

**Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Thursday, April 23, 2026
Open Session: 5:30 p.m.**

**Meeting Location:
Orosi High School – Gym
41815 Road 128
Orosi CA 93647
(559) 528-4763**

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Sandra Williams, Board President	_____	_____
Marisol Rubalcaba, Board Vice President	_____	_____
Delia Martinez, Board Clerk	_____	_____
Mary Helen Espino, Trustee	_____	_____
Joni Jordan, Trustee	_____	_____
Javier Quevedo, Trustee	_____	_____
Karen Gonzalez, Trustee	_____	_____

Administrative Staff:

Yolanda Valdez	_____	Linda Montemayor	_____	Oscar Villasenor	_____
Shevonne Swanson	_____	Jayboy Camaquin	_____	Victoria Guzman	_____
Sunsie Tumacder	_____	Laura Gonzalez	_____	Dr. Larissa Goosev	_____
Faith Coleman	_____	Leanne Cerda	_____	Dr. Diana Vides	_____
Raffi Soghomonian	_____	Veronica Raigoza	_____	Melissa Delgadillo	_____
Lisa Castillo	_____	Jody Rush	_____	Yovana Castillo	_____
Antonio Quintanilla	_____		_____	COUTA Representative	_____
Ray Quintana	_____		_____	CSEA Representative	_____

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CALL TO ORDER- REGULAR OPEN SESSION at: Time: _____ By: _____

Pledge of Allegiance led by: _____

BOARD GOALS:

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PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS (non-action items)

Superintendent's Report

- College of the Sequoias Report – COS President, Dr. Brent Calvin
- Orosi High School Recognitions – Oscar Villaseñor, OHS Principal

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR CONSENT/ CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION AND ADMINISTRATIVE /ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA:

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CONSENT ITEMS

<u>Item #</u>	<u>Page:</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Goal #</u>
1	8	Addition of Contractors to the District's Cost Accounting Prequalification List (CUPCCAA)	3
2	9-10	Approve Service Agreement with ERC for Career Technical Education Facilities Program	1, 3
3	11-14	Approve Orosi High School Student Overnight Field Trip to Shakopee, Minnesota for Speech and Debate Competition	1
4	15-30	Approve Orosi High School Student Overnight Field Trip to Richmond Virginia for Speech and Debate Competition	1

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**CONSENT ITEMS –
continued**

- 5 31-33 Approve Memorandum of Understanding with Cherry Clinic Dentistry 3**
for Dental Services

Motion to approve Item #1- 5 made by: _____

Motion Seconded by: _____

_____/_____/_____
Yes No Abstain

ADMINISTRATIVE/ ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

- 6 34-35 Authorize Agents to Sign School District Orders – Sunsie Tumacder 3**

Motion to approve Item #6 made by: _____

Motion Seconded by: _____

_____/_____/_____
Yes No Abstain

- 7 36 Senior Voice – Non-Action Item 1, 2, 3**

PUBLIC COMMENTS CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

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CLOSING ACTIVITIES: The Governing Board members have an opportunity to comment.

Motion to adjourn to Closed Session at _____ p.m. made by: _____

Motion Seconded by: _____
_____/_____/_____
Yes No Abstain

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CLOSED SESSION

Item A
Page(s)
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Personnel (Gov. Code 54957): The Board will meet to consider Public Employee Appointment/Employment for the position(s) of:

Goal
 3

EMPLOYMENT/ADDITIONAL POSITIONS/HOURS:

1. Groundskeeper Bus Driver at the Sports Park, effective March 4, 2026.
2. TK Instructional Aide at Golden Valley Elementary School, effective April 7, 2026.
3. Instructional Aide at Golden Valley Elementary School, effective April 7, 2026.
4. Behavior Intervention Technician District Wide, effective April 7, 2026.
5. Preschool Aide at Palm Elementary School, effective April 7, 2026.
6. Grant Funded R&E Aide at Palm Elementary School, effective April 7, 2026. GRANT FUNDED
7. Special Education Aide at Orosi High School, effective April 7, 2026.
8. Grant Funded Outreach Aide at the Family Education Center, effective April 9, 2026. GRANT FUNDED
9. Special Education Aide at Orosi High School, effective April 13, 2026.
10. Campus Security Bus Driver at Orosi High School, effective April 13, 2026.
11. Director of Student Services, Categorical Programs and Accountability, start date to be determined.

PROMOTIONS/REASSIGNMENTS:

12. from Special Education Aide to Grant Funded R&E Aide, effective April 27, 2026. GRANT FUNDED
13. from Special Friends Aide to Special Education Aide, effective May 1, 2026.
14. from Grant Funded R&E Aide to Grant Funded Instructional Aide at Golden Valley School, effective April 13, 2026. GRANT FUNDED

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS:

15. Custodian Bus Driver at Orosi High School, resigning effective April 24, 2026.
16. School Psychologist at Orosi High School, resigning effective April 30, 2026.
17. Teacher at CDS, retiring effective June 5, 2026.
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LEAVES: (Statutory – For Informational Purposes):

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Motion to approve Item A - Public Employee Appointment/Employment for the position(s) listed made by: _____ Motion Seconded by: _____
 _____/_____/_____
 Yes No Abstain

Item B Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release, G.C. 54957 3

Motion to approve Item B - Public Employee Discipline Dismissal Release made by: _____ Motion Seconded by: _____

_____/_____/_____
 Yes No Abstain

Item C Conference with Labor Negotiators – Gov. Code Section 54957.6, 3549.1 – (Non-Action discussion item only) 3

District Designated Representatives: Yolanda Valdez
 Sunsie Tumacder
 Dr. Ken Caves

Employee Organization: COUTA
 CSEA Chapter #253

Unrepresented Employees: Confidential/Management
 (all positions in this group)

Adjournment to Open Session:

Motion to adjourn Closed Session at _____ p.m. and reconvene into Open Session made by: _____ Motion Seconded by: _____
 _____/_____/_____
 Yes No Abstain

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REPORTING OF CLOSED-SESSION ITEMS

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<u>Item C</u>	Conference with Labor Negotiators – Gov. Code Section 54957.6, 3549.1 – (Non-Action discussion item only)	3

CLOSING ACTIVITIES: The Governing Board members have an opportunity to comment.

