



Tacoma School District

Study Session

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Date and Time

Thursday October 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM PDT

Location

The Tacoma Public Schools Board of Directors will meet for a Study Session on the date and time above in the 4th Floor Auditorium at the Central Administration Building. All regular Board Business Meetings, Committee of the Whole, and Study Session meetings are open public meetings and everyone is encouraged to attend. Executive sessions are closed to the public. Public parking and the main entrance are located on the west side of the building at South G Street.

ACCOMMODATION

Persons requiring accommodations for a disability in order to attend a Board meeting (including the services of a sign language interpreter or those who want to speak at a board meeting but are advised not to attend in-person due to health risks) should contact the Board Office at 253.571.1443 before 4:30 p.m. at least three working days before the meeting to ensure that the District has time to implement appropriate accommodations.

NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

Tacoma Public Schools does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, ethnicity, creed, religion, color, national origin, immigration or citizenship status, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, homelessness, disability, neurodivergence, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

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INTERPRETER

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Agenda

I. Opening Items

- A.** Call the Meeting to Order
- B.** Flag Salute
- C.** Land Acknowledgment

Tacoma Public Schools acknowledges that we are on the traditional ancestral and historical lands of the Puyallup Tribe of Indians. We honor with gratitude the land itself and the Puyallup Tribe. This acknowledgment serves as a first step in honoring our nearest tribal neighbors and partners who have inhabited this region since time immemorial, and to whom we give thanks for allowing us passage to their lands. We shall intentionally create inclusive and respectful partnerships that honor indigenous cultures, histories, identities, and sociopolitical realities.

- D.** Roll Call

General Counsel Gbenro will call the roll.

II. BOARD GOALS

A. BOARD GOAL RESEARCH: PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES

ADOPTED BOARD GOAL NO. 1:

The Board will conduct a comprehensive study of the appropriate use of cell phones during school hours.

B. REPORTS FROM SCHOOLS

- Edna Travis Elementary School
- Baker Middle School
- Mt. Tahoma High School

C. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR "CONSIDERATIONS"

III. LEVY OVERVIEWS

A. LEVY OVERVIEWS OF BALLOT PROPOSITIONS NO. 1 AND NO. 2

BALLOT PROPOSITION NO. 1: EDUCATION PROGRAMS OPERATIONS REPLACEMENT LEVY

BALLOT PROPOSITION NO. 2: K-12 TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS AND UPGRADES TECHNOLOGY REPLACEMENT LEVY

IV. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting