

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
MERIDIAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
DISTRICT 48-0303
DAYKIN, NEBRASKA 68338
Monday, September 14, 2026**

**September Regular Meeting - Regular Meeting will begin immediately following the
Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request:**

1. Call to Order - Open Meeting Law Information Presented
2. Roll Call
3. Other Items of Business Added to the Agenda at Least Twenty-four Hours Prior to the Meeting
4. Excuse Absent Members and Approve/Change Agenda
5. Items Invited from the Public for Comment
6. Review and Approval of the Consent Agenda
 - 6.A. Minutes of the August 10, 2026 Regular Meeting
 - 6.B. Minutes of the August 10, 2026 Board Retreat
 - 6.C. District Financial Report
 - 6.D. Activity Fund Report
 - 6.E. Hot Lunch Fund Report
 - 6.F. Bills
7. Curriculum Report
8. Class of 2027 Presentation/Discussion Regarding Graduation
9. Review, consider, and take all necessary action to approve the resolution to increase the district's property tax authority base growth percentage by 7%
10. Review, consider, and take all necessary action on 2026-2027 Tax Request Resolution - Resolution #260910

11. Review, consider, and take all necessary action on 2026-2027 Annual Budget
12. Review, consider, and take all necessary action to approve Revisions to Policies 2002, 2006, 3018, 3023, 3033, 3036, 3039, 3043, 5002.1, 5005, 5067
13. Review, consider, and take all necessary action to approve Resolution #260913 - "Resolution Implementing Policies" to adopt and implement the updated policy manual as provided by KSB school law.
 - 13.A. Review, consider, and take all necessary action to approve the policy review schedule.
14. Review, consider, and take all necessary action to approve the Meridian Education Association as Negotiators for the 2027-2028 year and 2028-2029 year.
 - 14.A. Review, consider, and take all necessary action to approve SPARQ Negotiations as the district negotiation service
 - 14.B. Discuss dates for meeting with MEA for negotiations.
15. Review, consider, and take all necessary action to approve Calendar Changes for 2026-2027.
16. Review, consider, and take all necessary action to approve the 2026-2029 Board-Superintendent Goals Document from NASB
17. Review NASB Superintendent Transition Evaluation process.
18. Option Enrollment Summary
19. Principals' Reports
20. Superintendent's Report
21. Set Time and Date for October Regular Meeting
22. Adjournment

**Meridian Public Schools
Board of Education**

August Regular Meeting
Monday, August 10, 2026 7:00 PM Central

District Board Room
72380 560th Avenue
Daykin, NE 68338-0190

Jason Bartels: Present
Joy Barton: Present
Jamie Niederklein: Present
Brian Rut: Present
Scott Sobotka: Absent
Todd Vorderstrasse: Present
Present: 5, Absent: 1.

1. Call to Order - Open Meeting Law Information Presented
Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. Roll Call

3. Other Items of Business Added to the Agenda at Least Twenty-four Hours Prior to the Meeting

4. Excuse Absent Members and Approve/Change Agenda
to excuse board member Sobotka. This motion, made by Joy Barton and seconded by Todd Vorderstrasse, Carried.
Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Brian Rut: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

5. Items Invited from the Public for Comment

6. Review and Approval of the Consent Agenda
approve the consent agenda as presented. This motion, made by Jason Bartels and seconded by Joy Barton, Carried.
Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Brian Rut: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

6.A. Minutes of the July 13, 2026 Regular Meeting

6.B. District Financial Report

6.C. Activity Fund Report

6.D. Hot Lunch Fund Report

6.E. Bills

7. Curriculum Report

8. Discuss budgeting process for 26-27

Superintendent Hull reviewed the different funds that the District uses in the annual budget. He also provided an update on the projected budget and shared potential scenarios for the upcoming year.

9. Review, consider, and take all necessary action on the transfer of 25-26 Budget Funds into the Hot Lunch Account

Approve the transfer of \$40,000 to the Hot Lunch Fund from the General Fund. This motion, made by Jason Bartels and seconded by Jamie Niederklein, Carried.

Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Brian Rut: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

10. Review, consider, and take all necessary action on the transfer of 25-26 Budget Funds into the Depreciation Fund.

Approve the transfer of \$80,000 to the Depreciation Fund from the General Fund. This motion, made by Todd Vorderstrasse and seconded by Jason Bartels, Carried.

Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Brian Rut: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

11. Review, consider, and take all necessary action on the transfer of 25-26 Budget Funds into the Activity Fund.

Approve the transfer of \$70,000 to the Activity Fund. This motion, made by Jason Bartels and seconded by Jamie Niederklein, Carried.

Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Brian Rut: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

12. Review, consider, and take all necessary action to increase the district's property tax authority base growth percentage by 7%

Approve the resolution to increase in the school district's taxing authority base growth percentage by 7% for 2026-2027. This motion, made by Jamie Niederklein and seconded by Jason Bartels, Carried.

Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Brian Rut: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

13. Discuss Policy Committee Work and Policy Update Process

14. Review, consider, and take all necessary action on the Superintendent Evaluation Tool. Adopt the NASB Superintendent Evaluation tool as presented. This motion, made by Jason Bartels and seconded by Todd Vorderstrasse, Carried.

Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Brian Rut: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

15. Review, consider, and take all necessary action on Policy 4057 — Superintendent Evaluation.

Approve Policy 4057 - Superintendent Evaluation as presented. This motion, made by Todd Vorderstrasse and seconded by Joy Barton, Carried.

Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Brian Rut: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

16. Review, consider, and take all necessary action on Student Handbooks for 26-27

Approve Secondary and Elementary Handbooks as presented. This motion, made by Joy Barton and seconded by Jamie Niederklein, Carried.

Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Brian Rut: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

17. Review, consider, and take all necessary action on continuing membership in ALICAP Insurance for the 2026-2027 School Year

Continue membership in ALICAP Insurance for the 2026-2027 School Year. This motion, made by Jason Bartels and seconded by Todd Vorderstrasse, Carried.

Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Brian Rut: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

18. Principal's Report

19. Superintendent's Report

20. Set Time and Date for September Budget Hearing - Tax Request Hearing - Regular Meeting
The September Budget Hearing will begin at 7:00 p.m. on September 14, 2026, followed immediately by the Tax Request Hearing, followed immediately by the Regular Meeting.

21. Adjournment

to adjourn at 8:27 p.m. This motion, made by Todd Vorderstrasse and seconded by Joy Barton, Carried.

Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Brian Rut: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

**Meridian Public Schools
Board of Education**

Board Retreat
Monday, August 10, 2026 6:00 PM Central

District Board Room
72380 560th Avenue
Daykin, NE 68338-0190

Jason Bartels: Present
Joy Barton: Present
Jamie Niederklein: Present
Brian Rut: Absent
Scott Sobotka: Absent
Todd Vorderstrasse: Present
Present: 4, Absent: 2.

1. Call to Order - Open Meeting Law Information Presented

2. Roll Call

3. Other Items of Business Added to the Agenda at Least Twenty-four Hours Prior to the Meeting

4. Excuse Absent Members and Approve/Change Agenda
to excuse board member Sobotka. This motion, made by Joy Barton and seconded by Todd Vorderstrasse, Carried.

Brian Rut: Absent, Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

to excuse board member Rut. This motion, made by Todd Vorderstrasse and seconded by Joy Barton, Carried.

Brian Rut: Absent, Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

5. Items Invited from the Public for Comment

6. Review NASB Budget Calendar and upcoming Pink Post Card changes 2027

7. Discuss Board-Superintendent Goal Planning

8. Superintendent Transition Evaluation/Job Description/Online Survey System

9. Adjournment
to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. This motion, made by Joy Barton and seconded by Jamie Niederklein, Carried.

Brian Rut: Absent, Scott Sobotka: Absent, Jason Bartels: Yea, Joy Barton: Yea, Jamie Niederklein: Yea, Todd Vorderstrasse: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

MERIDIAN GENERAL FUND

Month: August, 2026

Beginning Balance:	\$	1,942,244.49
Date: 7/31/2026		
Deposits & Credits:	\$	40,187.41
Interest Income:	\$	425.74
Deposit in Transit:		
Returned Check:		
Expense:	\$	622,319.40
Magic Writer-E Services	\$	34.95
Void:		
Bank Charges:		
Balance Forward:	\$	1,360,503.29
Date: 8/31/2026		

SPECIAL BUILDING FUND

Month: August, 2026

Beginning Balance:	\$	228,333.94
Date: 7/31/2026		
Other Income: (Deposits)	\$	397.56
Void:		
Expenses: Ck #736: Gerald Wiester; Gym Floors	\$	4,702.00
Total Expenses:	\$	4,702.00
Balance Forward:	\$	224,029.50
Date: 8/31/2026		

CD - Depreciation Fund:

Beginning Balance: Date: 7/31/2026	\$	137,327.16
Interest Income:	\$	1,298.02
Deposits & Credits:		
Transfer:		
Balance Forward: Date: 8/31/2026	\$	138,625.18

CD - Qualified Capital Purpose Fund:

Beginning Balance: Date: 7/31/2026	\$	109,794.25
Deposits & Credits:	\$	1,037.78
Interest Income:		
Transfer:		
Balance Forward: Date: 8/31/2026	\$	110,832.03

CD - Special Building Fund:

Beginning Balance: Date: 7/31/2026	\$	264,792.58
Deposits & Credits:		
Interest Income:	\$	2,522.94
Transfer:		
Balance Forward: Date: 8/31/2026	\$	267,315.52

Depreciation Fund:

Beginning Balance:	Date: 7/31/2026		\$	219,929.03
	Technology -Computer Hardware	\$	2,452.16	
	Technology -Computer Hardware-SPED	\$	-	
	Building & Grounds Improvement	\$	-	
	Bus Acquisition	\$	217,311.44	
	Vehicle Acquisition-SPED	\$	-	
	Interest	\$	165.43	
Interest Income:			\$	63.82
Deposits & Credits:	Technology -Computer Hardware	\$	-	\$ 80,000.00
	Technology -Computer Hardware-SPED	\$	-	
	Building & Grounds Improvement	\$	-	
	Bus Acquisition	\$	-	
	Vehicle Acquisition	\$	80,000.00	
Expense:	Technology -Computer Hardware		\$	-
	Technology -Computer Hardware-SPED			
	Building & Grounds Improvement			
	Bus Acquisition			
	Vehicle Acquisition			
Voided Check:				
Balance Forward:	Date: 8/31/2026		\$	299,992.85

Qualified Capital Purpose Fund:

Beginning Balance:	Date: 7/31/2026		\$	2,631.46
Deposits & Credits:				
Interest Income:				
Voided Check:				
Expense:				
Bank Charges:				
Balance Forward:	Date: 8/31/2026		\$	2,631.46