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, May 14, 2026, with Open Session beginning at 3:30 p.m. to allow for Retirement and Employee Recognitions. Regular meeting items will reconvene after recognitions followed by Closed Session at 6:30 p.m. The Board Meeting will take place at the Orosi High School – Gym 41815 Road 128, Orosi CA 93647. Closed Session will be held in the Orosi High School Staff Lounge.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn the meeting made by: _____
Motion Seconded by: _____

_____/_____/_____
Yes No Abstain Meeting adjourned at: _____ p.m.

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CUTLER-OROSI JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting Agenda
April 23, 2026

AGENDA SECTION: **CONSENT**

AGENDA ITEM: **ADDITION OF CONTRACTORS TO THE DISTRICT'S COST ACCOUNTING PREQUALIFICATION LIST (CUPCCAA)**

ATTACHMENTS: **NONE**

FUNDING SOURCE: **N/A**

DISCUSSION:

Pursuant to Public Code 22000 of the California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission, a school district that has opted into Cost Accounting will have a pre-approved list of contractors for projects under \$220,000.00. The request for contractors was placed in the Central California Builders Exchange, the Tulare & Kings Counties Builders Exchange, and the Kern County Builders Exchange. Attached is a list of contractors that have applied to be added to the district's Cost Accounting list.

Beynon Sports Surfaces, Inc.

ITEM SUBMITTED AND APPROVED BY:

Name and title of administrator who reviewed and approved this item: Raffi Soghomonian, Director of Facilities, Maintenance, Operations & Transportation

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RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the addition of the above contractors.

PROPOSED ACTION:

APPROVE

Item #: 1

CUTLER-OROSI JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting Agenda
April 23, 2026

AGENDA SECTION: **ADMINISTRATIVE/ORGANIZATIONAL**

AGENDA ITEM: **APPROVE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ERC FOR CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION FACILITIES PROGRAM**

ATTACHMENTS: **SERVICE AGREEMENT**

FUNDING SOURCE: **GENERAL**

DISCUSSION:

The Board is asked to review and approve a service agreement with Educational Resource Consultants (ERC) to support the development and submission of a Career Technical Education Facilities Program (CTEFP) grant application for Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District. Under this agreement, ERC will provide comprehensive grant writing and consulting services across all phases of the application process, including preplanning, development, and final submission, working collaboratively with District staff to gather data, prepare required documentation, and ensure compliance with program requirements. The contract will remain in effect through submission of the proposal, with a total cost of \$14,500 per application, payable upon completion. Approval of this agreement will provide the District with specialized expertise to strengthen its competitiveness for state CTE facilities funding.

ITEM SUBMITTED AND APPROVED BY:

Name and title of administrator who reviewed and approved this item: Raffi Soghomonian, Director of Facilities, Maintenance, Operations & Transportation

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RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the service agreement.

PROPOSED ACTION:

APPROVE

Item #: 2



April 9, 2026

Service Agreement Career Technical Education Facilities Program

ERC will develop and submit a proposal for the Career Technical Education Facilities Program (CTEFP) for Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District.

ERC writers and research associates will participate in three stages of proposal development:

Preplanning – Review Request for Applications, review with staff and develop proposal strategy.

- Review the grant application guidelines with appropriate District staff.
- Discuss issues and advise on the project and grant application development.
- Prepare list of issues/concerns to be resolved, relative to specific grant applications.
- Request information from District staff regarding any items requiring action.
- Consult, plan and strategize with District staff throughout the proposal planning process.
- Assist with data gathering, bid package preparation, signature retrieval, and scheduling.

Development – Coordinate processes, timeline, and proposal content.

- Develop timelines to ensure timely application submissions.
- Structure workflow to execute work plan.
- Collaborate with proper stakeholders to obtain signatures, data, forms and letters.
- Identify, locate, collect and analyze data required in proposal guidelines.
- Develop content for the grant application narrative and data.
- Prepare supplemental documents as required.
- Assist in budget development to the extent needed.

Completion – Prepare final package, submit and follow up.

- Prepare final drafts of grant applications.
- Coordinate reviews of proposal drafts with District staff prior to submission.
- Provide copies of the final draft to District staff for review prior to submission.
- Submit required number of copies to the funding agency to meet proposal deadline.
- Follow up with the agency to ensure receipt.

Contract Period

The period of this contract shall be in effect from date of approval through submission of the proposal.

Payment for Services

The fee per application is \$14,500.

ERC will submit an invoice upon completion of the proposals.



 Stephen Price 04/09/2026
 Educational Resource Consultants Date

 Superintendent or Designee Date
 Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District

CUTLER-OROSI JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting Agenda
April 23, 2026

AGENDA SECTION: **CONSENT**

AGENDA ITEM: **APPROVAL OF OROSI HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT
OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP TO SHAKOPEE,
MINNESOTA FOR SPEECH AND DEBATE
COMPETITION**

ATTACHMENTS: **ACTIVITY REQUEST FORM, EVENT SCHEDULE,
AND EVENT INFORMATION**

FUNDING SOURCE: **LCAP AND ASB**

DISCUSSION: Orosi High School Speech and Debate team is seeking approval to attend an overnight field trip on the weekend of May 6-10, 2026 in Shakopee, Minnesota to attend the National Individual Events Tournament of Champions. Students will be under the supervision of Coach Karson Kalashian and Elizabeth Rivera. Event details have been attached for Board review. The total estimated cost of this trip is \$3,900.

**ITEM SUBMITTED AND
APPROVED BY:**

*Name and title of administrator who reviewed and
approved this item: Shevonne Swanson, Assistant
Superintendent of Educational Services*

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RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve Orosi High School's Speech and Debate overnight trip.

PROPOSED ACTION:

APPROVE

Item #: 3

Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District

12623 Avenue 416 Orosi, CA 93647

ACTIVITY REQUEST FORM

Teacher/Coach Mr. Kalashian

Date Submitted 4 / 8 / 2026

Type of Activity: Fundraiser ☐ Field Trip ☒ Assembly/Parent Program ☐
Other ☒ Speech and Debate Competition (National Tournament of Champions)

Please list approved fundraiser: N/A (outside fundraising)

Does this activity require an overnight stay? YES ☒ NO ☐

Please note that any activity requiring an overnight stay **MUST** be Board approved one month in advance!

Please submit this paperwork at least 6 weeks before the overnight trip. For all other activities, please submit paperwork at least 4 weeks prior to activity.

Grades/Departments/Club/Team Involved: 9-12, Speech and Debate

Activity Date 5/6 OR 5/7/26 – 5/10/26 Activity Time TBD 5/6 OR 5/7/26 to TBD 5/10/26

Location Shakopee, Minnesota (various locations)

Activity Purpose To compete in speech and debate tournament (NIETOC)

Transportation Needed? YES ☒ NO ☐

If "YES" please complete and attach the Transportation Request Form to this Activity Request form.

If transportation is provided by a private vehicle the driver must be registered with the District and meet all requirements of fingerprinting and AB1025.

Name(s) of person(s) driving Mr. Kalashian / Ms. Rivera

What is the impact of this activity/trip on instructional time?

Students and Mr. Kalashian will miss two days of School (5/7-5/8/2026)

How is this activity correlated to the standards or to topics currently under study?

Students will compete in speech and debate events that relate directly to units of study from their courses at OHS

If this is a fundraising activity, explain how and when money will be collected.

