RIDGEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION

Education Center
49 Cottage Place, Ridgewood, NJ 07450
AGENDA

October 26, 2026

Regular 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.

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

II. MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION — Ms. Brogan

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 personnel**.** 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. INFORMATION — Ms. Brogan

National Merit Scholarships
Approximately 1.3 million students took the 2025 PSAT/NMSQT last October and entered the National Merit Program - a highly competitive, nationwide academic recognition and scholarship program.

The following students have been designated semifinalists:

Amari Abdalla	Earnest Arnt-Schemmel	Aidan Han
Cheng Ze Liang	Edward Liu	Sia Sung

The following students have been identified as Commended Students:

Jay Ang	Caleb Kang	Joseph Lim	Efren Samano
Daniel Bae	Michael Katz	Tinsley Loonam	Jooahn Sohn
Bradley Chan	Katherine Keating	Anna Markova	Paulina Valencia
Eli Della Torre	Marco Khawaja	Peyton Mo	Alan Wang
Claire Dunnigan	Claire Lee	Akia Mukkatire	Jack Zhang
Philus Fan	Irene Lee	Violet Papageoge	Eric Zhou
Gauri Gupta	Jason Lee	Jordana Pinke	
Tristan Ho	Yuna Lee	Rachel Robertson	
Aaron Holden	Zachary Lieberman	Naveen Saggar	

VI. PRESENTATIONS — Ms. Brogan

A. 2026 Digital History Competition Scholarship Winners
- ➢ Award Recipients: Elizabeth Parker Langheim, Lily Malbin, Lauren Tepper
- ➢ Presented by the Princeton Battlefield Society

B. West Point - Dwight D. Eisenhower Leadership Award
- ➢ Award Recipient: Alexa Katsaros
- ➢ Presented by Stephen Kalish

C. Recognition of the Ashby Award and Tradition of Excellence Winners
- ➢ David Pfeiffer, Ashby Award Winner
- ➢ Maria Monnerat, Tradition of Excellence Winner

D. Student Representative Report
- ➢ Violet Batley and Anika Mukkatira, Ridgewood High School

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

VIII. PRESENTATIONS **Dr. Schwarz**

A. 2025-2026 HIB Grade Report
- ➢ Michael Piacenza, Assistant Principal George Washington Middle School

B. District Goals
- ➢ Dr. Mark Schwarz, Superintendent of Schools

IX. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT **Dr. Schwarz**

X. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS **Ms. Brogan**
- ➢ Finance
- ➢ Facilities
- ➢ Curriculum
- ➢ Policy

XI. CONSENT ITEMS: REGULAR AND ROUTINE ISSUES **Dr. Schwarz**

A. ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves Attendance at Conferences, as listed on **Attachment A**.

B. ADMINISTRATION

i. Approval: Receipt of Suspensions and Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Reports
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools approves the recommendation of the findings of the suspensions and confidential HIB reports received since the last Board meeting.

ii. Approval: School Self-Assessments for Determining Grades Under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act and Opportunity
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the **School Self-Assessments for Determining Grades** under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act and Opportunity. Upon Board approval, these results will be posted to the district website.

iii. Approval: District Services Nursing Plan
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the District Services Nursing Plan and Standing Orders for the 2026-2027 school year.

The Board has received background information.

iv. Approval: Second Reading and Adoption of Revised/Abolished Policies and Regulations
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the second reading and adoption of revised/abolished policies and regulations as listed below:

Revised:

- Policy 1230 Superintendent's Duties
- Bylaw 0162 Notice of Board Meetings
- Policy 2260 Equity in School and Classroom Practices
- Policy 5561 Use of Physical Restraint and Seclusion Techniques for Students
- Policy 6112 Reimbursement of Federal and Other Grant Expenditures
- Policy 6115.02 Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls - Mandatory Disclosures
- Policy 6311 Contracts for Goods or Services Funded by Federal Grants

Abolished:

- Regulation 2460.3 Additional/Compensatory Special Education and Related Services

v. **Approval: First Reading of New/Revised/Abolished Policies and Regulations**
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the first reading of New/Revised/Abolished policies and regulations as listed below:

New:

- Policy 5461 High School Diplomas
- Policy 0162.01 Legal Notices

Revised:

- Policy 2200 Curriculum
  - Policy 2411 Career Education and Academic Counseling
  - Policy 5460 High School Graduation
  - Regulation 6115.01 Federal Awards/Funds Internal Controls - Allowability of Costs
  - Policy 1643 Family Leave

Abolished:

- Regulation 2200 Curriculum
- Regulation 2411 Guidance Counseling

vi. **Approval: 2026-2027 District Goals**
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the 2026-2027 District Goals.

C. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

i. **Approval: Field Trips**
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves field trips as listed on **Attachment B.**

D. HUMAN RESOURCES

i. **Approval: Revised Job Descriptions**
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools,

approves the revised job descriptions, as listed below:

Revised:

- Manager of Human Resources
- Coordinator of Facilities

ii. Appointments

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the appointments listed below, subject to receipt of appropriate documentation and the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) certificate, if required.

ii-a. 2026-2027 School Year - Certificated Appointments

Name	Assignment	Location	Effective Date	NJDOE Certificate	Salary	Account #
Administrators						
Aday, Douglas	Covering for Supervisor of Special Programs Secondary	RHS	08/10/26-10/02/26 **revision**	Provisional Principal	Current Salary plus $2,500/month	11-000-221-102-24-000
Donnelly, Trecia	Covering for Supervisor of Special Programs Secondary	BFMS GWMS	08/10/26-10/02/26 **revision**	Standard Supervisor	Current Salary plus $2,500/month	11-000-221-102-24-000
Pavone, Alicia	Covering for Supervisor of Special Programs Secondary	Ed Center	08/10/26-10/02/26 **revision**	Standard Principal	Current Salary plus $2,500/month	11-000-221-102-24-000
Aday, Douglas	Covering for Assistant Principal	RHS	08/01/26-10/15/16 **revision**	CE Principal	Current Salary plus $3,750/ month	11-000-240-103-10-000
Nyhuis, Jeffrey	Covering for Assistant Principal	RHS	08/01/26-10/15/26 **revision**	Standard Principal	Current Salary plus $3,750/month	11-000-240-103-10-000
Gathright, Donna M.	Human Resource Manager	Ed Center	07/01/26-06/30/27	N/A	$115,000	11-000-251-100-23-000
Knapp, Robyn (Summer Approval)	Director Before/After Care	All Elementary	07/20/26-06/30/27	N/A	$110,000	11-421-200-100-40-000
Muscato, Anthony	Supervisor Special Programs, Secondary	Ed Center	10/05/26 06/30/27 **revision**	Standard Supervisor	$130,000	11-000-221-102-24-000
O'Keefe, Daniel	Assistant Principal	RHS	10/16/26-06/30/27 **revision**	Standard Principal	$143,000 ($140,000 + $3,000 PhD)	11-000-240-103-10-000
Smith, Daimian	Coordinator of Facilities	Ed Center	07/01/26-06/30/27	N/A	$130,000	11-000-261-100-42-000