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY FUND ACCOUNTS
MERIDIAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
For the Period August, 2026

Activity	Balance of Last Report	Receipts	Expenses	Balance
Athletics	\$38,105.65	\$40,484.00	\$10,863.03	\$67,726.62
Transfer of Funds	-\$14,275.41	\$14,275.41	\$6,924.88	-\$6,924.88
Miscellaneous	\$1,405.15	\$49.42	\$0.00	\$1,454.57
Concessions	\$8,016.10	\$683.76	\$1,245.64	\$7,454.22
Annual Staff	\$1,732.03	\$190.00	\$400.00	\$1,522.03
Music	\$3,705.79	\$0.00	-\$10.00	\$3,715.79
Staff Fund	\$131.96	\$5,520.00	\$597.09	\$5,054.87
Student Council	\$6,463.74	\$0.00	\$235.89	\$6,227.85
Drama	\$2,542.12	\$505.00	\$160.00	\$2,887.12
Art & Enrichment	\$252.09	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$252.09
Ceramics	\$476.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$476.00
Shop	\$5,799.18	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,799.18
Class of 2020	\$3,777.95	\$0.00	\$3,650.00	\$127.95
Class of 2025	\$772.68	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$772.68
Class of 2026	\$1,021.35	\$0.00	-\$75.00	\$1,096.35
Class of 2027	\$1,733.93	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,733.93
Class of 2028	\$2,573.17	\$1,325.00	\$0.00	\$3,898.17
Class of 2029	\$334.27	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$334.27
Class of 2030	\$747.73	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$747.73
Class of 2031	\$362.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$362.43
FBLA	\$743.08	\$5,025.00	\$491.18	\$5,276.90
NHS	\$661.04	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,661.04
Speech	\$6,169.63	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,169.63
Special Projects	\$8,902.83	\$0.00	-\$63.36	\$8,966.19
Elementary Projects	\$1,018.56	\$3,824.00	\$0.00	\$4,842.56
Student Fees	\$2,213.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,213.99
In-Service	\$2,638.86	\$5,000.00	\$1,041.69	\$6,597.17
Wind Turbine	\$470.29	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$470.29
Computers	\$66,805.00	\$5,075.00	\$0.00	\$71,880.00
Newsletter	\$3,077.00	\$2,800.00	\$178.71	\$5,698.29
MCFC	\$2,407.97	\$5,150.00	\$143.61	\$7,414.36
FFA	\$3,314.76	\$3,102.00	\$359.02	\$6,057.74
Elementary StuCo	\$10,299.74	\$0.00	\$176.39	\$10,123.35
Spanish Honor Society	\$2,775.69	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,775.69
Beef Program	\$5,618.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,618.80
Greenhouse	\$2,255.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,255.81
FCS	\$2,902.45	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,902.45
Student CTE	-\$655.33	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,344.67
Media	\$0.00	\$5,400.00	\$0.00	\$5,400.00
Total	\$187,298.08	\$104,408.59	\$26,318.77	\$265,387.90

MERIDIAN HOT LUNCH FUND

August, 2026

Balance Forward \$ **(6,583.78)**

Income:

Students	\$	9,244.10
Adults	\$	249.00
A La Carte	\$	-
Zion Lutheran School	\$	-
Federal Reimbursement	\$	-
State Reimbursement	\$	-
Miscellaneous.....	\$	41,282.99
Interest on Account	\$	2.24

\$ 50,778.33

Expenses:

Food	\$	-
Supplies	\$	-
Payroll	\$	46.36
Utilities	\$	-
Miscellaneous	\$	2,183.00
Equipment Parts/Repair.....	\$	-
Bank Charges	\$	-

\$ 2,229.36

Balance Forward \$ **41,965.19**

Salaries Due District: \$0.00

Consolidated Check Listing

September 14, 2026

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Check	Date	Entity Name	Amount
33995	09/14/2026	3RD DEGREE SCREENING, INC.	\$ 238.96
33996	09/14/2026	AFLAC INC	\$ 298.20
33997	09/14/2026	AMERICAN FAMILY LIFE ASSUR CO	\$ 849.76
33998	09/14/2026	AMERICAN TIME	\$ 1,355.18
33999	09/14/2026	APPLE INC.	\$ 1,287.00
34000	09/14/2026	AT&T	\$ 112.54
34001	09/14/2026	BDL LLC	\$ 313.09
34002	09/14/2026	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD	\$ 70,845.95
34003	09/14/2026	CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.	\$ 909.39
34004	09/14/2026	CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS, INC.	\$ 181.92
34005	09/14/2026	COLLECTION ASSOCIATES	\$ 641.70
34006	09/14/2026	DAS STATE ACCOUNTING - CENTRAL	\$ 321.20
34007	09/14/2026	DIVERSIFIED SAFETY & COMPLIANCE	\$ 527.00
34008	09/14/2026	EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	\$ 1,661.22
34009	09/14/2026	ELECTRONIC FEDERAL TAX PAYMENT	\$ 49,020.72
34010	09/14/2026	ESU #5	\$ 41,334.00
34011	09/14/2026	FAIRBURY GLASS	\$ 322.89
34012	09/14/2026	FAIRBURY JOURNAL-NEWS	\$ 480.30
34013	09/14/2026	FARMERS' COOPERATIVE	\$ 3,579.95
34014	09/14/2026	FIRST NATIONAL BANK	\$ 388.21
34015	09/14/2026	FIVE POINTS BANK	\$ 388.21
34016	09/14/2026	FOLLETT SCHOOL SOLUTIONS	\$ 16.98
34017	09/14/2026	FTC	\$ 1,029.00
34018	09/14/2026	GIBBS SMITH EDUCATION	\$ 1,366.39
34019	09/14/2026	HEARTLAND COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 5,676.50
34020	09/14/2026	HORACE MANN INSURANCE COMPANY	\$ 200.00
34021	09/14/2026	ALEXANDER HULL	\$ 329.84
34022	09/14/2026	IXL LEARNING	\$ 11,700.00
34023	09/14/2026	J W PEPPER & SONS INC.	\$ 60.00
34024	09/14/2026	JEFFERSON COMM HEALTH AND LIFE	\$ 181.00
34025	09/14/2026	KLETT WORLD LANGUAGES	\$ 2,310.63
34026	09/14/2026	KSB SCHOOL LAW	\$ 123.00
34027	09/14/2026	LARKINS ACE HARDWARE	\$ 109.78
34028	09/14/2026	MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE	\$ 1,023.97
34029	09/14/2026	MERIDIAN ACTIVITY FUND	\$ 7,479.88
34030	09/14/2026	NACIA	\$ 120.00
34031	09/14/2026	NAEA	\$ 275.00
34032	09/14/2026	NEBR. DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE	\$ 6,426.97
34033	09/14/2026	NEBRASKA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL	\$ 210.00
34034	09/14/2026	NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF SCHOOL	\$ 527.00
34035	09/14/2026	NEBRASKA SCHOOL RETIREMENT SYS	\$ 32,780.21
34036	09/14/2026	NORRIS PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	\$ 6,846.04
34037	09/14/2026	NSASSP, REGION 1 PRINCIPALS	\$ 100.00

Consolidated Check Listing

September 14, 2026

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Check	Date	Entity Name	Amount
34038	09/14/2026	OMNIFY	\$ 784.72
34039	09/14/2026	PLUNKETT'S PEST CONTROL	\$ 134.65
34040	09/14/2026	PLYMOUTH ELECTRIC, INC.	\$ 465.00
34041	09/14/2026	PROTEX CENTRAL, INC.	\$ 447.50
34042	09/14/2026	QUILL CORPORATION	\$ 296.33
34043	09/14/2026	SCHOLASTIC INC.	\$ 1,320.70
34044	09/14/2026	SCHOOL SPECIALTY LLC	\$ 58.86
34045	09/14/2026	AMY SCHRAMM	\$ 71.98
34046	09/14/2026	TEACHING STRATEGIES LLC	\$ 198.10
34047	09/14/2026	THAYER CENTRAL COMM SCHOOLS	\$ 1,290.00
34048	09/14/2026	T-MOBILE	\$ 76.89
34049	09/14/2026	TREVIPAY	\$ 71.69
34050	09/14/2026	VICTORY TOO	\$ 119.00
34051	09/14/2026	VIVACITY TECH PBC	\$ 900.00
34052	09/14/2026	WELSCH REPAIR	\$ 1,846.21
34053	09/14/2026	WESTERN OIL	\$ 667.00
34054	09/14/2026	WINDSTREAM NEBRASKA INC	\$ 327.55
34055	09/14/2026	YORK STATE BANK	\$ 137.67
			Bills: \$ 263,163.43
			Payroll: \$ 171,785.85
			Payee Type Total: \$ 434,949.28

September 2026

- DIBELS is complete
 - Replaces Acadience so results look different
 - Mr. Cogswell uses the data to determine support
- Social Studies
 - Updated standards are at a standstill due to State Board deadlock on adoption of new standards
 - We will move forward with looking for updated materials using the 2019 standards as our guide
- Curriculum Mapping/Adoption Timeframe
 - Cross grade level meetings have begun to initiate the process of mapping our curriculum to establish “power standards” and scope and sequence
 - ELA will be the first area
 - Adoption timeframe document will be updated
- DAC
 - Attended ESU5 DAC Zoom to get updates and network with area districts
 - Updating enrollment with NDE

**RESOLUTION OF THE MERIDIAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION TO
INCREASE BASE GROWTH PERCENTAGE TO DETERMINE ITS
PROPERTY TAX REQUEST AUTHORITY**

RESOLUTION NO. #260909

WHEREAS, the Board of Education ("Board") for Jefferson County School District 48-0303, commonly known as Meridian Public Schools (the "School District"), is planning the School District's annual budget for the 2026-2027 school year; and

WHEREAS, the School District desires to increase the base growth percentage used to determine the School District's property tax request authority under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 79-3403 in order to preserve additional property tax request authority for potential needs in future budget years; and

WHEREAS, Nebraska law authorizes the Board, upon an affirmative vote of at least seventy percent (70%) of the Board, to increase such base growth percentage by up to 7%.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that, pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. § 79-3405(2), the Board hereby increases the base growth percentage used to determine its property tax request authority for the 2026–2027 budget in an amount of 7%.

Said Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education by a vote of ____ - ____ on the 14th day of September 2026.

