



Board of Education Regular Meeting  
September 8, 2025 6:30 PM  
Sullivan Central Middle School  
131 Shipley Ferry Road  
Blountville, TN 37617

1. Call to Order
2. Election of Board Chair and Vice-Chair
3. Approval of the Agenda
4. Consent Agenda
  - a. Meeting Minutes from August 7, 2025
  - b. Field Trip Requests
  - c. Copier Lease Agreement - Emmett Elementary
  - d. Donation to WRHS Culinary Program
5. Public Comment - Agenda Items
6. Director's Comments
7. Special Recognition
  - a. 4-H Clover Bowl Winners from Miller Perry & Sullivan Heights
8. New Business
  - a. 2026-2027 School Calendar
  - b. CMTA HVAC Projects
  - c. Maintenance Employee Changes
  - d. Budget Amendments
    - a. Perkins Basic Revision
  - e. Budget Resolutions
    - a. Resolution to Recognize Reimbursement Received for Project on Track Expenses
    - b. Resolution to Recognize Sullivan County Schools' Participation in the TN Young Employee Program (TN YEP)
  - f. Grant Budgets
    - a. Early Literacy PreK Teacher Stipends - FY25
    - b. IDEA Partnership for Systemic Change Preschool FY26 Original Budget
    - c. Preschool Access for All Network FY26 Original Budget
    - d. Title IX McKinney-Vento FY26 Original Budget
9. Public Comment - Non-Agenda Items
10. Board Chairman Comments
  - a. Director's Evaluation
11. Adjournment



Version 2																	
2026-2027 School Calendar																	
July 2026				<b>SULLIVAN COUNTY SCHOOLS</b> 154 Blountville Bypass Blountville, TN 37617 423.354.1000 www.sullivank12.net  <b>Graduating students prepared for college and career who are productive community members.</b>				January 2027									
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August 2026				<b>August 3 Administrative Day</b> <b>Aug 4 - 6 Inservice Days</b> <b>Aug 7 Administrative Day</b> <b>August 10 First day for students</b> <b>August 13 PD Day; No school for students</b> <b>Sept. 7 Labor Day; School closed for staff &amp; students</b> <b>Sept. 15 Parent-Teacher Conferences; No school for students</b>				February 2027									
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September 2026				<b>Oct. 9 End of First 9 weeks</b> <b>Nov.3 - In-Service Day; No school for students - Election Day</b> <b>Nov. 25 - 27 Holiday; No school for staff &amp; students</b> <b>Dec. 18 Last day of 1st term; half day for students</b> <b>Dec. 21 - Jan. 1 Holiday; No school for staff or students</b>				March 2027									
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October 2026				<b>Jan. 4 Administrative Day; no school for students</b> <b>Jan. 5 Students return from break; Second term starts</b> <b>Jan. 18 Holiday; No School for staff &amp; students</b> <b>Feb. 4 Staff Development Day; No school for students</b>				April 2027									
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31	25	26	27	28	29	30					
November 2026				<b>March 10 End of 3rd 9 weeks</b> <b>March 29 - Apr 2 - Spring Break, No school for staff &amp; students</b> <b>March 26 - Good Friday</b> <b>May 4 In-Service Day; No school for students - Election Day</b> <b>May 20 Last day for students, also 1/2 day for students</b> <b>May 21 Administrative Day for Staff</b>				May 2027									
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29	30						23	24	25	26	27	28	29				
December 2026				<b>Staff Development Day for Teachers; No students</b> <b>Administrative Day for Teachers; No students</b> <b>Inservice Day for Teachers; No students</b> <b>Parent Teacher Day. No school for students; staff attends</b> <b>No school for staff or students</b> <b>Half Day for Students; Full Day for Teachers</b> <b>Students first full day of semester</b> <b>6 hours PD must be earned by teachers on their own time</b>				June 2027									
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Questions