N/A

Who is responsible for collecting money from fundraisers or for field trip? Mr. Kalashian (student contribution)

Remember any field trip must have enough money collected to ensure that all children in the group/club/class can participate whether or not they choose to participate.

Prior to approval of this activity, the Administrator may require input from other staff members to ensure a balance between academic focus and maximization of instructional time. If the request is not approved, the staff should work cooperatively with the Principal to see possible compromises and/or solutions.

Kalashian

4/8/2026

559-284-1790

Signature of Teacher/Coach

Date

Cell # - for field trips only

Signature of Department Chair/Grade Level Lead
or Activity Director/Athletic Director

Date

Signature of Administrator

Date

Approved ☐ Rejected ☐

Reason for Rejection: _____

2026 NIETOC PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

NIETOC

REGISTRATION SCHEDULE

March 31	Registration Deadline - All entries due by this date!
April 10	Confirmation of At-Large Entries
April 15	Payment & Paperwork Deadline
April 25	Incomplete Entry Drop Date

COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 7, 2026

6:00-8:00 PM	Tournament Registration - Shakopee HS
6:15 PM	Founder's Welcome
6:30-7:30 PM	Coaches' Appetizer Reception
6:45 PM	Student & Coach Workshops -- Session 1
7:45 PM	Student & Coach Workshops -- Session 2

All Thursday events at Shakopee HS

Friday, May 8, 2026

7:00 AM	Teams begin arriving at Shakopee
7:15 AM	BREAKFAST
8:00 AM	Welcome Assembly & Logistical Info - Main Gym
8:30 AM	Judge Check-in & Meeting -- Judge Help Table
9:00 AM	Extemp Prep
9:30 AM	Round 1A -- DUO, HI, OO, USX
11:00 AM	Round 1B -- DI, INF, IX, POI
12:00 NOON	LUNCH
1:00 PM	Round 2A
2:30 PM	Round 2B
3:30 PM	SNACKS
4:00 PM	Round 3A
5:30 PM	Round 3B

All Friday events at Shakopee HS

Saturday, May 9, 2026

7:00 AM	BREAKFAST
7:30 AM	Extemp Draw
8:00 AM	Round 4A
9:30 AM	Round 4B
11:00 AM	LUNCH
11:30 AM	Breaks Posted; Supplemental Re-Registration for Supps
12:30 PM	Main Events Octafinals
2:00 PM	Supplemental Events Rd 1 - EXPOS, IMPROMPTU, POETRY, PROSE
2:30 PM	Main Events Quarterfinals
3:30 PM	Supplemental Events Rd 2
5:00 PM	Main Events Semifinals
5:00 PM	Supplemental Events Rd 3
5:30 PM	DINNER
6:30 PM	Supplemental Semifinals
7:30 PM	Main Events Finals - ALL
8:00 PM	Supplemental Events Finals

All Saturday events at Shakopee HS

Sunday, May 10, 2026

9:30 AM	Awards -- Shakopee HS Gymnasium
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All Sunday events at Shakopee HS

All times listed CST.

WWW.NIETOC.ORG

QUESTIONS:

Please contact Matt Heimes -- mheimes@lps.org OR 402-310-4153

The Speech and Debate team will be traveling to the National Individual Events Tournament of Champions in Shakopee, Minnesota on May 6th OR 7th at a time TBD (we are still finding tickets) and returning on May 10th at a time TBD (we are still finding tickets). This will be a great opportunity that our students have qualified for to compete against the best teams in America. This tournament is by invitation only.

This competition offers all speech and debate events, and is one of the hardest competitions in the Nation (on par with the National Speech and Debate Association National Finals). We plan to take 8 (we are awaiting acceptance of our last 2, we currently have 6 accepted) students and 2 male (coaches/chaperones/judges/driver) and 1 female (parent volunteer chaperone/judge/driver) chaperone based on current qualifications. We plan to fly from Fresno area to Minneapolis–Saint Paul International Airport (MSP), or leave and arrive from other locations if we can get a better deal (such as from Los Angeles to an airport further away from Shakopee). Hotel arraignments are still TBD but will be close to competition venues.

Our intent is that the cost of this trip is covered via ASB, fundraising, and student contributions.

Thank you for the continued support of the program, especially as we continue to expose all freshman to the subject in hopes of making them more powerful communicators, helping them with their eventual senior exit interviews, and growing the core of the team for the future. Please approve our trip!

Respectfully,

Karson Kalashian

Head Speech and Debate Coach

Orosi High School, CA

Cell: (559) 284-1790

CUTLER-OROSI JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting Agenda
April 23, 2026

AGENDA SECTION: **CONSENT**

AGENDA ITEM: **APPROVAL OF OROSI HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP TO RICHMOND, VIRGINIA FOR SPEECH AND DEBATE COMPETITION**

ATTACHMENTS: **ACTIVITY REQUEST FORM, EVENT SCHEDULE, AND EVENT INFORMATION**

FUNDING SOURCE: **LCAP AND ASB**

DISCUSSION: Orosi High School Speech and Debate team is seeking approval to attend an overnight field trip on the weekend of June 10th – 20th, 2026 in Richmond, Virginia to attend the National Speech and Debate Association National Finals. Although the tournament officially begins on June 14th, the team intends to depart on June 10th to provide students with the opportunity to tour and explore local colleges. Students will be under the supervision of Coach Karson Kalashian, Elizabeth Rivera, and Yvette Alvarez. Event details have been attached for Board review. The total estimated cost of this trip is \$15,000.

ITEM SUBMITTED AND APPROVED BY: *Name and title of administrator who reviewed and approved this item: Shevonne Swanson, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services*

BOARD GOAL:



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2. Build human capacity by investing in training, coaching, and setting expectations for students, parents, staff and the Board to support student achievement.



3. Create efficient and effective systems that are innovative, accountable and proactive.

RECOMMENDATION: **The Superintendent recommends the Board approve Orosi High School's Speech and Debate overnight trip.**

PROPOSED ACTION: **APPROVE**

Item #: 4

Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District

12623 Avenue 416 Orosi, CA 93647

ACTIVITY REQUEST FORM

Teacher/Coach Mr. Kalashian / Mr. Sandoval

Date Submitted 4 / 8 / 2026

Type of Activity: Fundraiser ☐ Field Trip ☒ Assembly/Parent Program ☐

Other ☒ Speech and Debate Competition (National Finals)

Please list approved fundraiser: N/A

Does this activity require an overnight stay? YES ☒ NO ☐

Please note that any activity requiring an overnight stay **MUST** be Board approved one month in advance!

Please submit this paperwork at least 6 weeks before the overnight trip. For all other activities, please submit paperwork at least 4 weeks prior to activity.

