

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY

Appointment of 2026-2027 Calendar Committee Members

August 18, 2025

Background Information

The Board of Education of Harford County charts annually a calendar committee to make recommendations on future school schedules. The Board established on April 15, 2002, the makeup of the committee. The committee meets to make recommendations for a calendar eight months hence. Prior to the committee's meeting, the Board of Education endorses membership on the committee. For the twenty-second year, the Board of Education has directed that a Board member serve as an ex-officio member of the calendar committee.

In addition, the Board of Education is asked to establish parameters to be considered by the committee prior to the committee's meeting.

Discussion

The Communications Office has compiled a list of potential members in the attached document matching the categories established by the Board of Education. The 2026-27 calendar committee will be scheduled to meet and make recommendations in a virtual meeting at the beginning of September.

Superintendent's Recommendation

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education of Harford County confirm the members of the 2026-27 HCPS calendar committee as listed on the included document. In addition, the Superintendent recommends the Board provide parameters via Board Calendar Committee Members Ms. Lauren Paige, Dr. Carol Mueller, and Mrs. Melissa Hahn for the committee to consider.

Harford County Public Schools

2026-2027 Calendar Committee Members

Board Members

Ms. Lauren Paige, *Board Vice-President*

Dr. Carol Mueller, *Board Member*

Mrs. Melissa Hahn, *Board Member*

Harford County Regional Association of Student Councils

James “Trae” McVicker, *Student Member, Board of Education*

Manager of Communications

Jillian Lader

Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

Ben Richardson

Assistant Superintendent for Operations

Cathy Bendis

Director of Secondary Schools

Natalie Holloway

Director of Elementary Schools

Tom Smith

Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

Heather Kutcher

Monica Hobbs, *Administrative Support Coordinator*

Assistant Supervisor of Accountability

Andy Wachter

Supervisor of Culture and Climate

Paula Stanton

Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment

Andy Renzulli

Manager of Special Projects

Peter Carpenter

Elementary School Administrator

Zachary Greenbaum, *Emmorton Elementary School*

Secondary School Administrators

Brian Tulley, *Havre de Grace High School*

Erin O’Hara, *North Harford Middle School*

HCPS Teacher of the Year

Shelby Hultquist, *Havre de Grace Elementary*

Harford County Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Representatives

Renee DeBiase, *Harford County Council PTA President*

James DeBiase, *Havre de Grace High School*

Karen Pizzolato-Heine, *Churchville Elementary School*

American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees

Tunisia Gannon

Association of Harford County Administrative, Technical & Supervisory Professionals/Transportation Representative

Justin Evans

Association of Public School Administrators & Supervisors of Harford County

Melissa Williams

Harford County Education Association/ Harford County Educational Services Council

Chrystie Crawford-Smick

Special Education Citizens Advisory Committee

Katie York, *Chairperson*

Aberdeen Proving Ground

Brittany Johnson, *School Liaison Officer*

Business Community – Harco Federal Credit Union

Karen Munoz Andino, *Branch Admin Officer*

Harford Community College

Courtney Mitchell, *HCC Registrar*

Day Care Providers

Megan Cornett, *Boys & Girls Club*

Nicole Lubinski, *Boys & Girls Club*

Patrick Leist, *Caliday*

Connie Schyan-Cusato, *YMCA*

Religious Organizations

Rabbi Kushi Schusterman, *Harford Chabad*

Agricultural Community

Robert Tibbs, *Shadow Springs Farm*

Community

Shital Gandhi, *Community Representative*

William Martin, *Community Representative*