Responses 3,546

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# 3,546 responses



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Summary

Question

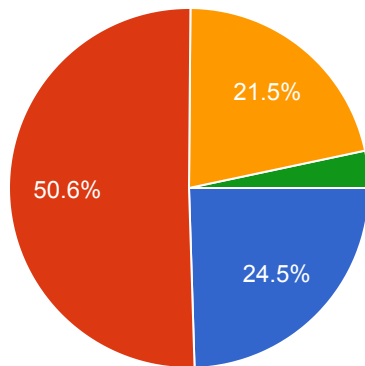
Individual

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3,546 responses



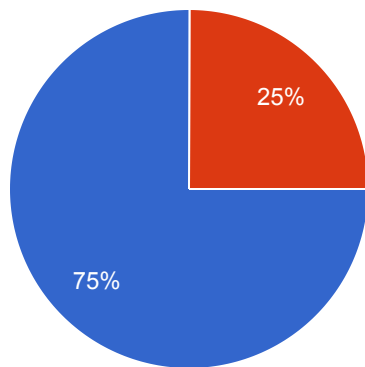
- I am a student.
- I am a parent of a current student in Sullivan County Schools.
- I am an employee of Sullivan County Schools.
- I do not meet any of the above criteria, but am a concerned citizen.

Calendar choice



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3,546 responses



- Version 1
- Version 2

## 2026-2027 Survey Comparison

Survey Responses - 3,546

- Parents - 1,795
- Students - 869
- Employees - 764
- Community stakeholders - 118

Results:

Version 1 - 75% , 2,661 votes (+1776 votes)

August 3rd Start Date

Full 5 day fall break

No school for students or staff on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving

Full 5 day spring break

6 hours of PD for teachers on their own time.

Version 2 - 25% , 885 votes

August 10th Start Date

No fall break

No school for students or staff on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving

Full 5 day spring break

6 hours of PD for teachers on their own time.



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## Budget Overview Plus/Minus

Sullivan County (820) Public District - FY 2026 - CTE Perkins Basic - Rev 1 - CTE Perkins Basic

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### Indirect Cost Guide

Total Allocation	\$169,718.07
Existing Budget In Categories Not Eligible for Indirect Cost	\$28,677.02
Total Available for Budgeting In Categories Eligible for Indirect Cost and Indirect Cost	\$141,041.05
Indirect Cost Rate	0.65%
Max Available Budget In Categories Eligible for Indirect Cost	\$140,130.21
Max Indirect Cost	\$910.84

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Account Number	71300 - Vocational Education Program	72130 - Other Student Support	72230 - Support Services/Vocational Education Program	72710 - Transportation	Total
Line Item Number					
162 - Clerical Personnel	0.00		2,284.00		2,284.00
189PD - Other Salaries & Wages (PD)		12,750.00			12,750.00
201 - Social Security	0.00	900.00	144.00	0.00	1,044.00
204 - Pensions	0.00	1,200.00	210.00	0.00	1,410.00
212 - Employer Medicare	0.00	225.00	37.00	0.00	262.00
315C - Contracts with Vehicle Owners			0.00	2,537.62	2,537.62
				-\$5,462.38	-\$5,462.38
429 - Instructional Supplies & Materials	13,622.43				13,622.43
471 - Software	16,770.00				16,770.00
	+\$3,000.00				+\$3,000.00
499 - Other Supplies and Materials	20,000.00	0.00	0.00		20,000.00
524 - In-Service / Staff Development			3,100.00		3,100.00
			-\$3,000.00		-\$3,000.00
524PD - In-Service / Staff Development (PD)		34,261.00			34,261.00
599 - Other Charges	2,000.00	0.00	0.00		2,000.00
	-\$4,000.00				-\$4,000.00
599C - Other Charges (CTSO)		31,000.00			31,000.00
730 - Vocational Instruction Equipment	28,677.02				28,677.02
	-\$21,000.00				-\$21,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>81,069.45</b>	<b>80,336.00</b>	<b>5,775.00</b>	<b>2,537.62</b>	<b>169,718.07</b>
	<b>-\$22,000.00</b>		<b>-\$3,000.00</b>	<b>-\$5,462.38</b>	<b>-\$30,462.38</b>
				<b>Adjusted Allocation</b>	<b>169,718.07</b>
				<b>Remaining</b>	<b>0.00</b>

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*Sullivan County*  
*Board of County Commissioners*  
*242<sup>nd</sup> Annual Session*

Item  
No. 2025-9-

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 18th day of September, 2025.