Teachers						
Ferenczi, Elania	LOA Grade Advisor (non-tenure track)	RHS .80	11/23/26-03/25/27	Standard Teacher of the Handicapped	$56,049 BA, 1	11-213-100-101-10-000
McKenzie, Corine	1.0 FTE Kindergarten **revision**	Somerville	09/29/26-06/30/27	CEAS Elementary School Teacher K-6	$71,062 BA, 3	11-120-100-101-05-000
Schwarz, Tomasina	LOA Special Ed Res/Incl (non-tenure track)	GWMS	08/26/26-06/30/27 **revision**	Standard Students with Disabilities and Social Studies	$70,062 BA, 1	11-213-100-101-09-000
Support Staff						
Kubo, Tomohiro	Covering for another Technology/Media Technician	BFMS	10/19/26-10/21/26	N/A	Current Salary plus $500/week	11-000-222-177-31-000
Maxwell, Ryan*	Technology/ Media Technician	GWMS	10/22/26-06/30/27	N/A	$49,000	11-000-222-177-31-000
Palmer, Kevin (Summer Approval)	Supervisor Transportation and Operations	Ed Center	07/20/26-06/30/27	N/A	$102,000	11-000-251-100-40-000

ii-b. 2026-2027 School Year - Paraprofessional Appointments

Name	Assignment	Location	Salary	Effective Date	Account #
Bernard, Denise **rescind**	.77 FTE Pre-K Inclusion	Glen	$21,215	10/27/26-06/30/27	11-190-100-106-01-216
Wonsowicz, Leslie	.77FTE Pre-K Inclusion	Glen	$22,507 **revision**	08/26/26-06/30/27	11-190-100-106-01-216
Green, Winsome **rescind**	.77 FTE Resource	Travell	$21,215	10/27/26-06/30/27	11-213-100-106-06-000

ii-c. 2026-2027 School Year - Lunchroom Aide Appointments

Name	Location	Hours Per Day	Hourly Rate	Effective Date	Account #
Aslam, Rabia	Ridge	2	$19.00	10/27/26	11-000-262-107-23-000

ii-d. 2026-2027 School Year - Before/After Care Appointments, not to exceed 29 working hours per week.

Name	Location	Hourly Rate	Effective Date	Account #
Group Leaders				

Gallegos, Kayla Lynn	Glen	$18.00	09/03/26-06/30/27	11-421-100-101-40-100
Grabois, Victoria	Orchard	$19.00	09/28/26-06/30/27	11-421-100-101-40-100
Kunnipparampil, Jestin	Hawes	$19.00	09/28/26-06/30/27	11-421-100-101-40-100
Oliva, Dulce Maidel	Glen	$18.00	09/03/26-06/30/27	11-421-100-101-40-100
Philip, Prince	Travell	$18.00	09/03/26-06/30/27	11-421-100-101-40-100
Pierre, Jayla	Glen	$18.00	10/22/26-06/30/27	11-421-100-101-40-100
Stills, Payton	Orchard	$19.00	09/29/26-06/30/27	11-421-100-101-40-100

ii-e. 2026-2027 School Year - Field Placement Appointments

Name	College/ University	Placement	Supervisor	Location	Effective Date
Cavo, Victoria	Seton Hall University	Clinical I Social Studies	Christopher Watkins	GWMS	10/27/26-12/20/26
Meyer, Ara	Bergen Community College	Clinical I, II Math	Ashley Onembo	RHS	10/27/26-12/07/26

ii-f. 2026-2027 School Year - Additional Substitute Staff

Teachers-$160 Per Diem 11-1X0-100-101-23-101

Ferrara, Kristen	Kapur, Sunita	Negron, Lissette
Gill, Shabinder	Murphy, Maria	Puzio, Olivia

Secretaries-$18.50 Per Hour 11-000-240-105-23-101

Mannion, Erin

***Related to staff member**

ii-g. 2026-2027 School Year Revised Advisor/Co-Curricular Stipends - Elementary Schools
As listed on **Attachment C.**
Account #: 11-401-100-101-02-100 ($8,052.04); 11-401-100-101-03-100 ($3,726.21); 11-401-100-101-04-100 ($17,817.28); 11-401-100-101-05-100 ($19,145.01); 11-401-100-101-06-100 ($10,193.54); 11-401-100-101-07-100 ($13,791.26)

ii-h. 2026-2027 School Year Revised Clubs - BFMS, previously approved at the September 28, 2026 BOE meeting, revision for highlighted changes. As listed on **Attachment D.**
Account # 11-401-100-101-08-100
Cost Not to Exceed: $17,613.95

ii-i. 2026-2027 School Year Co-Curricular Stipends - BFMS
As listed on **Attachment E.**
Account # 11-401-100-101-08-100
Cost Not to Exceed: $46,493.00

ii-j. 2026-2027 School Year Advisor/Co-Curricular Stipends - GWMS

As listed on **Attachment F.**
Account # 11-401-100-101-09-100
Cost Not to Exceed: $63,588.00

ii-k. 2026-2027 School Year Co-Curricular Stipends - RHS
As listed on **Attachment G.**
Account # 11-401-100-101-10-100
Cost Not to Exceed: $188,995.00

ii-l. 2026-2027 School Year Music Chaperones - RHS
As listed on **Attachment H.**
Account # 11-401-100-101-10-100
Cost Not to Exceed: $10,193.54

ii-m. 2026-2027 School Year Change in Salary Classification effective September 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, in accordance with the REA/Board Agreement.
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Changes in Salary Classification, effective September 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, in accordance with the REA/Board Agreement,
as listed on **Attachment I.**
Cost Not To Exceed: $119,801.67

Account # 11-000-213-100-08-000; 11-000-216-100-24-000; 11-000-218-104-02-000; 11-000-218-104-08-000; 11-000-219-104-24-000; 11-120-100-101-02-000; 11-120-100-101-03-000; 11-120-100-101-05-000; 11-130-100-101-08-000; 11-130-100-101-09-000; 11-140-100-101-10-000; 11-212-100-101-01-213; 11-212-100-101-04-213; 11-212-100-101-24-212; 11-213-100-101-08-000; 11-230-100-101-02-000; 11-230-100-101-03-000

iii. 2026-2027 School Year Change of Assignments
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the change of assignments for the 2026-2027 school year, as listed below.

