

BOARD OF EDUCATION – PUBLIC HEARING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026

5:30 PM

NHS NORTH BOARD ROOM

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AGENDA

ROLL CALL

DISCUSSION:

- **Nashua Open Enrollment**

NONPUBLIC SESSION, IF NEEDED:

- RSA 91 A:3 II (a) The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests an open meeting in which case the request shall be granted.
- RSA 91 A:3 II (b) The hiring of any person as a public employee.
- RSA 91 A:3 II (c) Matters which, if discussed in public, likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the BOE, unless such person requests an open meeting.
- RSA 91 A:3 II (e) Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation which has been threatened in writing or filed against the body or agency or any subdivision thereof, or against any member thereof, because of his membership in such body or agency, until the claim or litigation has been fully adjudicated or otherwise settled....
- RSA 91 A:3 III Minutes of the meetings in nonpublic session shall be kept and the record of all actions shall be promptly made available for public inspection, except as provided in this section. Minutes and decisions reached in nonpublic session shall be publicly disclosed within 72 hours of the meeting, *unless, by recorded vote of 2/3 of the members present taken in public session, it is determined that divulgence of the information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of the Board....*

ADJOURNMENT

NONMEETING FOR NEGOTIATIONS, IF NEEDED

NONMEETING WITH COUNSEL, IF NEEDED



Shall the Nashua School District vote to designate Nashua High School North and Nashua High School South as Open Enrollment Schools pursuant to N.H. RSA 194-D, with an enrollment limitation continuing to allow all (100%) of its eligible resident students to attend, and to allow admitted nonresident students to make up no more than .25% (up to 25 students) of the total enrollment in the Nashua School District, and further to limit the number of its resident students who may attend open enrollment schools located outside the district to .25% (up to 25 students)?

Explanation:

The State's new open enrollment law (RSA 194-D) allows students to transfer between districts unless local limits are set by voter action. This article is intended to protect and insulate the Nashua School District from any unintended impacts of the new law by clearly defining how Nashua will participate. The article designates only Nashua High School North and Nashua High School South as open-enrollment receiving schools, allowing the District to accept a limited number of outside students when space permits. The percentage of Nashua students allowed to enroll in other districts is set at the same amount in an effort to maintain stable enrollment. This preserves enrollment and budget stability, protects staffing and program continuity, and ensures that decisions about open enrollment remain under the control of the Nashua Board of Education rather than defaulting to broader state authority.

Similar to the intra-district transfer process, transportation is **not** provided to/from the requested school. If more than 25 requests for enrollment are received, a lottery will be held to determine which applicants will receive spots at Nashua High School North and South. The accepted placement will be for the 2026-2027 school year.