

Brockton School Committee



Agenda

Dr. William H. Arnone Theater

Tuesday, March 3, 2026

7:00 p.m.



Brockton Public Schools

School Committee Subcommittee Assignments

Year 2026

- ACCOUNTS REVIEW – **Claudio Gomes**, S. Centeio, A. Oliver, S. Pina
- ATHLETICS, ARTS, MUSIC, EXTRA-CURRICULARS – **Stephen Pina**, S. Centeio, A. Oliver, T. Rodrigues
- BID REVIEW – **Tony Rodrigues**, C. Gomes, S. Pina, T. Sullivan
- BUILDING NAMING – **Joyce Asack**, S. Centeio, C. Gomes, T. Rodrigues
- DIVERSITY, RACE, EQUITY & INCLUSION – **Sandra Centeio**, C. Gomes, A. Oliver, T. Rodrigues
- GRIEVANCE CERTIFIED – **Timothy Sullivan**, S. Centeio, C. Gomes, A. Oliver
- GRIEVANCE NON-CERTIFIED – **Joyce Asack**, C. Gomes, S. Pina, T. Rodrigues
- MENTAL HEALTH & WELL BEING – **Ana Oliver**, J. Asack, S. Centeio, C. Gomes
- POLICY MANUAL REVIEW – **Stephen Pina**, C. Gomes, A. Oliver, T. Sullivan

Subcommittee Chairs are represented in **Bold**

NEGOTIATING TEAMS

Access Control Specialists	Sandra Centeio , J. Asack, C. Gomes, T. Rodrigues
Admin Assist/Techs (IBAA & TEA)	Claudio Gomes , A. Oliver, S. Pina, T. Sullivan
Brockton Education Association	Joyce Asack , S. Centeio, A. Oliver, S. Pina
Custodians	Timothy Sullivan , S. Centeio, C. Gomes, T. Rodrigues
Food Service	Ana Oliver , J. Asack, S. Centeio, S. Pina
MTAs/Paras (BESPA)	Claudio Gomes , J. Asack, S. Centeio, S. Pina
School Police	Tony Rodrigues , S. Centeio, A. Oliver, S. Pina
Transportation	Stephen Pina , A. Oliver, T. Rodrigues, T. Sullivan

Committees of the Whole Subcommittees

Curriculum, Facilities Usage & Planning, Finance, Policy, Security/Safety/Transportation, Superintendent’s Contract

- The six (6) **Committee-of-the-Whole Subcommittees** are comprised of all seven (7) elected Ward representatives.
- The Superintendent, and any necessary persons, will attend if invited as informational resources.
- The Vice Chair of the School Committee chairs these meetings unless he/she designates another member to act as Chair in his/her absence.
- The Mayor is *not* a member but may attend.

Per SC Policy BDE: The School Committee Chair (Mayor) and the Superintendent (Clerk) are ex-officio/non-voting members of all subcommittees.

- SC REPRESENTATIVE_(s) TO **BROCKTON EDUCATION FOUNDATION** – J. Asack, T. Rodrigues
- SC REPRESENTATIVE_(s) TO **BHS PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL** – A. Oliver, S. Pina
- SC REPRESENTATIVE_(s) TO **COMMUNITY SCHOOLS** – S. Centeio, A. Oliver
- SC REPRESENTATIVE_(s) TO **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BOARD** – C. Gomes, S. Pina
- SC REPRESENTATIVE_(s) TO **SALARY ACCREDITATION** – A. Oliver, T. Sullivan
- SC REPRESENTATIVE_(s) TO **SAVE OUR SPORTS** - S. Pina, T. Rodrigues

BROCKTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Dr. William H. Arnone School, Theater
135 Belmont Street, Brockton, MA 02301
Tuesday, March 3, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA/DOCUMENTS

Dear Visitors:

Welcome to a meeting of the Brockton School Committee. This is the agenda that will be discussed this evening. Please note that Hearing of Visitors is included. If you have a statement or question, please give your name to the secretary.

In addition to attending, the public can view this meeting via television on Comcast channel 8 and 1071HD version, and online via this link:
www.youtube.com/TheBrocktonChannels

I. CALLING OF MEETING TO ORDER – ESTABLISHING A QUORUM – FLAG SALUTE

II. HEARING OF VISITORS

“Pursuant to School Committee Policy, each person requesting to speak shall be allotted a maximum of three (3) minutes. Since this period is limited to 15 minutes, a total of five (5) people shall be permitted to speak on a first come, first serve basis.”

III. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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| A. Teaching and Learning | Enc. #1 |
| • Student Representative Report | |
| • Crossroads Senior Students Presentation | |
| • Superintendent’s Report | |
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| B. Discussion and Potential Vote: 2026-2027 BPS District Calendar | Enc. #2 |
| • Start Date of September 3, 2026 | #2A |
| • Start Date of September 8, 2026 | #2B |
| • BPS Calendar Requirements and Considerations | #2C |
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| C. Discussion and Potential Vote: 2026 Schools as Polling Locations | Enc. #3 |
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| D. Items to Refer to Subcommittee | |

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

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| A. Approval of Regular School Committee Meeting Minutes, February 10, 2026 | Enc. #4 |
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| B. Request for Authorization to Accept Proposal and Expenditure of Funds: | Enc. #5 |
| • Transforming Diverse Educator Pathways (State/COMP) Grant - \$73,000 | #5A |
| • Financial Education Innovation Fund - \$6,900 | #5B |