Name	From FTE Assignment Location	From Salary/ Hourly Rate	To FTE Assignment Location	To Salary/ Hourly Rate	Effective Date	Account #
Teachers						
Dodd, Rebecca	1.0 FTE Special Ed Resource Willard	$105,272 ($104,972 + $300 CP) MA+45, 12	1.2 FTE Special Ed Resource Willard	$126,266 ($125,966 + $300 CP) MA+45, 12	09/10/26-10/05/26 **revision**	11-213-100-101-07-000
Gerard, Amy	1.0 FTE Special Ed LLD Willard	$122,753 ($122,453 + $300 CP) MA+45, 18	1.2 FTE Special Ed LLD Willard	$147,242 ($146,942 + $300 CP) MA+45, 18	09/10/26-10/05/26 **revision**	11-204-100-101-07-000
Licata, Jennifer	1.0 FTE Special Ed Inclusion Willard	$99,742 MA+30,11	1.2 FTE Special Ed Inclusion Willard	$119,690 MA+30,11	09/10/26-10/05/26 **revision**	11-230-100-101-07-000

Watson, Andrea	1.0 FTE Grade Level Advisor RHS	$101,790 ($93,972+ $7,518 Ratio + $300 CP) MA+45, 8	1.1 FTE Grade Level Advisor RHS	$111,187 ($103,369 + $7,518 Ratio + $300 CP) MA+45, 8	11/23/26-03/25/27	11-140-100-101-10-000
Yannone, Meredith	1.0 FTE Grade Level Advisor RHS	$123,426 ($112,802+ $9,024 Ratio+$1,600 longevity) MA, 18	1.1 FTE Grade Level Advisor RHS	$134,706 ($124,082+ $9,024 Ratio+$1,600 longevity) MA, 18	11/23/26 03/25/27	11-140-100-101-10-000
Contreras, Colleen	1.0 FTE Spec Ed English RHS	$102,912 ($101,412 + $1,500 longevity) BA, 17	1.2 FTE Spec Ed English RHS	$123,194 ($121,694 + $1,500 longevity) BA, 17	10/27/26-06/30/27	11-213-100-101-10-000
Hoogerhyde, Michael	1.0 FTE Spec Ed Science RHS	$119,432 ($119,132 + $300 CP) MA+30, 18	1.2 FTE Spec Ed Science RHS	$143,258 ($142,958 + $300 CP) MA+30, 18	10/27/26-06/30/27	11-213-100-101-10-000
Meyer, Nicholas	1.0 FTE Spec Ed Science RHS	$111,622 MA+45, 15	1.2 FTE Spec Ed Science RHS	$133,946 MA+45, 15	10/27/26-06/30/27	11-213-100-101-10-000
Mahoney, Marisa	1.0 FTE School Counselor BFMS	$124,551 ($116,122+ $8,129 Ratio+ $300 CP) MA+45, 17	1.1 FTE School Counselor BFMS	$136,163 ($127,734+ $8,129 Ratio+ $300 CP) MA+45, 17	08/26/26-10/07/26 **revision**	11-000-218-104-08-000
Sheer, Lara	1.0 FTE School Counselor BFMS	$122,298 ($112,802+ $7,896 Ratio +$1,600 Longevity) MA, 18	1.1 FTE School Counselor BFMS	$133,578 (124,082+ $7,896 Ratio +$1,600 Longevity) MA, 18	08/26/26-10/07/26 **revision**	11-000-218-104-08-000
DiStefano, Alissa	1.0 FTE Spec Ed Inclusion GWMS	$117,992 ($116,122 + $300 CP + $1,500 longevity) MA + 45, 17	1.2 FTE Spec Ed Inclusion GWMS	$141,146 ($139,346 + $300 CP + $1,500 longevity) MA + 45, 17	08/26/26-10/06/26 **revision**	11-130-100-101-09-000
Donohue, Maria Christina	1.0 FTE Grade 6 Math GWMS	$114,012 MA + 30, 17	1.2 FTE Grade 6 Math GWMS	$136,814 MA + 30, 17	08/26/26-10/06/26 **revision**	11-130-100-101-09-000
Villoslada, Samantha	1.0 FTE Spec Ed LLD GWMS	$112,802 MA, 18	1.2 FTE Spec Ed LLD GWMS	$135,362 MA, 18	08/26/26-10/06/26 **revision**	11-130-100-101-09-000
Walker, Christine	1.0 FTE Grade 6 Math	$124,252 ($122,452 +	1.2 FTE Grade 6 Math	$148,742 ($146,942 +	08/26/26-10/06/26	11-130-100-101-09-000

	GWMS	$300 CP + $1,500 longevity) MA + 45,18	GWMS	$300 CP + $1,500 longevity) MA + 45,18	**revision**	
Dolby, Luke	1.0 FTE English RHS	$102,172 ($101,872 + $300 CP) MA+45, 11	1.2 FTE English RHS	$122,546 ($122,246+ $300 CP) MA+45, 11	08/26/26-06/30/27	11-140-100-101-10-000
Fabish, Cassandra	1.0 FTE Spec Ed Resource Somerville	$114,302 ($112,802 + $1,500 longevity) MA, 18	1.2 FTE Spec Ed Resource Somerville	$136,862 ($135,362 + $1,500 longevity) MA, 18	10/05/26-11/30/26	11-213-100-101-05-000
Finnegan, Kathleen	1.0 FTE School Counselor Somerville	$90,087 ($84,162 + $5,625 Ratio + $300 CP) MA, 7	1.2 FTE School Counselor Somerville	$106,919 ($100,994 + $5,625 Ratio + $300 CP) MA, 7	10/05/26-11/30/26	11-000-218-104-05-000
Kiernan, Meredith	1.0 FTE Grade 5 Somerville	$122,752 ($122,452 + $300 CP) MA+45, 18	1.2 FTE Grade 5 Somerville	$147,242 ($146,942 + $300 CP) MA+45, 18	10/05/26-11/30/26	11-120-100-101-05-000
Mejia, Alexandra	1.0 FTE Grade 2 Somerville	$84,462 ($84,162 + $300 CP) MA, 7	1.2 FTE Grade 2 Somerville	$101,294 ($100,994 + 300 CP) MA, 7	10/05/26-11/30/26	11-120-100-101-05-000
Paraprofessionals						
Capazzi, Anne	.77 FTE ABA Non-Certified Ridge **revision**	$24,455	.77 FTE ABA Certified Ridge	$28,257	09/10/26-06/30/26	11-212-100-106-04-213
Harney, Kevin	.77 FTE ABA Non-Certified Orchard	$25,945	.77 FTE ABA Certified Orchard	$29,978	09/25/26-06/30/27	11-213-100-106-03-000

iv. Termination

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the termination of Employee #0394, effective 10/12/26.

