Brockton School Committee

# Agenda

**George M. Romm Little Theatre, BHS**

**Tuesday, September 15, 2026**

**7:00 p.m.**

# Brockton Public Schools
# School Committee Subcommittee Assignments

## Year 2026

**ACCOUNTS REVIEW** – **Claudio Gomes,** S. Centeio, T. Sullivan, A. Oliver

**ATHLETICS, ARTS, MUSIC, EXTRA-CURRICULARS** – **Tony Rodrigues,** A. Oliver, S. Centeio, J. Asack

**BID REVIEW** – **Tony Rodrigues,** C. Gomes, S. Centeio, T. Sullivan

**BUILDING NAMING** – **Joyce Asack,** T. Rodrigues, S. Centeio, C. Gomes

**DIVERSITY, RACE, EQUITY & INCLUSION** – **Sandra Centeio,** A. Oliver, C. Gomes, T. Rodrigues

**GRIEVANCE CERTIFIED** – **Timothy Sullivan,** S. Centeio, A. Oliver, C. Gomes

~~***GRIEVANCE NON-CERTIFIED** – **Joyce Asack,** T. Rodrigues, S. Pina, C. Gomes~~

**MENTAL HEALTH & WELL BEING** – **Ana Oliver,** C. Gomes, S. Centeio, J. Asack

**POLICY MANUAL REVIEW** – **Joyce Asack,** T. Rodrigues, C. Gomes, A. Oliver

Subcommittee Chairs are represented in **Green/Bold** script.

### NEGOTIATING TEAMS

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| **Access Control Specialists** | **Sandra Centeio,** J. Asack, T. Rodrigues, C. Gomes |
| **Admin Assist/Techs (IBAA & TEA)** | **Claudio Gomes,** A. Oliver, T. Sullivan |
| Brockton Education Association | **Joyce Asack,** A. Oliver, S. Centeio |
| **Custodians** | **Timothy Sullivan,** S. Centeio, T. Rodrigues, C. Gomes |
| **Food Service** | **Ana Oliver,** C. Gomes, S. Centeio, J. Asack |
| **MTA's/Para's (BESPA)** | **Claudio Gomes,** J. Asack, S. Centeio, T. Rodrigues |
| **School Police** | **Tony Rodrigues,** S. Centeio, A. Oliver, C. Gomes |
| **Transportation** | **Joyce Asack,** T. Rodrigues, A. Oliver, S. Centeio |

## Committee - 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 composed of six **(6)** elected Ward representatives.
- The Superintendent, District Leadership Team, and any necessary invited persons will attend as informational resources.
- The Vice-chair of the School Committee chairs these meetings unless he/she designates another member to act as chair.
- The Mayor is *not* a member but may attend.

*Per SC Policy BDE: The Committee Chair (Mayor) and the Superintendent (Secretary) will be an ex-officio/non-voting members of all subcommittees

**SC REPRESENTATIVE TO BROCKTON EDUCATION FOUNDATION** – J. Asack, T. Rodrigues

**SC REPRESENTATIVE TO BHS PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL** – A. Oliver, J. Asack

**SC REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO COMMUNITY SCHOOLS** – A. Oliver, S. Centeio

**SC REPRESENTATIVE TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BOARD** – C. Gomes, S. Centeio

**SC REPRESENTATIVE TO SALARY ACCREDITATION** – A. Oliver, T. Sullivan

**SC REPRESENTATIVE TO SAVE OUR SPORTS** - T. Rodrigues, C. Gomes

Approved, January 20, 2026 SC Meeting
*Approved, March 17, 2026 SC Meeting
Revised as of September 3, 2026

BROCKTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE
George M. Romm Little Theatre - BHS
470 Forest Avenue, Brockton, MA 02301
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III. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
- A. Teaching and Learning — Enc. #1
  Superintendent's Report
  Brockton Public Schools Comprehensive District Review Report: March 2026
- B. Finance Update
  Discussion and Potential Vote: Substitute Salary Schedules — Enc. #2
- C. Items to Refer to Subcommittee

IV. CONSENT AGENDA
- A. Approval of Minutes: Regular School Committee Meeting, Tuesday, July 7, 2026 — Enc. #3
- B. Acceptance of Donation to BPS from Breaking Through Roadblocks Organization (BTR) — Enc. #4
  School Supplies for New Teachers
- C. Request for Authorization to **Accept** Proposal and Expenditures of Funds — Enc. #5
  - FY26 U.S. Department of Education Earmark - $2,128,000.00 — #5A
  - FY26 MLSC Biotech Apprenticeship Grant - $ 50,000.00 — #5B
  - FY27 ASOST SUMMER Grant - $20,300.00 — #5C
  - FY27 FC460 Early Collee Support – SUMMER - $7,154.00 — #5D
  - FY27 FC461 Early College Planning Grant - $2,263.00 — #5E