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of Athletic Department Financial Oversight Review

VII. SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY

Police Liaison

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(2) “To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel” – Transportation Grievance
- Pursuant to M.G.L. c 30A, s. 21(a)(3) “To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares” Litigation

X. ADJOURNMENT

Brockton School Committee Meeting Agenda Summary

Agenda Item: Report of Superintendent of Schools

Requested by: Dr. Priya J. Tahiliani, Superintendent of Schools

Meeting Date: March 3, 2026

1. Background, Rationale and Associated Cost

- A. Teaching and Learning
 - Student Representative Report
 - Crossroads Senior Students Presentation
 - Superintendent's Report

- B. Discussion and Potential Vote: 2026-2027 BPS District Calendar
 - Start Date of September 3, 2026
 - Start Date of September 8, 2026
 - BPS Calendar Requirements and Considerations

- C. Discussion and Potential Vote: 2026 Schools as Polling Locations

- D. Items to Refer to Subcommittee

2. Recommendation to the Superintendent

3. Funding Source – Program and/or Budget Code

(Local or Grant Fund Number)

Brockton School Committee Meeting Agenda Summary

Enclosure #2

Agenda Item: *Discussion and Potential Vote: 2026-2027 BPS District Calendar*

Requested by: Dr. Priya J. Tahliliani, Superintendent of Schools

Meeting Date: March 3, 2026

1. Background, Rationale and Associated Cost

Enclosed is the proposed 2026-2027 district calendar, including the academic calendar highlighting holidays, vacations and important dates, for school committee review and vote previously discussed during the February 10, 2026 School Committee meeting.

After careful review of political and religious dates for the 26-27 school year, the 26-27 school calendar was developed.

Dated to Note:

- State Primary Election Day is scheduled for Tuesday, September 1, 2026, a staff only school day. Students do not report for their first day of school until Thursday, September 3, 2026.
- There are no Preliminary Election Days in Brockton during the 2026-2027 school year. This information was confirmed on 1/29/26, by Brockton City Hall - Cynthia Hogan, Executive Director of the Elections Commission.

Attachments:

- Proposed District Calendar
- Proposed Academic Calendar

Benefit of approving the school calendar now:

- Approval of the calendar also informs student data system teams to begin determining state reporting windows, grading windows, and progress reporting dates.
- Families can plan accordingly for childcare and family obligations with an ample amount of time.
- School personnel and departments may begin to plan their academic year for 2026-2027 school year.

2. Recommendation to the Superintendent

Motion to adopt the Brockton Public Schools 2026-2027 Academic School Calendar.

3. Funding Source – Program and/or Budget Code (Local or Grant Fund Number)



BROCKTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS



ORIGINAL PROPOSED DRAFT (If students start September 3rd) 2026-2027

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This calendar is subject to change based on the evolving needs of the district. If changes are necessary, the district will make a supplemental calendar available to staff and students on www.bpsma.org.

September 2026						
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1,2 All Staff Report
 3 First Day of School, Grades 1-12
 7 Labor Day - No School
 10 First Day of PK & Kindergarten
 Teachers Report 2 days before school per new contract-September 1,2
 First day of school - Grades 1-12 - September 3
 First day of school - Kindergarten - September 10

October 2026						
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12 Columbus Day - No School
 15 High School Family-School Conferences, 5-7pm
 21 PreK No school for students/Staff Professional Development
 21 K - 12 Early Release/Staff Professional Development
 22 Early Release/Middle School Family-School Conferences

November 2026						
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3 Election Day - No School for Students/Staff Professional Development
 11 Veterans Day - No School
 19 - 20 Early Release/Elementary School Family-School Conferences
 25 - 27 November Recess - No School
 27 Thanksgiving - No School

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9 PreK No school for students/Staff Professional Development
 9 Early Release Day/Staff Professional Development
 12/24/25 - 1/1/27 Winter Recess - No School
 25 Christmas

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 18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School

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 3 K - 12 Early Release/Staff Professional Development

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15 & 16 Early Release/Elementary School Family-School Conferences
 19 - 23 April Recess - No School

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 3 FROMISE Graduation
 4 BTDS/BVLA/Champion
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 17 Last Day of School/Early Release
 18 Juneteenth Observed - No School
 21-25 Scheduled Reserve Snow Days

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 8 Edison Evening Academy Graduation

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- Early Release
- Staff Only (No school for students)
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BROCKTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2026 – 2027 Academic Calendar

All Staff Report/ Professional Development Day	Tuesday/Wednesday September 1-2, 2026
First Day of School for Students (Grades 1-12)	Thursday, September 3, 2026
First Day of PreK & Kindergarten	Thursday, September 10, 2026

Schools are closed on the following holidays and vacation periods:

Labor Day	Monday	September 7, 2026
Columbus Day	Monday	October 12, 2026
Veterans Day	Wednesday	November 11, 2026
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Juneteenth Observed	Friday	June 18, 2027

Additional dates to note:

Election Day (No school for students/Staff professional development)	Tuesday	November 3, 2026
Last Day of School (Early release students and staff)	Thursday	June 17, 2027
Scheduled Reserved School Days		June 21 - 25, 2027