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the termination of Employee #0377, effective 09/30/26.

v. Resignations

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the resignations, as listed below.

Teacher			
Karras, Angela	LOA School Psychologist	RHS	12/23/26

Paraprofessional			
Piccini, Lucia	Pre-K Inclusion	Glen	10/15/26
Site Manager			
Henry, Tyler	Before/After Care	Ridge	10/30/26
Group Leader			
Cueto Amarante, Adrianna	Before/After Care	Glen	10/19/26

vi. Leaves of Absence

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the leave of absence, as listed below.

Name	Assignment	Location	Type of Leave	New/ Revision	Paid	Unpaid w/ Benefits	Unpaid w/out Benefits	Return to Work
Arensmeier, Meredith	Grade 8 Math	BFMS	Medical/ Family	Revision	08/26/26-10/07/26	10/08/26-01/30/27	02/01/27 05/27/27	05/28/27
Brunner, Dina	Spec Ed Resource	Willard	Medical	Revision	08/26/26-10/02/26	N/A	N/A	10/05/26
Cassetta, Sabrina	Grade 3	Somerville	Medical/ Family	New	02/05/27-03/17/27	03/18/27-06/23/27	N/A	08/25/27
Funtsch, Kaitlyn	Spec Ed Resource/ Inclusion	GW	Medical/ Family	Revision	12/01/25-01/30/25	02/02/26-04/30/26	05/01/26-06/30/27	08/25/27
Nicholaides, Nikitas	Athletic Trainer	RHS	Medical	New	11/09/26-12/23/26	N/A	N/A	01/04/27
Ponchak, James	Grade 7 Math	GW	Medical	Revision	08/26/26-10/01/26	N/A	N/A	10/02/26

vii. Supplemental Pay Beyond Contract

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the supplemental pay beyond contract, as listed below.

vii-a. 2026-2027 School Year Before/After Care Employee Staffing Assistance, not to exceed 10,000 hours. Program begins and ends 10/01/26-06/30/27.

Name	Assignment	Hourly Rate	Account #
Batawala, Hasi	Per Diem Substitute	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Bond, Lily	Lunchroom Aide	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Brazell, Erika	Lunchroom Aide	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Canella, Gianna	Teacher	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Carr, Lauren	Principal	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100

Crawford, Ryan	Teacher	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Del Percio, Lorraine	Lunchroom Aide	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Dombi, Geannemarie	Lunchroom Aide	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Ferreri, Mary	Principal	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Galanti, Megan	Supervisor	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Haug, Sheri	Permanent Substitute	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Hoffman, Caroline	Principal	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Jasper, Justin	Principal	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
McCullough, Christopher	Supervisor	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Nagy, Zsuzsanna	Teacher	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Oates-Santos, Lorna	Principal	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
O'Neill, Jean-Anne	Supervisor	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Piacenza, Michael	Assistant Principal	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Shareef, Amber	Lunchroom Aide	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Stovell, Shauna	Principal	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Taylor, Nicole	Teacher	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Whyard, Lesley	Administrative Assistant	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Wisniewski, Stacey	Principal	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100
Yang, Susie	Teacher	$42.83	11-421-100-101-40-100

vii-b. 2026-2027 School Year Revised Unified Sports Program Event Support Staff, on an as-needed basis not to exceed $10,000.

Name	Current Position	Hourly Rate	Account #
Anderson, Christine	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Ardese, Lynn	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Bangash, Vaughn	Paraprofessional	$20.11	11-421-100-101-24-100
Biddiscombe, Peter	Paraprofessional	$27.59	11-421-100-101-24-100
Contreras, Colleen	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Cronk, Paul	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
D'Elia, Eileen	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Felano, Derek	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Fisse, Lauren	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100

Ghobrial, Marian	Paraprofessional	$27.59	11-421-100-101-24-100
Giardino, Stacy	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Gigante, Stefanie	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Gordon, Julie	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Hernandez, Eddis	Paraprofessional	$27.59	11-421-100-101-24-100
Hoff, Erica **(Addition)**	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Kirtane, Medha	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
LaFemina, Freddie	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Leitman, Billie Jean	Paraprofessional	$26.78	11-421-100-101-24-100
Lohr, Jennifer	Paraprofessional	$29.87	11-421-100-101-24-100
Lug, Raymond	Paraprofessional	$22.77	11-421-100-101-24-100
Non, Arlene	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Pandit, Jalpa	Paraprofessional	$27.59	11-421-100-101-24-100
Pearson, Richard	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Polanco, Wendy	Paraprofessional	$28.20	11-421-100-101-24-100
Sweisberger, Sabrina	Paraprofessional	$27.59 **revision**	11-421-100-101-24-100
Tolve, Laura	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Valeri, Amanda **(Addition)**	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100
Yannone, Meredith	REA	$42.83	11-421-100-101-24-100

vii-c. **2026-2027 School Year Title I Grant - High-Impact Tutoring Program,** total not to exceed $9,651 inclusive of all participants

Name	Hourly Rate	Account #
Ridgewood High School		
Contreras, Colleen	$68.61	20-231-100-101-10-100
Darragh, Nari	$57.57	20-231-100-101-10-100
Doris, Michelle	$82.83	20-231-100-101-10-100
Farrar, Eva	$75.20	20-231-100-101-10-100
Felano, Derek	$60.94	20-231-100-101-10-100
Gyulay, Joseph	$73.93	20-231-100-101-10-100
Ingoglia, Brenda	$82.83	20-231-100-101-10-100

