



## A G E N D A

### THOMASTON BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

Monday, February 9, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. Thomaston High School Auditorium Entrance – Door# 2

*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](mailto: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 9326.1 – 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 9325.1-Quorum)*

## **2. Pledge of Allegiance**

## **3. Approval of Agenda** ▲

*(Bylaws of the Board 9325.2-Order of Business and Policy 1205-Participation by the Public/Agenda Format/Preparation and Dissemination)*

**Vote to accept/reject the agenda dated February 9, 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)*

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

- Five minutes may be allotted to each speaker and a maximum of twenty minutes to each subject matter.
- No boisterous conduct shall be permitted; persistence in boisterous conduct shall be grounds for termination of that person's privilege to address the Board.

The Chairperson may clear the room so that Board members may continue the meeting.

- No oral presentation shall include charges/complaints against any Board of Education employee regardless of whether or not the employee is identified by name.
- Speakers are asked to express themselves in a civil manner, with due respect for the dignity and privacy of others who may be affected by their comments. While it is not the Board's intent to stifle public comment, speakers should be aware that if their statements violate the rights of others under the law of defamation or invasion of privacy, the speaker may be held legally responsible. Speakers unsure of the legal ramifications of what they are about to say are urged to consult first with their legal advisor.

NOTE: Per the August 2016 Policy Committee Meeting, responses to speakers will be in the form of a written letter from the Board Chairperson. Speakers will not receive a verbal reply to public comment during a meeting. The written response will be linked to the minutes of the meeting during which the comments were made and the same response will be linked to the agenda of the next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education under "Chairperson Report."

## **5. Approval of Minutes** ▲

*(Bylaws of the Board 9326 – Minutes)*

### **5.1. Regular Meeting Minutes – January 12, 2026**

**Vote to accept/reject the Regular Meeting Minutes dated January 12, 2026 as presented.**

### **5.2. Thomaston Board of Education Budget Workshop Minutes – January 26, 2026**

**Vote to accept/reject the Thomaston Board of Education Budget Workshop Minutes dated January 26, 2026 as presented.**

## **6. Recognitions** ▲

*(Policy 1170 – Recognitions of Students, Citizens, Staff Members, and Members of the Board of Education and Bylaws of the Board 9420 – Recognition of Accomplishments by Citizens, Students, Staff Members or Member of the Board)*

### **6.1. Student Shout-Out**

#### **6.1.1. Rotary Student of the Month – January 2026 – Chloe Simoes**

#### **6.1.2. Students of the Month – January 2026**

Grade 12: Chloe Simoes	Grade 11: Samantha Lee	Grade 10: Kayla Kapusta	Grade 9: Benjamin Bellemare
Grade 8: Aiden Wood	Grade 7: Owen Dobos	Grade 6: Isabella VanOrmer	Grade 5: Nella Romot
Grade 4: Hannah Donahue	Grade 3: Jocelyn Tortorici	Grade 2: Ian Blakeslee	Grade 1: Ellie Brandt
Kindergarten: Caleb Stpierre	Preschool: Maya Buturla		

#### **6.1.3. February 2026 Staff Spotlight: Keri Rozzi – Grade 5 Teacher, Thomaston Center 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. BOE Contact Form Discussion
- 9.4. Referendum Committee

### **Potential Action on Referendum Committee Discussion**

#### 9.5. Two Year Board of Education Meeting Calendar – 2028 and 2029

#### **Vote to accept/reject the Two Year Board of Education Meeting Calendar – 2028 and 2029 as presented.**

- 9.6. Preschool Lottery – Andrea Peters – Director of Pupil Services

(Policy 5111 – Admissions/Placement/Withdrawal)

- 9.6.1. Populating Preschool Roster through the Lottery Process

## 10. Superintendent's Report

(Policy 2131 – Administration – Superintendent of Schools)

### 10.1. Correspondence

#### 10.1.1. From Superintendent

- 10.1.1.1. ParentSquare Correspondence from Superintendent – Posts/Alerts
  - 10.1.1.1.1. Sex Offender Notification, January 9, 2026 at 12:23PM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.2. 2-Hour Delay – TODAY – January 12, 2026 at 6:08AM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.3. Change in Status: SCHOOL IS CLOSED TODAY, January 12, 2026 at 7:46AM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.4. CLOSED Tomorrow – January 13, 2026 at 12:07PM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.5. School will be OPEN TOMORROW – January 14, 2026 at 10:33AM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.6. Saturday Activities at Thomaston Schools – CANCELED (1/17/26), January 17, 2026 at 6:45AM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.7. SUNDAY Activities at Thomaston Schools – CANCELED (1/18/26), January 17, 2026 at 8:45PM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.8. Adult and Continuing Education Newsletter – January 2026, January 20, 2026 at 6:02PM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.9. Board of Education Workshop, January 26, 2026 at 5:02PM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.10. Schools are CLOSED SUNDAY (1/25/26) and MONDAY (1/26/26), January 24, 2026 at 7:55PM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.11. Thank You and Parking Limitations at/around Schools, January 26, 2026 at 1:16PM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.12. 3-HOUR DELAY TOMORROW – Tuesday, January 27, 2026, January 26, 2026 at 5:57PM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.13. CHANGE IN STATUS School is CANCELED – January 27, 2026, January 27, 2026 at 8:53AM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.14. 3-Hour Delayed Opening TODAY – January 28, 2026 at 5:30AM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.15. Update on Thomaston Center School and THANK YOU! January 30, 2026 at 1:21PM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.16. 2026.01.31 Board of Education Happenings, January 31, 2026 at 2:19PM EST
  - 10.1.1.1.17. We Appreciate Our School Counselors! February 2, 2026 at 9:02AM EST

