FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Public Work Session
Meeting Agenda
Thursday, October 22, 2026 at 6:00 PM at the Fairfield Municipal Building

MR. ANTHONY DEPASCALE, BOARD PRESIDENT, CALLED THE ROLL AT 6:00 PM:

TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE
Ms. Andrea Bellise-Jandoli		Ms. Angela Altaai	
Mr. Joseph Fede		Mr. Anthony DePascale	
Ms. Melinda Street			

ADMINISTRATION	POSITION	ATTENDANCE
Mr. Ryan Gupta	Superintendent of Schools	
Mr. Wally Lindsley	Business Administrator/Board Secretary	

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education meeting finds it necessary to meet in Executive Session (Closed to the Public) to discuss attorney/client privileged information, which is exempt from the Open Public Meetings Act.

RECOMMENDATION TO MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education hereby convenes to Executive Session for discussion of the following subjects: _____.

It is anticipated that the Executive Session will take approximately _____; the Board may take action when it reconvenes to Public Session; and the minutes of the Executive Session shall be released to the public when the reason for the Executive Session no longer exists.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters or other exceptions to the sunshine laws as follows:

1. Any matter considered confidential by federal law, state statute, or court rule;
2. Any matter in which the release of information would impair the receipt of federal funds;
3. Any material that would constitute an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy if disclosed;
4. Any collective bargaining agreements;

5. Any matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds;
6. Any tactics and techniques used in protecting the safety and property of the public;
7. Any pending or anticipated litigation;
8. Personnel matters related to the employment, appointment, or termination of current or prospective employees;
9. Attorney/Client privilege.

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____ Time: _____

Motion to return to open session (to be moved in Public Session):

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____ Time: _____

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting is hereby adjourned.

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____ Time: _____

ROLL CALL
Ms. Bellise-Jandoli _____ Mr. Fede _____ Ms. Street _____ Ms. Altaai _____ Mr. DePascale _____

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION
Meeting Agenda
Thursday, October 22, 2026
7:30 PM at the Fairfield Municipal Building
(Access livestream at www.fpsk6.org at 7:30 PM. Also available on Channel 34)

The Board will reconvene from Executive Session, and Mr. Anthony DePascale, Board President, will preside and call the public meeting to order at approximately 7:30 PM.

MR. ANTHONY DEPASCALE, BOARD PRESIDENT, CALLED THE ROLL AT 7:30 PM:

TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE	TRUSTEE	ATTENDANCE
Ms. Andrea Bellise-Jandoli		Ms. Angela Altaai	
Mr. Joseph Fede		Mr. Anthony DePascale	
Ms. Melinda Street			

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Mr. Ryan Gupta	Superintendent of Schools	
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The public has been duly informed of this meeting in accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975 by posting, at least 48 hours in advance, a notice on the bulletin boards in Stevenson and Churchill Schools, a notice to the Township Clerk, and a notice to The Herald News and The Progress.

Now, please join us for the Pledge of Allegiance.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:
- **Audit Presentation by Brian Ko of Nisivoccia, LLP**

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:
- **2026 Annual Assessment Report**

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMENTS: (any new or old business**)**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON: *AGENDA ITEMS ONLY*

Guidelines in Accordance with Policy #0167

1. *This is not a question-and-answer session, but an opportunity to hear comments from the public, directed to the Board President.*
2. *Each person who wishes to make a statement must state their name and address for the record.*
3. *If it appears this portion of the meeting will last longer than 30 minutes, comments may be limited to 3 minutes each until all others have been heard. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic.*
4. *District staff members may make a statement, except when the issue addressed is subject to remediation by an existing alternate method and/or the administrative chain of command has been previously utilized.*
5. *Please be respectful of the Board, Administration, Staff, and audience members in attendance.*

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA
FINANCE - OCTOBER 22, 2026

The following finance motions are made at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

CONSENT AGENDA

Anything placed on this agenda, Items **1-6**, will be voted upon in one motion.

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____ to approve the following motions:

1F. To approve the Minutes from the Public & Executive Session of September 24, 2026.