Board President

Board Secretary

Meridian Public Schools 10-Year Total Tax Asking

	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022
Valuation	\$593,042,511	\$572,652,765	\$525,769,830	\$470,599,413	\$431,724,166
Tax Request	\$3,068,990	\$3,003,885	\$2,933,768	\$2,866,970	\$2,997,516
General Fund	\$3,013,434	\$2,953,380	\$2,893,364	\$2,808,081	\$2,947,011
Special Building	\$55,556	\$50,505	\$40,404	\$58,889	\$50,505
QCPUF	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$	\$
	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Valuation	\$423,943,288	\$419,867,746	\$431,596,462	\$451,183,919	\$458,785,935
Tax Request	\$2,929,293	\$2,873,737	\$2,747,475	\$2,419,191	\$2,448,484
General Fund	\$2,883,838	\$2,853,535	\$2,727,273	\$2,323,232	\$2,171,717
Special Building	\$45,455	\$20,202	\$20,202	\$95,959	\$24,242
QCPUF	\$	\$	\$	\$0	\$151,515
Technology Bond	\$	\$	\$	\$0	\$101,010

Meridian Public Schools 10-Year Levy

	2026	2025	2024	2023	2022
TOTAL	0.517499	0.524556	0.557995	0.609217	0.694312
General	0.508131	0.515737	0.55031	0.596703	0.682614
Building	0.009368	\$0	0.007685	0.012514	0.011698
QCPUF	0	\$0	0	0	0
Technology	0	\$0	0	0	0
	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
TOTAL	0.690963	0.684439	0.636584	0.536187	0.533688
General	0.680241	0.679627	0.631903	0.514919	0.473362
Building	0.010722	0.004812	0.004681	0.021268	0.005284
QCPUF	0	0	0	0	0.033025
Technology	0	0	0	0	0.022017

Meridian Public Schools Valuation Change

	2025 Valuation	2026 Valuation	2026 Real Growth Value
Fillmore	\$9,548,346.00	\$10,462,279.00	\$0.00
Jefferson	\$200,272,423.00	\$204,129,233.00	\$0.00
Saline	\$198,997,922.00	\$201,727,232.00	\$236,680.00
Thayer	\$163,834,074.00	\$176,723,767.00	\$936,777.00
TOTAL	\$572,652,765.00	\$593,042,511.00	\$1,173,457.00
Total Increase		\$20,389,746.00	
		3.56%	

Notice of Special Hearing To Set Final Tax Request

Meridian Public Schools (48-0303) in Jefferson County, Nebraska

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Section 77-1632, that the governing body will meet on the 14 day of, September 2026 at Immediately Following Budget Hearing o'clock P.M., at District Board Room for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request.

	2025-2026	2026-2027	Change
Property Valuations	572,652,765	593,042,511	4%

2025-2026 Budget Information

2026-2027 Budget Information

Fund	2025-2026 Operating Budget	2025-2026 Property Tax Request	2025 Tax Rate	Property Tax Rate (2025-2026 Request Divided By 2026 Valuation)	2026-2027 Operating Budget	2026-2027 Proposed Property Tax Request	Proposed 2026 Tax Rate	Change in Tax Rate	Change in Operating Budget
General Fund	6,075,838.00	2,953,380.00	0.515737	0.498005	6,240,979.00	3,013,434.00	0.508131	-1%	3%
Bond Fund(s) K - 12			0.000000	0.000000	-	-	0.000000	#DIV/0!	0
Bond Fund(s) K - 8			0.000000	0.000000			0.000000	#DIV/0!	0
Bond Fund(s) 9 - 12			0.000000	0.000000			0.000000	#DIV/0!	0
Bond Fund			0.000000	0.000000			0.000000	#DIV/0!	0
Special Building Fund	609,098.00	50,505.00	0.008819	0.008516	564,348.00	55,556.00	0.009368	6%	-7%
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund K - 12	102,631.00		0.000000	0.000000	114,925.00	-	0.000000	#DIV/0!	12%
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund K - 8			0.000000	0.000000			0.000000	#DIV/0!	0
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund 9 - 12			0.000000	0.000000			0.000000	#DIV/0!	0
Total	6,787,567.00	3,003,885.00	0.524556	0.506521	6,920,252.00	3,068,990.00	0.517499	-1%	2%

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST

RESOLUTION NO. 260910

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that the Governing Body of Meridian Public Schools passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of Meridian Public Schools resolves that:

1. The 2026-2027 property tax request be set at:

General Fund:	\$	3,013,434.00
Bond Fund:	\$	-
Special Building Fund:	\$	55,556.00
Qualified Capital Purpose	\$	-
Undertaking Fund:		

2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 3.56 percent.
3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property would be 0.506521 per \$100 of assessed value.
4. Meridian Public Schools proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be 0.517499 per \$100 of assessed value.
5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of Meridian Public Schools will increase (decrease) last year's budget by 1.64 percent.
6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2026.

Motion by _____, seconded by _____ to adopt Resolution #260910.

Voting yes were:

Voting no were:

Dated this 14th day of September, 2026

Meridian Total Budget Historical Data

Fund- Status	2026-2027	2025-2026	2024-2025	2023-2024	2022-2023	2021-2022	2020-2021
TOTAL- BUDGETED	\$8,195,260.00	\$8,062,831.00	\$7,970,731.00	\$7,807,001.00	\$7,473,703.00	\$6,967,437.00	\$6,586,528.00
TOTAL- ACTUAL	-	\$5,576,397.00	\$5,879,330.00	\$5,128,586.00	\$4,812,097.00	\$4,981,472.00	\$4,212,572.00
Gen. Fund- Budgeted	\$6,240,979.00	\$6,075,838.00	\$6,011,328.00	\$6,144,393.00	\$6,017,541.00	\$5,295,021.00	\$4,681,406.00
Gen. Fund- Actual	-	\$4,963,027.00	\$5,044,620.00	\$4,528,771.00	\$4,263,501.00	\$4,248,554.00	\$3,726,708.00
Sp. Building- Budgeted	\$564,348.00	\$609,098.00	\$565,124.00	\$554,733.00	\$642,745.00	\$669,349.00	\$603,575.00
Sp. Building- Actual	-	\$109,382.00	\$59,094.00	\$33,873.00	\$48,700.00	\$152,491.00	\$60,737.00
Bond- Budgeted	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716.00	\$710.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$26,979.00
Bond- Actual	-	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$716.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,971.00
QCPUF- Budgeted	\$114,925.00	\$102,631.00	\$102,661.00	\$102,604.00	\$102,577.00	\$101,794.00	\$285,073.00
QCPUF- Actual	-	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Depreciation- Budgeted	\$497,318.00	\$557,070.00	\$527,283.00	\$373,855.00	\$329,448.00	\$355,340.00	\$596,062.00
Depreciation- Actual	-	\$0.00	\$227,434.00	\$31,359.00	\$9,500.00	\$97,577.00	\$65,528.00
Activities- Budgeted	\$500,116.00	\$457,409.00	\$495,388.00	\$404,121.00	\$233,094.00	\$373,465.00	\$226,528.00
Activities- Actual	-	\$273,258.00	\$337,157.00	\$321,147.00	\$288,919.00	\$319,959.00	\$215,144.00
Hot Lunch- Budgeted	\$277,574.00	\$260,785.00	\$268,232.00	\$226,585.00	\$148,298.00	\$172,468.00	\$166,905.00
Hot Lunch- Actual	-	\$230,730.00	\$211,025.00	\$212,720.00	\$201,477.00	\$162,891.00	\$141,484.00
TOTAL - Difference	#VALUE!	\$2,486,434.00	\$2,091,401.00	\$2,678,415.00	\$2,661,606.00	\$1,985,965.00	\$2,373,956.00
Gen. Fund- Difference	#VALUE!	\$1,112,811.00	\$966,708.00	\$1,615,622.00	\$1,754,040.00	\$1,046,467.00	\$954,698.00
Sp. Building- Difference	#VALUE!	\$499,716.00	\$506,030.00	\$520,860.00	\$594,045.00	\$516,858.00	\$542,838.00
Bond- Difference	#VALUE!	\$0.00	\$716.00	-\$6.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$24,008.00
QCPUF- Difference	#VALUE!	\$102,631.00	\$102,661.00	\$102,604.00	\$102,577.00	\$101,794.00	\$285,073.00
Depreciation- Difference	#VALUE!	\$557,070.00	\$299,849.00	\$342,496.00	\$319,948.00	\$257,763.00	\$530,534.00
Activities- Difference	#VALUE!	\$184,151.00	\$158,231.00	\$82,974.00	-\$55,825.00	\$53,506.00	\$11,384.00
Hot Lunch- Difference	#VALUE!	\$30,055.00	\$57,207.00	\$13,865.00	-\$53,179.00	\$9,577.00	\$25,421.00
*Italics indicate estimates							

Meridian Total Budget Historical Data

Fund- Status	2026-2027	2025-2026	2024-2025	2023-2024	2022-2023	2021-2022	2020-2021
TOTAL - % Budget Spent	n/a	69.16%	73.76%	65.69%	64.39%	71.50%	63.96%
Gen. Fund- % Budget Spent	n/a	81.68%	83.92%	73.71%	70.85%	80.24%	79.61%
Sp. Building- % Budget Spent	n/a	17.96%	10.46%	6.11%	7.58%	22.78%	10.06%
Bond- % Budget Spent	n/a	#DIV/0!	0.00%	100.85%	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	11.01%
QCPUF- % Budget Spent	n/a	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Depreciation- % Budget Spent	n/a	0.00%	43.13%	8.39%	2.88%	27.46%	10.99%
Activities- % Budget Spent	n/a	59.74%	68.06%	79.47%	123.95%	85.67%	94.97%
Hot Lunch- % Budget Spent	n/a	88.48%	78.67%	93.88%	135.86%	94.45%	84.77%
<i>*Italics indicate estimates</i>							
TOTAL - \$ Increase	\$132,429.00	\$92,100.00	\$163,730.00	\$333,298.00	\$506,266.00	\$380,909.00	-
TOTAL - % Increase	1.64%	1.16%	1.64%	4.46%	7.27%	5.78%	-
Gen. Fund- \$ Increase	\$165,141.00	\$64,510.00	-\$133,065.00	\$126,852.00	\$722,520.00	\$613,615.00	-
Gen. Fund- % Increase	2.72%	1.07%	-2.17%	2.11%	13.65%	13.11%	-
Sp. Building- \$ Increase	-\$44,750.00	\$43,974.00	\$10,391.00	-\$88,012.00	-\$26,604.00	\$65,774.00	-
Sp. Building- % Increase	-7.35%	7.78%	1.87%	-13.69%	-3.97%	10.90%	-
Bond- \$ Increase	\$0.00	-\$716.00	\$6.00	\$710.00	\$0.00	-\$26,979.00	-
Bond- % Increase	#DIV/0!	-100.00%	0.85%	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	-100.00%	-
QCPUF- \$ Increase	\$12,294.00	-\$30.00	\$57.00	\$27.00	\$783.00	-\$183,279.00	-
QCPUF- % Increase	11.98%	-0.03%	0.06%	0.03%	0.77%	-64.29%	-
Depreciation- \$ Increase	-\$59,752.00	\$29,787.00	\$153,428.00	\$44,407.00	-\$25,892.00	-\$240,722.00	-
Depreciation- % Increase	-10.73%	5.65%	41.04%	13.48%	-7.29%	-40.39%	-
Activities- \$ Increase	\$42,707.00	-\$37,979.00	\$91,267.00	\$171,027.00	-\$140,371.00	\$146,937.00	-
Activities- % Increase	9.34%	-7.67%	22.58%	73.37%	-37.59%	64.86%	-
Hot Lunch- \$ Increase	\$16,789.00	-\$7,447.00	\$41,647.00	\$78,287.00	-\$24,170.00	\$5,563.00	-
Hot Lunch- % Increase	6.44%	-2.78%	18.38%	52.79%	-14.01%	3.33%	-