Pinches, Katharine	$76.20	20-231-100-101-10-100
Richardson, Monika	$87.79	20-231-100-101-10-100
Rosenfeld, Lauren	$82.83	20-231-100-101-10-100
Scevola, Adam	$74.61	20-231-100-101-10-100

vii-d. 2026-2027 School Year Additional and New: Elementary, Middle School and High School Clubs/Activities

Name	Club	Category	Ratio	Divide By	# of Hours Per Person	Hourly/ Daily Rate Per Person	Total Not to Exceed Per Person	Total Not to Exceed	Account #
Hawes Elementary School									
Downing, Melanie	Drama Club	N/A	N/A	N/A	44	$42.83	$1,884.52	$1,884.52	11-401-100-101-02-100 District cost = $0
Knight, Shelley	Drama Club Choreography	N/A	N/A	N/A	66	$42.83	$2,826.78	$2,826.78	11-401-100-101-02-100 District cost = $0
Vehmas, Christopher	Drama Club Musical Director	N/A	N/A	N/A	37	$42.83	$1,584.71	$1,584.71	11-401-100-101-02-100 District cost: $0
Orchard Elementary School									
Chicas, Christina	Drama Club Art	N/A	N/A	N/A	45 **revision**	$42.83	$1,927.35 **revision**	$1,927.35 **revision**	11-401-100-101-03-100 District cost: = $0
Jones, Michelle	Drama Club Asst. to Director	N/A	N/A	N/A	45 **revision**	$42.83	$1,927.35 **revision**	$1,927.35 **revision**	11-401-100-101-03-100 District cost: = $0
Lackner, David	Drama Club Music	N/A	N/A	N/A	45 **revision**	$42.83	$1,927.35 **revision**	$1,927.35 **revision**	11-401-100-101-03-100 District cost = $0
Mazzurco, Elizabeth	Drama Club Choreography	N/A	N/A	N/A	45	$42.83	$1,927.35	$1,927.35	11-401-100-101-03-100 District cost =$0

George Washington Middle School									
Pepe, Michael	AMC8 Math Competition	N/A	N/A	N/A	**5**	$42.83	$214.15	$214.15	11-401-100-101-09-100
Weiss-Chromeck, Courtney	Green Thumb	N/A	N/A	N/A	**20**	$42.83	$856.60	$856.60	11-401-100-101-09-100

vii-e. 2026-2027 School Year Chaperones

Name	Trip/ Activity	Dates	# of Nights Per Person	# of Hours/ Days Per Person	Hourly/ Daily Rate Per Person	Total Not to Exceed Per Person	Total Not to Exceed	Account #
Benjamin Franklin Middle School								
Gonzalez, Soraya	Spirit Night	10/30/26	N/A	3	$22.50	$67.50	$67.50	11-401-100-101-08-100
Brophy, Nancy Domingues, Roseanne Donnelly, Trecia Downs, Emily Franklin, Robert	Spirit Night	10/30/26	N/A	3	$42.83	$128.49	$642.45	11-401-100-101-08-100
Strafaci, Denise	Spirit Night	10/30/26	N/A	3	$32.17	$96.51	$96.51	11-401-100-101-08-100
Brophy, Nancy Curcio, Jason Donnelly, Trecia Ferreri, Todd Franklin, Robert Kawash, Justine Lee, Kelly Luckenbill, John Ordini, Jason Ran, Benjamin Skettini, Donna Wearley, Meredith Zlotkin, Amanda	Music in the Parks	05/21/27	N/A	6	$42.83	$256.98	$3,340.74	11-401-100-101-08-100
Ziobro, Christine (sub nurse)	Music in the Parks	05/21/27	N/A	6	$26.67	$160.02	$160.02	11-401-100-101-08-100

Wisniewski, Stacey	Music in the Parks	05/21/27	N/A	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	11-401-100-101-08 -100
Berk, Ashley Brophy, Nancy Folkemer, Beth Mahoney, Marisa Menzies, Lauren Nizza, Amber Porod, Jason Ran, Benjamin Cermack, Lisa Coniglia, Debra	Ski Club	01/05/27 01/12/27 01/26/27 02/02/27 02/09/27	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	6.75 6.75 6.75 6.75 6.75	$42.83 $42.83 $42.83 $42.83 $42.83 $32.17 $27.59	$289.10 $289.10 $289.10 $289.10 $289.10	$1,445.51 $1,445.51 $1,445.51 $1,445.51 $1,445.51	11-401-100-101-08 -100
Ridgewood High School								
Bunzey, Craig	Ski Club	01/05/27 01/12/27 01/26/27 02/02/27 02/09/27	N/A	69 **revision**	$42.83	$2,955.27	$2,955.27	11-401-100-101-10 -100 District cost = $0
Ballas, Alexander **(Added)**	Ski Club	01/05/27 01/12/27 01/26/27 02/02/27 02/09/27	N/A	50	$42.83	$2,141.50	$2,141.50	11-401-100-101-10 -100 District cost = $0
Barker, Barbara Bunzey, Craig Franklin, Robert Kay, Peter Knott, Ronald Luo, Miles Mahler, Craig McAlister, Erin Quirk, Brian Rehain, Kelsey Scully, Brett van den Berg, Savannah **(Added)**	ALPS Fall Trip Stony Creek, NY 3 participants	11/05/26-11/07/26	2	N/A	$200.00	$400.00	$1,200	11-401-100-101-10 -100
Barker, Barbara Bunzey, Craig Franklin, Robert Kay, Peter Knott, Ronald Luo, Miles Mahler, Craig McAlister, Erin Quirk, Brian Rehain, Kelsey	ALPS Cross Country Trip Silver Bay, NY 2 participants	01/08/27-01/10/27	2	N/A	$200.00	$400.00	$800.00	11-401-100-101-10 -100

