

COCKE COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM

Regular Meeting Agenda

August 13, 2026

Board Members:

Richard Coggins, Otha Rolen, Rose Lovell, Darla Morgan, John Johnson, Terry Hurst, Vickie Turner

Pledge to the flag

Observe a moment of silence

Roll call

Approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

Approve the payment of monthly bills. **(see attached)**

Approve FY 2027 budget amendments for General Purpose Fund 141, Federal Projects 142 by sub-fund and line item. **(see attached)**

Approve FY 2027 budget amendments for General Purpose Fund 141 for the Board and CLB. **(see attached)**

Approve the mileage rate increase from .725 per mile to .76 per mile effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

Approve Barbara Michelle Layman for tenure in Cocke County

Executive Committee Report: N/A

Approve A - L on a consent agenda (without objections).

A. Approve the following Fundraiser requests: **(No food sales until after lunches, and all snacks must be Smart Snack approved during school hours)**

- Approve Cocke County FFA to hold Animal Grooming from August 2026 - May 2027 to raise money for the grooming program for animal science.
- Approve Cocke County FFA hold a spring greenhouse sale and floral design from September 2026 - May 2027 to raise money for the Agriculture Department.
- Approve Cocke County FFA to sell jams, salsa and sauces from January 15, 2027 - March 4, 2027 to raise money for the Agriculture Department (FFA Club).
- Approve Cocke County FFA to sell fall bundles/ mums from August 20, 2026 - September 14, 2026 to raise money for the Agricultural Department (FFA Club).
- Approve Northwest Elementary to hold a "pick a date" calendar sale for the 2026 - 2027 school year to raise money for the Beta Club.
- Approve Parrottsville Elementary Beta Club to host a talent show in February 2027 to raise money for field trips and service projects.
- Approve Parrottsville Elementary Beta Club to sell cookies in November 2026 to raise money for field trips and service projects.
- Approve Parrottsville Elementary Beta Club to hold a car wash in March 2027 to raise money for field trips and service projects.

- Approve Parrottsville Elementary Beta Club to sell doughnuts from January 2027 - February 2027 to raise money for field trips and service projects.
- Approve Parrottsville Elementary Beta Club to operate a Christmas store in December 2026 to raise money for field trips and service projects.
- Approve Bridgeport Elementary to operate concessions for volleyball tournaments in September 2026 to raise money for gym improvements, uniforms and equipment.
- Approve Bridgeport Elementary to sell sponsorship / ads for athletic events from August 2026 - June 2027 to raise money for gym improvements uniforms and equipment.
- Approve Cosby High School to hold a baseball hat sale from August 21, 2026 - March 4, 2027 to raise money for the Cosby baseball team.
- Approve Cosby High School to sell items from the Cosby Baseball Team Shop from August 21, 2026 to March 4, 2027 to raise money for the Cosby baseball team.
- Approve Cosby High School to sell ads for sponsorship signs from August 21, 2026 to March 4, 2026 to raise money for the Cosby High School baseball team.
- Approve Cosby High School to sell RADA Cutlery during October 2026 to raise money for library materials and reading incentives.
- Approve Cosby High School to sell discount cards from August 31, 2026 to December 19, 2026 to raise money for the general football fund.
- Approve Cosby High School to sell sodas from August 2026 to May 2027 to raise money for materials and caps and gowns for the counseling department.
- Approve Cosby High School to sell Kona Ice during August 2026 to raise money for the counseling department.
- Approve Cosby High School to sell Kona Ice on October 2, 2026 to raise money for the library and reading incentives.
- Approve CCHS culinary arts students to sell student snacks, teacher meals, and drinks from August 17, 2026 to May 14, 2027 to raise money for class labs, field trips, and culinary needs (L Barnes class account)
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- Approve CCHS Pep Club to host a pep club table at home football and basketball games from August 2026 - May 2027 to raise money for pep bus, travel and gear.
- Approve CCHS Theatre Arts' students to sell concessions after school from August 2026 - May 2027 to raise money for the Drama Club.
- Approve CCHS choir classes to sell cookie dough from October 19, 2026 - October 30, 2026 to raise money for choir and music
- Approve CCHS to hold a Roadblock on August 28, 2026 to raise money for the Volleyball team.
- Approve CCHS to host the basketball group Wizards on October 24, 2026 to raise money for the Baseball team.
- Approve CCHS Club America Students to sell T-shirts from September 1, 2026 - September 18, 2026 to raise money for the club expenses.
- Approve CCHS Club America Students to host a Fall Festival Booth on October 3, 2026 to raise money for the general account.
- Approve CCHS Club America Students to sell Valentines from February 1, 2026 - February 5, 2026 to raise money for the general funds.
- Approve CCHS Band to hold a Buy-a-Day Calendar Fundraiser from August 14, 2026 to September 30, 2026 to raise money for the general band expenses.
- Approve the Innovation Center to hold an online t-shirt fundraiser from September 1, 2026 - October 1, 2026 to raise money for FFA Activities.
- Approve Edgemont Elementary to sell calendars from August - September 2026 to raise money for the Volleyball account.