2F. To approve the Bills and Claims List and Payroll as follows:

Ratify and Affirm Bills & Claims List - 10/14/2026	$1,550,115.13
Ratify and Affirm Bills & Claims List **-** 10/22/2026	$64,923.63
Ratify and Affirm September 30, 2026 Payroll	$477,759.29
Ratify and Affirm October 15, 2026 Payroll	$477,421.32

3F. To approve the transfer of funds for the month of September as certified by the Business Administrator and authorized by the Superintendent of Schools.

4F. To approve the reports of the Board Secretary and Treasurer of School Monies for the period of September 1, 2026 through September 30, 2026. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10, we certify that as of September 2026, the Board Secretary's monthly financial reports did not reflect an overexpenditure in any of the major accounts or funds, and based on the appropriation balances reflected on these reports and the advice of district officials, we have no reason to doubt that the district has sufficient funds available to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the financial reports for the months be accepted and shall become a part of the official minutes of this meeting.

5F. Comprehensive Maintenance Plan

WHEREAS, the Department of Education requires New Jersey School Districts to submit three-year maintenance plans documenting “required” maintenance activities for each of its public school facilities; and

WHEREAS, the required maintenance activities as listed in the document for the various school facilities of the Fairfield School District are consistent with these requirements; and

WHEREAS, all past and planned activities are reasonable to keep school facilities open and safe for use or in their original condition and to keep their system warranties valid; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairfield Board of Education hereby authorizes the School Business Administrator to submit the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan for the Fairfield School District in compliance with Department of Education requirements.

6F. Annual Maintenance Budget – Form M-1

BE IT RESOLVED, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:26A, the Fairfield Board of Education hereby approves the Annual Maintenance Budget Amount Worksheet, Form M-1.

ROLL CALL
Ms. Bellise-Jandoli _____ Mr. Fede _____ Ms. Street _____ Ms. Altaai _____ Mr. DePascale _____

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA
CONTRACTS - OCTOBER 22, 2026

The following contract motion is made at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

CONSENT AGENDA

Anything placed on this agenda, Item **1**, will be voted upon in one motion.

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____ to approve the following motion:

1CO. To approve an agreement with Industrial Appraisal Company to provide fixed asset reports to the district in the amount of $580 for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

ROLL CALL
Ms. Bellise-Jandoli _____ Mr. Fede _____ Ms. Street _____ Ms. Altaai _____ Mr. DePascale _____

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA
BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS - OCTOBER 22, 2026

The following buildings and grounds motion is made at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

CONSENT AGENDA

Anything placed on this agenda, Item **1**, will be voted upon in one motion.

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____ to approve the following motion:

1B. To approve the following Building Use Applications:

Organization Group/Location/Purpose	Date and Time Slot
Art Club Eileen Pekarsky and Darlene Sardinsky Stevenson Art Room	3:30 PM to 4:30 PM October 2026 to December 2026
Band/Orchestra Justin Lazaro Churchill Gym/Stage	7:45 AM to 8:35 AM November to December 2026 and April to June 2027 (Every Tuesday and Friday)
Communication/Coding Club James Verrengia Churchill Media Center	8:00 AM to 8:25 AM October 2026 to March 2027
Winter Concert Justin Lazaro Churchill Gym	7:00 AM to 9:00 PM December 16, 2026
Spring Concert Justin Lazaro Churchill Gym	7:00 AM to 9:00 PM April 27, 2027
Beginning Students Concert Justin Lazaro Churchill Gym	7:00 AM to 9:00 PM June 9, 2027
Drama Club - Rehearsal Sarah Kirk Churchill Gym/Stage	3:30 PM to 5:00 PM December 2026 to March 2027
Drama Club - Final Performance Sarah Kirk Churchill Gym	3:30 PM to 8:00 PM March 24, 2027
Extravaganza Entertainment, LLC Field Day Stevenson Field	9:00 AM to 3:00 PM June 11, 2027