Grades/Departments/Club/Team Involved: 9-12 Speech and Debate

Activity Date 6/10 through 6/12/26 – 6/20/26 Activity Time TBD 6/10/ through 6/12/26 to TBD 6/20/26 Location Richmond, Virginia (various locations)

Activity Purpose To compete in speech and debate tournament (Nationals)

Transportation Needed? YES ☒ NO ☐

If "YES" please complete and attach the Transportation Request Form to this Activity Request form.

If transportation is provided by a private vehicle the driver must be registered with the District and meet all requirements of fingerprinting and AB1025.

Name(s) of person(s) driving Mr. Kalashian / Ms. Rivera / Mrs. Alvarez

What is the impact of this activity/trip on instructional time?

N/A

How is this activity correlated to the standards or to topics currently under study?

Students will compete in speech and debate events that relate directly to units of study from their courses at OHS

If this is a fundraising activity, explain how and when money will be collected.

N/A

Who is responsible for collecting money from fundraisers or for field trip? Mr. Kalashian (student contribution)

Remember any field trip must have enough money collected to ensure that all children in the group/club/class can participate whether or not they choose to participate.

Prior to approval of this activity, the Administrator may require input from other staff members to ensure a balance between academic focus and maximization of instructional time. If the request is not approved, the staff should work cooperatively with the Principal to see possible compromises and/or solutions.

Kalashian

Signature of Teacher/Coach

4/8/2026

Date

559-284-1790

Cell # - for field trips only

Signature of Department Chair/Grade Level Lead
or Activity Director/Athletic Director

Date

Signature of Administrator

Date

Approved ☐ Rejected ☐

Reason for Rejection: _____

High School Tournament Event Schedules and Venues

**Richmond, Virginia
June 14-19, 2026**



All schedules are subject to change. Schedule in Eastern Time.

- [Access the Hotel Block Booking Site](#)
- [Nats26 Middle School Schedules and Venues](#)

Sunday Schedule - Registration & Special Events

Main Debate Events

Main Speech Events

Congressional Debate

Big Questions Debate

World Schools Debate

Extemporaneous Debate

Supplemental Speech Events

Main Event Finals

Supplemental Event Finals

Store Schedule

Sunday Schedule - Registration & Special Events

Venue: Greater Richmond Convention Center

**Events at the Richmond Marriott (connected via skywalk to the Greater Richmond Convention Center)*

8:00 a.m.	Shop Custom Apparel
8:30 a.m.	NSDA Store Opens
8:30 a.m.	Tournament Expo Opens
8:30 a.m.	Early Registration Opens (Tournament Officials only, optional)
8:30 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.	Asian/Pacific Islanders Coaches' Caucus
8:30 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.	Hispanic/Latine Coaches' Caucus
9:00 a.m.	Registration Opens
9:30 a.m. – 10:20 a.m.	Small Schools Interest Group
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	New Coach Reception #1 at the Richmond Marriott*
10:00 a.m.	Tournament Officials Meeting
10:30 a.m. – 11:20 p.m.	Rural Coaches' Interest Group
11:00 a.m.	Tab Meeting Breakouts
11:30 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.	Black/African American Coaches' Caucus
11:30 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.	Access and Abilities Coaches' Caucus
12:00 p.m.	Parliamentarian Meeting (mandatory)
12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	District Leader Luncheon at the Richmond Marriott*
2:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.	Indigenous Persons Coaches' Caucus
2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Speech Judge Training (optional)
2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Congress Judge Training (optional)
2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Debate Judge Training (optional)
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	World Schools Debate Judge Training (mandatory)
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	New Coach Reception #2 at the Richmond Marriott*
3:00 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.	LGBTQ+ Coaches' Caucus
3:00 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.	Independent (Non-Public) School Coaches' Interest Group
4:00 p.m.	NSDA Store and Tournament Expo close
4:00 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.	Women's Coaches' Caucus
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Late Registration (the <u>last</u> registration opportunity after this will be Monday,

7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the Greater Richmond Convention Center.)

Main Debate Events

2026 Tentative Master Schedule

Policy (CX) • Lincoln-Douglas (LD) • Public Forum (PF)

Monday

Venues: Hermitage High School (CX), Highland Springs High School (LD), Glen Allen High School (PF)

Round 1 9:00 a.m.
Round 2 11:30 a.m.
Round 3 2:15 p.m.
Round 4 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Venues: Hermitage High School (CX), Highland Springs High School (LD), Glen Allen High School (PF)

Round 5 8:00 a.m.
Round 6 10:30 a.m.

(Teams who win at least 8 prelim ballots will advance to Rounds 7 / 8)

Round 7 2:00 p.m.
Round 8 4:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m.	Online Postings	Tabroom.com
12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Supplemental Re-registration	Tabroom.com
<i>(All competitors eliminated on Tuesday are eligible if pre-registered)</i>		
5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Student Party	Virginia Museum of History & Culture

Wednesday

Venues: Clover Hill High School

8:00 a.m. CX / LD / PF (Round 9)
11:30 a.m. CX / LD / PF (Round 10)
3:00 p.m. CX / LD / PF (Round 11)
6:00 p.m. CX / LD / PF (Round 12)

Thursday

Venues: Bailey Bridge Middle School

8:00 a.m. CX / LD / PF (Round 13)
10:00 a.m. LD / PF (Round 14)
11:00 a.m. CX (Round 14)
12:00 p.m. LD / PF (Round 15)
1:30 p.m. LD / PF (Round 16 - if needed)
2:00 p.m. CX (Round 15)
5:00 p.m. CX (Round 16 - if needed)

Friday

Final rounds of Policy, Lincoln-Douglas, and Public Forum will be held at the Altria Theater.

Main Speech Events

2026 Tentative Master Schedule

USX • IX • OO • INF • HI • DI • DUO • POI

Monday

Venues: Clover Hill High School (USX, IX, INF), Manchester High School (DUO, OO, HI), Bailey Bridge Middle School (DI, POI)

Extemp Prep: Gym

Round 1	9:00 a.m.	(Draw at 8:30 a.m.; be in draw at 7:55 a.m.)
Round 2	11:30 a.m.	(Draw at 11:00 a.m.)
Round 3	2:00 p.m.	(Draw at 1:30 p.m.)
Round 4	4:00 p.m.	(Draw at 3:30 p.m.)

Tuesday

Venues: Clover Hill High School (USX, IX, INF), Manchester High School (DUO, OO, HI), Bailey Bridge Middle School (DI, POI)

Extemp Prep: Gym

Round 5	8:30 a.m.	(Draw at 8:00 a.m.; be in draw at 7:30 a.m.)
Round 6	10:30 a.m.	(Draw at 10:00 a.m.)

