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# Monticello Community School District Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

Monday, February 23, 2026  
6:00 pm

Administrative Board Room  
850 E Oak Street  
Monticello, IA 52310

## Regular Meeting of the Board

6:00pm

### Tentative Agenda

#### 1. Opening Items

- 1.01 Call to Order
- 1.02 Pledge of Allegiance (led by Amsler)
- 1.03 Review Mission Statement (led by Amsler)

*The Mission of the Monticello Community Schools, a District striving for educational excellence, is to prepare students through challenging experiences, to be caring, productive, creative citizens who will be life-long learners.*

- 1.04 Roll Call (Amsler, Stadtmueller, Norton, Schlarmann, Randolph)

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

- 2.01 Approval of Agenda

#### 3. Reports/Recognitions

- 3.01 Recognition of Visitors
- 3.02 Celebrations

- a. Congratulations to the following Senior Athletes on their high school career:

**Girls Wrestling:** Izzy Taylor

**Boys Wrestling:** Dominic Culpepper, Kaesyn Husmann, Parker Johnson, Ty King, Jerin McElmeel, Mace Schnoor

**Boys Basketball:** Alex Jamison, Conley Schauf, Lincoln Schneiter, Ben Welter

**Girls Basketball:** Kennedy Hermsen, Halle Recker

**Girls Bowling:** Hannah Butterworth, Cambryn Lee, Nevaeah Norton

**Boys Bowling:** Kyle Arduser, Carlos Lagunes Torres

**Cheer:** Nevaeah Norton, Destiny Wall

- b. Congratulations to Izzy Taylor for punching her ticket to State Wrestling and placing 5th!!
- c. Congratulations to the following groups for earning a 1 rating at District Large Group speech contest and advancing onto State Large Group Speech Contest : Last Minute Adjustments (Varsity Reader's Theater) - Amber Christensen, Eden Devilbiss, Stella Flynn, Brianna Merfeld, Carter Sellner; The Raven (Choral Reading) - Hannah Butterworth, Nessa Clapp, Haley Larrimore, Kei Lee, Sam Ruchti, Jack Saunders, Leah Schemmel, Destiny Wall, Emersen Verhagen; Guys and Dolls (Musical Theater) - Cole Bouska, Carlos Lagunes-Torres, Caleb Tubbs; Macy Dusanek & Emersen Verhagen (Group Improv); The True Meaning of Halloween (Ensemble Acting) - Kei Lee, Brianna Merfeld, Jackson Saunders; KY2K (Radio Broadcasting) - Eden Devilbiss, Stella Flynn, Sam Ruchti, Destiny Wall; In Sheep's Clothing (Short Film) - Cole Bouska, Carlos Lagunes-Torres, Haley Larrimore, Caleb Tubbs; Appropriate Audience Behavior (9th Reader's Theater) Jasmine Beanblossom, Ella Giegerich, Mia Gomez, Olivia Gray, Mary Grace Lyons, Landry Schauf, Natalie Tubbs; XWING (Radio Broadcasting) - Rylan Bertling, Lincoln Schneiter, Ben Welter; M.Y.T.H. (Radio Broadcasting) - Nessa Clapp, Skylar Christensen; Kitty Cat News (TV News) - Laila Atkinson, Meghan Besler, Macey Burlage, Brynn Schmit, Katie Stadtmueller; 200.1 (Freshman Radio Broadcasting)- Oliva Gray, Lindsay Ruchti, Landry Schauf; Radio Royals (Freshman Radio Broadcasting) - Jasmine Beanblossom, Mia Gomez, Mary Grace Lyons, and Natalie Tubbs.

