Bip - Paraprofessional

5.3.7.4. Ashley Duffy - Paraprofessional

5.3.7.5. Cassandra Jordan - Paraprofessional

5.3.7.6. Susan Larson - Special Education Teacher

5.3.7.7. Janae Lawrence - Paraprofessional

5.3.7.8. Alyssa Misenti - Paraprofessional

5.3.7.9. Kelsey Murzak - Special Education Teacher

5.3.8. Stipends - 2025-2026 - None

5.3.9. [May 2026 Business Manager's Report](#)

Vote to accept/reject the items listed on the consent agenda as presented.

6. Recognitions ▲

6.1. Student Shout-Out

6.1.1. [Rotary Student of the Month - May 2026 - Hailey Carlo](#)

6.1.2. [Students of the Month – May 2026](#)

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| Grade 12: Hailey Carlo | Grade 8: Kaylee Boulanger | Grade 4: Jake McGee | Grade 1: Jaxson Garnett |
| Grade 11: Ethan Ranney | Grade 7: Brooke Callahan | Grade 3: Zackary Chouinard | Kindergarten: Alina Hicks |
| Grade 10: Ava Nicosia | Grade 6: Ryan McGee | Grade 2: Gabriella Baptista | Preschool: Hunter Lamy |
| Grade 9: Joshua Pelletier | Grade 5: Jacob Rosa | | |

6.1.3. [Rotary Student of the Month – June 2026 – Owen Proulx](#)

6.1.4. Students of the Month – June 2026

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| Grade 12: Owen Proulx | Grade 8: Ellie Fama | Grade 4: Benjamin Mazzarella | Grade 1: Reagan Fayer |
| Grade 11: Tiago Silva | Grade 7: Evangeline Villanueva | Grade 3: Casmira VanOrmer | Kindergarten: Lily Peck |
| Grade 10: Gazier Williams | Grade 6: Sapphire Stevens | Grade 2: Glauk Goroveci | Preschool: Emilia Lee |
| Grade 9: Harmony Remsen | Grade 5: Maya Holway | | |

6.1.5. Thomaston High School Halo Award Nominees – Chicago Production

Best Performance In A Supporting Male Role in a Musical: Scott Bard as Amos Hart

Best Performance in a Supporting Female Role in a Musical: Bella Bickford as Velma Kelly

Best Stage Management: Ava Nicosia, Jacob Caviasca, Ellye Losee

Best Running Crew: THS Crew

6.1.6. Thomaston High School Halo Award Nominees – Beetlejuice

Best Performance by a Dynamic Duo in a Musical: Scott Bard & Christina Spina as Charles and Delia Deetz

Best Performance in a Leading Male Role in a Contemporary Musical: Aaron Bernatisis as Beetlejuice

Best Scenic Design: THS Construction Classes

Best Hair & Makeup Design & Execution: Violet Alvey, Bella Bickford, Christina Spina and Crew

Best Props Design: Props Crew (Winner) – Violet Alvey, Scott Bard, Brooke Callahan

Best Special Effects: Violet Alvey, Scott Bard, and FX Crew

6.1.7. Violet Alvey – Recognition Received – Leader in Beetlejuice and Chicago Production

6.1.8. [Class of 2026 Graduates](#)

6.1.9. Outgoing Board of Education Student Representative

G Wilmont Hungerford

Lucas Koval

Tyler Veronesi

6.1.10. Audiovisual Services – Thomaston Board of Education Meetings – Makenzie Chasse

6.2. Staff Shout-Out

6.2.1. [June 2026 Staff Spotlight: Breanna Riollano – Guidance Counselor, Thomaston High School](#)

7. Presentations ▲▲▲ – None

(Bylaws of the Board 9410 – Public Announcement of Accomplishments)

8. [Student Representatives Report](#) ▲▲▲

(Bylaws of the Board 9160 – Student Representation on the Board of Education)

9. Chairperson’s Report ▲▲▲

(Bylaws of the Board 9121 – Office of the Chairperson)

9.1. [Progress Report on 2025-2026 Goals for the Thomaston Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools](#)

9.2. Feasibility Study Update

9.3. [Third Quarter Honor Roll 2025-2026 – Thomaston High School](#)

9.4. Two Year BOE Meeting Calendar Revisions – August Policy Committee Meeting Dates

9.4.1. [2026 – 2027](#) and [2028 – 2029](#)

Vote to accept/reject revising the Two Year BOE Meeting Calendars to change the August Policy Committee Meeting dates for 2026 and 2027 and 2028 and 2029 as presented.

9.5. 2027-2028 Thomaston Public Schools District Calendar

9.5.1. [Option One](#) – start date 8/25/27 with a tentative end date of 6/2/28

9.5.2. [Option Two](#) – start date 9/1/27 with a tentative end date of 6/9/28

Vote to accept/reject Option x for the 2027-2028 Thomaston Public Schools District Calendar as presented.