Scully, Brett van den Berg, Savannah **(Added)**								
Barker, Barbara Bunzey, Craig Franklin, Robert Kay, Peter Knott, Ronald Luo, Miles Mahler, Craig McAlister, Erin Quirk, Brian Rehain, Kelsey Scully, Brett van den Berg, Savannah **(Added)**	ALPS Spring Trip Walton, NY 2 participants	04/30/27-05/02/27	2	N/A	$200.00	$400.00	$800.00	11-401-100-101-10-100
Barker, Barbara Bunzey, Craig Franklin, Robert Kay, Peter Knott, Ronald Luo, Miles Mahler, Craig McAlister, Erin Quirk, Brian Rehain, Kelsey Scully, Brett	AOPS Fall Trip Walton, NY **Revision** 2 participants	10/16/26-10/18/26	2	N/A	$200.00	$400.00	$800.00	11-401-100-101-10-100
Barker, Barbara Bunzey, Craig Franklin, Robert Kay, Peter Knott, Ronald Luo, Miles Mahler, Craig McAlister, Erin Quirk, Brian Rehain, Kelsey Scully, Brett	AOPS Downhill Trip Silver Bay, NY **Revision** 2 participants	01/29/27-01/31/27	2	N/A	$200.00	$400.00	$800.00	11-401-100-101-10-100
Barker, Barbara Bunzey, Craig Franklin, Robert Kay, Peter Knott, Ronald Luo, Miles Mahler, Craig McAlister, Erin Quirk, Brian Rehain, Kelsey Scully, Brett van den Berg,	AOPS Whitewater Trip North River, NY **Revision** 3 participants	05/14/27-05/16/27	2	N/A	$200.00	$400.00	$1,200.00	11-401-100-101-10-100

Savannah **revision**								
Barker, Barbara Bunzey, Craig Franklin, Robert Kay, Peter Knott, Ronald Luo, Miles Mahler, Craig McAlister, Erin Quirk, Brian Rehain, Kelsey Scully, Brett van den Berg, Savannah **revision**	AOPS Adirondack Summer Training Seminar Keene Valley, NY **Revision** 4 participants	06/23/27-06/27/27	4	N/A	$200.00	$800.00	$3,200.00	11-401-100-101-10-100
Lee, Christine Makhlouf, Nehrin Policelli, Amy	World Languages National Honor Society Induction 3 participants	10/21/26	N/A	2	$42.83	$85.66	$256.98	11-401-100-101-10-100

vii-f. 2026-2027 School Year Revised Morning Cafeteria Supervision- on an as needed basis not to exceed 100 hours in total.

Name	Location	Hourly Rate	Account #
Scillieri, Jo Ellen	Ridge	$28.48 **revision**	11-120-100-101-04-100
Collins, Cassidy	BFMS	$26.78 **revision**	11-120-100-101-04-100

vii-g. 2026-2027 School Year Volunteer Mentor Training

Name	Location
Porod, Leigh	District

vii-h. 2026-2027 School Year One-to-One Support for Special Education Students Attending After School Clubs

Name	Location	# of Hours Per Person	Hourly/ Rate	Total Not to Exceed Per Person	Total Not to Exceed	Account #
Gill, Shabinder	Ridge	6	$28.48	$170.88	$170.88	11-401-100-101-04-100
Scillieri, Jo Ellen	Ridge	6	$28.48	$170.88	$170.88	11-401-100-101-04-100

vii-i. **2026-2027 School Year Revised Ridgewood High School Targeted Academic Intervention and Support effective September 2, 2026, through June 23, 2027.** Hours determined as needed, total not to exceed $20,000, inclusive of all staff.

Name	Hourly Rate	Account #
Gordon, Julie	$76.20 **revision**	11-140-100-101-10-100
Richardson, Monika	$87.79	11-140-100-101-10-100
Scevola, Adam	$74.61	11-140-100-101-10-100
Van Treuren, Ryan	$56.31	11-140-100-101-10-100

vii-j. **2026-2027 School Year Academic Study Hall/Detention Supervision**

Name	Location	Total # of Hours	Hourly Rate	Total Not to Exceed	Account #
Menzies, Lauren Mahoney, Marisa, Ran, Benjamin	BFMS	29	$42.83	$1,242.07	11-421-100-101-08-100
Collins, Cassidy	BFMS	9	$26.78	$241.02	11-421-100-101-08-100

vii-k. **2026-2027 School Year Additional Home Instruction,** on an as needed basis
Account # 11-150-100-101-27-100; 11-219-100-101-24-100

Name	Location	Hourly Rate
Adams, Brianna	GWMS	$64.30
Buonforte, Lyndsay	GWMS	$63.27
Cinella, Lynne	GWMS	$63.27
Daidone, Brittany	GWMS	$64.30
Donohue, Maria Cristina	GWMS	$63.27
FInk, Susan	Hawes	$64.30
Giannetti, Courtney	GWMS	$64.30
Head, Eileen	Hawes	$64.30
Kadus, Christopher	GWMS	$64.30
Murphy, Laura	Hawes	$64.30
Sacks, Lauren	District	$64.30
van den Berg, Savannah	RHS	$61.91
Weiss-Chromeck	GWMS	$64.30
Youngling, Kimberly	GWMS	$63.27

vii-l. 2026-2027 School Year Additional Lunch Duty Supervision, on an as needed basis.

Name	Location	Total # of Hours Not to Exceed	Hourly Rate	Total Not to Exceed	Account #
Bastos, Juliana	Willard	10	$19.00	$190.00	11-120-100-101-07-100
Heider, Erin	Orchard	10	$30.25	$302.50	11-120-100-101-03-100
Rinaldo, Geraldine	Willard	10	$19.00	$190.00	11-120-100-101-07-100
Woods, Jamie	Orchard	10	$30.25	$302.50	11-120-100-101-03-100

vii-m. 2026-2027 School Year Paraprofessional Training for Student Support, occurs before the school day begins

Name	Location	Total # of Hours Not to Exceed	Hourly Rate	Total Not to Exceed	Account #
Bastos, Juliana	Willard	4	$19.52	$78.08	11-213-100-106-07-000
Polsky, Jordan	Willard	4	$21.38	$85.52	11-213-100-106-07-000

E. FINANCE

i. <u>Acceptance of Restricted Donations:</u>

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, accepts the following restricted gifts for the **2026-2027** school year, to be used as indicated.

2026-2027 Donations			
Donor	**Amount**	**Use**	**Account #**
Ridgewood High School Home and School Association	$704.47 (gift in kind)	A gift in kind of chimes to enhance the High School building.	N/A
Ridgewood High School Home and School Association	$489.56	To be used to support the German Co-Curricular Club.	20-000-100-800-10-000
Ridgewood High School Home and School Association	$7,503.11	To be used to pay for speakers and the projector in the Learning Commons.	20-000-400-730-10-000
Ridgewood High School Home and School Association	$6,440.06	To be used to pay for co-curricular clubs at Ridgewood High School.	20-000-100-101-10-000
Ridgewood High School Alumni Association	$50,000 (gift in kind)	A gift in kind of a refurbishment project outside of the Little Theatre that will include memorial pavers, new trees, benches and Alumni	N/A

		Square signage.	
The Valley Hospital	$4,750	To be used to pay for supplies, rental and presenters for Super Science Saturday.	20-000-100-800-22-000
Hawes Home and School Association	$25,000	To be used to pay for the Field Trips during the 2026-2027 School year for Hawes Elementary School.	Hawes Student Activity Account

ii. Approval: Budget Appropriation Transfers

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves transfers for **August 2026** as shown in the Journal Entry listing pursuant to Policy 6422.