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- A. Announcement of Results of Executive Session Minutes Review

VI. NEW BUSINESS
- A. Discussion and Potential Vote: For Consideration of City of Brockton School Committee an Order Dedicating Memorial Drive in Honor of Dr. Claire M. Appling — Enc. #6
- B. Discussion and Potential Vote: New Policy Interacting with Law Enforcement Officers Engaged in Civil Law Enforcement (Protect Act) — Enc. #7

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" – Custodian Level III Grievance Hearing (D. Wallant)
- Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(1) "To discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual." – Complaint regarding Claudio Gomes; Complaint regarding Stephen Pina; Open Meeting Law complaint
- 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
- Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(7) "To comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements" – Massachusetts Open Meeting law to review and approve executive session minutes

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:** September 15, 2026

1. Background, Rationale and Associated Cost

   The Superintendent will discuss ongoing activities in the Teaching and Learning in the Brockton Public Schools, including, but not limited to the following:

   A. Teaching and Learning
      Superintendent's Report
      Brockton Public Schools Comprehensive District Review Report: March 2026

   B. Finance Update
      Discussion and Potential Vote: Substitute Salary Schedules

   C. Items to Refer to Subcommittee

City of Brockton
BROCKTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Dr. Priya J. Tahiliani ◆ Superintendent of Schools

Office of Human Resources
Phone (508) 580-7535 Fax (508) 580-7091

# Substitute Salaries

August 2026

TO: All Hiring Managers and Administrative Assistants

FROM: Dr. Kathleen F. Moran, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources

RE: **SUBSTITUTE SALARY SCHEDULES**

Per the Superintendent, the salary structure for Brockton substitutes will be as outlined below.

## PER DIEM SUBSTITUTE SALARIES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Base Salary | Days 1-50 | $135/day |
| | *Special Ed. Adj. Classes Days 1-50 | $140/day |
| | Days 51-100 | $140/day |
| | 101 or more Days | $150/day |
| | All Substitute Nurses | $185/day |
| | Retired SAC/Guidance | $185/day |

Per Diem Substitutes are paid for days worked and are not eligible for benefits. They are only paid in full day increments and should not work any student ½ days. They are informed upon hire that if they are asked not to return to THREE schools, their employment will be terminated.

*Special Education Adjustment Classes includes all Sub-Separate classes throughout the system and all classes at the Alternative Schools (excluding the BVLA). Long-term substitutes in one of these assignments receive $140/day from the first day of the assignment and do NOT receive an increase like that of other long-term substitutes.

## PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE SALARIES

Permanent Substitutes earn as of 9/1/2026, the rate is $285.00 per day. They are paid for days worked only; they may participate in a health, dental, and life insurance plan; they earn one sick day for each month worked; they are not entitled to any other paid days off.

**Permanent Substitute Teachers are appointed by the Office of Human Resources ONLY; they substitute for a teacher who is absent and has notified the Office of Human Resources, in writing, that he/she will not return for the remainder of the school year. Whenever possible, permanent substitute teaching positions will be filled by substitutes who are college graduates and/or certified teachers.**

## BUILDING SUBSTITUTE SALARIES

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|---|---|---|
| Base Salary | School Year | $150/day |

If they are placed into a Long-Term assignment, they earn their base rate for the first SIXTEEN days in the assignment and then Long-Term rate ($175/day OR $185/day) on the SEVENTEENTH day. They accrue one paid sick day for each month worked and are eligible for benefits.

## LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE SALARIES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Base Salary | Days 1-10 | $135/day |
| | Days 11 and beyond | $175/day |

They earn their base rate for the first TEN days in the assignment and then $40 more per day on the ELEVENTH day.

**Please note**: the first 10 days in the assignment are not required to be consecutive days. They earn one sick day for each month worked; they are not entitled to any other benefits and are paid for days worked only.

***PLEASE NOTE:** The Human Resources Office must be notified when a per diem substitute reaches Long Term Substitute status (after 10 days in one assignment).

*** Long-term Substitute Teachers are appointed by the Office of Human Resources ONLY; they substitute for a teacher who is absent and is expected to return after the Leave of Absence. Whenever possible, long-term substitute teaching positions will be filled by substitutes who are college graduates and/or certified teachers.**

## EARLY COLLEGE FACILITATORS

Early College Facilitators will earn $200/day. They accrue one paid sick day for each month worked and are eligible for benefits.