9.6. Swearing in of 2026-2027 Student Representatives

Grade 12: [Zachary Brostek](#)

Grade 11: [Dustin Galpin](#)

10. Superintendent’s Report ▲▲▲

(Policy 2131 – Administration – Superintendent of Schools)

10.1. Correspondence

- 10.1.1. From Superintendent
 - 10.1.1.1. [Shout Out Letters – May 11, 2026 Recognition](#)
- 10.1.2. To Superintendent/Board of Education
 - 10.1.2.1. [Student Assessment News – May 2026](#)
 - 10.1.2.2. [Thank You Card from Pam Rinkus, Thomaston Center School Kitchen Worker and May 2026 Staff Spotlight Recipient](#)
 - 10.1.2.3. [Professional Learning Academy – 2026–2027 Connecticut Education Association](#)
 - 10.1.2.4. [Effective School Solutions Insights & Solutions: Forecasting Independence in Children](#)
 - 10.1.2.5. [Performance Matters – June 2026](#)
- 10.2. Reports
 - 10.2.1. General Reports
 - 10.2.1.1. [Annual Report per Public Act 25–93, Section 32](#)
 - 10.2.2. Administrator Reports
 - 10.2.2.1. [June 2026](#)
 - 10.2.2.2. [2026–2027 Parent–Student Handbook and Staff Handbook – Thomaston Public Schools](#)
 - 10.2.3. Residency
 - (Policy 5118–Nonresident Attendance/Tuition Students)
 - 10.2.3.1. Residency Determination Letter – Student XIII
 - 10.2.3.2. Residency Determination Letter – Student XIV
 - 10.2.4. Student Discipline
 - (Policy 5144–Discipline)
 - 10.2.4.1. Expulsion Hearing Notice – Student XII
 - 10.2.4.2. Expulsion Hearing Cancellation Notice – Student XII
 - 10.2.5. Homeschooling
 - (Policy 6172.3–Home Schooling)
 - 10.2.5.1. Superintendent’s Acknowledgement to Homeschool – Student H
 - (Policy 6172.3–Home Schooling)
 - 10.2.6. Enrollment Report
 - (Policy 5112–Age of Attendance)
 - 10.2.6.1. [June 1, 2026](#)
 - 10.2.7. Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) – None
 - (Policy 4152.6/4252.6–Personal Leaves Family and Medical Leave Act)
 - 10.2.8. Interns and Student Teachers – None
 - (Policy 1212–School Volunteers)
 - 10.2.9. Sales and Disposal of Books, Equipment and Supplies – None
 - (Policy 3260–Sales & Disposal of Books, Equipment & Supplies)
 - 10.2.10. Field Trips
 - (Policy 6153–Field Trips – Secondary Schools)
 - 10.2.10.1. [Washington D.C. and Gettysburg – Grade 8 – April 6, 2027 – April 9, 2027](#)

Vote to accept/reject the 2026–2027 Parent–Student Handbook and Staff Handbook – Thomaston Public Schools as presented.

Vote to accept/reject the Washington D.C. and Gettysburg – Grade 8 field trip as presented.

11. Committee Reports ▲

(Bylaws of the Board 9132–Standing Committees and Bylaws of the Board 9133–Special Committees/Advisory Committees)

11.1. [Achievement Committee Meeting – June 3, 2026](#)

11.2. [Budget Audit Committee – June 3, 2026](#)

11.2.1. Expenditures for the Month: \$1,537,007

11.3. [Policy Committee – June 1, 2026](#)

(Policy 2231–Administration/Policy and Regulation Systems)

11.3.1. Fast – Tracking Two Policies

Vote to permit Policy 1112.6 (Video Taping of Staff/Students) and Policy 4115.3 (Evaluation Coaches) be “fast tracked” by 2/3 vote of the members present at tonight’s meeting per the Bylaws 9311 of the Thomaston Board of Education.

11.3.2. Potential Action Items

11.3.2.1. Policy 1112.6 – Video Taping of Staff/Students

11.3.2.2. Policy 4115.3 – Evaluation Coaches

Vote to accept/reject Policy 1112.6 (Video Taping of Staff/Students) and Policy 4115.3 (Evaluation Coaches) as presented.

12. Enter Executive Session for the purpose of strategy and negotiations with respect to the collective bargaining unit with AFSCME Council.

Vote to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of strategy and negotiations with respect to the collective bargaining unit between the Thomaston Board of Education and AFSCME Council #4 Local 1303-97 regarding the contract dated July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2029 and invite Superintendent Coss.

13. Exit Executive Session/Enter into Regular Session

14. Adjournment

Vote to adjourn.