Graduations:

PROMISE	Thursday	July 3, 2027
BTDS/BVLA/Champion	Friday	June 4, 2027
Brockton High School	Saturday	June 5, 2027
Edison Evening Academy	Thursday	July 8, 2027

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PROPOSED DRAFT (If students start school September 8th)

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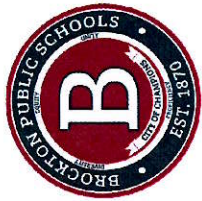
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As of: 1/16/2026

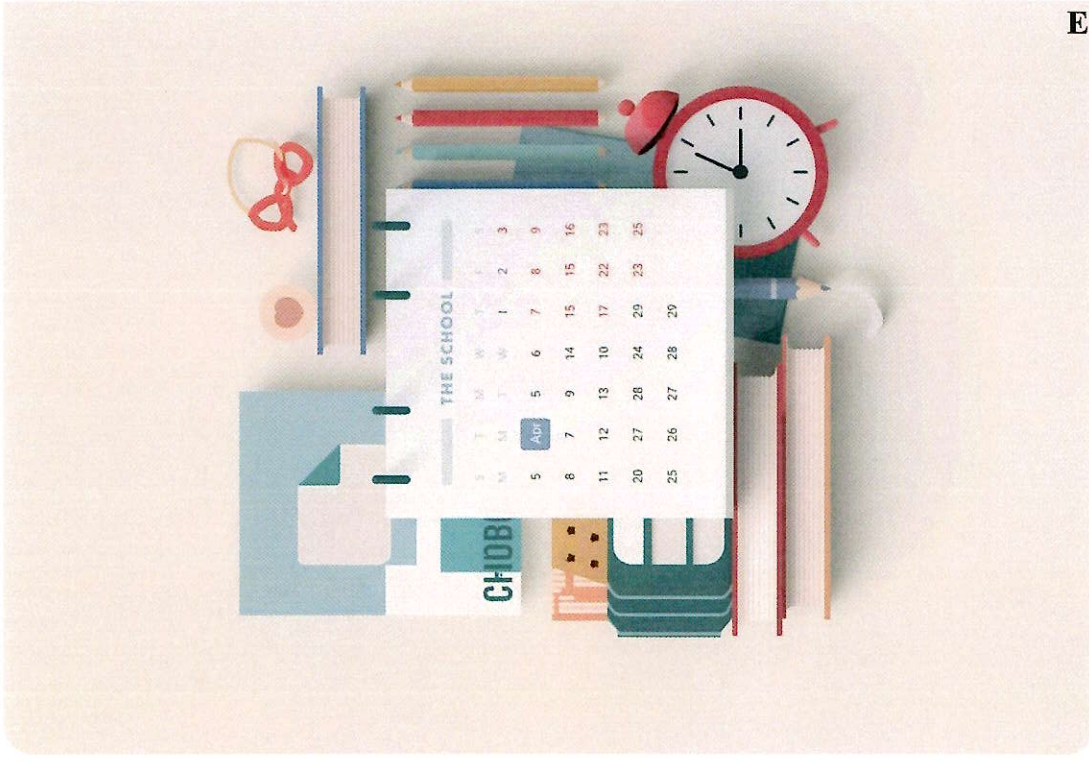
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School Calendar

BPS Calendar Requirements and Considerations

March 3, 2026



Key Calendar Considerations Overview

Contractual Agreement

The school year cannot start before **September 1**, ensuring alignment with local contracts and agreements. BEA Contract Article V

Massachusetts Law

State law mandates public schools must end the academic year no later than **June 30** each year. 603.CMR 27.00

Instructional Days

Schools are required to provide a **minimum of 180 instructional days** for compliance with state educational regulations. 03.CMR 27.00

Early Senior Release

Graduating seniors may be released up to **12 school days early** under specific state regulations to support educational priorities. 603 CMR 27.00; M.G.L. c. 69, s.1G; M.G.L. c. 69, s. 1B.

Historical School Calendar Start Dates

SY2016 – SY2027



SY	Labor Day Date	First Day Teachers	First Day Students	Last Official Day of School
2016	7-Sep	1-Sep	2-Sep	20-Jun
2017	5-Sep	1-Sep	6-Sep	22-Jun
2018	4-Sep	5-Sep	6-Sep	26-Jun
2019	3-Sep	4-Sep	5-Sep	19-Jun
2020	2-Sep	3-Sep	4-Sep	24-Jun
2021	7-Sep	1-Sep	16-Sep	16-Jun
2022	6-Sep	1-Sep	2-Sep	28-Jun
2023	5-Sep	1-Sep	2-Sep	16-Jun
2024	4-Sep	5-Sep	6-Sep	20-Jun
2025	2-Sep	3-Sep	4-Sep	20-Jun
2026	1-Sep	2-Sep	3-Sep	6/30*
2027	7-Sep	1-Sep	3-Sep	17-Jun
				25-Jun

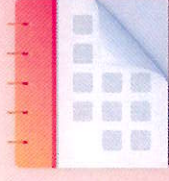
- SY21 Start date impacted by COVID
- SY26 Last Day is Tentative
- Angelo needs one day more than other schools beyond 6/30

SY2027 Scenario Analysis

Scenario	Start Dates	End Dates
1	Educators = 9/1 Students = 9/3	180 = June 17 185 = June 25
2	Educators = 9/1, 2 or 3 Students = 9/8	180 = June 22 185 = June 29

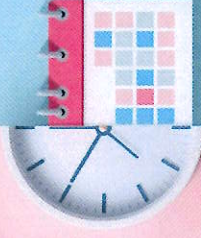
Scenario 1

Teachers starting September 1/students start September 3 allows for a June 17 end date, providing compliance flexibility.