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY

Meridian Public Schools (48-0303) in Jefferson County, Nebraska

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Sections 13-501 to 13-513, that the governing body will meet on the 14 day of September, 2026 at 7:00 o'clock, P.M., at District Board Room for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following proposed budget and to consider amendments relative thereto. The budget detail is available at the office of the Clerk/Secretary during regular business hours. For more information on statewide receipts and expenditures, and to compare cost per pupil and performance to other school districts, go to: <https://nep.education.ne.gov>

FUNDS	Actual Disbursements & Transfers	Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	Budgeted Disbursements & Transfers	Necessary Cash Reserve (4)	Total Available Resources Before Property Taxes (5)	Total Personal and Real Property Tax Requirement (7)
	2024-2025 (1)	2025-2026 (2)	2026-2027 (3)			
General	\$ 5,044,620.00	\$ 4,963,027.00	\$ 6,240,979.00	\$ 698,298.00	\$ 3,955,977.00	\$ 3,013,434.00
Depreciation	\$ 227,434.00	\$ -	\$ 497,318.00		\$ 497,318.00	
Employee Benefit	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Contingency	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
Activities	\$ 337,157.00	\$ 273,258.00	\$ 500,116.00	\$ -	\$ 500,116.00	
School Nutrition	\$ 211,025.00	\$ 230,730.00	\$ 277,574.00	\$ -	\$ 277,574.00	
Bond	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Special Building	\$ 59,094.00	\$ 109,382.00	\$ 564,348.00		\$ 509,348.00	\$ 55,556.00
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 114,925.00	\$ -	\$ 114,925.00	\$ -
Cooperative	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Student Fee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
TOTALS	\$ 5,879,330.00	\$ 5,576,397.00	\$ 8,195,260.00	\$ 698,298.00	\$ 5,855,258.00	\$ 3,068,990.00

Breakdown of Property Tax	Bond Purposes	Non-Bond Purposes	Total
	\$ -	\$ 3,068,990.00	\$ 3,068,990.00

**2026-2027
STATE OF NEBRASKA
SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET FORM**

County-District #: 48-0303 Class #: III
Meridian Public Schools
TO THE COUNTY BOARD AND COUNTY CLERK OF
Jefferson County

This budget is for the Period **SEPTEMBER 1, 2026 through AUGUST 31, 2027**

Upon Filing, The School Certifies the Information Submitted on this Form to be Correct:

AMOUNT OF PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAX REQUIRED FOR:	Principal and Interest on Bonds	All Other Purposes	TOTAL
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 3,013,434.00	\$ 3,013,434.00
Bond Fund(s) [If More Than 1 Bond Fund - Total All Together]	\$ -		\$ -
Special Building Fund	\$ -	\$ 55,556.00	\$ 55,556.00
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total All Funds	\$ -	\$ 3,068,990.00	\$ 3,068,990.00

Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness as of September 1, 2026 <i>(Include Bond Fund(s) and Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund)</i> <table style="width:100%;"> <tr> <td style="width:10%;">\$ -</td> <td>Principal</td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$ -</td> <td>Interest</td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$ -</td> <td>Total Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness</td> </tr> </table>	\$ -	Principal	\$ -	Interest	\$ -	Total Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness	Total Certified Valuation (All Counties) \$ 593,042,511 (Certification of Valuation(s) from County Assessor MUST be attached) Report of Joint Public Agency & Interlocal Agreements Was this Subdivision involved in any Interlocal Agreements or Joint Public Agencies for the reporting period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026? ☐ YES ☒ NO If YES, Please submit Interlocal Agreement Report by September 30th. Report of Trade Names, Corporate Names & Business Names Did the subdivision operate under a separate Trade Name, Corporate Name, or other Business Name during the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026? ☐ YES ☒ NO If YES, Please submit Trade Name Report by September 30th. Has your School District held a successful election to override the levy limits provided in Statute 77-3442, which is in effect for 2025-2026 school fiscal year? ☐ YES ☒ NO
\$ -	Principal						
\$ -	Interest						
\$ -	Total Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness						

County Clerk's Use Only	
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APA Contact Information Auditor of Public Accounts PO Box 98917 Lincoln, NE 68509 Telephone: (402) 471-2111 FAX: (402) 471-3301 Website: auditors.nebraska.gov Questions - E-Mail: Jeff.Schreier@nebraska.gov	Submission Information Budget Due by 9-30-2026 Submit budget to: - Auditor of Public Accounts -Electronically on Website or Mail - County Board (SEC. 13-508), C/O County Clerk - Nebraska Dept. of Education -Upload to NDE Portal only
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2026-2027 BUDGET ADOPTED									
	TOTAL BEGINNING BALANCE (Column 1)	TOTAL AVAILABLE RESOURCES BEFORE PROPERTY TAXES (Including Beginning Balances) (Column 2)	PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAXES (Column 3)	TOTAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE (Col 2 + Col 3) (Column 4)	TOTAL BUDGET OF DISBURSEMENTS & TRANSFERS - SPECIAL EDUCATION (Column 5)	TOTAL BUDGET OF DISBURSEMENTS & TRANSFERS - NON-SPECIAL EDUCATION (Column 6)	TOTAL BUDGET OF DISBURSEMENTS & TRANSFERS (Col 5 + Col 6) (Column 7)	NECESSARY CASH RESERVE (Column 8)	TOTAL REQUIREMENTS (Col 7 + Col 8) (Column 9)
General	2,018,537.00	3,955,977.00	2,983,300.00	6,939,277.00	1,082,626.00	5,158,353.00	6,240,979.00	698,298.00	6,939,277.00
Depreciation	437,318.00	497,318.00		497,318.00			497,318.00		497,318.00
Employee Benefit	-	-		-			-	-	-
Contingency	-	-		-			-		-
Activities	230,116.00	500,116.00		500,116.00			500,116.00	-	500,116.00
School Nutrition	30,574.00	277,574.00		277,574.00			277,574.00	-	277,574.00
Bond	-	-	-	-			-	-	-
Special Building	506,348.00	509,348.00	55,000.00	564,348.00			564,348.00		564,348.00
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking	112,425.00	114,925.00	-	114,925.00			114,925.00	-	114,925.00
Cooperative	-	-		-			-	-	-
Student Fee	-	-		-			-	-	-
				-					-
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	3,335,318.00	5,855,258.00	3,038,300.00	8,893,558.00	1,082,626.00	5,158,353.00	8,195,260.00	698,298.00	8,893,558.00

PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAX RECAP	General Fund	Bond Fund(s) [Total Of All Bond Funds]	Special Building Fund	Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund
PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAXES FROM COLUMN 3 (Line A)	2,983,300.00	-	55,000.00	-
COUNTY TREASURER'S COMMISSION 1% OF TAXES COLLECTED (Line B)	30,134.00	-	556.00	-
TOTAL PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAXES (Line A + Line B) (Line C)	3,013,434.00	-	55,556.00	-

CERTIFIED STATE AID	MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES
\$ 1,102,462.00	\$ 87,000.00

COUNTY TREASURER'S BALANCE, 9-1-2026
20,185.00 - 5,063.00 -

Schedule C - Levies Expected to be Set by County

NOTE: The Schedule portion below is to assist with the Levy setting process. Be sure to update valuation column if a particular fund(s) has a different valuation from the standard district-wide valuation noted on the cover page

Fund	Property Taxes	Valuation	Expected Levy
General Fund	\$ 3,013,434.00	\$ 593,042,511	0.508131
Special Building Fund	\$ 55,556.00	\$ 593,042,511	0.009368
Bond Fund	\$ -	\$ 593,042,511	0.000000
Bond Fund	\$ -	\$ 593,042,511	0.000000
Bond Fund	\$ -	\$ 593,042,511	0.000000
QCPUF Fund	\$ -	\$ 593,042,511	0.000000
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		\$ 593,042,511	0.000000
Total	\$ 3,068,990.00		\$ 0.517499

Must agree to Cover

**** County must independently verify levy calculations before County Board approves final levies pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §77-1601. Calculations shown here are intended to assist only - it is not to be used for official levy setting purposes.**

Policy #	Policy Title	Adopted	Current (if applic Recommended	
2002	Organization of the Board, Board Officers, Check Signing and Committees	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian
2006	Complaint Procedure	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian
3018	Denial of Access to School Premises	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian
3023	Record Management and Retention	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian
3033	[Intentionally Left Blank]	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian
3036	Purchasing (Credit) Card Program	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian
3039	Threat Assessment and Response	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian
3043	Design-Build Contracts	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian
5002.1	Admission of Out-Of-State Students	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian
5005	Transportation	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian
5067	Student Assistance Team Process	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian

Proposed Meridian Policy Manual by Adoption Status

Policy #	Policy Title	Adopted	Current (if applic	Recommended		
1001	General Policy Statement	No		Meridian		
1003	Mission Statement	No		Meridian		
2001	Role of the Board of Education	No		Meridian		
2003	Development and Education of Board Members	No		Meridian		
2004	Oath of Office	No		Meridian		
2005	Conflict of Interest	No		Meridian		
2007	Reimbursement and Miscellaneous Expenditures	No		Meridian		
2010	Preparation for Board Meetings	No		Meridian		
2011	Membership in Organizations	No		Meridian		
2012	Board Code of Ethics	No		Meridian		
2013	Violation of Board Ethics	No		Meridian		
2015	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
2016	Participation in Insurance Program	No		Meridian		
3002	Deposits	No		Meridian		
3004	General Purchasing and Procurement	No		Meridian		
3005	School Activities Fund	No		Meridian		
3006	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
3007	Review of Bills	No		Meridian		
3008	Gifts, Grants and Bequests	No		Meridian		
3009	Audit	No		Meridian		
3010	Insurance	No		Meridian		
3013	Emergency Closings	No		Meridian		
3014	Use of School Property	No		Meridian		
3015	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
3017	Official Communication with the Public	No		Meridian		
3019	Sale or Disposal of School Property	No		Meridian		
3020	Copyright Compliance	No		Meridian		
3021	Operation of School Business Office	No		Meridian		
3022	Volunteers	No		Meridian		
3024	Booster Clubs and Parent-Teacher Organizations	No		Meridian		
3025	Returned and Outstanding Checks	No		Meridian		
3027	Resolution of Conflict Between Parents Over School Issues	No		Meridian		
3028	Sex Offenders	No		Meridian		
3029	Distribution of Flyers Advertising Non-School Organizations	No		Meridian		
3030	Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) Program	No		Meridian		
3031	Students Electing to Attend School in Adjoining State	No		Meridian		
3032	Fees for School District Records	No		Meridian		
3034	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
3035	Chain of Command	No		Meridian		
3037	Petty Cash	No		Meridian		
3038	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
3040	School Safety and Security	No		Meridian		
3042	Construction Management at Risk Contracts	No		Meridian		
3044	Incidental or De Minimis Use of Public Resources	No		Meridian		
3045	Use of Sniffer Dogs	No		Meridian		
3049	Drones and Unmanned Aircraft	No		Meridian		
3050	Technology in the Classroom	No		Meridian		
3055	School Resource Officers	No		Meridian		
3056	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
3058	Naming School Facilities and Property	No		Meridian		
4001	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
4004	Employment of Relatives	No		Meridian		
4005	Communication between the Board and District Employees	No		Meridian		
4006	Workers' Compensation Insurance	No		Meridian		
4007	Personnel Records	No		Meridian		
4008	Outside Employment	No		Meridian		
4009	Restrictions on Employees Receiving Gratuities	No		Meridian		
4010	Inclement Weather	No		Meridian		
4011.1	Employee Leave Under the Nebraska Family Military Leave	No		Meridian		
4012	Staff Internet and Computer Use	No		Meridian		
4013	Grievance Procedure	No		Meridian		
4014	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
4015	Prohibition Against the Employment of Board Members	No		Meridian		
4016	Jury Duty or Service as Witness in Court	No		Meridian		
4018	Corporal Punishment	No		Meridian		
4020	Ownership of Copyrighted Works	No		Meridian		
4021	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
4022	Certification and Endorsements	No		Meridian		
4023	Professional Ethics	No		Meridian		
4024	Teachers' Rights, Responsibilities and Duties	No		Meridian		
4025	Superintendent	No		Meridian		
4026	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		

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Policy #	Policy Title	Adopted	Current (if applic	Recommended		
4027	Part-Time Certificated Employees	No		Meridian		
4028	Substitute Teachers	No		Meridian		
4029	Salary Schedule for Certificated Employees	No		Meridian		
4030	Evaluation of Certificated Employees	No		Meridian		
4031	Evaluation of Probationary Certificated Employees	No		Meridian		
4032	Professional Growth	No		Meridian		
4033	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
4034	Staff Handbook	No		Meridian		
4035	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
4036	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
4037	Reduction in Force	No		Meridian		
4038	Classified Staff Defined	No		Meridian		
4039	Employment of Classified Staff	No		Meridian		
4040	Employment Terms for Classified Staff	No		Meridian		
4041	Staff Dress and Appearance	No		Meridian		
4042	Employee Social Security Numbers	No		Meridian		
4043	Professional Boundaries and Appropriate Relationships Between Employees and Students	No		Meridian		
4044	Political Activity by Staff Members	No		Meridian		
4046	Internet Searches Regarding Potential Employees	No		Meridian		
4047	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
4049	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
4050	Overtime and Compensatory Time	No		Meridian		
4054	Reporting Child Abuse or Neglect	No		Meridian		
4055	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
4058	Confidentiality in Counseling and Guidance	No		Meridian		
4060	School Vehicle Use	No		Meridian		
4061	Workplace or Non-Workplace Injuries or Illness and Return to Work	No		Meridian		
4062	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
4063	Extra Duty and Extended Contract Payments	No		Meridian		
4064	Transporting Students in Employee Vehicles	No		Meridian		
5002	Admission of Students	No		Meridian		
5006	Foreign Exchange Students	No		Meridian		
5007	Enrollment of Expelled Students	No		Meridian		
5009	Adult Education	No		Meridian		
5010	Immunizations	No		Meridian		
5011	Physical Examination and Visual Examination of Students	No		Meridian		
5012	Testing and Assessment Program	No		Meridian		
5013	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
5017	Routine Directory Information	No		Meridian		
5019	Communicating with Parents	No		Meridian		
5020	Rights of Custodial and Non-Custodial Parents	No		Meridian		
5021	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
5023	Student Illness	No		Meridian		
5024	Medication of Students	No		Meridian		
5025	Student Insurance	No		Meridian		
5026	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
5027	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
5028	Initiations and Hazing	No		Meridian		
5029	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
5032	Closed Campus	No		Meridian		
5033	Student Driving and Parking	No		Meridian		
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5050	Reporting Related to Exempt (Home) Schools	No		Meridian		
5051	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
5055	Enrollment in Kindergarten	No		Meridian		
5056	Free Expression by Students	No		Meridian		
5058	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
5059	Emergency Medical Treatment	No		Meridian		
5060	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
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5062	Lice and Nits	No		Meridian		

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5065	Bed Bugs	No		Meridian		
5066	Early Graduation	No		Meridian		
6001	School Organization	No		Meridian		
6002	School Calendar	No		Meridian		
6004	Curriculum Development	No		Meridian		
6005	Academic Credits and Graduation	No		Meridian		
6006	Commencement Ceremony	No		Meridian		
6007	Senior Recognition	No		Meridian		
6008	Class Rank	No		Meridian		
6009	Grade Placement and Academic Credits of Transfer Students	No		Meridian		
6010	Special Education Identification, Evaluation and Verification	No		Meridian		
6011	Fire Instruction and Prevention	No		Meridian		
6012	Flag Display and Patriotic Observances	No		Meridian		
6013	Teaching Controversial Issues	No		Meridian		
6014	School Attendance on Days of Scheduled Activities	No		Meridian		
6015	Summer School	No		Meridian		
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6017	Homework	No		Meridian		
6018	Grades	No		Meridian		
6019	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
6020	Multicultural Education	No		Meridian		
6021	District Criteria for Selecting Evaluators to be Used for Special Education	No		Meridian		
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6032	Constitution Day Education	No		Meridian		
6033	Seclusion and Restraint	No		Meridian		
6035	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
6037	[Intentionally Left Blank]	No		Meridian		
2002	Organization of the Board, Board Officers, Check Signing and Committees	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian		
2006	Complaint Procedure	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian		
3018	Denial of Access to School Premises	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian		
3023	Record Management and Retention	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian		
3033	[Intentionally Left Blank]	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian		
3036	Purchasing (Credit) Card Program	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian		
3039	Threat Assessment and Response	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian		
3043	Design-Build Contracts	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian		
5002.1	Admission of Out-Of-State Students	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian		
5005	Transportation	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian		
5067	Student Assistance Team Process	Updat...	Meridian	Meridian		
1002	Creation, Amendment and Distribution of Policies	Yes	Meridian			
2008	Meetings	Yes	Meridian			
2009	Public Participation at Board Meetings	Yes	Meridian			
2014	Relationship with District Legal Counsel	Yes	Meridian			
2017	Indemnification and Liability Insurance	Yes	Meridian			
3001	Budget and Property Tax Request	Yes	Meridian			
3003	Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Site Improvements	Yes	Meridian			
3003.1	Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Related Projects Financed with Federal Funds	Yes	Meridian			
3004.1	Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement Using Federal Funds	Yes	Meridian			
3011	[Intentionally Left Blank]	Yes	Meridian			
3012	School Meal Program and Meal Charges	Yes	Meridian			
3016	Smoking and Related Products	Yes	Meridian			
3026	Handbooks	Yes	Meridian			
3041	Crisis Team Duties	Yes	Meridian			
3046	Animals at School	Yes	Meridian			
3047	Data Breach Response	Yes	Meridian			
3048	Communicable Disease	Yes	Meridian			
3051	Opioid Overdose Prevention and Response	Yes	Meridian			
3052	Leasing Personal Property	Yes	Meridian			
3053	Nondiscrimination	Yes	Meridian			
3054	Law Enforcement Unit	Yes	Meridian			
3057	Title IX	Yes	Meridian			
3059	Audio and Video Recording	Yes	Meridian			
3060	Firearms and Weapons for Non-Students	Yes	Meridian			
3061	ACH Originator Policy	Yes	Meridian			

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4002	Drug Free Workplace		Meridian		
4003	Drug Testing of Drivers		Meridian		
4011	Employee Leave Under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA)		Meridian		
4017	Relations with Employee Collective Bargaining Associations		Meridian		
4019	Workplace Injury Prevention and Safety Committee		Meridian		
4045	Milk Expression		Meridian		
4048	Assessment Administration and Security		Meridian		
4051	Staff and District Social Media Use		Meridian		
4052	Job References to Prospective Employers		Meridian		
4053	Conflict of Interest		Meridian		
4056	Resignation of Certificated Staff		Meridian		
4057	Superintendent Evaluation		Meridian		
4059	Behavioral and Mental Health Training		Meridian		
4065	Staff Use of AI Tools		Meridian		*
5001	Compulsory Attendance and Excessive Absenteeism		Meridian		
5003	Admission of Part-Time Students		Meridian		
5004	Option Enrollment		Meridian		
5008	Pregnant or Parenting Students		Meridian		
5014	Homeless Students		Meridian		
5015	Protection of Pupil Rights		Meridian		
5016	Student Records		Meridian		
5018	Parental Involvement in Educational Practices		Meridian		
5022	Investigations, Arrests, and Othe Student Contact by Law Enforcement and Health and Human Services		Meridian		
5030	Dating Violence		Meridian		
5031	Student Appearance		Meridian		
5035	Student Discipline		Meridian		
5045	Student Fees		Meridian		
5048	Emergency Response to Life Threatening Asthma or Shystemic Allergic Reactions (Anaphylaxis)		Meridian		
5049	[Intentionally Left Blank]		Meridian		
5052	School Wellnes Policy		Meridian		
5053	Self-Management of Diabettes or Asthma Anaphylaxis		Meridian		
5054	Student Bullying		Meridian		
5057	District Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy		Meridian		
5064	Title I Supplement, Not Supplant		Meridian		
6003	Instructional Program		Meridian		
6025	Student Cell Phone and Other Electronic Devices		Meridian		
6031	Emergency Exclusion Procedure		Meridian		
6034	Concussion Awareness		Meridian		
6036	Reading Instruction and Intervention Services		Meridian		
6038	Student Use of AI Tools		Meridian		
6039	Repeat of Grade at Parent-Guardian Request		Meridian		
6040	Prekindergarten (Preschool or Early Childhood) Program		Meridian		
6041	Malcolm X Day Education		Meridian		
6042	Projection Maps		Meridian		
6043	Mapping Data		Meridian		
6044	Participation and Assignment of Athletic Teams		Meridian		
6045	Behavioral Intervention		Meridian		
6046	Right to Access School Library Materials		Meridian		