**RESOLUTION to Recognize Reimbursements Received for Project On Track Expenses**

**WHEREAS**, the Sullivan County Department of Education has received funding through the Niswonger Foundation for Project On Track Expenses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sullivan County Department of Education is estimated to receive a total of up to \$200,750.00 in reimbursement for tutoring and instructional supply expenses.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby authorizes the Sullivan County Department of Education to recognize said reimbursements in the General Purpose School Fund; not to exceed the above amount (\$200,750.00). The revenue and expenditure account codes for the grant are as follows:

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>Account Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
48130-70	Contributions	200,750.00
71100-189-70	Other Salaries & Wages	185,975.00
71100-201-70	Social Security	11,000.00
71100-204-70	State Retirement	175.00
71100-212-70	Employer Medicare	2,700.00
72210-429-70	Instructional Supplies & Mtls	900.00

This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

*Waiver of rules requested*

Approved this 18th day of September, 2025.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Approve: \_\_\_\_\_  
Richard S. Venable, County Mayor

**Sponsored By:**  
**Co-Sponsor(s):**  
ACTIONS:



*Sullivan County*  
*Board of County Commissioners*  
*242<sup>nd</sup> Annual Session*

Item  
No. 2025-9-

To the Honorable Richard S. Venable, Sullivan County Mayor and the Board of Sullivan County Commissioners meeting in Regular Session this 18th day of September, 2025.

**RESOLUTION to Recognize Sullivan County Schools' participation in the Tennessee Young Employee Program (TN YEP) and the receipt of reimbursement funding.**

**WHEREAS**, the Tennessee Youth Employment Program (TN YEP) is an initiative designed to create meaningful employment opportunities for young individuals by matching employers with talent who align perfectly with their business and industry requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sullivan County Schools has partnered with the TN YEP program to offer fifteen (15) high school students the opportunity to participate in this valuable work-based learning experience; and

**WHEREAS**, through its participation, Sullivan County Schools is eligible to receive a reimbursement of up to Thirty-Six Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars (\$36,332.00) from the TN YEP to cover the wages of the participating students; and

**WHEREAS**, the reimbursement of these funds will enable the school system to fully support the students' participation in the program without a financial burden on the district's budget; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sullivan County School Board recognizes the significant educational and career-readiness benefits that the TN YEP program provides to its students;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of County Commissioners of Sullivan County, Tennessee, assembled in Regular Session hereby authorizes the Sullivan County Department of Education to recognize said reimbursements in the General Purpose School Fund; not to exceed the above amount (\$36,332.00). The revenue and expenditure account codes for the grant are as follows:

Account Number	Account Description	Amount
48130-395	Contributions	36,332.00
71300-189-395	Other Salaries & Wages	33,750.00
71300-201-395	Social Security	2,093.00

71300-212-395	Employer Medicare	489.00
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This resolution shall take effect from and after its passage. All resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same rescinded insofar as such conflict exists.