Scenario 2

Starting teachers on September 3/students September 8 leads to a June 22 end date, reducing operational flexibility.



Brockton School Committee Meeting Agenda Summary

Agenda Item: REQUEST TO USE SCHOOLS AS POLLING LOCATIONS

Requested by: Dr. Priya J. Tahiliani, Superintendent of Schools

Meeting Date: March 3, 2026

1. Background, Rationale and Associated Cost

Ms. Cynthia Hogan, Executive Director of the Elections Commission, has requested the use of several schools for the 2026 election cycle, Tuesday, September 1, 2026 and November 3, 2026, as follows:

Kennedy Elementary	Downey Elementary
South Middle	Hancock Elementary
West Middle	Gilmore Elementary
Davis Elementary	East Middle
Raymond Elementary	Brookfield Elementary
Ashfield Middle	North Middle
Barrett Russell	

2. Recommendation to the Superintendent

Motion to allow the Elections Commission to use the requested schools as polling locations for the 2026 election cycle.

3. Funding Source – Program and/or Budget Code (Local or Grant Fund Number)



**CITY OF BROCKTON
MASSACHUSETTS**

ELECTIONS COMMISSIONERS

**ELECTIONS COMMISSION
CYNTHIA SCRIVANI
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**OFFICE OF THE ELECTIONS COMMISSION
45 SCHOOL STREET • BROCKTON, MA 02301
TEL: 508-580-7117 E-Mail: elections@cobma.us**

**FREDERICK McDERMOTT
STEPHEN KELLEY
CHRISLAINE BONNY**

Dr Priya Tahillani
Superintendent of Schools
43 Crescent St
Brockton, Ma. 02301

February 3, 2026

BPS SUPERINTENDENT
FEB 10 '25 AM 10:04

Dear Superintendent Tahillani,

The Elections Commission requests the use of the listed schools as polling locations for the 2026 election cycle. The dates are Tuesday September 1 2026 and Tuesday November 3, 2026. The buildings will need to be open by 6:00A.M. and must remain open until 8:00 P.M. My staff will be there until they finish canvassing the vote. We would request that all programs scheduled for space we use is relocated for these dates and that the custodial staff assist in preparing the locations for voting. As you are aware most of my poll workers are elderly and their ability to move tables and equipment is limited.

The schools requested are:

Kennedy Elementary	East Middle
Downey Elementary	Raymond Elementary
South Middle	Brookfield Elementary
Hancock Elementary	Ashfield Elementary
West Middle	North Middle
Gilmore Elementary	Barrett Russell School
Davis Elementary	

As always, the Elections Commission thanks you for your help in providing the citizens with easily accessible polling locations.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Hogan

**Brockton School Committee Meeting
Agenda Summary**

Enclosure #4

Agenda Item: Approval of Minutes of February 10, 2026
Regular School Committee Meeting

Requested by: Dr. Priya J. Tahiliani, Superintendent of Schools

Meeting Date: March 3, 2026

1. Background, Rationale and Associated Cost

Motion to approve minutes.

2. Recommendation to the Superintendent

3. Funding Source – Program and/or Budget Code (Local or Grant Fund Number)

School Committee Meeting

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

Agenda Item I.

Calling of Meeting
To Order

Salute the Flag

Establishing a Quorum

The Regular Meeting of the Brockton School Committee was held this evening, at seven o'clock in the George M. Romm Little Theatre of Brockton High School, 470 Forest Avenue. These minutes contain a summary of the meeting and list items (AGENDA ATTACHED) that were under discussion.

The Chair, Mayor Moises M. Rodrigues, called the meeting to order at 7:00p and asked the Committee to rise and salute the American flag.

This meeting will be held and will be accessible to the public via Comcast channel 8 and HD version 1071, and online via this link: www.youtube.com/TheBrocktonChannels

[Brockton School Committee Meeting 02-10-26](#)

Roll Call was taken to establish a quorum.

Mr. Pina	Here	Ms. Asack	Here	Mr. Rodrigues	Present
Mrs. Oliver	Here	Mr. Gomes	Here	Ms. Centeio	Here
Mr. Sullivan	Absent	Mayor Rodrigues	Here		

Also Present: Dr. Pryia J. Tahiliani, Superintendent of Schools, Cabinet Members

Agenda Item II.

Hearing of Visitors
SC Policy BEDH

- Elio Silva/Vineyard Farm/West Bridgewater: Spoke about the Healthy Incentives Program (HIP) program, offering that families are able to purchase fresh produce monthly, with no deduction, from their Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits card. A flyer was made available for distribution.