Fairfield Education Association FEA/NJEA Meeting Stevenson Faculty Room	3:30 PM - 5:00 PM October 28, 2026
Fairfield Fire Department Fire Truck Presentation Stevenson Parking Lot	9:30 AM to 12:00 PM Retroactively to October 8, 2026
Fairfield Fire Department Pre-K Fire Safety Visit Stevenson Cafeteria	2:00 PM to 3:00 PM October 23, 2026
Fairfield HSA School Store Churchill Gym	12:00 PM to 3:20 PM Retroactively to October 15 and October 16, 2026
Fairfield HSA Brain Show Stevenson and Churchill Gyms	8:30 AM to 12:00 PM - Stevenson 12:00 PM to 3:20 PM - Churchill March 19, 2027
Fairfield Recreation Cheer Practice Stevenson Gym	5:00 PM to 6:30 PM October 2026 to November 2026
Gardening Club Jaime Chavkin Churchill Outdoor Garden/Art Room	3:30 PM to 4:30 PM Retroactively to September 2026 to June 2027
Girl Scouts Troop 20055 Monthly Meetings Churchill Media Center	3:30 PM to 5:00 PM Retroactively to September 2026 to June 2027 (Last Wednesday of each month)
Homework Club Cheryl Malinski, Vanessa Mayer and Michelle Manna Stevenson Library/Media Center	3:30 PM to 4:30 PM October 2026 to December 2026
Homework Club Danielle Malinowski Churchill Room 5	3:30 PM to 4:30 PM October 2026 to February 2027
Homework Club Olivia Montwaid Churchill Room 13	3:30 PM to 4:30 PM October 2026 to February 2027
Homework Club Alexa Rubino Churchill Room 23	3:30 PM to 4:30 PM October 2026 to January 2027

Homework Club Jaclyn Van Natten Churchill Room 14	3:30 PM to 4:30 PM October 2026 to February 2027
Jazz Band Club Justin Lazaro Churchill Music Room	3:20 PM to 4:20 PM January 2027 to April 2027
The Lazzara Group Student Leadership Workshop Churchill Gym	9:00 AM to 12:00 PM Retroactively to October 2, 2026
Legacy Studio School Photos Churchill Gym	7:00 AM to 3:30 PM Retroactively to September 25 and November 2, 2026
Legacy Studio School Photos Churchill Gym	7:30 AM to 3:30 PM Retroactively to September 29 and November 2, 2026
Safety Patrol Sarah Kirk and Jennifer Sarna Churchill Room 12	8:00 AM to 8:25 AM Retroactively to September 2026 to June 2027
Student Council Cynthia Perez and Courtney Cox Churchill Room 26	3:30 PM to 4:30 PM November 2026 to May 2027
Fairfield HSA School Apparel Pick Up Churchill Gym	4:30 PM to 7:00 PM October 29, 2026

ROLL CALL

Ms. Bellise-Jandoli _____ Mr. Fede _____ Ms. Street _____ Ms. Altaai _____ Mr. DePascale _____

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA
PERSONNEL - OCTOBER 22, 2026

The following personnel motions are made at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

CONSENT AGENDA

Anything placed on this agenda, Items **1-4**, will be voted upon in one motion.

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____ to approve the following motions:

1P. To approve the appointment(s) of the following staff member(s) for the 2026-2027 school year, pending receipt of all required documentation:

Name	Location/ Position	Replacing or New Position	Salary/Hourly Rate	Effective Date(s) on or about:
Patrizia Martorana	Playground/ Cafeteria Aide	Rita Schubach	$16.00 per hour	11/02/2026

2P. To approve Patrizia Martorana to also serve as a paraprofessional and secretary substitute, as needed, effective for the 2026-2027 school year.