*Waiver of rules requested*

Approved this 18th day of September, 2025.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Teresa Jacobs, County Clerk

Approve: \_\_\_\_\_  
Richard S. Venable, County Mayor

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Sullivan County (820) Public District - FY 2025 - Early Literacy PreK Teacher Stipends - Rev 0 - Early Literacy PreK Teacher Stipends

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	Account Number	73400 - Early Childhood Education	Total
Line Item Number			
<b>189 - Other Salaries &amp; Wages</b>		16,000.00	16,000.00
<b>Total</b>		16,000.00	16,000.00
		<b>Adjusted Allocation</b>	16,000.00
		<b>Remaining</b>	0.00

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Sullivan County (820) Public District - FY 2026 - IDEA Partnership for Systemic Change (Preschool) - Rev 0 - Preschool Implementation Year 2

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	Account Number	71200 - Special Education Program	Total
Line Item Number			
<b>312 - Contracts with Private Agencies</b>		80,000.00	80,000.00
<b>Total</b>		80,000.00	80,000.00
		<b>Adjusted Allocation</b>	80,000.00
		<b>Remaining</b>	0.00

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## Budget Overview

Sullivan County (820) Public District - FY 2026 - Preschool Access for All Network - Rev 0 - Preschool Access for All Network Cohort 4

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	Account Number	71200 - Special Education Program	72220 - Support Services/Special Education Program	Total
Line Item Number				
TDOE Resources	189 - Other Salaries & Wages	0.00	10,200.00	10,200.00
Help for Current Page	201 - Social Security	800.00	0.00	800.00
Contact TDOE	204 - State Retirement	800.00	0.00	800.00
ePlan Sign Out	212 - Employer Medicare	300.00	0.00	300.00
	429 - Instructional Supplies & Materials	7,900.00		7,900.00
	<b>Total</b>	9,800.00	10,200.00	20,000.00
			<b>Adjusted Allocation</b>	20,000.00
			<b>Remaining</b>	0.00

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## Budget Overview

Sullivan County (820) Public District - FY 2026 - Title IX McKinney-Vento - Rev 0 - Title IX McKinney-Vento

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### Indirect Cost Guide

Total Allocation	\$75,594.24
Existing Budget In Categories Not Eligible for Indirect Cost	\$0.00
Total Available for Budgeting In Categories Eligible for Indirect Cost and Indirect Cost	\$0.00
Indirect Cost Rate	0.65%
Max Available Budget In Categories Eligible for Indirect Cost	\$491.36
Max Indirect Cost	\$0.00

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Buttrum, Kirsten

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Account Number	72130 - Other Student Support	72210 - Support Services/Regular Instruction Program	72710 - Transportation	Total
Line Item Number				
<b>189 - Other Salaries &amp; Wages</b>	37,000.00 +\$37,000.00	0.00	0.00	37,000.00 +\$37,000.00
<b>201 - Social Security</b>	2,800.00 +\$2,800.00	0.00	0.00	2,800.00 +\$2,800.00
<b>204 - State Retirement</b>	3,000.00 +\$3,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00 +\$3,000.00
<b>206 - Life Insurance</b>	20.00 +\$20.00	0.00	0.00	20.00 +\$20.00
<b>207 - Medical Insurance</b>	4,300.00 +\$4,300.00	0.00	0.00	4,300.00 +\$4,300.00
<b>208 - Dental Insurance</b>	75.00 +\$75.00	0.00	0.00	75.00 +\$75.00
<b>212 - Employer Medicare</b>	450.00 +\$450.00	0.00	0.00	450.00 +\$450.00
<b>313 - Contracts with Parents</b>			15,000.00 +\$15,000.00	15,000.00 +\$15,000.00
<b>399 - Other Contracted Services</b>	0.00	1,000.00 +\$1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00 +\$1,000.00
<b>499 - Other Supplies and Materials</b>	6,000.00 +\$6,000.00	0.00	0.00	6,000.00 +\$6,000.00
<b>524 - In-Service / Staff Development</b>	5,949.24 +\$5,949.24	0.00	0.00	5,949.24 +\$5,949.24
<b>Total</b>	59,594.24 +\$59,594.24	1,000.00 +\$1,000.00	15,000.00 +\$15,000.00	75,594.24 +\$75,594.24
			<b>Adjusted Allocation</b>	75,594.24
			<b>Remaining</b>	0.00

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