Mr. Rodrigues made a *motion* for approval to email-blast this material to our families and post this on our website and social media, *seconded* by **Mr. Gomes**. (5:55)

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	Second	Ms. Asack	Yes	Mr. Rodrigues	Yes
Mrs. Oliver	Yes	Mr. Gomes	Yes	Ms. Centeio	Yes
Mayor Rodrigues	Yes				

Agenda Item III.
Superintendent Report

At the request of the Chair,

Mr. Gomes made a *motion* to take item 3C, to do with the Superintendent's Update, out of order, *seconded* by **Mr. T. Rodrigues**. (6:30)

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	Yes	Ms. Asack	Yes	Mr. Rodrigues	Yes
Mrs. Oliver	Yes	Mr. Gomes	Yes	Ms. Centeio	Yes
Mayor Rodrigues	Yes				

It's out of order.

C. Update OPM BHS – LeftField Project Management

Using PowerPoint, Mr. Kevin Sullivan and his team updated the SC on the BHS update project.

- Currently wrapping up the Preliminary Design Programming phase. This is two years of work assessing the physical plant and the goals of the project. This has been submitted to the MSBA.
- Now in the Preferred Schematic Report phase. This will require the team to determine which option will be submitted to MSBA by April 30th, addition, renovation, new, will be the most cost effective, educationally appropriate choice for BHS.
- Craig Olsen, Associate Principal/Architect and others from Kaestle Boos Associates, presented on some of the existing conditions, site development, and student needs both academically, athletically, and socially.
- In order to maximize reimbursement, several options are being explored that would support the Arts, Athletics, and specific programming such as the Career and Technical Education spaces.

A. Teaching & Learning

- Student Representative PowerPoint Report:** Robert Moyes

SC enjoyed a report on many of the achievements in athletics, arts/drama, music, fundraising, especially the March Calendar Raffle donations (contact Mr. McCaskill), cultural, cold weather clothing donations, and credit recovery opportunities.

Discussion on Rep Report from members:

- expressed being “left speechless” from the two Drama Club performances. It was recommended that BCA film and make available these plays.
 - requests the PowerPoint report be sent to them, and questioned supporting the small, soloist who will compete in the MMEA.
 - posting for fundraising efforts on our websites, and social media and a better Community Calendar to inform the public what/when/where is going on.
- Supporting the Band Boosters and attending the Drama Club and Musicals will provide funds for students in the arts. Students pay a small fee for off-site performing/auditions.

- **Crossroads Senior Students Presentation:** *Postponed until next meeting*

- **Superintendent’s Report**

Dr. Tahiliani, using PowerPoint, gave her report on various events, which included:

- UMass Dartmouth Emerging Young Artists and Designers Juried Art Exhibition, which featured 11 BPS student artist’s works, and the Scholastic Arts Awards in which 16 students earned two Gold Keys, four Silver Keys, and 10 Honorable Mentions.
- The Arnone hosted Art in Visual Storytelling with James Burke, and the Brookfield had a fashion show to display their handcrafted vests,
- PROMISE students held an open-house to show what is on offer,
- Chris Illescus has been named Director of Instructional Technology,
- Family Literacy Nights will be held at the Easton Children’s Museum on March 6 and 27, and EMS educator, Dr. JC De Carvahlo is congratulated on the publishing of his book *Winds of the Atlantic: My Journey Through Struggle and Hope.

Discussion on Superintendent Report from members:

Is the PROMISE part of the School Choice Program.

No, SC would have to vote on that.

Brockton Hospital is looking to have our student art on display in their facility. They will be reaching out to see about this.

Mrs. Oliver put a motion to have the *book be available for every school, seconded by **Mr. T. Rodrigues.** (56:17)

Discussion on the motion:

This would be two books per school

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	No	Ms. Asack	Yes	Mr. Rodrigues	Yes
Mrs. Oliver	Yes	Mr. Gomes	Yes	Ms. Centeio	Yes

The motion carries.

B. Finance Update: Office of the Inspector General Report

- A report of progress achieved, and supporting documentation concerning their areas of recommendation was submitted to the OIG on January 16th . The Mayor’s Office received a letter of acknowledgement of receipt of the district’s actions on January 27th . In the spirit of transparency, the preliminary response and other documentation is available to the public on our website. [Brockton Public Schools’ Response to Massachusetts OIG Findings | Brockton Public Schools](#)

Updates and further recommendations and documentation will be on a future SC agenda and again, posted on our website.

Discussion on OIG from members:

Is there a SC Policy specific to “catch-all” accounts, notification to SC about a deficit situation, and status of Pilot Programs?

No, SC would construct those policies in a Policy Subcommittee. Deficit information would be projected as spending occurs. Finance tools are shared so that city, school department, and SC all are aware of finances.

With regard to Pilots, these were intended stop-gaps to better work our ways to manage identified problem situations. Once MUNIS learned and is used to its full capacity, these Pilots will no longer be necessary.

Something that was not noted in the OIG report was the fact that a lot of responsibility for the deficit should have fallen with City Hall.

The Mayor spoke about meeting the Inspector General, for Brockton, who has expressed interest in coming to Brockton to meet and learn about our city and our financial situations. He also spoke about remaining cohesive as a body for moving business forward.