(The top 60 competitors in each event after prelims will advance to Rounds 7 / 8)

Round 7	2:00 p.m.	(OO, INF, HI, DI, DUO, POI)
	2:30 p.m.	(USX/IX - Draw at 2:00 p.m.)
Round 8	4:00 p.m.	(OO, INF, HI, DI, DUO, POI)
	4:30 p.m.	(USX/IX - Draw at 4:00 p.m.)

6:30 p.m.	Online Postings	Tabroom.com
12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Supplemental Re-registration	Tabroom.com
<i>(All competitors eliminated on Tuesday are eligible if pre-registered)</i>		
5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Student Party	Virginia Museum of History & Culture

Wednesday

Venues: Bailey Bridge Middle School

Extemp Prep: Gym

Round 9	8:30 a.m.	(Draw at 8:00 a.m. Be in draw at 7:45 for announcements)
Round 10	10:30 a.m.	(Draw at 10:00 a.m.)
Round 11	2:00 p.m.	(Draw at 1:30 p.m.)
Round 12	4:00 p.m.	(OO, INF, HI, DI, DUO, POI)
Round 12	4:30 p.m.	(USX/IX - Draw at 4:00 p.m.)

Thursday

Venue: Altria Theater

8:30 a.m. Finalists' Sound and Light Check (All Speech Events)
Final rounds of INF, POI, HI, DI, and DUO will be held.

Friday

Venue: Altria Theater

Final rounds of IX, USX, and OO will be held.

Congressional Debate

VENUES: *Greater Richmond Convention Center and Richmond Marriott (Mon-Tues) •
Greater Richmond Convention Center (Wed-Fri)*

Monday

Venues: *Greater Richmond Convention Center and Richmond Marriott*

8:00 a.m. Opening Ceremony (in-person, all competitors)
9:00 a.m. Round 1: Elect presiding officer (PO); set agenda; convene
12:45 p.m. Recess for lunch
2:15 p.m. Round 2: Elect PO; convene
5:45 p.m. Recess

Tuesday

Venues: *Greater Richmond Convention Center and Richmond Marriott*

8:00 a.m. Round 3: Elect PO; convene
11:30 a.m. PO recognition; Leadership Bowl voting; recess

3:00 p.m.	Online Postings	Tabroom.com
12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Supplemental Re-registration	Tabroom.com
<i>(All competitors eliminated on Tuesday are eligible if pre-registered)</i>		
5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Student Party	Virginia Museum of History & Culture

Wednesday

Venue: *Greater Richmond Convention Center*

8:00 a.m. Elimination Round Opening Ceremony (in-person, all elim competitors)
8:30 a.m. Senate Semifinal and House Quarterfinal Round 1: Elect PO; set agenda; convene
12:15 p.m. Recess for lunch
2:00 p.m. Senate Semifinal and House Quarterfinal Round 2: Elect PO; convene
5:00 p.m. PO recognition; Leadership Bowl voting; recess
7:00 p.m. Posting of Senate Finalists and House Semifinalists

Thursday

Venue: *Greater Richmond Convention Center*

8:00 a.m. Senate Final/House Semifinal Opening Assembly
8:45 a.m. Senate Final and House Semifinal Round 1: Elect PO; set agenda; convene
12:30 p.m. Recess for lunch
2:00 p.m. Senate Finals and House Semifinal Round 2: Reconvene
5:15 p.m. PO recognition, Leadership Bowl voting; recess
7:00 p.m. Posting of House Finalists

Friday

Venue: *Greater Richmond Convention Center*

8:15 a.m. House Final Round 1: Elect PO; set agenda; convene
11:30 p.m. Recess for lunch
12:45 p.m. House Final Round 2: Reconvene
3:45 p.m. PO recognition; Leadership Bowl voting; recess

Note: Contestant chamber assignments will be released on Tabroom.com on Monday morning.

Big Questions Debate

2026 Tentative Schedule

VENUES: Highland Springs High School (Mon/Tues), Clover Hill High School (Wed), Bailey Bridge Middle School (Thurs)

Monday

Venue: Highland Springs High School

10:00 a.m. Judge training for all Big Questions judges
 11:15 a.m. Round 1
 1:45 p.m. Round 2
 4:30 p.m. Round 3

Tuesday

Venue: Highland Springs High School

9:00 a.m. Round 4
 11:30 a.m. Round 5
 3:00 p.m. Round 6

6:30 p.m.	Online Postings	Tabroom.com
12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Supplemental Re-registration	Tabroom.com
<i>(All competitors eliminated on Tuesday are eligible if pre-registered)</i>		
5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Student Party	Virginia Museum of History & Culture

Wednesday

Venue: Clover Hill High School

10:00 a.m. Round 7
 1:00 p.m. Round 8
 3:30 p.m. Round 9

Thursday

Venue: Bailey Bridge Middle School

10:00 a.m. Round 10 **If needed
 12:30 p.m. Round 11 **If needed
 3:30 p.m. Round 12 **If needed
 5:00 p.m. Round 13 **If needed

Friday

The final round of BQ will be held at the Greater Richmond Convention Center.

World Schools Debate

VENUES: JR Tucker High School (Mon/Tues), Clover Hill High School (Wed), Bailey Bridge Middle School (Thurs)

Monday

Venue: JR Tucker High School

- 8:15 a.m. Coaches Meeting
- 9:15 a.m. Makeup WS Judge Training (for judges unable to attend Sunday)
- 9:00 a.m. Round 1 (Prepared Motion)
- 11:00 a.m. Round 2 (Prepared Motion)
- 1:45 p.m. Team Roll Call (Gym) and Judge Roll Call (Auditorium)
- 2:10 p.m. Impromptu Motion Announced and Prep Begins
- 3:15 p.m. Round 3 (Impromptu Motion)
- 5:15 p.m. Round 4 (Prepared Motion)

Tuesday

Venue: JR Tucker High School

- 8:15 a.m. Team Roll Call (Gym) and Judge Roll Call (Auditorium)
- 8:30 a.m. Impromptu Motion Announced and Prep Begins
- 9:30 a.m. Round 5 (Impromptu)
- 12:30 p.m. Team Roll Call (Gym) and Judge Roll Call (Auditorium)
- 12:45 p.m. Impromptu Motion Announced and Prep Begins
- 1:45 p.m. Round 6 (Impromptu)
- 3:45 p.m. Announcement of Advancing Teams
- 4:15 p.m. Team Roll Call (Gym) and Judge Roll Call (Auditorium)
- 4:30 p.m. Impromptu Motion Announced and Prep Begins
- 5:30 p.m. First Elimination Round* (Impromptu Motion)

**Depending on the number of entries with a 4-2 or better record, the first elimination round may be a quadruple octafinal or a triple octafinal.*

7:30 p.m.	Online Postings	Tabroom.com
12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Supplemental Re-registration	Tabroom.com
<i>(All competitors eliminated on Tuesday are eligible if pre-registered)</i>		
5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Student Party	Virginia Museum of History & Culture