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Policy #	Policy Title	Adopted	Current (if applic	Recommended		
1001	General Policy Statement			Meridian		
1002	Creation, Amendment and Distribution of Policies		Meridian			
1003	Mission Statement			Meridian		
2001	Role of the Board of Education			Meridian		
2002	Organization of the Board, Board Officers, Check Signing and Committees		Meridian	Meridian		
2003	Development and Education of Board Members			Meridian		
2004	Oath of Office			Meridian		
2005	Conflict of Interest			Meridian		
2006	Complaint Procedure		Meridian	Meridian		
2007	Reimbursement and Miscellaneous Expenditures			Meridian		
2008	Meetings		Meridian			
2009	Public Participation at Board Meetings		Meridian			
2010	Preparation for Board Meetings			Meridian		
2011	Membership in Organizations			Meridian		
2012	Board Code of Ethics			Meridian		
2013	Violation of Board Ethics			Meridian		
2014	Relationship with District Legal Counsel		Meridian			
2015	[Intentionally Left Blank]			Meridian		
2016	Participation in Insurance Program			Meridian		
2017	Indemnification and Liability Insurance		Meridian			
3001	Budget and Property Tax Request		Meridian			
3002	Deposits			Meridian		
3003	Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Site Improvements		Meridian			
3003.1	Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Related Projects Financed with Federal Funds		Meridian			
3004	General Purchasing and Procurement			Meridian		
3004.1	Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement Using Federal Funds		Meridian			
3005	School Activities Fund			Meridian		
3006	[Intentionally Left Blank]			Meridian		
3007	Review of Bills			Meridian		
3008	Gifts, Grants and Bequests			Meridian		
3009	Audit			Meridian		
3010	Insurance			Meridian		
3011	[Intentionally Left Blank]		Meridian			
3012	School Meal Program and Meal Charges		Meridian			
3013	Emergency Closings			Meridian		
3014	Use of School Property			Meridian		
3015	[Intentionally Left Blank]			Meridian		
3016	Smoking and Related Products		Meridian			
3017	Official Communication with the Public			Meridian		
3018	Denial of Access to School Premises		Meridian	Meridian		
3019	Sale or Disposal of School Property			Meridian		
3020	Copyright Compliance			Meridian		
3021	Operation of School Business Office			Meridian		
3022	Volunteers			Meridian		
3023	Record Management and Retention		Meridian	Meridian		
3024	Booster Clubs and Parent-Teacher Organizations			Meridian		
3025	Returned and Outstanding Checks			Meridian		
3026	Handbooks		Meridian			
3027	Resolution of Conflict Between Parents Over School Issues			Meridian		
3028	Sex Offenders			Meridian		
3029	Distribution of Flyers Advertising Non-School Organizations			Meridian		
3030	Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) Program			Meridian		
3031	Students Electing to Attend School in Adjoining State			Meridian		
3032	Fees for School District Records			Meridian		
3033	[Intentionally Left Blank]		Meridian	Meridian		
3034	[Intentionally Left Blank]			Meridian		
3035	Chain of Command			Meridian		
3036	Purchasing (Credit) Card Program		Meridian	Meridian		
3037	Petty Cash			Meridian		
3038	[Intentionally Left Blank]			Meridian		
3039	Threat Assessment and Response		Meridian	Meridian		
3040	School Safety and Security			Meridian		
3041	Crisis Team Duties		Meridian			
3042	Construction Management at Risk Contracts			Meridian		
3043	Design-Build Contracts		Meridian	Meridian		
3044	Incidental or De Minimis Use of Public Resources			Meridian		
3045	Use of Sniffer Dogs			Meridian		
3046	Animals at School		Meridian			
3047	Data Breach Response		Meridian			
3048	Communicable Disease		Meridian			
3049	Drones and Unmanned Aircraft			Meridian		

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3050	Technology in the Classroom			Meridian		
3051	Opioid Overdose Prevention and Response		Meridian			
3052	Leasing Personal Property		Meridian			
3053	Nondiscrimination		Meridian			
3054	Law Enforcement Unit		Meridian			
3055	School Resource Officers			Meridian		
3056	[Intentionally Left Blank]			Meridian		
3057	Title IX		Meridian			
3058	Naming School Facilities and Property			Meridian		
3059	Audio and Video Recording		Meridian			
3060	Firearms and Weapons for Non-Students		Meridian			
3061	ACH Originator Policy		Meridian			
4001	[Intentionally Left Blank]			Meridian		
4002	Drug Free Workplace		Meridian			
4003	Drug Testing of Drivers		Meridian			
4004	Employment of Relatives			Meridian		
4005	Communication between the Board and District Employees			Meridian		
4006	Workers' Compensation Insurance			Meridian		
4007	Personnel Records			Meridian		
4008	Outside Employment			Meridian		
4009	Restrictions on Employees Receiving Gratuities			Meridian		
4010	Inclement Weather			Meridian		
4011	Employee Leave Under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA)		Meridian			
4011.1	Employee Leave Under the Nebraska Family Military Leave			Meridian		
4012	Staff Internet and Computer Use			Meridian		
4013	Grievance Procedure			Meridian		
4014	[Intentionally Left Blank]			Meridian		
4015	Prohibition Against the Employment of Board Members			Meridian		
4016	Jury Duty or Service as Witness in Court			Meridian		
4017	Relations with Employee Collective Bargaining Associations		Meridian			
4018	Corporal Punishment			Meridian		
4019	Workplace Injury Prevention and Safety Committee		Meridian			
4020	Ownership of Copyrighted Works			Meridian		
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4022	Certification and Endorsements			Meridian		
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4025	Superintendent			Meridian		
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4027	Part-Time Certificated Employees			Meridian		
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5057	District Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy		Meridian			
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RESOLUTION #260913
RESOLUTION IMPLEMENTING POLICIES

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has updated its policies by approving new policies from KSB School Law; and

WHEREAS, the Board elected to review and approve the updated policies over several meetings but not make them the effective policies of the school district until they completed the review; and

WHEREAS, the Board has completed its review and is ready to implement all of the updated policies by this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that any updated policies the Board has not already implemented are hereby implemented and become the official policies of the school district, superseding any prior policies, except that the following previously adopted policies shall remain in full force and effect except to the extent specifically revised, removed, or replaced by the Board: 1002, 2002, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2014, 2017, 3001, 3003, 3003.1, 3004.1, 3011, 3012, 3016, 3018, 3023, 3026, 3033, 3036, 3039, 3041, 3043, 3046, 3047, 3048, 3051, 3052, 3053, 3054, 3057, 3059, 3060, 3061, 4002 (Drug Free Workplace), 4003, 4011 (FMLA Leave), 4017 (Relations with Employee Collective Bargain Associations), 4019 (Workplace Injury Prevention and Safety Committee), 4045, 4048, 4051, 4052, 4053, 4056, 4057, 4059, 4065, 5001 (Compulsory Attendance), 5002.1, 5003 (Part-Time Students), 5004 (Option Enrollment), 5005 (Transportation), 5008 (Pregnant or Parenting Students), 5014, 5015, 5016, 5018, 5022, 5030, 5031, 5035, 5045, 5048, 5049, 5052, 5053, 5054, 5057, 5064, 5067, 6003, 6025, 6031, 6034, 6036, 6038, 6039, 6040, 6041, 6042, 6043, 6044, and 6045, 6046.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the Superintendent or Superintendent's designees to make all necessary changes and take any necessary action to implement the updated policies.

Approved by the Board on September 14, 2026.

Board President

Meridian Public Schools KSB Policy Service Review Schedule

(YEAR 1 OF 3 YEAR CYCLE)

January 2027

- Review Policies 1001-1003

February 2027

- Review Policies 2001-2009

March 2027

- Review Policies 2010-2017

April 2027

- Review Policies 3001-3012

May 2027

- Review Policies 3013-3022

June 2027

- Summer Break!

July 2027

- Retrieve KSB's Annually Updated Notice of Policies Requiring Review
- Review some or all of the policies identified in the KSB Notice

August 2027

- Finish reviewing any remaining policies identified in the KSB Notice

September 2027

- Review Policies 3023-3035

October 2027

- Review Policies 3036-3048

November 2027

- Review Policies 3049-3061

December 2027

- Merry Christmas!

Meridian Public Schools KSB Policy Service Review Schedule

(YEAR 2 OF 3 YEAR CYCLE)

January 2028

- Review Policies 4002-4009

February 2028

- Review Policies 4009-4017

March 2028

- Review Policies 4018-4028

April 2028

- Review Policies 4029-4038

May 2028

- Review Policies 4039-4045

June 2028

- Summer Break!

July 2028

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- Review some or all of the policies identified in the KSB Notice

August 2028

- Finish reviewing any remaining policies identified in the KSB Notice

September 2028

- Review Policies 4046-4054

October 2028

- Review Policies 4055-4060

November 2028

- Review Policies 4061-4065

December 2028

- Merry Christmas!

Meridian Public Schools KSB Policy Service Review Schedule

(YEAR 3 OF 3 YEAR CYCLE)

January 2029

- Review Policies 5001-5011

February 2029

- Review Policies 5012-5024

March 2029

- Review Policies 5025-5039

April 2029

- Review Policies 5040-5053

May 2029

- Review Policies 5054-5067

June 2029

- Summer Break!

July 2029

- Retrieve KSB's Annually Updated Notice of Policies Requiring Review
- Review some or all of the policies identified in the KSB Notice

August 2029

- Finish reviewing any remaining policies identified in the KSB Notice

September 2029

- Review Policies 6001-6015

October 2029

- Review Policies 6016-6033

November 2029

- Review Policies 6034-6046

December 2029

- Merry Christmas!