- Dr. Tahiliani invited Dr. Beth L. Regulbuto, CFO/Assistant Superintendent of Finance, to talk about the Governor’s Recommended Budget FY27.
 - Dr. Regulbuto reported that the budget was doing very well, with 49.7% available in NSS, while keeping a close eye on Transportation, which appears to have been underbudgeted.
 - The end-of-year report has been submitted.
 - \$7.498m has been moved to from the city to the SC line. The next step is to create a Strategic Spending Plan, for approval of the SC, for these funds.
 - The Governor’s foundation budget calls for an \$8.2m increase, however, after municipal, and active employee health related costs, any increase in NSS is eliminated. This is preliminary, as the process is still going forward. It should be noted that the State Funding Formula is not one that is working for anybody in the state.
 - The FY27 Budget Planning process is underway. Following the 60+ planned meetings, a Preliminary Budget will be brought forward.

D. Discussion and Potential Vote: 2026-2027 BPS District Calendar

There was a question as to whether the 1st day of school should occur before or after Labor Day.

Ms. Asack made the *motion*, going forward, our 1st day of school is after Labor Day, *seconded* by Mr. Pina. (1:30:10)

Discussion on the motion

The Superintendent would like to table this until a future date.

Ms. Asack withdrew the *motion*. Mr. Pina withdrew the *second*. (1:33:10)

Ms. Asack made the *motion* to postpone the Brockton Public Schools 26-27 School Year Calendar to our next full School Committee meeting, *seconded* by Mr. Pina. (1:33:35)

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	Yes	Ms. Asack	Yes	Mr. Rodrigues	Yes
Mrs. Oliver	Yes	Mr. Gomes	Yes	Ms. Centeio	Yes

That item will be moved to March.

E. Items to Refer to Subcommittee

Ms. Asack made a *motion* to do the unveiling of the stage dedication to Mr. Macrina and Ms. Thomas, *seconded* by Ms. Oliver. (1:35:13)

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	Yes	Ms. Asack	Yes	Mr. Rodrigues	Yes
Mrs. Oliver	Yes	Mr. Gomes	Yes	Ms. Centeio	Yes

Agenda Item IV.
Consent Agenda
(ATTACHED)

Ms. Asack made a *motion* to remove item J on the Consent Agenda, *seconded* by Mrs. Oliver. (1:36:27)

Discussion on the motion

One gender participation/one gender chaperone.

Mr. Gomes made a *motion* to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, *seconded* by Mrs. Oliver. (1:37:38)

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	Yes	Ms. Asack	Yes	Mr. Rodrigues	Yes
Mrs. Oliver	Yes	Mr. Gomes	Yes	Ms. Centeio	Yes

All right.

Superintendent Tahiliani read the items (A-L) aloud.

Agenda Item V.
Unfinished Business

Mr. Pina made a *motion* to bring back and discuss in front of the Committee the topic of the safety of drop-off and pick-up at our schools, *seconded* by Mrs. Oliver. (1:41:09)

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	Yes	Ms. Asack	Yes	Mr. Rodrigues	Yes
Mrs. Oliver	Yes	Mr. Gomes	Yes	Ms. Centeio	Yes

It carries / Month of March

Discussion on the motion

- Snow removal on school sidewalks should be a priority, especially on Belmont St. with Belmont St. businesses.

- Traffic patterns, particularly at the Davis, could use rerouting for student safety and allow for emergency vehicle access.

The Mayor commented that, there are 360 miles of street in Brockton. Businesses and residents needs to clear the snow in front of their properties. This issue is going to City Council to be addressed in the Ordinances. Fines will be issued.

The City has reenacted the Traffic Division within the Brockton Police Department. This may prove helpful with the drop-off/pick-up at schools.

Mr. Pina *moved* take the Safety, Security and Transportation back to a four person committee so that it can be given the proper attention that it needs, *seconded* by **Mr. Rodrigues**. (1:57:20)

Discussion on the motion

SC wants to break this Committee out, have a new Subcommittee Chair, and take the pressure off the Vice Chair.

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	Yes	Ms. Asack	No	Mr. Rodrigues	Yes
Mrs. Oliver	No	Mr. Gomes	No	Ms. Centeio	No

The committee stays as is.

Agenda Item VI.
New Business

- **Discussion of Alternative Schools and Pathways**

The Superintendent, using slides, took the SC through the steps and funds necessary for students in our Alternative/Pathways Schools and Programs to achieve graduation status.

Dr. Tahiliani is suggesting a committee with program stakeholders, to study the data available, and come back to the SC with a design that is staffed equitably, allows greater opportunities for students, and supports an alternative that is flexible to student need.

Mr. Gomes made a *motion* to have the Superintendent's Working Group to look into the Alternative Schools restructuring, *seconded* by **Mr. Pina**. (2:25:10)

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	Yes	Ms. Asack	Yes	Mr. Rodrigues	Yes
Mrs. Oliver	Yes	Mr. Gomes	Yes	Ms. Centeio	Yes

Okay, so you have your working group.

- **Discussion and Potential Vote:** To relinquish control of buses contingent upon the acceptance of a transportation bid.

Purpose: A favorable vote would allow the School Department to include an option in our Invitation For Bids that would allow the bidder to purchase our buses if, and only if, the SC believes the offer to be financially advantageous and ultimately agrees. The district is not obligated to take any bid. This is just step one of the process.

Included in the IFB is an option for the vendor to provide a cost proposal which they offer to lease our buses.

It is concluded that, by having these two options, we will have the opportunity to choice the option most financially favorable for the district.