#### **Vote to acknowledge the Superintendent's correspondence per Policy 2131 as presented.**

- 10.1.2. To Superintendent/Board of Education

##### 10.1.2.1. Effective School Solutions – January Insights & Solutions – Understanding Teen Apathy

##### 10.1.2.2. 2024-2025 District Data Report - EdAdvance - Thomaston Public Schools

### 10.2. Reports

#### 10.2.1. General Reports- None

#### 10.2.2. Administrator Reports

##### 10.2.2.1. February 2026

#### 10.2.3. Residency – None

(Policy 5118-Nonresident Attendance/Tuition Students)

#### 10.2.4. Student Discipline

(Policy 5144-Discipline)

##### 10.2.4.1. Expulsion Hearing Notice – Student VIII

##### 10.2.4.2. Rescheduled Expulsion Hearing Notice – Student VIII

#### 10.2.5. Homeschooling

(Policy 6172.3-Home Schooling)

##### 10.2.5.1. Superintendent's Acknowledgement to Homeschool – Student C

##### 10.2.5.2. Superintendent's Acknowledgement to Homeschool – Student D

##### 10.2.5.3. Superintendent's Acknowledgement to Homeschool – Student E

##### 10.2.5.4. Superintendent's Acknowledgement to Homeschool – Student F

#### 10.2.6. Enrollment Report

(Policy 5112-Age of Attendance)

##### 10.2.6.1. February 2, 2026

#### 10.2.7. Personnel

(Policy 4112/4212-Certified/Non-Certified Appointment and Conditions of Employment)

##### 10.2.7.1. New Hires

- 10.2.7.1.1. Izaiah Ortiz, regular, full-time, second shift, Custodian II, District-Wide\*January 12, 2026
- 10.2.7.1.2. Kim Randalot, Teacher, Family & Consumer Science, Thomaston High School\*February 2, 2026
- 10.2.7.2. Transfer/New Assignment/Reassignment - None
- 10.2.7.3. Resignations - None
- 10.2.7.4. Retirements - None
- 10.2.7.5. Terminations/Non-Renewals
  - 10.2.7.5.1. Non-Renewals - Pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 10-151, the Thomaston Board of Education directs the Superintendent of Schools to take any and all actions related to the non-renewal process.

***Vote to direct the Superintendent of Schools, pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 10-151, to take any and all actions related to the non-renewal process, specifically, but not limited to communicating such actions to the Board of Education and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to respond on behalf of the Board of Education to any recommendations for non-renewal and/or requests for hearings, if required by law, or for other data which may be forthcoming from a teacher and/or his/her representative pursuant to applicable provisions of Connecticut General Statute Section 10-151; and further move that the Superintendent of Schools be directed that any response to a request for a hearing, if a hearing is required by law, indicate that such hearing is to be before the Board of Education.***

- 10.2.7.6. Stipends - 2025-2026

10.2.7.6.1. Kelsey Murzak - Early Act Club Co-Advisor - Black Rock School

***Vote to acknowledge the Superintendent's notification of Personnel per Policy 4112/4212 Personnel – Certified/Non-Certified Appointment and Conditions of Employment as presented.***

- 10.2.7.7. Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA)

(Policy 4152.6/4252.6-Personal Leaves Family and Medical Leave Act)

- 10.2.7.7.1. Employee O

- 10.2.7.8. Interns and Student Teachers - None

(Policy 1212-School Volunteers)

- 10.2.8. Field Trips - None

(Policy 6153- Field Trips – Secondary Schools)

- 10.2.9. Sales and Disposal of Books, Equipment and Supplies - None

(Policy 3260-Sales & Disposal of Books, Equipment & Supplies)

## 11. Committee Reports ▲

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

- 11.1. **Budget Audit Committee** - February 4, 2026

11.1.1. [January 2026 Business Manager's Report](#)

11.1.2. Expenditures for the Month: \$2,537,817

11.1.3. [2026-2027 Special Education, Related Services and Equipment Rates](#)

***Vote to accept/reject the 2026-2027 Special Education, Related Services and Equipment Rates as presented.***

***Vote to accept/reject the Business and Finance Report and Expenditures per Policy 3432/3433 Business/Non-Instructional Operations - Budget & Expense Report/Annual Financial Statement as presented for January 2026.***

- 11.2. **Policy Committee** - February 2, 2026

(Policy 2231-Administration/Policy and Regulation Systems)

## 12. Executive Session

- 12.1. Enter into Executive Session for the purpose of the Leadership Team's to discuss their progress on established goals and objectives and provide targeted informal feedback to the Superintendent about her effectiveness vis-à-vis the previously established goals and objectives and invite Superintendent Francine Coss.

12.2. [Policy 2400](#)

***Vote to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of the Leadership Team to discuss their progress on established goals and objectives and provide targeted informal feedback to the Superintendent about her effectiveness vis-à-vis the previously established goals and objectives.***

## 13. Exit Executive Session/Enter into Regular Session

***Potential action on matters discussed in the Executive Session.***

## 14. Adjournment

***Vote to adjourn.***