Wednesday

Venue: Clover Hill High School

- 8:00 a.m. Roll Call for All Teams in the Second Elim (Gym) and Judges (Auditorium)
- 8:15 a.m. Second Elimination Round (Prepared Motion)
- 10:30 a.m. Roll Call for All Teams in the Third Elim and Judges
- 10:45 a.m. Impromptu Motion Announced and Prep Begins
- 11:45 a.m. Third Elimination Round (Impromptu Motion)
- 2:45 p.m. Roll Call for All Teams in the Fourth Elim and Judges
- 3:00 p.m. Impromptu Motion Announced and Prep Begins
- 4:00 p.m. Fourth Elimination Round (Impromptu Motion)

Thursday

Venue: Bailey Bridge Middle School

- 8:00 a.m. Roll Call for Teams in the Fifth Elim and Judges
- 8:15 a.m. Impromptu Motion Announced and Prep Begins
- 9:15 a.m. Fifth Elimination Round (Impromptu Motion)
- 10:30 a.m. Roll Call for Teams in the Sixth Elim and Judges (if needed)
- 10:45 a.m. Impromptu Resolution Announced and Prep Begins (if needed)
- 11:45 a.m. Sixth Elimination Round (Impromptu Motion) (if needed)

Friday

Finals of World Schools Debate (Prepared Motion) will be held on Friday at the Altria Theater.

Extemporaneous Debate

VENUES: JR Tucker High School (Cardinal Group Wed), Hermitage High School (Dogwood Group Wed and all Thurs competition)

Note: In late May, coaches will learn if their students/judges are in the Cardinal or Dogwood Group by finding the designation on the General tab of their school's registration in Tabroom.com. Re-registered students in the Cardinal group will compete at JR Tucker HS on Wed and Hermitage HS on Thurs. Re-registered students in the Dogwood group will compete at Hermitage HS on Wed and Thurs. The groups will have separate competition on Wednesday, but they will combine into one group on Thursday.

Tuesday

- 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Registration for supplemental-only schools in-person, Virginia Museum of History & Culture
- 12:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Online re-registration through Tabroom.com is required to confirm participation, including for students who are only competing in supplemental events

Wednesday

- **8:00 a.m. mandatory meeting** in the gym for Extemp Debate judges obligated for Wednesday. Please review Tabroom instructions emailed to you on Tuesday evening!

<i>Round</i>	<i>Time</i>		<i>Topic Release</i>	<i>Venue: JR Tucker (Cardinal) or Hermitage (Dogwood)</i>
1	8:30 a.m.	(preset)	8:00 a.m.	
2	11:00 a.m.	(preset)	10:30 a.m.	
3	1:45 p.m.	(powered)	1:15 p.m.	
4	4:30 p.m.	(powered)	4:00 p.m.	
5	7:15 p.m.		6:45 p.m.	

Note: All contestants will be scheduled in Rounds 1-4, and Rounds 3 and 4 are power-matched so that debaters with similar records debate each other. Only those whose records are 3-1 or 4-0 at the end of Round 4 will advance to Round 5.

Thursday

7:45 a.m. mandatory meeting in Judge Pooling for Extemp Debate judges obligated for Thursday who were not obligated for Wednesday. In other words, no one needs to attend the judge meeting on both days. Please review Tabroom.com instructions emailed to you on Tuesday evening!

<i>Round</i>	<i>Time</i>		<i>Topic Release</i>	<i>Venue: Hermitage HS (Dogwood & Cardinal Groups)</i>
6	8:30 a.m.		8:00 a.m.	
7	10:15 a.m.		9:45 a.m.	
8	11:30 a.m.		11:00 a.m.	
9	1:15 p.m.		12:45 p.m.	
10	2:30 p.m.		2:00 p.m.	
11	3:45 p.m.		3:15 p.m.	
12	5:00 p.m.		4:30 p.m.	
13	6:15 p.m.		5:45 p.m.	

Friday

<i>Round</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Topic Release</i>	<i>Venue: Greater Richmond</i>
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14**	9:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	<i>Convention Center</i> ** if needed
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The final round of Extemp Debate will be held at the Greater Richmond Convention Center.

Supplemental Speech Events

VENUES: Manchester High School & Bailey Bridge Middle School

PATTERN A: Extemp Commentary, Original Spoken Word Poetry, Prose, Expository

PATTERN B: Impromptu, Poetry, Storytelling

Tuesday

- 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Registration for supplemental-only schools in-person, Virginia Museum of History & Culture
- 12:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Online re-registration through Tabroom.com is required to confirm participation

Wednesday

Commentary Draw: Gym

<i>Round</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Draw</i>	<i>Venue: Manchester HS & Bailey Bridge MS</i>
1A*	8:30 a.m.	Commentary Draw – 8:00 a.m.	
1B*	10:00 a.m.		
2A*	12:30 p.m.	Commentary Draw – 12:00 p.m.	
2B*	2:00 p.m.		
3A*	3:30 p.m.	Commentary Draw – 3:00 p.m.	
3B*	5:00 p.m.		

**Double-flighted rounds*

Thursday

Commentary Draw: Gym

<i>Round</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Draw</i>	<i>Venue: Manchester HS & Bailey Bridge MS</i>
Elim 1A	8:30 a.m.	Commentary Draw – 8:00 a.m.	
Elim 1B	10:00 a.m.		
Elim 2A/B	12:00 p.m.	Commentary Draw – 11:30 a.m.	
Elim 3A/B	2:00 p.m.	Commentary Draw – 1:30 p.m.	
Elim 4A/B	3:30 p.m.	Commentary Draw – 3:00 p.m.	
Elim 5A/B*	5:30 p.m.	Commentary Draw – 5:00 p.m.	

**if needed*

Friday

The final rounds of supplemental speech will be held at the Greater Richmond Convention Center.

