

# Richards Independent School District

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Agenda of Regular Meeting  
Board of Trustees  
July 16, 2026  
6:00 PM

A Regular Meeting of the Richards Independent School District Board of Trustees will be held on **July 16, 2026**, beginning at **6:00 PM** in the cafeteria at 9477 Panther Drive, Richards, Texas 77873.

The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken, are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice. Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

## **Agenda**

1. Call to Order and Declare a Quorum
2. Invocation
3. PUBLIC FORUM: All Persons Who Wish to Speak or Address the Board at This Time May do so by Completing the Registration Form Before the Meeting Begins.
4. Consider/Approve: Minutes of Previous Regular Board Meeting
5. Presentation: Staff/ Student Recognition
6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS
  - a. Finance
  - b. Principal
  - c. Superintendent
7. Report: Update on Systems of Success Initiative
8. Consider/Approve: A Resolution for a called election notice for the Board of Trustees for November 3, 2026.
9. Consider/Approve: Joint Election Agreements for the November 3, 2026 election with Grimes, Montgomery, & Walker Counties.
10. Consider/Approve: Regarding Board Policies FM (Local): Student Activities & FD (Local): Student Admissions and Extracurricular Activities, to determine whether Richards ISD will opt in or opt out of allowing homeschooled students to participate in UIL extracurricular activities, as authorized by Texas law.
11. Consider/Approve: Lunch prices for students and adults for the 2026- 2027 School Year
12. Consider/Approve: Free Breakfast and Lunches for staff for the 2026- 2027 School Year

13. Consider/Approve: 2026- 2027 Student Code of Conduct
14. Consider/Approve: 2026- 2027 Student Handbook
15. Consider/Approve: 2026- 2027 Employee Handbook
16. Consider/Approve: 2026- 2027 Volunteer Handbook
17. Consider/Approve: Updated Superintendent's Contract as Discussed in Closed Session.
18. Executive Session under Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.000:
  - 551.071 Private consultation with the Board's attorney;
  - 551.072 Discussing purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property;
  - 551.073 Discussing negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations;
  - 551.047 To discuss the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of any public officer or employee of the District;
  - 551.076 Considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices;
  - 551.082 Considering discipline of a public school child, or complaint or charge against personnel;
  - 551.083 Considering the standards, guidelines, terms, or conditions the Board will follow or will instruct its representative to follow, in consultation with representatives of employee groups;

19. Personnel matters (if any)

- Contracts
- Resignations
- Retirement
- New Hires

20. Call to adjourn the meeting.

If, during the course of the meeting, a discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E, or Texas Government Code section 418.183(f). Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in an open meeting. [See BEC (LEGAL)]

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