



Miami Public Schools

*July 13, 2026
Board of Education - Regular Meeting*





Board Policy Updates

Proposed Adjustments for the 2026-2027 Academic Year





POLICY SERIES	KEY OBJECTIVES	PROPOSED UPDATES / STATUS
FNCD Bullying	Strengthen bullying definitions, reporting processes, and protective measures.	Adds student/staff annual training; principal identified as site Bullying Coordinator; website link updated.
CPACA Cell Phones	Revise employee personal telecommunication limits during class/instruction hours.	Removes general work-hour phone restriction; maintains safety rules for driving district vehicles.
CO District Wellness	Integrate Triennial Assessment developments, nutrition education, and recess guidelines.	Raises elementary recess (40m); adds treats exception; names Director of Child Nutrition as leader.
COB-R Procurement	Formalize state contract guidelines and purchasing standard practices.	Lists specific food service procurement categories.
CFBB-Sanctioning of Parent Organizations and Booster Clubs	Better financial insight into sanctioned organizations.	Changes the financial reporting requirement from yearly to quarterly.



Bullying (FNCD)

- Clarifies that isolated negative acts do not meet the legal threshold for bullying but remain subject to standard student discipline.
- Building principal is named Site Bullying Incident Coordinator.
- Introduces strict disciplinary consequences for retaliation against reporters or witnesses.
- Establishes firm disciplinary actions for knowingly false reporting; record is cleared.





Wireless Devices (CPACA)

- **Staff Rules:** Strikes obsolete sections prohibiting employees from using cell phones during
- school/employment hours.
- **Driving Rules:** Keeps strict prohibitions on texting or device operation while operating school passenger buses and transport.
- **Exceptions:** Employees must move school vehicles off the roadway before responding to emergencies.
- **Stipends:** Mobile stipend terms remain active for select staff





District Wellness (CO)

- **Elementary Recess:** Formally doubles mandatory daily recess from 20 minutes to at least 40 minutes.
- **Instruction:** Expands nutrition instruction through partnerships with county extensions, tribes, and nursing programs.
- **Treats Exception:** Acknowledges birthday celebrations/parties may feature standard treats; encourages healthier alternatives.
- **Leadership:** Formally designates Lisa Nametska (Child Nutrition Director) as policy leader.



Procurement (COB-R)

- **Bread & Milk:** Restructures formal procurement tables to include specific local purchasing categories (milk, bread, chemicals).
- **Renewal Checks:** Outlines procedural contract lengths, re-bids, and performance oversight.





Professional Development

Upcoming Professional Learning Opportunities for the 2026-2027 Year





Professional Development

July 13 - All Mandatory PD open on Vector

July 28 & 30 - CPI and CPR for Admin, Officers

Aug 3-4 - New teacher Meetings

Aug 5 - All teachers report to their building for site PD.

Aug 6 - Wardog 101 @ MHS

Aug 10-11 - BIST training at MHS

Aug 25-26 - CPR and Med Training for paraprofessionals

Sept 1-3 - CPI Training for paraprofessionals

Sept 14 - BIST training - final day



Kristi Hammons	Anyone using IXL	115	IXL	IXL	IXL		IXL	IXL	
Holly Dodge	Lower Ele	117	UFLI : phonics in the elementary classroom	UFLI : phonics in the elementary classroom	UFLI : phonics in the elementary classroom		UFLI : phonics in the elementary classroom	UFLI : phonics in the elementary classroom	
Adam Teal	7th-12th						JH/HS Classroom Management	JH/HS Classroom Management	
Kenton Adams	7th-12th	119					Student Engagement	Student Engagement	
Jamie Flaherty	K-2	116	Morning Meetings	Morning Meetings	Morning Meetings		Morning Meetings	Morning Meetings	
Shanna Sanders	K-6	118	Elem. Classroom Management	Elem. Classroom Management	Elem. Classroom Management		Elem. Classroom Management	Elem. Classroom Management	
Alicia Morgan		120	What is the MIC and who needs to go there?	What is the MIC and who needs to go there?	What is the MIC and who needs to go there?		Virtual planning: This session is for virtual teachers.		
Jana Kelley	All teachers	127	Testing & Classroom Accommodations	Testing & Classroom Accommodations	Testing & Classroom Accommodations		Testing & Classroom Accommodations	Testing & Classroom Accommodations	
Courtney Billings	All teachers	129	Supporting EL - Lower Elementary	Supporting EL - Upper Elementary	Supporting EL - Secondary		Understanding ELAPS	Understanding ELAPS	
Rene Williams	invite only	Lecture Hall	CPR - 8:00-11:25				CPR - 1:30-5:00		
Halie Barger	All teachers	131	Parent Square: NEW Communication Platform required by all	Parent Square: NEW Communication Platform required by all	Parent Square: NEW Communication Platform required by all		Parent Square: NEW Communication Platform required by all	Parent Square: NEW Communication Platform required by all	
Kaci Hoffer	K-3	130	ESGI and Literacy First (phonics)	ESGI and Literacy First (phonics)	ESGI and Literacy First (phonics)		ESGI and Literacy First (phonics)	ESGI and Literacy First (phonics)	
Rusty Mercer	All teachers	118	Understanding Truancy	Understanding Truancy	Understanding Truancy		Understanding Truancy	Understanding Truancy	
Sheri Compton	All teachers	116	What does a good lesson look like? Including the parts of a lesson.	What does a good lesson look like? Including the parts of a lesson.	What does a good lesson look like? Including the parts of a lesson.		What does a good lesson look like? Including the parts of a lesson.	What does a good lesson look like? Including the parts of a lesson.	



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Wardog Advisor After-School Professional Learning Series

Grow. Collaborate. Inspire.

Join our Wardog Advisors for engaging one-hour professional learning sessions designed by teachers, for teachers.

Sessions are held Tuesdays from 3:30–4:30 PM. Attend the sessions that best fit your professional goals!

Date	Session	Recommended Audience
Aug. 18	PS Grades	New Teachers
Aug. 25	Accommodations & Modifications	Anyone
Sept. 1	PS Grade Card / PK–8 Standards	New Teachers
Sept. 8	Classroom Management	PK–3
Sept. 15	Parent-Teacher Conferences	New Teachers
Sept. 22	Student Engagement	Anyone
Sept. 29	Interventions	Anyone
Oct. 20	Morning Meetings	PK–2
Oct. 27	Building Fluency in Math	Anyone
Nov. 3	Parts of a Lesson	Anyone
Nov. 10	Self-Regulation Stations	New Teachers
Nov. 17	Using Math Manipulatives	K–6
Jan. 11	Reading Across the Curriculum	PK–5
Jan. 25	The Math Pact	Math Teachers

Featured Topics: Classroom Management • Engagement • Interventions • Morning Meetings • Reading Across the Curriculum • Math Fluency • Self-Regulation • Accommodations & Modifications

Learn from colleagues. Leave with strategies you can use the very next day!





Other Updates

- **July 27:** Principals return
- **August 3–4:** New Teacher Cadre
- **August 5:** All teachers report; Back-to-School Luncheon at the Civic Center at noon
- **August 10:** Board meeting at 5:30 p.m.
- **August 13:** First day of school