3P. To approve the retirement of the following staff member:

Name	Location	Position	Reason	Last Day of Employment
Lisa Carroll	AES	Paraprofessional	Retirement	12/31/2026

4P. To approve the appointment(s) of the following substitute staff member(s) for the 2026-2027 school year, pending receipt of all required documentation:

Name	Position	Daily Rate	Effective Date(s) on or about:
Nadiah Alatiyat	Substitute Aide	$16.00 per hour	10/26/2026

ROLL CALL
Ms. Bellise-Jandoli _____ Mr. Fede _____ Ms. Street _____ Ms. Altaai _____ Mr. DePascale _____

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA
CURRICULUM/PROGRAM - OCTOBER 22, 2026

The following curriculum/program motions are made at the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools:

CONSENT AGENDA

Anything placed on this agenda, Items **1-3**, will be voted upon in one motion.

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____ to approve the following motions:

1C. To ratify and affirm the following Professional Development:

Employee Name	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Expenses*
Patricia Iandolo	NJASBO "Lunch & Learn - Organizing Compensated Absences"	Virtual	08/24/2026	Registration Fee: $ 25.00
Sarah Kirk	Cornerstone Day School "2026 Fall Conference for School Professionals"	The Hanover Manor East Hanover, NJ	10/22/2026	Registration Fee: $ 0.00 Cost of Mileage: $ 5.83
Wally Lindsley	NJASBO "Lunch & Learn - Organizing Compensated Absences"	Virtual	08/24/2026	Registration Fee: $ 25.00
Cynthia Perez	Cornerstone Day School "2026 Fall Conference for School Professionals"	The Hanover Manor East Hanover, NJ	10/22/2026	Registration Fee: $ 0.00 Cost of Mileage: $ 5.83
Kathryn Vagell	Cornerstone Day School "2026 Fall Conference for School Professionals"	The Hanover Manor East Hanover, NJ	10/22/2026	Registration Fee: $ 0.00 Cost of Mileage: $ 5.52

*Estimated reimbursement of mileage, meals, and incidentals (according to NJ per diem rates) to be paid pending completion of the workshop and submission of the travel report.

2C. To approve the following requests for Professional Development:

Employee Name	Conference/Workshop	Location	Date(s)	Expenses*
Lisa Downey	Learning without Tears "Readiness and Writing for Pre-K"	Hasbrouck Heights, NJ	11/03/2026	Registration Fee: $329.00 Cost of Mileage: $ 16.25
Donna Gualtieri	BER "Decreasing Defiant and Argumentative Behaviors"	Virtual	12/15/2026	Registration Fee: $295.00
Danielle Malinowski	BER "Helping Your Struggling Readers Succeed"	Virtual	12/11/2026	Registration Fee: $295.00

*Estimated reimbursement of mileage, meals, and incidentals (according to NJ per diem rates) to be paid pending completion of the workshop and submission of the travel report.

3C. To approve the Fairfield School Self-Assessment for Determining Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights for Adlai E. Stevenson and Winston S. Churchill Schools for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. In addition, approves that the Certified Statements of Assurance be submitted to the NJ Department of Education by October 31, 2026.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Bellise-Jandoli _____ Mr. Fede _____ Ms. Street _____ Ms. Altaai _____ Mr. DePascale _____

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA
ENROLLMENT - OCTOBER 22, 2026

Grade	Students 6/26/2026	Students 10/16/2026
Preschool Inclusive	17	18
Preschool Disabilities	17	14
Kindergarten	97	107
First	100	95
Second	87	100
Third	98	87
Fourth	106	101
Fifth	89	107
Sixth	107	88
Out-of-District	**2**	**3**
Charter School	**3**	**1**
Total	**723**	**721**

FAIRFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA
OCTOBER 22, 2026

The Board President will open the floor to public comments on non-agenda items.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Guidelines in Accordance with Policy #0167

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NEXT MEETING

BE IT RESOLVED that the next meeting will be held, in person, on November 12, 2026, Public Work Session beginning at 6:00 PM, followed by Executive Session with Public Session resuming at approximately 7:30 PM, at the Fairfield Municipal Building.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting is hereby adjourned.

Motion by: _____ Seconded by: _____ Time: _____

ROLL CALL
Ms. Bellise-Jandoli _____ Mr. Fede _____ Ms. Street _____ Ms. Altaai _____ Mr. DePascale _____