## FOOD SERVICE SUBSTITUTES

Food Service Subs are paid an hourly rate of $18.68.

## SUBSTITUTE PARAPROFESSIONALS

Substitute Paraprofessionals are paid an hourly rate of $23.15.

## RETIRED ADMINISTRATORS

Retired Brockton Public Schools administrators who substitute for a BPS administrator will earn $350/day in a Per Diem Substitute assignment.

# Brockton School Committee Meeting
# Agenda Summary

**Agenda Item:** **Approval of Minutes of July 7, 2026**
**Regular School Committee Meeting Minutes**

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

**Meeting Date:** September 15, 2026

1. **Background, Rationale and Associated Cost**

   The Regular School Committee meeting of the Brockton School Committee met on July 7, 2026. The following are the meeting minutes.

2. **Recommendation to the Superintendent**

   To accept the minutes as presented.

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

# Brockton, Massachusetts
# School Committee Meeting
# Tuesday, July 7, 2026

**Agenda Item I.**

Calling of Meeting
To Order
Salute the Flag

A meeting of the Brockton School Committee was held this evening at the George M. Romm Little Theatre, 470 Forest Avenue, Brockton, MA at 7:00p. These minutes contain a summary of the meeting and list items **(AGENDA ATTACHED)** that were under discussion.

Acting Chair, Mrs. Ana Oliver, called the meeting to order at 7:00p and asked the Committee to rise and salute the American flag.

The Acting Chair read the following information aloud:

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Establishing a Quorum

Roll Call was taken to establish a quorum.

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| Mayor Rodrigues | Absent | Mr. Pina | Here | Mr. Gomes | Here - Via Teams |
| Mr. Rodrigues | Absent | Ms. Asack | Here | Mr. Sullivan | Here – Via Phone |
| Ms. Centeio | Here | Mrs. Oliver | Here | | |

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

**Agenda Item II.**
**SC Policy BEDH**
Hearing of Visitors

There were no Hearing of visitors.

**Agenda Item III.**
Superintendent Report

## A. Teaching & Learning

**Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Dr. Priya Tahiliani highlighted several district accomplishments and initiatives from the close of the school year, including:

- A partnership between Brockton High School and Dress for Success Boston, which provided approximately 200 female students in grades 9–11 with professional development experiences, including mock interviews, financial literacy workshops, and professional attire.
- Recognition of the district's successful Special Olympics School Day Games, which were expanded into separate events for elementary and secondary students.
- Celebration of the annual Elementary and Middle School Fitness Days.
- Recognition of Ashfield Middle School students for receiving the John and Abigail Adams Award for Civic Leadership through the We the People/We Declare Challenge, including scholarship awards for participating students.
- An update on district literacy initiatives, reporting significant gains through implementation of Lexia Core5 and Lexia English, with increased student reading proficiency and grade-level growth.
- Recognition of Health and Wellness Director Jon (Dennis) Geniuch for receiving the Nikki Tishler Memorial Award for leadership in Safe Routes to School initiatives.
- Carmillia Jackson in the Grants Department was recognized for presenting Brockton's school decarbonization efforts at the Massachusetts Municipal Energy Summit.
- Congratulations to Brockton High School Principal Kevin McCaskill and Associate Principal Rachel Umbriano for presenting at the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Federal Grants Conference on the district's Learning Recovery Program.
- Nicholas Lee and Kevin DaPonte were recognized for participating in the Grow Hope Foundation charity golf tournament and continued partnership with the organization.
- Announcement of Colleen Proudler's appointment as permanent principal of the Gilmore School.
- An update on the North Middle School Uniform Pilot Program, including survey results indicating approximately 90% family support for continuing the pilot for a second year.

Committee members discussed:

- Continued investment in literacy programming and opportunities for additional funding.
- Expansion of school uniforms to additional schools or districtwide.
- The importance of surveying families and students before expanding the uniform initiative.
- Financial considerations for families purchasing uniforms.

The Superintendent agreed to invite the North Middle School principal to present additional data and feedback on the pilot during a future meeting.

**B. Finance Update**

The Superintendent presented an update regarding the district's projected pension obligation bond liabilities and ongoing financial planning efforts.

The Discussion included:

- Preliminary projections of future pension obligations, including anticipated increases beginning in FY2029.
- Continued collaboration with the City's Finance Department to verify calculations.
- Various methodologies are used to determine the School Department's share of pension obligations.
- The Superintendent's recommended continuing reviewing available financial data and providing additional updates as information becomes available.