Mr. Pina made a *motion* to move this to the Transportation Subcommittee for further discussion and research, *seconded* by **Ms. Asack**. (2:27:46)

Discussion on the motion

SC wants to be cautious about putting out this bid, moving transportation outside instead of in-house. Look at the 5-year plan on this.

SC understands that Transportation is a costly business.

The Bid Review Subcommittee should have a more active role in these matters, to allow for a broader variety of options.

SC would like to still schedule a Transportation Subcommittee to discuss this further.

The Superintendent would like to know exactly what information that the SC is looking for to make a decision on this issue.

The Mayor interjected that transportation of every child in the city is a State unfunded mandate, regardless of whether a private school within the city limits charges their families transportation fees.

Mr. Pina *withdrew* his motion. (2:48:04)

Ms. Asack *withdrew* her second.

Mr. Pina made a *motion* to vote on the potential/relinquish control of bus contingent on acceptance of Transportation Bid, *seconded* by **Mr. Gomes**. (2:48:10)

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	Yes	Ms. Asack	Yes	Mr. Rodrigues	Yes
Mrs. Oliver	Yes	Mr. Gomes	Yes	Ms. Centeio	Yes

It carries.

Agenda Item VII.
Police Liaison

School Safety & Security

Officer Mosely reported, as follows:

- Traffic in the city has been difficult, and asks parents to be patient with school staff
- CBJJ continues to meet with ADA Colleen Sheridan, with the aim to get resources to our students who need it. Next meeting is 2/25
- Recruits are 1/4 complete at the Academy. Training is not open to the public.

Agenda Item VIII.
Announcements

None this evening

Agenda Item IX.
Executive Session

Pursuant to M.G.L. c 30A, s. 21(a)(3) "To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares" Litigation update and BEA

Ms. Asack *motioned* to go into Executive Session, *seconded* by **Mrs. Oliver**. (2:53:18)

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	Yes	Ms. Asack	Yes	Mr. Rodrigues	Yes
Mrs. Oliver	Yes	Mr. Gomes	Yes	Ms. Centeio	Yes

Mayor Rodrigues stated the Committee will be entering Executive Session and will return to Open Session. (9:53p)

Committee returned from Executive Session. (10:20p)

Mr. Gomes made a *motion* to enter back into Regular Session, *seconded* by **Mr. Rodrigues**. (3:20:28)

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	Yes	Ms. Asack	Yes	Mr. Rodrigues	Yes
Mrs. Oliver	Yes	Mr. Gomes	Yes	Ms. Centeio	Yes

Mr. Pina made a *motion* to approve the Memorandum of Agreement BEA and the School Committee for the new high school schedule, *seconded* by **Ms. Asack/Mrs. Oliver**. (3:21:10)

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	Yes	Ms. Asack	Yes	Mr. Rodrigues	Abstain
Mrs. Oliver	Yes	Mr. Gomes	Yes	Ms. Centeio	Yes

Motion carries.

Mr. Pina *motioned* to go back into Executive Session, *seconded* by **Mr. Gomes**. (3:21:29)

Roll Call vote on the motion.

Mr. Pina	Yes	Ms. Asack	Yes	Mr. Rodrigues	Yes
Mrs. Oliver	Yes	Mr. Gomes	Yes	Ms. Centeio	Yes

All in favor.

Mayor Rodrigues stated the Committee will be entering Executive Session and will not return to Open Session. (9:53p)

Agenda Item X.
Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:21p.

Respectfully submitted,



Priya J. Tahiliani
Superintendent/Clerk

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Materials: Vineyard Farm flyer, LeftField ppt, Superintendent's Update, Student Representative Report

AGENDA/DOCUMENTS

Dear Visitors:

Welcome to a meeting of the Brockton School Committee. This is the agenda that will be discussed this evening. Please note that Hearing of Visitors is included. If you have a statement or question, please give your name to the secretary.

In addition to attending, the public can view this meeting via television on Comcast channel 8 and 1071HD version, and online via this link: www.youtube.com/TheBrocktonChannels

I. CALLING OF MEETING TO ORDER – ESTABLISHING A QUORUM – FLAG SALUTE

II. HEARING OF VISITORS

“Pursuant to School Committee Policy, each person requesting to speak shall be allotted a maximum of three (3) minutes. Since this period is limited to 15 minutes, a total of five (5) people shall be permitted to speak on a first come, first serve basis.”

III. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

- A. Teaching and Learning Enc. #1
 - Student Representative Report
 - Crossroads Senior Students Presentation
 - Superintendent’s Report
- B. Finance Update: OIG Report
- C. Update OPM Brockton High School Project - LeftField Project Management
- D. Discussion and Potential Vote: 2026-2027 BPS District Calendar #1A
- E. Items to Refer to Subcommittee