The Board has received background information and this has been reviewed by the Finance Committee

iii. Approval: Secretary's Line Item Certification

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received the Report of the Secretary for the month of **August, 2026**,

WHEREAS, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10(d), the secretary has certified that, as of the date of the report(s), no budgetary line item account has obligations and payments (contractual orders) which in total exceed the amount appropriated by the district board of education, now, therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, the Board of Education accepts the above-referenced reports and certifications and orders that they be attached to and made part of the record of this meeting, and Be it Further Resolved, in compliance with N.J.A.C. 6:20-A10(e), the Board of Education certifies that, after review of the secretary's monthly financial reports (appropriate section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of its knowledge, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2A.10(a)(1), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the school year.

iv. Approval: Acceptance of the Board Secretary and Treasurer Report

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has received the report of the Secretary and Treasurer for the month of **August**, **2026 ;** now, therefore,
BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education accepts the above-referenced reports and orders that it be attached to and made part of the official record of this meeting.
The Board has received background information and this has been reviewed by the Finance Committee.

v. Approval: Disposal of Assets
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the disposal of assets as listed on **Attachment J**.

vi. Approval: Agreement with Dumroo AI, Inc
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the agreement with Dumroo AI, Inc, to participate in a pilot program for the artificial intelligence enabled educational software platform (the "Platform) for a period of twelve (12) months, at no cost to the district.

The Board has received background information.

vii. Approval: Submission of the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and M-1 Form
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following resolution for submission of the Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and M-1 Form to the Department of Education.

Whereas, the Department of Education requires New Jersey school districts to submit three-year maintenance plans documenting "required" maintenance activities for each of its public school facilities, and

Whereas, the required maintenance activities as listed in the attached document for the various school facilities of the Board of Education of the Village of Ridgewood are consistent with these requirements, and

Whereas, all past and planned activities are reasonable to keep school facilities open and safe for use or in their original condition and to keep their system warranties valid,

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Ridgewood Board of Education hereby authorizes the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to submit the attached Comprehensive Maintenance Plan and M-1 Form for the Ridgewood Public School District. The Board has received background information and it was reviewed with the Finance Committee.

viii. Approval: 2027 Sustainable Jersey of Schools NJEA Grant Submission
The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the submission of the following grant application:

Description	Account	2026-2027 Original Budget
Anti Bird Collision Supplies and Material	20-437-100-600-22-000	$1,300
Custodial OT for Installation	20-437-200-100-22-100	$700
Total Budget Sustainable Schools NJEA		$2,000

ix. Approval: Revision to the Local Recreational Improvement Grant (LRIG) Grant Submission

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the following grant submission revision:

Description	Account	2025-2026 Adjusted Budget	Transfer	2026-2027 Revision 2 Budget
Basketball Supplies	20-431-200-600-22-000-0	$6,645	-$6,100	$545
Property Services	20-431-200-400-22-000-0	$39,640	$6,100	$45,740
Equipment	20-431-200-730-22-000-0	$24,715	$0	$24,715
	Total Budget LRIG	$71,000	$0	$71,000

x. Approval: Additional Received Student for the 2026-2027 School Year

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the additional receiving student for the 2026-2027 school year as listed below:

School	Program	Sending District	Number of students	Tuition Received
Ridgewood High School	Unified Sports	Ramapo Indian Hills Regional HS	2	$0 total $2,500 for up to 3 students, 1 student approved at the 9/28/26 BOE Meeting

xi. Approval: Budgeted Additional Regular and Extended School Year Out-of-District Placements for the 2026-2027 School Year

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the budgeted additional regular and extended school year out-of-district placements for the 2026-2027 school year as listed in **Attachment K**.

xii. Approval: Agreement with Additional Contracted Vendors to Provide Special Education Services for the 2026-2027 School Year

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the budgeted contracted vendors for the 2026-2027 school year as listed below:

Contractor	Service	Rates	Not to Exceed	Account ID
Bergen County Special Services	BCBA ESY 2026	$20,175.00	$20,175.00	11-000-216-320-24-000
Best of You Therapy	Related Services	$95 - $100/hr	$70,495.00	11-000-216-320-24-000
D.C. Fagan Psychological Services	Psychological Evaluations & Neuropsychological Testing	$200 - $3,500/hr.	$8,000.00	11-000-219-320-24-000
Dr. Hugh Bases	Neurodevelopmental Pediatrician	$1,000 per evaluation	$7,000.00	11-000-219-320-24-000

Inspira Comprehensive Services, LLC	Bilingual evaluations	$650 - $700 per evaluation	$2,500.00	11-000-219-320-24-000
Learning Tree Multicultural/Multilingual	Bilingual speech services	$800 per evaluation	$4,400.00	11-000-216-320-24-000
Pillar Care Continuum	AAC/AT Services	$11,250 / mo.	$101,250.00	11-000-216-320-24-000
St. Joe's School for the Blind	Service for visually impaired student	$185 / hr.	$5,000.00	11-000-217-320-24-000
The COR Behavioral Group	ABA services for students	$125 / hr.	$7,500.00	11-000-219-320-24-000
Vista Education Partners	Orientation & mobility services 1:1	$180 / hr.	$6,300.00	11-000-217-320-24-000

xiii. Approval: Agreement SE2/2026-20027

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves Agreement SE2/2026-2027 between the parents and the Ridgewood Board of Education. The Board has received background information.

xiv. Approval: Agreement SE3/2026-20027

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves Agreement SE3/2026-2027 between the parents and the Ridgewood Board of Education. The Board has received background information.