**Mr. Pina** *motioned* to have the Superintendent obtain proposals from an independent firm to verify the district's pension liability calculations, *second* by **Ms. Asack.**

Mrs. Oliver took a Roll Call Vote on the motion:

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| Ms. Centeio | Yes | Mrs. Oliver | Yes |
| Ms. Asack | Yes | Mr. Pina | Yes |
| Mr. Sullivan | Yes – Via Phone | Mr. Gomes | Yes – Via Teams |

It passes/carries.

Committee members discussed:

- The need for an independent review of pension liability calculations.
- Procurement requirements and approval procedures.
- The importance of obtaining accurate long-term financial projections.
- Continuing dialogue with the city regarding the appropriate methodology for calculating pension obligations.

The Superintendent also provided an update on the search for a permanent Chief Financial Officer, noting that although qualified applicants had applied, none met the district's specific qualifications for a Massachusetts non-regional public school district. Additional recommendations regarding the search process will be presented at a future meeting.

**C. MSBA Update**

The Superintendent reported on the third Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Community Forum, held at East Middle School.

The update included:

- Strong community attendance.
- Participation and support from local labor unions.
- Continued public outreach regarding the proposed Brockton High School project.
- Information regarding project costs, the anticipated debt exclusion process, and project financing.

Committee members thanked the administration and project team for their continued work on the project.

**D. Items to Refer to Subcommittee**

The Acting Chair announced that a Policy Subcommittee meeting would be scheduled and requested members submit agenda items for consideration.

Committee members also requested scheduling a Safety, Traffic, and Transportation Subcommittee meeting before the start of the school year to review transportation, traffic flow, and public safety preparations for school reopening.

Members also discussed beginning future summer subcommittee meetings at 5:30 p.m. to better accommodate work schedules.

**Agenda Item IV.**
Consent Agenda
(ATTACHED)

**Consent Agenda (Attached)**

Superintendent Tahiliani read the Agenda Items into the record.

Prior to the vote, Ms. Asack acknowledged Agenda Items B and C regarding the acceptance of donations made by Ameresco in memory of Mr. Brett Gormley, a former School Committee member, and recognized all that he had done for the City of Brockton.

**Ms. Asack** *motioned* to approve agenda Items A,B and C, *seconded* by **Mr. Pina.**

Mrs. Oliver took a Roll Call Vote on the motion:

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| Ms. Centeio | Yes | Mrs. Oliver | Yes |
| Ms. Asack | Yes | Mr. Pina | Yes |
| Mr. Sullivan | Yes – Via Phone | Mr. Gomes | Yes – Via Teams |

It passes/carries.

**Agenda Item V.**
Unfinished Business

**Unfinished Business**

There was no Unfinished Business brought before the School Committee.

**Agenda Item VI.**
New Business

**New Business**

**Discussion and Potential Vote: Community Schools Position Request.**

- The Committee discussed the request to establish a Community Schools position. Members requested additional information regarding the scope of responsibilities, funding source, sustainability, and anticipated impact of the position before taking action.
- Following discussion, the Committee agreed to table the request until the next School Committee meeting to allow the administration to provide additional information and clarification.

**Ms. Centeio** *motioned* to put the position on hold until Dr. De Barros-Monteiro can come to clarify the position.

Mrs. Oliver took a Roll Call Vote on the motion:

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|---|---|---|---|
| Ms. Centeio | Yes | Mrs. Oliver | Yes |
| Ms. Asack | Yes | Mr. Pina | Yes |
| Mr. Sullivan | Yes – Via Phone | Mr. Gomes | Yes – Via Teams |

It passes/carries.

**Discussion and Potential Vote: EEC Rate Increase for Smart Start Extended Day.**

- The Superintendent presented a recommendation to increase the Smart Start Extended Day tuition rate to align with updated Early Education and Care (EEC) reimbursement rates.
- Administration explained that the proposed increase from $0.74 to $0.80 per hour would help offset program costs while remaining consistent with state reimbursement guidelines. Committee members discussed the importance of maintaining affordable programming for families while ensuring the financial sustainability of the program.

**Ms. Asack** *motioned* to approve the EEC rate to increase Smart Start/Extended Day for fiscal year 2026 retro to July 2025. Correction was made – The request is for the committee to make the increase proactively beginning September 2, 2026.

Mrs. Oliver took a Roll Call Vote on the motion:

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| Ms. Centeio | Yes | Mrs. Oliver | Yes | | |
| Ms. Asack | Yes | Mr. Pina | Yes | Mr. Gomes | Yes – Via Teams |
| Mr. Sullivan | Yes – Via Phone | | | | |

It passes/carries.

