

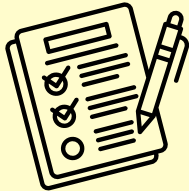
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT ON THE APRIL, 2026 BOARD MEETING



Grandview R-II

Regular April Board Meeting Open Session Minutes (04/16/2026) - <https://aptg.co/8DvrqD>

Countdown to the End of the School Year



As we enter the final stretch of the academic year, there are approximately five weeks remaining. State testing for students begins tomorrow. We encourage families to help students be well-rested and prepared to do their best during this important time.

Student Activities and Spring Sports Update

It has been great to see students engaging in positive activities, including high school students playing pickleball before the start of the school day. Spring sports seasons are also nearing completion, with baseball, softball, track, and trap wrapping up in the coming weeks. Congratulations to the boys track team for winning the Grandview Invitational meet on Monday.

Spring

Summer School Programming Update



Due to limited enrollment and interest, the district will not be offering on-campus summer school programming this year. The district plans to offer a virtual summer learning option for elementary students, contingent upon sufficient enrollment and interest.

School Board Election Results

We extend our congratulations to Steve Kuczka, Mike Mayberry, Tommy Hahn, and Corey Powell on their election to the Board of Education. We appreciate their willingness to serve and support the district.



Community Support for the 4-Day School Week

On behalf of the district's teachers and staff, we would like to thank the community for its support of the 4-day school week. We are committed to continuing our work to ensure the model is effective and beneficial for our students and families.

Financial Outlook and Planning



As the fiscal year comes to a close, the district is exercising additional financial caution. Guidance from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) indicates that districts should prepare for the possibility of reduced or delayed state funding payments next year due to a projected state budget deficit.

Additionally, the recent passage of a county property tax freeze is expected to limit future growth in local revenue. This matter is currently involved in ongoing litigation, of which the district is a participant.

Superintendent Transition Update

Current Superintendent Mr. Zoph has announced that following the June 18 Board of Education meeting, he will be entering the final week of his tenure with the district. Plans are in place to support a smooth transition, including preparing the office for the incoming superintendent. Mr. Zoph will remain available on an as-needed basis during this transition period to assist with continuity and support.

Employee Benefits and Insurance Approval



The Board of Education has approved the district's new insurance plan. The district will transition to Medica for health insurance, which represents a slight decrease in cost compared to the current provider, United Healthcare, which proposed a significant premium increase.

Additionally, the district will move to Mutual of Omaha for dental and vision coverage, resulting in an approximate 12% cost reduction compared to the current plan.

Science Curriculum Approval

Curriculum Director Don Jeffries has been working with elementary teachers to review several science curriculum options. Based on this process, the Board of Education has approved the implementation of the MiSci curriculum for the upcoming school year. The approved cost for this curriculum is \$11,700.



New Staff Hired April 2026			
Name	Position	Step	Salary
Krystin Keath	Elementary Special Education Teacher	BS/3	\$46,100