- d. Congratulations to the following group for earning a 1 rating at State Large Group Speech contest: The Raven (Choral Reading) - Hannah Butterworth, Nessa Clapp, Haley Larrimore, Kei Lee, Sam Ruchti, Jack Saunders, Leah Schemmel, Destiny Wall, Emersen Verhagen; Macy Dusanek & Emersen Verhagen (Group Improv); In Sheep's Clothing (Short Film) - Cole Bouska, Carlos Lagunes-Torres, Haley Larrimore, Caleb Tubbs; XWING (Radio Broadcasting) - Rylan Bertling, Lincoln Schneiter, Ben Welter; Kitty Cat News (TV News) - Laila Atkinson, Meghan Besler, Macey Burlage, Brynn Schmit, and Katie Stadtmueller.
- e. Congratulations to the following Large Group All State nominees: Group Improv - Macy Dusanek & Emersen Verhagen; Radio Broadcasting "XWING" - Rylan Bertling, Lincoln Schneiter, Ben Welter; Short Film "In Sheep's Clothing" - Cole Bouska, Haley Larrimore, Carlos Lagunes-Torres, Caleb Tubbs.
- f. Congratulations to MS Teacher Dylan Shaffer on receiving the Northeast STEM Region 2026 Iowa STEM Teacher Award! The Iowa STEM Teacher Award, sponsored by Google, honors six teachers across the state for their contribution and dedication to science, technology, engineering and mathematics education in Iowa.
- g. Congratulations to Haley Larrimore who was selected as KCRG's February Student of the Month!
- h. Congratulations to Wyatt Wilson for punching his ticket to State Wrestling and placing 1<sup>st</sup> at the Conference meet!
- i. Congratulation to the Boys Bowling team for punching their ticket to State Bowling as a team, and Gavin Hinrichs and Quinn Thomas for qualifying as individuals as well!
- j. Congratulations to the following boys' basketball players on their awards: Conley Schauf – 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Conference and Co-Player of the Year; Alex Jamison – 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Conference; and Hayden Hackney – Honorable Mention
- k. Congratulations to the following girls' basketball player on their awards: Kennedy Hermsen – 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Conference; Mallory McElmeel and Paige Fangmann – 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-Conference; and Halle Recker – Honorable Mention

### 3.03 Principal's Reports (Elementary/Middle School/High School)

### 3.04 Curriculum Director's Report

### 3.05 Superintendent's Report

## 4. Action Items

### 4.01 Accept Bid for New 71 Passenger School Bus – Mike Wink

### 4.02 Set March 23, 2026 at 6:00 pm as the date & time for the first Public Hearing on the 2026-27 Budget

### 4.03 Consider Approval of 2026-27 Budget Guarantee Resolution (*By roll call vote*)

### 4.04 Consider Approval of First Reading of Board Policy #505.1R1 Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Activities Regulations

### 4.05 Consider Approval of First Reading of Board Policy #505.3 Student Eligibility and Good Conduct Policy

### 4.06 Consider Setting a Special Board Meeting for March 4, 2026 at 6:00pm

### 4.07 Consider Approval of Middle School Field Trip from September 7-11, 2026 to Grand Island National Recreation Area in Michigan– Dylan Shaffer

## 5. Consent Agenda

### 5.01 Approval of Consent Agenda Items

### 5.02 Approval of Minutes

### 5.03 Approval of Personnel (Resignations, Hires, Terminations, Transfers)

### 5.04 Acceptance of Donations

### 5.05 Monthly Financial Reports

### 5.06 Approval of Invoices

### 5.07 Approval of 2026-2027 Sharing Agreement with North Linn Community School District for Food Service Director

### 5.08 Approval of 2026-2027 Sharing Agreement with Midland Community School District for Transition Alliance Program (TAP) Specialist

### 5.09 Approval of 2026-2027 Sharing Agreement with Anamosa Community School District for Human Resources Director

### 5.10 Approval of 2026-2027 Sharing Agreement with Anamosa Community School District for School Social Worker (MSW)

5.11 Approval of 2026-2029 Student Placement Agreement with Western Governors University

**6. Board Member Activity Reports**

6.01 Board Member Activity Reports

6.02 What Did We Learn at This Meeting and What Would We Want the Public to Know?

**7. Agenda Items for Future Work Sessions**

7.01 Agenda Items for Future Work Sessions

**8. Meeting Dates/Announcements**

8.01 Meeting Dates/Announcements

a. Special Board Meeting – TBD - Wednesday, March 4 at 6:00pm

b. Foundation Pep Rally – Saturday, March 7 at 5:30pm

c. Spring Break - March 16-20

d. Next Regular Board Meeting - Monday, March 23 at 6:00pm

**9. Adjournment**

9.01 Adjournment

**Exempt Session per Iowa Code**

*Immediately following board meeting*

- I. Bargaining sessions, strategy sessions of boards or employee organizations, mediation and the deliberative process of arbitrators in a collective bargaining process are exempt from the open meetings law. IOWA CODE § 20.17(3). *Burlington Community School District v. Public Employment Relations Board*. 268 N.W.2d 517, 524 (Iowa 1978).
- II. To discuss strategy in matters relating to employment conditions of employees not covered by the collective bargaining law. Iowa Code 21.9.

*This is an exempt session for the Board of Education and Superintendent. There will be no action or voting taken place on any of the above items.*