The new rate will take effect with the start of the new school year.

**Office of Unified Student Services – Student Handbooks (First Read)**

Superintendent Tahiliani presented the first reading of the 2026–2027 Student Handbooks.

- Administration reviewed proposed revisions and highlighted updates intended to improve clarity and ensure compliance with current laws, regulations, and district policies.

Committee members requested printed copies of the handbooks prior to the second reading.

**Agenda Item VII.**
Police Liaison

**School Safety and Security**

There was no Report at this time.

**Agenda Item VIII.**
Announcements

- Committee members offered congratulations and recognition to students and staff for recent accomplishments, including the National Civic Leadership Recognition received by Ashfield Middle School students.

- Members also discussed continuing efforts to recognize successful Brockton Public Schools alumni and highlighted their achievements as positive examples for current students.
- Mrs. Oliver reminded the public that the Edison Evening Academy Graduation would be held on Thursday, July 9, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at Campanelli Stadium.

**Agenda Item IX.**
Adjournment

## Adjournment

Acting Chair, Oliver asked for a motion to adjourn:

**Ms. Asack** *motioned* to adjourn. Seconded by **Ms. Centeio.**
Acting Chair, Oliver took a roll call vote on the motion:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Ms. Centeio | Yes | Mrs. Oliver | Yes |
| Ms. Asack | Yes | Mr. Pina | Yes |
| Mr. Sullivan | Yes – Via Phone | Mr. Gomes | Yes – Via Teams |

It passes/carries

School Committee adjourned at 8:26p.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Priya J. Tahiliani
Superintendent/Secretary

mw/mdc

Materials (ppts): Superintendent's Update, Centralized Supply Purchasing

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A. Teaching and Learning — Enc. #1
Superintendent's Report

B. Finance Update

C. MSBA Update (monthly)

D. Items to Refer to Subcommittee

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A. Approval of Regular School Committee Meeting Minutes, May 19, 2026 — Enc. #2
B. Acceptance of Donation to BPS from Ameresco in Memory of the Late School Committee Member Brett Gormley - $20,000 — Enc. #3
C. Acceptance of Donation to BHS from Ameresco in Memory of the Late School Committee Member Brett Gormley - $10,000 — Enc. #4

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS
- Discussion and Potential Vote: Community Schools Position Request — Enc. #5
- Discussion and Potential Vote: EEC Rate Increase for Smart Start Extended Day — Enc. #6
- Office of Unified Student Services: Student Handbooks (First Read) — Enc. #7

VII. SCHOOL SAFETY AND SECURITY
Police Liaison

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS
Edison Evening Academy Graduation – Thursday, July 9, 2026, 6pm @ Campanelli Stadium (Brockton Rox)

IX. ADJOURNMENT

# Brockton School Committee Meeting
# Agenda Summary

**Agenda Item:** **Recognition of Donation**

**Requested by:** Sharon R Wolder, Deputy Superintendent

**Meeting Date:** September 15, 2026

1. **Background, Rationale and Associated Cost**

   It is our pleasure to accept a generous donation of school supplies worth $3,600 from the Breaking Through Roadblocks (BTR) organization. BTR is a community based nonprofit in which most of its members are parents of students in the Brockton Public Schools or they attended one or more of our schools.

   This year, BTR helped the district welcome new educators at the New Educator Orientation on August 26, 2026, and donated to the district bags of school supplies, which included hand sanitizer, paper towel, pencil, staplers, markers and more.

   BTR delivered 60 bags of supplies, which were distributed to new educators on the first days of school.

   Thank you to the organization for their time, their willingness to engage with our new educators as parents of children in our school system, and for their generous donation to support our educators at the start of the school year.

2. **Recommendation to the Superintendent**

   Recognition of this generous donation.

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

   N/A

# Brockton School Committee Meeting
# Agenda Summary

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

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

**Meeting Date:** September 15, 2026

## 1. Background, Rationale and Associated Cost

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

- FY26 U.S. Department of Education Earmark - $2,128,000.00 (Enc. #5A)
- FY26 MLSC Biotech Apprenticeship Grant - $ 50,000.00 (Enc. #5B)
- FY27 ASOST SUMMER Grant - $20,300.00 (Enc. #5C)
- FY27 FC460 Early Collee Support – SUMMER - $7,154.00 (Enc. #5D)
- FY27 FC461 Early College Planning Grant - $2,263.00 (Enc #5E)

## 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

**Agenda Item:** Authorization to Accept Grant - FY26 U.S. Department of Education - Earmark

**Requested by:** Chris Illescas, Director of IT
Mrs. Cam Jackson: Grants Director

**Meeting Date:** September 15, 2026

## 1. Background, Rationale, and Associated Cost

Brockton Public Schools has been awarded funding through the FY26 U.S. Department of Education - Earmark in the amount of $2,128,000.00.

