# RIDGEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Education Center**
**49 Cottage Place, Ridgewood, NJ 07450**
**AGENDA**

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## September 14, 2026

## Special Public Meeting 6:00 p.m.
## Adjourn to Executive Session 6:00 p.m.
## Reopen to Public Meeting 7:00 p.m.

The Public can view, listen and comment during the public comment period of the meeting via:

- **Physically attending at the Education Center**
- **Zoom from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone Android device (meeting ID 870-1302 7741)**
  - **Password: 062607450 (use "raise hand" button to make a comment)**
- **Phone at: 646-558-8656**
  - **Password: 062607450 *(press *9 to make a comment)***
- **Streaming on the District website**
- **Watching on Fios Channel 33**

## MEETING REGULATIONS

At all regular meetings, two opportunities are provided for citizens to make comments. The public comment period will be scheduled after student presentations. The second comment period will be at approximately 8:00 p.m. or just prior to the end of the meeting, whichever occurs first. The first opportunity may be limited by the presiding officer to conclude at about 7:00 p.m. in order for the Board to continue with its scheduled agenda. The second opportunity will occur at about 8:00 p.m. at the discretion of the presiding officer taking into consideration a break in the agenda.

At every opportunity for public comment, citizens are invited to comment on subjects on the agenda or general topics. At the discretion of the presiding officer, public comments may be permitted at other times.

Please remember this is a public meeting. Anything you say will be a public record. As a result, pursuant to law, the Board of Education cannot respond to you publicly concerning certain matters, such as those regarding an individual student or personnel. If there is a matter that you wish to remain private concerning personnel or students, please contact the Superintendent's Office. Public comment periods shall also be governed by the following rules:

1. Persons wishing to speak must, upon being recognized, rise, sign in, and state their names and municipality.
2. Each speaker shall be limited to four minutes. The Board Recorder will note the time. A speaker who has not finished in the allotted time will be directed by the presiding officer to summarize quickly and relinquish the floor within 30 seconds (bylaw 0167).
3. Comments shall be limited to issues. If personal remarks or discourteous statements are made, the presiding officer shall require the speaker to stop.
4. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer, no participant may address or question Board members individually.
5. No participants may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.
6. Questions requiring investigation shall be referred by the Board to the Superintendent's Office for consideration and later response. A participant may be asked to submit such questions in written format.

**Mission Statement**

The Ridgewood Public Schools, in partnership with the community, is committed to the pursuit of excellence and innovation that enables all students to maximize their individual potential and become lifelong learners.

**SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING** **September 14, 2026**

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL** **Ms. Brogan**

**II. MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Whereas the Ridgewood Board of Education seeks to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 to discuss matters pertaining to Legal Matters**.** The minutes of this closed session will be released when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

**III. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** **Ms. Brogan**

**IV. OPENING STATEMENT BY PRESIDING OFFICER** **Ms. Brogan**

**V. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC** **Ms. Brogan**

**VI. PRESENTATIONS** **Dr. Schwarz**

**A. State of the Schools**
- ➢ Dr. Mark Schwarz, Superintendent of Schools
- ➢ Mr. Brian Ross, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

**B. 2025 Testing Results: NJ Graduation Proficiency Assessment (GPA)**
- ➢ Dr. Mark Schwarz, Superintendent of Schools
- ➢ Mr. Brian Ross, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

**VII. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT** **Dr. Schwarz**

**VIII. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS** **Ms. Brogan**

**IX. DISCUSSION ITEMS** **Ms. Brogan**
- ➢ Discussion and Possible Action: AP Self- Study Amendment

**X. OTHER BUSINESS** **Ms. Brogan**

**XI. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC** **Ms. Brogan**

**XII. MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION** **Ms. Brogan**

**XIII. RECONVENED PUBLIC MEETING** **Ms. Brogan**

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT** **Ms. Brogan**

Upcoming Meetings

Monday, September 28, 2026
Regular Public Meeting
7:00 p.m. Education Center

Monday, October 5, 2026
Special Public Meeting
7:00 p.m. Education Center