September 3, 2026

Meridian Public School
Board of Education
PO Box 190
Daykin, NE 68424

Dear Negotiations Committee:

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Sincerely,



Lisa Hermsmeier
Negotiation Chair
Meridian Education Association

September 29, 2025

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Daykin, NE 68424

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa Marie Hermsmeier". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Lisa Hermsmeier
Negotiation Chair
Meridian Education Association

Meridian Public Schools

2026- 2027 - UPDATED (9/14/2026)

July

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*** Friday dismissal is 3:10**

Jan 4: Inservice: NS
Jan 5: Classes Resume
Jan 20: Inservice Early Out

January

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Aug 10: FB / VB Practice	Feb 11: PTC 4-8:00pm
Aug 10,11, 12: Inservice	Feb 17: PTC 4-8:00pm
Aug 13: 1st day /half dy	Feb 19: Comp Day: NS

February

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Sep 4: Early Out	Mar 5: Spring Break: NS
Sep 7: Labor Day: NS	Mar 8: CRC Quiz Bowl: NS
Sep 16 & 17: PTC	Mar 11: end 3rd Quarter
Sep 17: Early Out	Mar 12 Spring Break: NS
Sep 18: Comp Day: NS	March 26: Easter Break
	March 29: Easter Break

March

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Oet 16: end 1st Quarter	April 2: JH Honor Clinic
Oet 23: Fall Break: NS	April 13: MUDECAS JH Quiz Bowl: NS
Oet 30: Inservice : NS	

April

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Nov 25: Thanksgiving: NS	May 12: District Track
Nov 26: Thanksgiving: NS	May 13: Senior Trip
Nov 27: Thanksgiving : NS	May 15: Graduation
	May 19: end 4th Quarter early out
	May 20: Last Day Teachers

May

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Dec 18 1:30 dismissal
Dec 23-27: NSAA Moritorium

June

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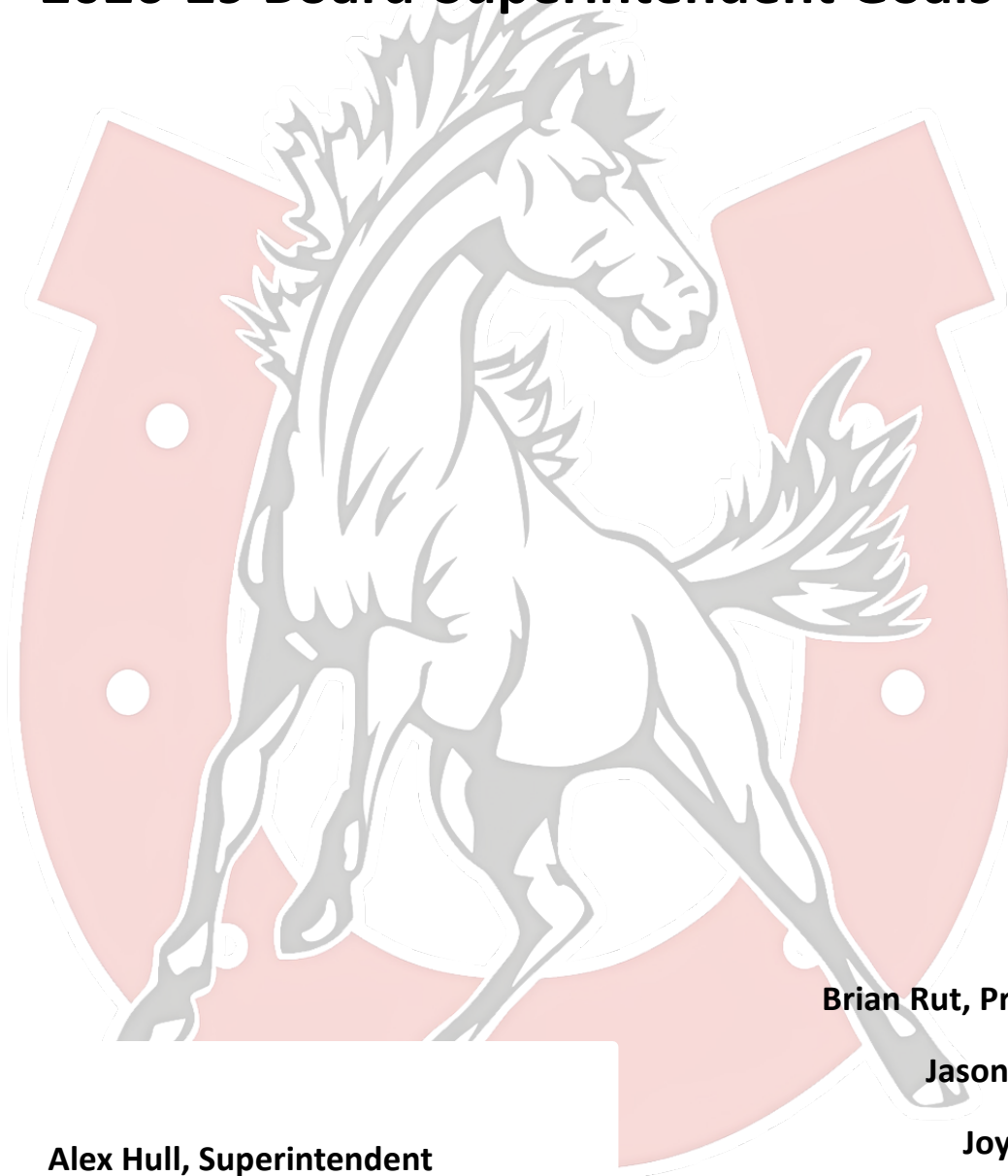
2nd: s-90 T-95

Students Total 174

Teachers Total 185

Meridian Public Schools

2026-29 Board-Superintendent Goals



Alex Hull, Superintendent

Brian Rut, President

Jason Bartels

Joy Barton

Jamie Niederklein

Scott Sobotka

Todd Vorderstrasse

Meridian Public Schools

2026-2029 Board-Superintendent Goals

The following superintendent-board goals reflect a summary of feedback received from board, superintendent, and administrators during the board retreat held on August 10, 2026. The board will work through committee and regular board meeting discussion, consideration, and action to monitor progress and success.

The superintendent will prioritize the goals according to urgency and impact. To establish accountability of the board and superintendent, it will be important to establish a consistent process for reviewing progress toward the goals throughout the 2026-2029 timeframe. For each goal, the board and superintendent will establish the baseline, measurable target, evidence of success, and a timeline for achieving the target. Progress will be reviewed at agreed-upon intervals throughout the year, with the superintendent providing evidence of progress and identifying barriers, adjustments, and anticipating next steps when targets are not met. Updates will be presented to the board and community through board meeting updates. The board may wish to consider the following questions to support discussion of the superintendent's progress report:

1. What progress has been realized and are you on track?
2. What evidence was presented to support the progress update?
3. What barriers, if any, have you encountered and what adjustments are being made?
4. What do you need from the board?

I. Board-Superintendent Relations Goal:

Objective: The Board will fulfill its statutory responsibility to evaluate the superintendent twice during the first year of employment and annually thereafter while establishing clear performance expectations, measurable goals, and evidence of success. The superintendent will collaborate with the board to define expectations, policies, and goals to support instruction and student learning.

- i. The superintendent will remind the board members in writing at least 45 days before the date of each upcoming evaluation and provide them with the instrument to be used.
- ii. The board shall put evaluations in writing and discuss them with the superintendent.
- iii. If deficiencies are noted in the superintendent's work performance, the board shall provide the superintendent at the time of the observation with a list of deficiencies and a list of suggestions for improvement and assistance in overcoming the deficiencies. [e.g., superintendent goals and measures of progress and success]
- iv. The board shall provide the superintendent with a follow-up evaluation and assistance when deficiencies remain, a timeline for improvement, and sufficient time to improve. The board may also rely on the superintendent's education, training, and expertise and require

that he/she will submit a “list of suggestions for improvement” or a plan of improvement for the board’s consideration.

- v. The evaluation shall be signed by the board president and the superintendent. The copy of the evaluation will be placed in the superintendent’s personnel file.
- vi. The superintendent will share progress updates of goals during each monthly regular board meeting.
- vii. The Board will review progress toward superintendent goals at agreed-upon intervals throughout the year and use evidence of progress, barriers, results, and necessary adjustments to inform the evaluation process.
- viii. The Board will maintain a clear distinction between its governance responsibilities and the superintendent’s administrative responsibilities and will provide the superintendent with the authority necessary to carry out assigned responsibilities.
- ix. The Board will communicate with the superintendent in a professional, respectful, and collaborative manner and will address concerns directly with the superintendent rather than through individual staff members or informal channels.
- x. The Board will annually complete a Board Self-Assessment to measure the effectiveness of the board-superintendent working relationship and identify opportunities to strengthen communication, trust, role clarity, and collective effectiveness.

Board Measured Progress:

- 1. Did the board conduct the evaluations properly and on time?
- 2. Did the board establish targets, evidence, monitor progress, and provide feedback?
- 3. Did the board maintain the professional relationship and appropriate governance/administrative boundaries necessary for the superintendent to lead?

II. Educational Leadership Goal

The superintendent provides educational leadership ensuring resources and support best practice for instructional standards, as well as implementation of current/applicable curriculum and assessments to support student success and well-being.

Performance Indicators:

- i. Establish a curriculum [policy] review and revision cycle to evaluate implementation progress and instructional effectiveness. Validate curriculum is adopted in all core subject areas [i.e., reading, math, science, and social studies].
- ii. Adopt a curriculum review cycle aligned to the Nebraska State Standards review cycle.
- iii. Identify the priority curriculum area, allocate time and resources to support staff aligning the curriculum to the State Standards, develop or update scope and sequence/pacing guides, and review and update assessments as needed.
- iv. Review and align the Meridian teacher evaluation tool to the district adopted instructional framework.
- v. Identify and schedule data reports to be presented to the board highlighting student success, identified areas of need, progress of interventions, and potential professional development needs.

- vi. Work collaboratively with administration and the board to develop and implement strategies that strengthen teacher retention and build a sustainable pipeline for attracting high-quality educators to the district as veteran staff retire.

The Board will support this goal by:

1. **Prioritizing student learning:** Reinforcing student success as a board priority through policy, planning, and resource allocation.
2. **Providing resources:** Support the administration by allocating time and resources to support curriculum work, instructional support, and professional development opportunities.
3. **Monitoring progress:** Review and engage in the discussion of student data and progress reports presented by the administrators on a routine basis.