B. Approve the following out of county students to attend school in Cocke County for the 2026-2027 school year (pending available space, discipline, and attendance check):

- Carson Hembree - Jefferson City returning to Edgemont Elementary School
- Serenity Lane - White Pine returning to Centerview Elementary
- Madelynn Lane - White Pine returning to Centerview Elementary
- Daniel Stinson - Sevierville returning to Cocke County High School

C. Approve the following out-of-state and/or overnight field trip requests. Additional chaperones have or will have current background checks on file before the trip:

- Approve all CCHS FFA field trips for 2026-2027 school year. (see attached list of all currently planned field trips)
- Approve CCHS Theatre Arts' students to attend Nashville Excursion/Retreat May 21 - 24, 2027 in Nashville, TN

D. Approve Facility use requests for the following schools: (User responsible for clean-up, security, etc.)

- Approve the Grassy Fork Volunteer Fire Department to use the parking lot of Grassy Fork Elementary for their Fall Festival on September 26 - 27, 2026
- Approve Club Scout Pack to use the stadium and track of the Cocke County High School for their 9/11 Memorial Climb/walk to honor fallen firefighters.

E. Approve the following requests for county bus use: (user responsible for drivers' pay, mileage, etc.)

- NGS Pre-K - 8th Extended Resource to Cocke County A&I Fairgrounds on August 20, 2026.
- NGS Kindergarten to Country View Farm in Chuckey, TN on October 8, 2026.

F. Approve the following Principal Designees:

Bridgeport: Shelly Williams and Henrietta Hefner
 Centerview: Kim Moody and Denise Barrett
 Cosby High: Will Lewis
 Grassy Fork: Mark Tocholke
 Northwest: Tyler Sweeten
 Parrottsville: Leigh Anne Kickliter
 Del Rio: Jessica Freeman
 Edgemont: Heath Chambers
 Smoky Mountain: Tiffany Phillips
 Cosby Elementary: Becky Flatford and Heather Williams

G. Approve the following Cafeteria Monitors:

Bridgeport: Logan Ford, Leslie Renner, Melissa Wilson, and Christina Cantwell
 Centerview: Cassandra Vinson, Ruthie Calfee, Sabrina Coffey, and Stephanie Webb
 Cosby High: Will Lewis and Shawna Murrell
 Grassy Fork: Jessica McGaha and Jamie Clark
 Northwest: Darrin Herndon
 Parrottsville: Travis Hall
 Del Rio: Kaye Ramsey
 Edgemont: Jeff Gentry and Jennifer Langley
 Smoky Mountain: Alexandria Fine, Brenda Stewart, Jill Breeden, Channing Wright, Emily Webb, Ethan Jones
 Cosby Elementary: Becky Flatford and Patricia Phillips

- H. Approve Collaboration Agreement with Douglas-Cherokee Head Start retroactive to August 1, 2026, and ending May 31, 2027. **(see attached agreement)**
- I. Approve the Affiliation Agreement between Cocke County Schools and Rural Medical Services for the 2026-2027 school year. **(see attached agreement)**
- J. Approve the employees of Cocke County Board of Education to hold a Community Yard Sale on September 26, 2026. The Yard sale would be set up in the parking lot of the Professional Development Center. There will be no charge to set up a booth.
- K. Approve the adoption of the 2027-2028 school calendar. **(see attached)**
- L. Approve amendments to the following district policies due to the TSBA recommendations. (TSBA memorandums and suggestions are included in the additional documentation. Original board policies to compare are located on the district website.) **(see attached)**

Policies Attachment 1

- Policy 5.201 - Separation Practice for Non -Tenured Teachers

Approve contract with Michelle Samuels, School Psychologist to provide Virtual Psychological services to students county wide for the 2026-2027 school year. Three assessments \$550.00 with additional services/ consultation rate of \$50 / hour.

Approve the purchase of the iCEV program for high school vocational students. This includes access to 3 subjects for 5 teachers. Subjects include Agriculture, Health Science & Law, Public Safety and Corrections. The total cost of the program for the 2026-2027 school year is \$11,790. Funds to come from Title IV.

Approve the purchase of Edmentum Courseware for Credit Recovery and Credit Accrual for \$14,146.25 from General Purpose funds, budget line: 141-72210-471.

Approve Premier Food Equipment Service to replace and install the evaporator / condensing unit for the Del Rio Elementary walk-in cooler for \$11,091.71. Quotes on file. Funds to come from the Food Service budget. **(see attached)**

Approve the purchase of 3485 GoGuardian Admin subscriptions for \$28,611.85 and 3485 GoGuardian Teacher with Video Conferencing licenses at \$28,611.85. This purchase will provide student Chromebooks monitoring for the 2026-2027 school year. Total purchase is \$57,223.70 with funds from Technology.

Approve the renewal of the Parent Square Program which allows for quick, efficient and documented communication between schools and families. Total cost for the 2026-2027 school year is \$21,063. Funds to come from Title I Family Engagement.

Approve the purchase of Destiny Library Manager by Follett Software subscriptions district wide for the Librarians to be able to check out books to the students and to inventory the books for the 2026-2027 school year. Total purchase is \$14,717.89 with funds from Technology.

Recognize Dr. Amanda Waits to present the 2026 State Assessment Results.

Recognize Ms. Kathy Holt to speak about the LEAPS grant.

Recognize Mr. Scott Thornton to address the board about the updated Facility Use Agreement.

Approve requests for Facility Use from Cocke County Recreation Center to use CC School gymnasiums and ballfields from July 2026 - July 2027. Permission from all principals is for use whenever school teams are not practicing or playing.

Adjourn