This award supports the initiative authorized in the applicable earmark. Expenditures will be aligned with the final award scope, approved budget, procurement requirements, and grant conditions.

This earmark will support the district's ongoing one-to-one technology initiative by funding the purchase of student laptops and related equipment needed to sustain and expand device access across Brockton Public Schools. The investment will help ensure equitable technology access for students, strengthen instructional capacity, and support digital teaching and learning opportunities throughout the district.

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## 2. Recommendation to the Superintendent

We request authorization to accept the FY26 U.S. Department of Education - Earmark grant award on behalf of Brockton Public Schools in the amount of $2,128,000.00.

## 3. Funding Source – Program and/or Budget Code

USDOE Earmark - U.S. Department of Education - Earmark - U.S. Department of Education

# Brockton School Committee Meeting
# Agenda Summary

**Agenda Item:** Authorization to Accept Grant - FY26 MLSC Biotech Apprenticeship Grant

**Requested by:** Dr. Richard Warby, Science Coordinator 6-12
Mrs. Cam Jackson: Grants Director

**Meeting Date:** September 15, 2026

## 1. Background, Rationale, and Associated Cost

Brockton Public Schools has been awarded funding through the FY26 Massachusetts Life Sciences Center (MLSC) High School Apprenticeship Challenge in the amount of $50,000.00.

The funding supports a 10-week biotechnology laboratory training program designed to provide students with hands-on biotechnology experience and structured work-based learning opportunities. The program includes 18 student apprentices as well as student Teaching Assistants who support the teacher and assist with program implementation.

Student stipend amounts vary based on each student's assigned role and level of responsibility within the program.

*Total student stipends:* $19,694.99.

The remaining grant funds will support other approved program costs identified in the MLSC agreement and final grant budget, including instructional and implementation expenses associated with operating the biotechnology laboratory training program.

To support appropriate fiscal controls and timely purchasing, all required requisitions must be entered and approved before any grant-funded activities begin or commitments are made.

## 2. Recommendation to the Superintendent

We request authorization to accept the FY26 Massachusetts Life Sciences Center High School Apprenticeship Challenge grant award on behalf of Brockton Public Schools in the amount of $50,000.00.

## 3. Funding Source - Program and/or Budget Code

MLSC Biotech Apprenticeship Grant - Massachusetts Life Sciences Center

# Brockton School Committee Meeting
# Agenda Summary

**Agenda Item: Authorization** to Accept Grant - FY27 ASOST SUMMER Grant

**Requested by:** Mario Lamarre: Director of Mentors
Mrs. Cam Jackson: Grants Director

**Meeting Date:** September 15, 2026

## 1. Background, Rationale, and Associated Cost

Brockton Public Schools was awarded $20,300.00 through the FY27 After School and Out-of-School Time (ASOST) Summer Grant to support the expansion of the Summer Lift Up Academy at Champion High School and PROMISE Career Academy. The program provided safe, structured, and engaging summer opportunities for high school students ages 14-21, with a particular focus on historically underserved youth, including low-income students, English Learners, students with disabilities, and students facing barriers such as chronic absenteeism, housing instability, and exposure to trauma or community violence.

Through the Summer Lift Up Academy Expansion Program, students participated in mentor-led and student-informed activities designed to strengthen engagement, build confidence, and support social-emotional development. Programming included athletics, creative arts, entrepreneurship activities, mentorship circles, leadership development, conflict resolution, and social-emotional learning opportunities. These experiences helped students remain connected to school, peers, and supportive adults throughout the summer months.

Grant funding supported staff and mentor stipends, enrichment supplies, transportation, and program coordination. Through a partnership with Friends & Mentors, students received guidance from trained mentors who facilitated activities focused on relationship building, leadership development, and social-emotional growth. Transportation assistance helped remove barriers to participation and ensured students could access summer programming regardless of financial circumstances

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## 2. Recommendation to the Superintendent

We request authorization to accept the FY27 ASOST SUMMER Grant award on behalf of Brockton Public Schools in the amount of $20,300.00.