XII. RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS NOT INCLUDED IN CONSENT AGENDA Dr. Schwarz

A. Approval: Awarding a Contract for Girls' Toilet Rooms Renovation at George Washington Middle School

WHEREAS, there exists a need to fully remodel the girls' basement bathroom at George Washington Middle School (“GWMS”); and

WHEREAS, the Ridgewood Board of Education withdrew funds from the Capital Reserve and appropriated the funds for the capital projects in the 2026-2027 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4(a) mandates that every contract for the performance of services where the cost of said contract exceeds the district’s bid threshold of $53,000.00 be awarded only by resolution of the Board of Education to the lowest responsible bidder after public advertising for bids; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-21(a) mandates that advertisements for bids be published in an official newspaper for a minimum of 10 days prior to the bid opening date; and

WHEREAS, Bid No. 10-27 was advertised on September 9, 2026, and September 10, 2026, in the Star-Ledger and Bergen Record, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the district received and publicly opened sealed bid submissions on Friday, October 2, 2026, submitted by the following organizations with lump sum pricing for services:

No.	Company Name	Address	Lump Sum Bid Price
1	Alexander the Great, Inc.	581 Route 46 W., Fairfield, NJ 07004	$160,000.00
2	**BGD Contracting, LLC**	**220 Homestead Place, Park Ridge, NJ 07656**	**$73,900.00**
3	Drill Construction Co., Inc.	80 Main Street, Suite 570, West Orange, NJ 07052	$99,000.00
4	K&B Contractors, LLC	5 Vetrone Drive, Woodland Park, NJ 07424	$139,000.00
5	K&D Contractors, LLC	351 Monroe Avenue, Kenilworth, NJ 07033	$186,200.00
6	Northeast Construction Services, LLC	15 Donna Lane, Flanders, NJ 07836	$164,838.00
7	Reliance Remodeling	385 President St., Saddle Brook, NJ 07663	$179,000.00
8	Salazar & Associates, Inc.	2226 Morris Avenue, Union, NJ 07083	$279,000.00
9	Valex Builders, Inc.	46 5th Street, Midland Park, NJ 07432	$177,000.00

THEREFORE, upon the recommendation of the district's Architect of Record, Gianforcaro Architects & Engineers, and the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Ridgewood Board of Education awards a contract to BGD Contracting, LLC for Girls Toilet Room Renovations at George Washington Middle School–Bid No. 10-27.

Cost Not to Exceed: $73,900.00
Account Number: 30-000-400-450-42-315

B. Approval: Award of Contract for Bond Counsel Services (RFP No. 05-327)

WHEREAS, there exists a need for specialized legal services in connection with the authorization, preparation, review of procedures, and issuance of public debt obligations for the capital program of The Board of Education of the Village of Ridgewood in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Board"), including the rendering of approving legal opinions acceptable to the financial community; and

WHEREAS, competitive proposals for Bond Counsel Services under RFP No. 05-27 were requested and emailed to prospective vendors on July 10, 2026, and were publicly opened on July 31, 2026; and are listed below:

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Vendor	Partner Hourly	Associate Hourly	Paralegal Hourly	Permanent Bond Sales Base Fee	Temporary Bond Sales Base Fee	ESIP Base Fee	Equipment Lease Base Fee
McManimon, Scotland & Baumann	$225	$225	$155	$5,000	$1,000.00	$15,000	$3,500 to $7,500
Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer	$165	$165	$0.	$3,500	N/A	$7,500	$3,500

WHEREAS, proposals were received from the following respondents:

- McManimon, Scot, & Baumann, LLC, 75 Livingston Ave., 2nd Floor, Roseland, NJ 07068
- Wilentz, Goldman, & Spitzer, P.A., 90 Woodbridge Center Drive, Woodbridge, NJ 07095; and

WHEREAS, the submitted proposals were formally reviewed and evaluated by an Evaluation Committee comprising Richard Matthews (School Business Administrator/Board Secretary), Patti Cleary (Confidential Assistant to the School Business Administrator), and Narrisa Boyd (Budget, Accounting, & Reporting Specialist); and

WHEREAS, the evaluators scored the proposals across Technical, Management, and Cost criteria, yielding the following composite average scores:

Category	Criteria	Weight	McManimon, Scot, & Baumann	Wilentz, Goldman, & Spitzer
I.	Technical Criteria	30%	28.33	30.00
II.	Management Criteria	30%	26.33	30.00
III.	Cost Criteria	40%	17.91	40.00
Totals		100%	72.58	100.00

WHEREAS, Wilentz, Goldman, & Spitzer, P.A. received a total evaluation score of 100.00% and is a law firm recognized by the financial community as possessing the requisite expertise to serve as primary legal representative in all matters relating to the issuance of public debt instruments; and

THEREFORE, the Superintendent of Schools recommends awarding the contract to Wilentz, Goldman, & Spitzer, P.A.;

Cost Not to Exceed $10,000.0
Account Number 30-000-400-390-42-XXX

XIII. APPROVAL OF BILLS — Ms. Brogan

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the payment of bills as listed below and reviewed by Mr. Dani.

DATES	DESCRIPTION	CHECK #	AMOUNTS
July 17, 2026	General	12218-122167	$2,809,648.18
July 24, 2026	Cafeteria	620545	$240.00
July 24, 2026	General	122168-122213	$332,733.86
July 31, 2026	General	122214	$1,902.00
July 31, 2026	General	122215-122256	$878,655.09
August 3, 2026	General	122257	$8,497.50
August 4, 2026	General	122258	$3,734.39
August 7, 2026	Unemployment	821148	$2,059.50
August 7, 2026	General	122259-122340	$2,812,475.46
August 14, 2026	General	122341-122404	$1,994,285.29
August 14, 2026	Unemployment	821149	$18,020.83

XIV. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS — Ms. Brogan

XV. DISCUSSION ITEMS — Ms. Brogan

Revised Policies and Regulations:

Revised:

- Policy 5111 Eligibility of Resident/NonResident Students
- Regulation 9210 Parent Organizations

Abolished:

- Policy 8660 Transportation by Private Vehicle

XVI. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES — Ms. Brogan

- August 24, 2026 Executive Session II
- September 14, 2026 Special Public Meeting Minutes
- September 14, 2026 Executive Session
- September 28, 2026 Regular Public Meeting Minutes
- September 28, 2026 Executive Session

XVII. OTHER BUSINESS — Ms. Brogan

XVIII. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC — Ms. Brogan

XIX. MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION — Ms. Brogan

XX. RECONVENED PUBLIC MEETING — Ms. Brogan

XXI. ADJOURNMENT — Ms. Brogan

Upcoming Meetings

Monday, November 16, 2026
Regular Public Meeting
7:00 p.m. Education Center

Monday, November 17, 2026
Special Public Meeting
6:00 p.m. Education Center

Monday, December 14, 2026
Regular Public Meeting
7:00 p.m. Education Center