

Board Agenda

October 27, 2026



**Medicine Hat Public Board of Education
Operating as Medicine Hat Public School Division**



MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION
OPERATING AS MEDICINE HAT PUBLIC SCHOOL DIVISION
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

I N D E X

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2026

CENTRAL OFFICE – BOARD ROOM

SCHOOL DIVISION ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

601 – First Avenue S.W.
Medicine Hat, Alberta
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- II. **TREATY 7 LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**
- III. **INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT TRUSTEES**
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REGULAR MEETING
CENTRAL OFFICE – BOARD ROOM

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2026 – 4:15 P.M.

A G E N D A

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

II. TREATY 7 LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Blackfoot Confederacy and the people of Treaty 7 Region in Southern Alberta. We honour and acknowledge the homeland of the Métis people. We are grateful for the traditional Knowledge Keepers and Elders who are still with us today and those who have gone before us.

[Alexandra Middle School](#) Land Acknowledgement

CHAIR

III. INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT DELEGATES

The Board of Trustees welcomes our student delegates!

CHAIR

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION

V. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Presentation and adoption of the Minutes of the Regular and the Committee of the Whole meetings held on **Tuesday, September 22, 2026**, and **Tuesday, October 13, 2026**.

CHAIR

MOTION

VI. RECOGNITION/ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. World Teacher Day, Orange Shirt Day, The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Day and Mental Health Awareness Day

Medicine Hat Public School Division (MHPSD) recognized important awareness and celebration days throughout September and October. Orange Shirt Day and the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation were recognized in classrooms and through group assemblies and activities where education and teaching honoured the experiences of Indigenous Peoples; promoting understanding and reflection of the impacts of residential schools. These meaningful learning experiences were led by schools and supported by resources and guidance from MHPSDs First Nations, Métis and Inuit education team. World

Teachers' Day on October 5 provided an opportunity to celebrate the lasting impact teachers have on students, families, and the broader community. Trustees recognized educators across the division by delivering fruit baskets to schools while sharing messages of appreciation that acknowledged the learning, growth, confidence, and sense of belonging teachers help foster every day. In support of Mental Health Awareness Day, students and staff wore bright colours and engaged in conversations that promoted wellbeing, kindness, and a culture of care within our schools.

CHAIR

VII. PRESENTATIONS

1. Coulee Collegiate

Tim Bloomfield, Principal of Coulee Collegiate, will provide the Board with an update on Coulee Collegiate and its partnership between Medicine Hat Public School Division, Prairie Rose Public Schools and Medicine Hat College. The presentation will highlight current enrolment, the partnership and financial structure, and the range of learning opportunities and student supports offered through Coulee Collegiate.

CE

2. Human Resources Staffing Update

Members of the Human Resources team will present updated staffing data for the past year, along with early trends for the 2026-2027 school year.

JP

[Enclosure No. 1](#)

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter to the Minister of Education and Childcare

As Board Chair, Catherine Wilson sent the enclosed letter on behalf of the Board.

CHAIR

[Enclosure No. 2](#)

IX. ITEMS FOR ACTION

1. Authorization of Locally Developed Courses

Request to authorize the following locally developed courses:

Course Name	Version	Code	Start Date
Introduction To ESports 15	5 Credits (2025-2029)	LCD1085	Jan 30, 2027
Understanding Video Games 15	5 Credits (2025-2029)	LDC1008	Jan 30, 2027
Understanding Video Games 15	5 Credits (2025-2029)	LDC2024	Jan 30, 2027

If approved, courses would be offered for 2027-2028 and 2028-2029.

It is recommended that the Board approve the locally developed courses as presented.

CE/DB

[Enclosure No. 3](#)

[Enclosure No. 4](#)

[Enclosure No. 5](#)

MOTION

X. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. Public School Boards' Association of Alberta Fall Conference

The Public-School Boards' Association of Alberta Fall Conference was held in Edmonton on October 14 to 16, 2026. An update from Trustee Grisonich will be provided at the meeting.

PG

2. Coordinating Committee

The Coordinating Committee held their meeting on Monday, October 5, 2026. The meeting minutes are enclosed for information.

GD/CE

[Enclosure No. 6](#)

3. Division Council of School Councils

The Division Council of School Councils held a meeting on Wednesday, October 7, 2026. The meeting minutes are enclosed for information.

CW/CE

[Enclosure No. 7](#)

XI. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. Enrolment Update

Executive has reviewed the student numbers and will provide an update at the meeting.

2. Exhibit: Schedule of Reimbursements

The division's travel mileage reimbursement rate was updated and additional details included for International Student Program recruitment trips.

[410 E 001](#): Schedule of Expense Reimbursements

3. Administrative Procedures: Discrimination, Harassment, Violence and Bullying

Administrative procedure 528 AP 001 was updated, and 528 AP 002 was created to align with the Alberta Occupational Health and Safety Regulation.

[528 AP 001](#): Discrimination, Harassment, Violence and Bullying Reporting

[528 AP 002](#): Discrimination, Harassment, Violence and Bullying Prevention

4. Administrative Procedures and Exhibits: Off-Site Activities

The following Administrative Procedures and Exhibits for off-site activities have been updated.

[720 AP 001](#): Off Site Activities

[720 AP 002](#): Off-Site Activities: Local

[720 AP 003](#): Off-Site Activities: Non-Local or Overnight

[720 AP 004](#): Off-Site Activities: National

[720 AP 005](#): Off-Site Activities: International

[720 AP 006](#): Volunteers

[720 AP 007](#): Community Coaches-Leaders

[720 E 001](#): Consent for Off-Site Activities

[720 E 002](#): Consent for Recurring Curricular Off-Site Activities

- [720 E 003](#): Consent for National-International Trips
- [720 E 004](#): Health Certification and Consent (Extracurricular)
- [720 E 005](#): Swimming Ability Form
- [720 E 006](#): Alpine Skiing and Snowboarding Ability Form
- [720 E 007](#): Off-Site Activity Risk Assessment Template
- [720 E 011](#): Volunteer Acknowledgement of Risk and Consent Form

5. Superintendent Report

The Superintendent will provide an overview of the Division's engagement over the past month.

6. School Visits for Trustees

A report will be provided on which schools trustees visited in the month of October.

XII. MOVE TO IN-CAMERA

It is recommended that the Board moves in-camera to discuss certain confidential matters, *if required*.

CHAIR

MOTION

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