## 3. Funding Source – Program and/or Budget Code

ASOST SUMMER Grant - ASOST SUMMER Grant

# Brockton School Committee Meeting
# Agenda Summary

**Agenda Item: Authorization** to Accept Grant - FY27 FC460 Early College Support - SUMMER

**Requested by:** Dr. Shawn Boone, Director of Early College
Mrs. Cam Jackson: Grants Director

**Meeting Date:** September 15, 2026

## 1. Background, Rationale, and Associated Cost

Brockton Public Schools has been awarded funding through the FY27 Early College Support Summer Grant (FC460S) in the amount of $7,154.00. The purpose of this grant is to support summer outreach, onboarding, orientation, and transition activities for students who will be participating in Early College coursework at Massasoit Community College (MCC) during the Fall 2026 semester.

Grant funding will be used to provide staffing and contracted services necessary to coordinate student outreach and enrollment activities, ensure students successfully transition into college-level coursework, and support orientation activities on the MCC campus.

## 2. Recommendation to the Superintendent

We request authorization to accept the FY27 Early College Support - SUMMER grant award on behalf of Brockton Public Schools in the amount of $7,154.00.

## 3. Funding Source – Program and/or Budget Code

FC460S - Early College Support - SUMMER - Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

# Brockton School Committee Meeting
# Agenda Summary

**Agenda Item:** Authorization to Accept Grant - FY27 FC461 Early College Planning Grant

**Requested by:** Dr. Shawn Boone, Director of Early College
Mrs. Cam Jackson: Grants Director

**Meeting Date:** September 15, 2026

## 1. Background, Rationale, and Associated Cost

Brockton Public Schools was awarded $2,263.00 through the FY27 Summer Early College Planning Grant (FC461S) to support summer planning and development activities associated with the district's Early College partnership. The grant supported collaborative planning efforts between Brockton Public Schools, Dr. Shawn Boone, and partners at Meghan Giovannoni's institution, Quincy College, to strengthen implementation of Early College programming for the upcoming academic year.

Grant funding supported staff planning time, professional development activities, and coordination efforts necessary to advance Early College implementation. These planning activities helped ensure that district and higher education partners were prepared to successfully implement Early College programming by aligning program expectations, strengthening collaboration, and supporting the infrastructure necessary for student participation in college-level coursework. The grant provided critical resources to support coordinated program development and continuous improvement efforts during the summer planning period

## 2. Recommendation to the Superintendent

We request authorization to accept the FY27 Early College Planning Grant award on behalf of Brockton Public Schools in the amount of $2,263.00.

## 3. Funding Source – Program and/or Budget Code

FC461S - Early College Planning Grant - Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

# Brockton School Committee Meeting
# Agenda Summary

**Agenda Item:** **Dedicating Memorial Drive In Honor of Dr. Clair M. Appling**

**Requested by:** Mayor Moises M. Rodrigues, Chair

**Meeting Date:** September 15, 2026

1. **Background, Rationale and Associated Cost**
   Consideration of the City of Brockton School Committee Order Dedicating Memorial Drive in Honor of Dr. Claire M. Appling, as requested by Mayor Rodrigues.

- That Memorial Drive, which serves as an entrance to Brockton High School, is hereby dedicated in memory and honor of Dr. Claire M. Appling.

- This dedication shall be honorary and ceremonial. The official legal name of the street shall remain unchanged.

- The Department of Public Works is authorized and directed to install appropriate commemorative signage, such as secondary plaques reading "Dr. Claire M. Appling Way," at a suitable location consistent with all applicable safety standards and regulations.

- This Order shall take effect upon passage.

2. **Recommendation to the Superintendent**

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

**FOR CONSIDERATION OF**

**CITY OF BROCKTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

**AN ORDER DEDICATING MEMORIAL DRIVE IN HONOR OF DR. CLAIRE APPLING**

WHEREAS, Dr. Claire M. Appling was a lifelong resident of the City of Brockton; and a graduate of Brockton High School; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Appling earned her bachelor's degree from Bridgewater State Teachers College in 1954, her master's degree from Bridgewater in 1957, and her doctorate in education from Boston College; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Appling began her teaching career in 1954 at West Junior High School and transferred in 1962 to Brockton High School; and

WHEREAS, from 1970 until 1999, Dr. Appling was appointed one of the four original housemasters and became the "highest ranking woman in the Brockton school system."

WHEREAS, in 1999, she was assigned to the central office of the Brockton Public Schools and oversaw the health program for the whole system; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Appling retired in 2006 with 52 years of service in the Brockton Public School system.