Final Rounds Schedule

Main Event Finals

Thursday, June 18

Altria Theater unless otherwise noted

- 8:00 a.m. **Sen. Richard Lugar Congressional Debate – Senate Final Round**
Held at the Greater Richmond Convention Center
- 8:30 a.m. **Finalists' Sound and Light Check**
- 11:00 a.m. **Informative Speaking**
- 12:45 p.m. **Humorous Interpretation**
- 2:15 p.m. **Lanny D. and B. J. Naegelin Dramatic Interpretation**
- 4:15 p.m. **Leadership and Impact Honors**
*Honoring the Coach of the Year, New First and Second Diamond recipients, the Activating Equity winner, and the Pelham Commendation honoree***
- 5:00 p.m. **Program Oral Interpretation**
- 7:00 p.m. **Legacy and Service Honors**
*Honoring the Communicator of the Year, Lifetime Service Award, Hall of Fame, and Tenth Diamond awardee***
- 8:00 p.m. **Dr. Tommie Lindsey, Jr. Duo Interpretation**
***3rd-10th Diamond recipients will be honored at the Hall of Fame event on Sunday, June 14.*

Friday, June 19

Altria Theater unless otherwise noted

- 8:00 a.m. **Rep. Barbara Jordan Congressional Debate – House Final Round**
Held at the Greater Richmond Convention Center
- 8:00 a.m. **World Schools Debate**
- 9:30 a.m. **Carmendale Fernandes United States Extemporaneous Speaking**
- 10:45 a.m. **A. C. Eley International Extemporaneous Speaking**
- 12:00 p.m. **Richard B. Sodikow Policy Debate**
- 2:00 p.m. **Lincoln-Douglas Debate**
- 3:30 p.m. **Donus D. Roberts Public Forum Debate**
- 5:00 p.m. **Joe and Pam Wycoff Original Oratory**
- 6:30 p.m. **High School National Awards Assembly**

Supplemental Event Finals

Friday, June 19

Greater Richmond Convention Center

8:00 a.m. **Storytelling**

9:00 a.m. **Expository**

10:00 a.m. **Poetry Reading**

11:00 a.m. **Original Spoken Word Poetry**

12:00 p.m. **Prose Reading**

1:00 p.m. **Brother René Sterner Commentary**

2:00 p.m. **Impromptu**

3:00 p.m. **Extemporaneous Debate**

3:30 p.m. **Big Questions Debate**

Store Schedule

Sunday, June 14

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Greater Richmond Convention Center

Tuesday, June 16

5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Virginia Museum of History & Culture

Thursday, June 18

11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the Altria Theater

Friday, June 19

8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the Altria Theater

The Speech and Debate team will be traveling to the National Finals in Richmond, Virginia on June 10th through 12th (we still need time to find the best flights, cities to travel from and to, and a possible college visit to include) at a time that is TBD, and plan to return returning on June 20th at a time that is TBD. This will be a great opportunity that our students have qualified for to compete against the best teams in America at the National Finals. They will also get to explore a new state and bond further as a team.

This competition offers all speech and debate events, and is the hardest competition in the Nation. We plan to take 8 students, 1 assistant coach and 1 male and 2 female chaperones based on current qualifications (this was we have three adult drivers who are over 25 as well). We are willing to find the best and cheapest flights out of any city to any city (Last year we flew from LAX to Omaha and then drove to Des Moines). We may need to use school district vans and leave them for a week in LA (we also did this last time). We are planning to leave a few days ahead to get the best flights and costs but also so the students can tour colleges Friday/Saturday (we are still organizing this). Hotel arrangements are TBD.

Our intent is that the cost of this trip is covered via ASB, fundraising, and student contributions.

Thank you for the continued support of the program, especially as we continue to expose all freshman to the subject in hopes of making them more powerful communicators, helping them with their eventual senior exit interviews, and growing the core of the team for the future. Please approve our trip!

Respectfully,

Karson Kalashian

Head Speech and Debate Coach

Orosi High School, CA

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CUTLER-OROSI JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting Agenda
April 23, 2026

AGENDA SECTION: **CONSENT**

AGENDA ITEM: **APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
WITH CHERRY CLINIC DENTISTRY FOR DENTAL
SERVICES**

ATTACHMENTS: **MOU BETWEEN COJUSD AND CHERRY CLINIC
DENTISTRY**

FUNDING SOURCE: **NONE**

DISCUSSION: Attached for Board approval is a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District and Cherry Clinic Dentistry. This MOU serves to help the district meet Ed Code Requirements by providing dental screening services for students entering Kindergarten. The services provided by Cherry Clinic Dentistry will come at no cost.

**ITEM SUBMITTED AND
APPROVED BY:**

*Name and title of administrator who reviewed and
approved this item: Laura Gonzalez, Director of Grants
and Program Development*

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3. Create efficient and effective systems that are innovative, accountable, and proactive.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the MOU with Cherry Clinic Dentistry.

PROPOSED ACTION:

APPROVE

Item #: 5

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Cherry Clinic Dentistry (hereinafter "Provider")

And

Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District (hereinafter "District")

1. Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to establish an understanding between Cherry Clinic Dentistry and Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District to provide essential oral health services to students, ensuring they are healthy, pain-free, and ready to learn.

2. Responsibilities of Cherry Clinic Dentistry

At a date to be mutually agreed upon, the Provider agrees to:

- **Provide Comprehensive Dental Services:** Include oral health screenings and complete the state-mandated KOHA (Kindergarten Oral Health Requirement) forms for COJUSD students.
- **Staffing:** Each site will be served by a Licensed Dentist, Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH), and/or Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) as required by the scope of the visit.
- **No Cost:** There is no charge to the individual schools or the District for the services provided under this agreement.
- **Student Takeaways:** Children will be given a report of findings to be taken home to their parents/guardians detailing the results of the screening and any recommended follow-up care.

3. Responsibilities of the District

The District agrees to:

- **Documentation:** Provide the most current documents that need to be completed prior to coordination of services.
- **Distribute Permission Forms:** Coordinate the distribution and collection of parental consent forms prior to the scheduled service dates.
- **Provide Space:** Provide a space that is private, well-lit, and equipped with access to a power outlet and nearby handwashing facilities (e.g., a multi-purpose room, health office, or vacant classroom).
- **Coordination:** Ensure students are released to the designated service area in a timely manner according to the agreed-upon schedule.

4. Other Terms and Conditions

- **Non-Financial Nature:** This agreement is non-financial in nature. No exchange of funds between the District and the Provider shall occur for the basic services outlined herein.
- **Term and Renewal:** This agreement shall run for a period of one (1) year and shall be renewed automatically on an annual basis, unless notified by either party in writing with thirty (30) days notice of intent to terminate.
- **Compliance with Law and District Policy:** The parties will adhere to all applicable laws, regulations, and District policies in the performance of their respective responsibilities under this MOU, including but not limited to HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act) and FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act).
- **Notification of Standards:** The District will notify the Provider of all laws, regulations, and policies applicable to its services.
- **Safety and Background Checks:** In accordance with California Education Code, the Provider certifies that all employees who may come into contact with students have undergone a criminal background check (Live Scan) and have a current TB clearance on file.

For Cherry Clinic Dentistry:

(Signature)

Name/Title: _____

Date: _____

For Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District:

(Signature)

Name/Title: _____

Date: _____

CUTLER-OROSI JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting Agenda
April 23, 2026

AGENDA SECTION: **ADMINISTRATIVE/ORGANIZATIONAL**

AGENDA ITEM: **AUTHORIZE AGENTS TO SIGN SCHOOL DISTRICT ORDERS – SUNSIE TUMACDER**

ATTACHMENTS: **AUTHORIZED SIGNERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026**

FUNDING SOURCE **N/A**

DISCUSSION:

The Board of Trustees must file with the County Superintendent of Schools verified signatures of each person authorized to sign orders on behalf of the Governing Board.