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Regular School Committee Meeting Minutes, January 20, 2026 Enc. #2
- B. Approval of Organizational School Committee Meeting Minutes, January 8, 2026 Enc. #3
- C. Approval of Regular School Committee Meeting Minutes, December 16, 2025 Enc. #4
- D. Approval of Regular School Committee Meeting Minutes, December 2, 2025 Enc. #5
- E. Approval of Regular School Committee Meeting Minutes, November 18, 2025 Enc. #6
- F. Approval of Policy Subcommittee Meeting Minutes, November 18, 2025 Enc. #7
- G. Approval of Accounts Review Subcommittee Meeting Minutes, November 18, 2025 Enc. #8
- H. Approval of Brockton High School Class of 2005 Memorial Scholarship Enc. #9
- I. Approval of Brendan O’Neill Memorial Swim & Dive Scholarship Enc. #10
- J. Approval of BHS Overnight Field Trip Request – DECA, Boston, MA - March 12-14, 2026 Enc. #11
- K. Acceptance of Donation: Library Resources - \$1,000 Enc. #12
- L. Request for Authorization to **Accept** Proposal and Expenditure of Funds: Enc. #13
 - FY2026 MassGrad Promising Practices Grant (Fund Code 0320) - \$110,000 #13A
 - FY2026 Connecting Activities Partnership (CAP) - \$2,500 #13B

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion of Alternative Schools and Pathways
- Discussion and Potential Vote: To Relinquish Control of Buses Contingent Upon the Acceptance of a Transportation Bid

VII. SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY

Police Liaison

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to M.G.L. c 30A, s. 21(a)(3) “To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares” Litigation update and BEA

X. POTENTIAL RETURN TO OPEN SESSION TO VOTE ON ITEMS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Brockton School Committee Meeting Agenda Summary

Enclosure #5

Agenda Item: Authorization to *Accept* Proposal and Expenditure of Funds

Requested by: Mrs. Carmillia Jackson, Grant Manager/Writer

Meeting Date: March 3, 2026

1. Background, Rationale and Associated Cost

Authorization to *Accept* and Expenditure of Funds for the following page for School Committee approval.

- Transforming Diverse Educator Pathways (State/COMP) Grant - \$73,000
- Financial Education Innovation Fund - \$6,900

2. Recommendation to the Superintendent

Motion to *Accept* the Proposal and Expenditure of Funds.

3. Funding Source – Program and/or Budget Code (Local or Grant Fund Number)

Brockton School Committee Meeting Agenda Summary

Enclosure #5A

Agenda Item: Authorization to Accept Grant Award – FC 0253 Transforming Diverse Educator Pathways (State/COMP)

Requested by: Dr. Karen Spaulding, Assistant Superintendent
Mrs. Cam Jackson, Grant Manager/Writer
Ms. Kellie Jones, Director of Bilingual and ESL Education

Meeting Date: March 3, 2026

1. Background, Rationale, and Associated Cost

Brockton Public Schools has been awarded \$73,000 through the FY2026 Fund Code 0253: Transforming diverse Educator Pathways (State/Competitive) grant, administered by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE).

This competitive grant supports districts in strengthening and diversifying their educator workforce pipelines, particularly in high-need areas such as bilingual education and programs serving multilingual learners.

For FY2026, Brockton Public Schools will use FC0253 funding to implement and expand its ROPESS (Responsive Opportunities for Personalized Educator Supports and Systems) Grow-Your-Own initiative. This program is designed to recruit, prepare, and retain multilingual and multicultural educator candidates through structured mentorship, licensure preparation, and professional learning.

As part of this initiative, Brockton Public Schools will:

- Provide structured professional learning communities (PLCs) and classroom visitations for multilingual educator candidates.
- Offer MTEL preparation support for teacher candidates pursuing licensure in bilingual and multilingual education.
- Compensate bilingual/multilingual mentor teachers who host and support candidates in classroom-based observations and instructional practice.
- Partner with Transformative Learning Collaborative to coordinate program implementation, facilitate coaching and mentoring, and support participation in DESE's statewide Community of Practice.
- Strengthen districtwide efforts to reduce licensure barriers and increase representation of culturally and linguistically diverse educators.

Total Award: \$73,000

2. Recommendation to the Superintendent

We request authorization to accept and expend the FY2026 FC0253 Transforming Diverse Educator Pathways (State/COMP) funds

3. Funding Source – Program and/or Budget Code

Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Fund Code 0253 – Transforming Diverse Educator Pathways (State/COMP)

Brockton School Committee Meeting Agenda Summary

Enclosure #5B

Agenda Item: Authorization to Accept Grant Award – Financial Education Innovation Fund
(Edison Academy Financial Futures Fair)

Requested by: Ms. Kim Tsai, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, 9-12
Mrs. Cam Jackson: Grant Manager/ Writer

Meeting Date: March 3, 2026

1. Background, Rationale, and Associated Cost

Brockton Public Schools has been awarded funding through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Office of the State Treasurer and Receiver General under the Financial Education Innovation Fund to support Edison Academy's Financial Futures Fair.

The purpose of this initiative is to provide students with experiential, hands-on financial literacy education aligned with the National Financial Literacy Standards, including instruction in:

- Earning Income
- Buying Goods and Services
- Saving
- Using Credit

Students will participate in pre-fair instructional sessions, interactive simulation stations, and post-fair reflection activities designed to strengthen budgeting skills, responsible credit use, goal setting, and long-term financial planning.

The total grant award is **\$6,900.00**

Funds will support:

- Staff stipends for fair planning and coordination
- Supplies and student workbooks
- Signage and materials
- Light refreshments
- Miscellaneous program costs

2. Recommendation to the Superintendent

We request authorization to accept the Financial Education Innovation Fund award in the amount of \$6,900.00

3. Funding Source – Program and/or Budget Code

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Office of the State Treasurer and Receiver General
Financial Education Innovation Fund