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to honor the memory of Dr. Claire Appling and to celebrate her legacy as an exemplary educator in the community she loved;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED** by the School Committee of the City of Brockton as follows:

1. That Memorial Drive, which serves as an entrance to Brockton High School is hereby dedicated in memory and honor of Dr. Claire Appling.
2. This dedication shall be honorary and ceremonial. The official legal name of the street shall remain unchanged.
3. The Department of Public Works is authorized and directed to install appropriate commemorative signage, such as secondary plaques reading "Dr. Claire M. Appling Way" at a suitable location consistent with all applicable safety standards and regulations.
4. This Order shall take effect upon passage.

# Brockton School Committee Meeting
# Agenda Summary

**Agenda Item:** Discussion and Potential Vote: New Policy ALC Interacting with Law Enforcement Officers Engaged in Civil Law Enforcement (Protect Act)

**Requested by:** School Committee and Legal Counsel

**Meeting Date:** September 15, 2026

1. **Background, Rationale and Associated Cost**
   The School Committee will review and discuss the proposed new policy, Interacting with Law Enforcement Officers Engaged in Civil Law Enforcement (Protect Act), and may take action on the policy.

2. **Recommendation to the Superintendent**
   Recommend that the School Committee review and consider the proposed policy and take action as appropriate.

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

# INTERACTING WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ENGAGED IN CIVIL LAW ENFORCEMENT (PROTECT ACT)

In Brockton Public Schools, we recognize the importance of all students being known and valued, and we promote a safe, inclusive, and welcoming learning environment for all students. All of our students have a right to a free public education regardless of race, color, sex, gender identity, religion, national origin, immigration or citizenship status, disability, or sexual orientation.

The PROTECT Act states, except as required by state or federal law or as required for the Commonwealth or its subdivisions to administer a state or federally supported or funded program, civil arrests for civil law enforcement, including federal immigration enforcement, are not allowed on school grounds during school hours, student drop off and pick up windows, before- and after-school programming and school-sponsored events without a Judicial Warrant or Judicial Order.

The Superintendent shall implement PROTECT Act procedures consistent with the Model Procedures and the Guidance for K-12 Schools Related to Interacting with Civil Law Enforcement issued by the Governor's Office, the Executive Office of Education, and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

The procedures shall be implemented, wherever applicable, in alignment with District Emergency Operations Plans, Medical and Behavioral Health Emergency Response Plans, and the School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding.

These procedures will be designed in accordance with the guidance provided and promote schools that are safe and accessible for students, staff and residents, and shall include, but not be limited to:

(i) Procedures for identifying and designating a senior administrator at each district superintendent's office or executive director's office, as the case may be, to serve as the individual responsible for having primary contact with law enforcement agents engaged in civil law enforcement for the school system and the central point of contact for schools on interactions with civil law enforcement;
(ii) Procedures for identifying and designating a senior administrator at each school to serve as the individuals responsible for having primary contact with law enforcement agents engaged in civil law enforcement who arrive on site at the school or request information about students, employees, or other persons affiliated with the school;
(iii) Procedures for contacting the school district's attorney;
(iv) Procedures for contacting the senior administrator at the school and the district superintendent/executive director's office in the event law enforcement agents engaged in civil

law enforcement arrive on school grounds or request information about students, employees, or other persons affiliated with the school;

(v) Procedures for documenting all interactions with law enforcement agents engaged in civil law enforcement while on school grounds;

(vi) Procedures for notifying a student's parents or guardian or the student directly if the student is 18 years or older or emancipated, if a law enforcement agent engaged in civil law enforcement requests access to a student or student's information for any civil law enforcement purpose;

(vii) Procedures following the confirmation of law enforcement agents engaged in civil law enforcement on school grounds, including notifying parents and guardians, teachers, administrators, and school personnel;

(viii) Procedures to confirm and update students' emergency contacts, with allowance for more than one person to be listed, and alternative caregiver plans; and

(ix) A plan to share these procedures with students and families on the school district's website.

Once adopted by a school district, charter school or collaborative school, this policy and the accompanying procedures shall constitute the written emergency response plan required by the Act.

CROSS REFS.: EBC, EMERGENCY PLANS
ECA, BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS SECURITY
ECAF, SECURITY CAMERAS IN SCHOOLS
JIH, SEARCHES AND INTERROGATIONS
JRA, STUDENT RECORDS
KI, VISITORS TO THE SCHOOLS
KLG, RELATIONS WITH POLICE AUTHORITIES

LEGAL REFS.: PROTECT Act, August 2026

SOURCE: MASC adapted from Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education - August 2026

**NOTE: The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, in consultation with the Office of Refugees and Immigrants and the Attorney General's Office, will release a model training relating to the implementation of these procedures. Schools are encouraged to share this training, once released, with managers and other staff.**