The Superintendent recommends the Board authorize the removal of former Assistant Superintendent Dr. Brian Zimmerman as a signer and replace him with the new Assistant Superintendent Sunsie Tumacder to authorize her as a signer for the district effective April 1, 2026.

ITEM SUBMITTED AND APPROVED BY:

Name of administrator who reviewed and approved this item: Yolanda Valdez, Superintendent

BOARD GOAL

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1. Achieve academic excellence and meet the needs for all students in a safe supportive environment.

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2. Build human capacity by investing in training, coaching, and setting expectations for students, parents, staff, and the Board to support student achievement.

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3. Create efficient and effective systems that are innovative, accountable, and proactive.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the individuals on the attached list to sign on its behalf for the 2026 Calendar Year.

PROPOSED ACTION:

APPROVE

Item: 6

**ADD/REMOVE AUTHORIZED SIGNERS
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026**

CUTLER-OROSI JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

In accordance with Education Code Section 42633, the governing board of the above school district, following its annual organizational meeting in December 2025, filed with the county superintendent of schools the verified signature of each person authorized to sign orders in its name for calendar year 2026.

This school district wishes to add the name and signature of an officer or employee to its list of authorized signers and/or remove a person from the list.

The governing board of said district, at a regular meeting held on the 23rd day of April 2026, authorize the following person(s), whose signature appears opposite their name below, to sign orders in the name of said governing board and/or authorize the removal of the person(s) named below:

ADD TO THE AUTHORIZED SIGNER LIST:

Type or Print Name Here:

Signature Here:

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| 1. | Sunsie Tumacder | |
| 2. | | |
| 3. | | |

REMOVE FROM THE AUTHORIZED SIGNER LIST:

Type or Print Name Here:

- | | |
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| 1. | Brian Zimmerman |
| 2. | |
| 3. | |

All authorized signers will be included on one sheet following the December 2026 organizational meeting of this district.

BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE

CUTLER-OROSI JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Date:

By

Clerk or Secretary of the Board

Distribute as follows:

Copy to: Vanessa Cantu, Business Services
Tulare County Office of Education
Vanessa.cantu@tcoe.org

CUTLER-OROSI JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting Agenda
April 23, 2026

AGENDA SECTION: **ADMINISTRATIVE/ORGANIZATIONAL**

AGENDA ITEM: **2026 SENIOR VOICE SESSION**

ATTACHMENTS: **NONE**

FUNDING SOURCE: **N/A**

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of the Senior Voice School Board Work Session is for the Governing Board to review a summary report of student feedback on their personal experiences regarding school culture, quality of instruction, opportunities and accessibility to extra and co-curricular activities, student supports for social and emotional needs, college and career preparation and readiness, academic support by all stakeholders, as well as to provide an opportunity for the Governing Board to listen to student voice relative to senior students' appraisal of various aspects of their educational experience in the Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District with an emphasis on high school years. There is no action to be taken by the board on this item.

ITEM SUBMITTED AND APPROVED BY:

*Name and title of administrator who reviewed and approved this item: District Director of College and Career
 Lisa Castillo*

DESIRED OUTCOMES:

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1. Achieve academic excellence through high quality instruction while meeting the needs of all students in a safe, supportive, and inclusive environment.

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2. Build and retain human capacity by investing in training, coaching, and setting expectations for students, parents, staff and the Board to support student achievement.

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3. Create efficient and effective systems and educational practices that are innovative, accountable, and proactive.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends that the Board conduct a Senior Voice Session.

PROPOSED ACTION:

CONDUCT SENIOR VOICE SESSION

Item #: 7

CUTLER-OROSI JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Board Meeting Agenda
April 23, 2026

AGENDA SECTION: **CLOSED**

AGENDA ITEM: **PERSONNEL**

ATTACHMENTS: **PERSONNEL LETTER**

FUNDING SOURCE: **N/A**

DISCUSSION:

Employment/Additional Positions/Hours, Promotions/Assignments, Leaves, Resignations/Retirements, Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release. (Personnel Letter will be presented at the meeting during closed session.)

ITEM SUBMITTED AND APPROVED BY:

*Name and title of administrator who reviewed and approved this item: **Sunsie Tumacder, Assistant Superintendent***

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RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the Personnel Letter.

PROPOSED ACTION:

APPROVE

Item #: A, B



TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Sunsie Tumacder, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services

RE: Personnel Recommendations

DATE: April 23, 2026

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EMPLOYMENT/ADDITIONAL POSITIONS/HOURS:

1. Groundskeeper Bus Driver at the Sports Park, effective March 4, 2026.
2. TK Instructional Aide at Golden Valley Elementary School, effective April 7, 2026.
3. Instructional Aide at Golden Valley Elementary School, effective April 7, 2026.
4. Behavior Intervention Technician District Wide, effective April 7, 2026.
5. Preschool Aide at Palm Elementary School, effective April 7, 2026.
6. Grant Funded R&E Aide at Palm Elementary School, effective April 7, 2026.
GRANT FUNDED
7. Special Education Aide at Orosi High School, effective April 7, 2026.
8. Grant Funded Outreach Aide at the Family Education Center, effective April 9, 2026. GRANT FUNDED
9. Special Education Aide at Orosi High School, effective April 13, 2026.
10. Campus Security Bus Driver at Orosi High School, effective April 13, 2026.
11. Director of Student Services, Categorical Programs and Accountability, start date to be determined.

Administration

Yolanda Valdez
Superintendent

Shevonne Swanson
*Assistant Superintendent
Educational Services*

Sunsie Tumacder
*Assistant Superintendent
Administrative Services*

PROMOTIONS/REASSIGNMENTS:

12. from Special Education Aide to Grant Funded R&E Aide, effective April 27, 2026.
GRANT FUNDED
13. from Special Friends Aide to Special Education Aide, effective May 1, 2026.
14. from Grant Funded R&E Aide to Grant Funded Instructional Aide at Golden Valley School, effective April 13, 2026. GRANT FUNDED

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS:

15. Custodian Bus Driver at Orosi High School, resigning effective April 24, 2026.
16. School Psychologist at Orosi High School, resigning effective April 30, 2026.
17. Teacher at CDS, retiring effective June 5, 2026.

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18. Teacher at Golden Valley Elementary, retiring effective June 5, 2026.
19. Teacher at Golden Valley Elementary, retiring effective June 5, 2026.

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LEAVES: (Statutory – For Informational Purposes):

20. Outreach Aide at Family Education Center, on Baby Bonding Leave beginning April 1, 2026 through May 12, 2026.
21. Library Aide at Lovell High School, on Baby Bonding Leave beginning April 13, 2026 through April 24, 2026.

Administration

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