III. Facilities Leadership Goal:

The superintendent will work in collaboration with the board to complete a comprehensive facilities study of the district infrastructure to determine the most efficient use of building space to support instruction, student needs, and upkeep/maintenance, and will provide recommendations for realignment and long-term planning.

Performance Indicators:

- i. Work with the board to complete a comprehensive facilities study.
- ii. Engage board and community to provide input regarding efficient and effective use of space, maintenance and upkeep of facilities and equipment, and long-term facility and ground planning.
- iii. Engage the board in the discussion and review of options supported with clear data and ensures facilities will be updated and designed to support safety and security, instructional alignment, financial efficiency, and positive community impact.
- iv. Complete a facilities study to share with the board including a proposed timeline.
- v. Provide evidence of engagement with staff, students, and community stakeholders in the study process.
- vi. Present to the board clear options for realignment and maintenance priorities, supported by data.
- vii. Communication board and community identified priorities through transparent communication and accessible reporting.

IV. Budget/Finance Leadership Goal:

The superintendent provides organizational leadership district-wide to ensure fiscal responsibility and management of school operations by allocating, using, and investing district resources to support effective instruction and improved student learning.

Performance Indicators:

- i. Address short-long-term planning to support maintenance and upkeep including the current bus fleet.
- ii. Provide monthly board meeting financial updates to include current financials and two-years historical data.
- iii. Maintain reserves at or above the board-established threshold.
- iv. Present ongoing legislative briefings to the board including a financial analysis of favorable or challenging implications.
- v. Engage the board in the development and design of the 2027-28 budget throughout the 2026-27 school year beginning in September but not later than at the conclusion of teacher negotiations.
- vi. Ensure the 2026-27 audit reflects no significant deficiencies.

The board will support this goal by:

1. **Establishing board-superintendent priorities:** Provide direction on financial priorities through board goals, policies, and strategic plan alignment.
2. **Dedicating time and resources:** Devote time to board meetings and budget workshops, to discuss legislative updates, and budget forecasting impact.
3. **Advocating:** Work with the superintendent to advocate for legislative positions that support Meridan school district's financial stability.
4. **Maintaining expectations:** Review purposeful financial reports monthly, uphold policies on reserve levels, spending, and fiscal accountability.
5. **Community engagement:** Support transparent communication by reinforcing the superintendent's efforts to share financial information with staff, parents, and the community.

Meridian Board Governance Goals

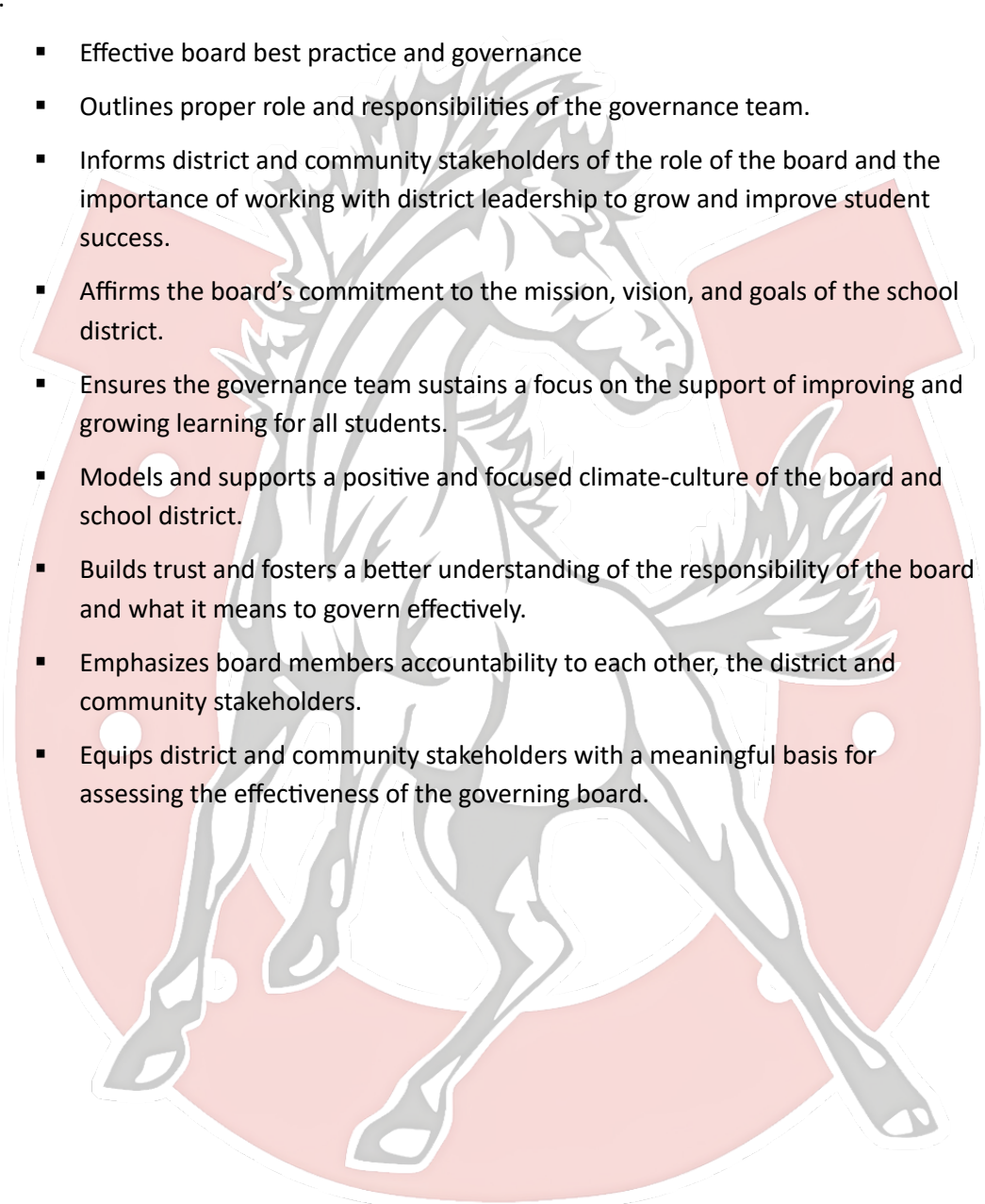
Board Goal: The board will utilize the adopted committee structure to foster a cohesive and collaborative working relationship with the superintendent, driving intentional and positive district-wide culture and climate to support improved instruction and student success.

Meridian Board Committees to consider or sustain: American Civics, [Standalone Meeting separate from Regular Board Meeting], Building and Grounds, Transportation, Curriculum & Instruction, and Negotiations.

*Each committee meeting will follow an agenda, summarize discussion into minutes, distribute minutes to remaining board members, and request items be placed on the regular board meeting agenda for board information, discussion, consideration, and/or action per the committee's recommendation.

The board role outlined through the committee structure aligns to appropriate superintendent goals and ensures:

- Effective board best practice and governance
- Outlines proper role and responsibilities of the governance team.
- Informs district and community stakeholders of the role of the board and the importance of working with district leadership to grow and improve student success.
- Affirms the board's commitment to the mission, vision, and goals of the school district.
- Ensures the governance team sustains a focus on the support of improving and growing learning for all students.
- Models and supports a positive and focused climate-culture of the board and school district.
- Builds trust and fosters a better understanding of the responsibility of the board and what it means to govern effectively.
- Emphasizes board members accountability to each other, the district and community stakeholders.
- Equips district and community stakeholders with a meaningful basis for assessing the effectiveness of the governing board.



Meridian Public Schools- Option Enrollment Report (As of 9/8/26)

OPTION IN			OPTION OUT	
Grade	Option In		Grade	Option Out
K	5		K	1
1	7		1	0
2	6		2	1
3	8		3	1
4	4		4	0
5	9		5	0
6	6		6	1
7	8		7	0
8	7		8	1
9	5		9	0
10	9		10	1
11	6		11	2
12	4		12	2
Elementary	45		Elementary	4
HS	39		HS	6
Total	84		Total	10
Option-In	84			
Option-Out	10			
NET OPTION	74			

September Board Report

Secondary Principal Report

Enrollment **26-27**:

Gr.	Grad.	G	B	Total
7th	2032	8	6	14
8th	2031	7	9	16
9th	2030	9	14	23
10th	2029	9	5	14
11th	2028	7	9	16
12th	2027	5	7	12
Total		45	50	95

+1 (8th grade girl; 9th grade boy; -1 11th grade boy)

Goal for 2026-2027:

My goal as a LEADER is to model the following qualities:

Listen first to understand not respond, Expect great things and hold others Accountable for their actions, show **Determination** through the hard stuff, have **Excitement** for the little things, be a **Resource** to staff, and a **Supporter** of all things MUSTANGS!

Progress:

- Back to school PD
 - Review instructional practices (Essential 8)
 - Staff Meetings
 - Open House Parent Meeting
- First Day Assembly
- Building LEADERS introduction
- Herd Meeting 8/26 and 9/9
 - Listening to Understand
 - Encouragement
- 9/1 ESU 5 DAC Zoom

Upcoming Events:

- 9/15 MTSS Quarterly Meeting
- Homecoming Week "Welcome to the Jungle!"
 - Decorate 9/21
 - Parade 9/23

- Football Game/Foundation Tailgate 9/25
- Dinner/Dance 9/26

Asche Principal Report to Board

September

Grade	Girls	Boys	Total
PK	3	6	9
K	7	7	14
1	7	9	16
2	6	7	13
3	10	5	15
4	5	6	11
5	10	10	20
6	7	10	17
Total	55	60	115

Past Events

MPIE Open House August 11

First Day of School August 13

Fall Testing

First Herd Meeting

MMTV Pilot

Upcoming Events

MUDECAS VB Tournament begins Sept 14

Parent-Teacher Conferences Sept 16-17

No School Sept 18

Homecoming Sept 25

Foundation Tailgate Sept 25

Harvest of Harmony Oct 3

Live On Tailgate Oct 9

JH/HS Fall Concert Oct 12

CRC VB Oct 17-20

Activities Update:

FB 15 (1-1)

VB 13 (5-1)

September Superintendent Report:

- CRC Passes
 - Who needs one? Didn't get one?
- Edward Jones
 - We have been named as beneficiary and we are completing the process of filling out paperwork to receive the money
 - Minutes need signatures
 - About \$60,000
 - Will receive into activity fund
- Foundation Tailgate
 - 9/25 who can help?
- State Conference Registration opens Wed. Sept. 16 (Conference Wed-Fri. Nov. 18-20)
 - Who can go?
 - Hotel preference Hilton? Marriott? Hotel registration opens 9/30
- Region Meeting Recap
- Audit Date:
 - Wed. Oct. 7
- NRCSA One Card
 - Process
 - Next Steps