



Seaside School, Inc

Academic Excellence Committee Meeting

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Amended on November 13, 2025 at 4:39 PM CST

Date and Time

Thursday November 13, 2025 at 4:00 PM CST

Location

Seacoast Collegiate High School

Founded in 1996

Serving Students in Grades 5 - 12

As an arm of the Board, we seek to sustain an educational community where an emphasis on academic excellence is complemented by our concern for each learner's personal growth and intellectual, aesthetic, and psychological development. The curriculum is developmentally responsive – actively engaging students in learning skills in context; integrative – directing students to connect learning to daily lives; and exploratory – enabling students to discover their abilities, interests, learning styles, and ways that they can make contributions to society.

The Academic Excellence Committee's role is strategic oversight of academic outcomes — student proficiency, intervention effectiveness, and goal achievement. We do not exercise operational authority over curriculum, instructional materials, or day-to-day educational decisions. Those responsibilities rest with the Executive Director and the administration, within the framework of state, county, and board-approved guidelines.

Information on procedures for public comment can be found on our Governance Page. ([Click Here](#))

If anyone needs special assistance to participate in the public input session, every effort will be made to provide appropriate accommodation. When requesting accommodations for public input, please allow no less than 1 business day notice prior to the scheduled meeting.

Specific issues about a particular student should only be addressed to the school's Director of Student Services, rather than the Board of Directors.

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			4:00 PM
A. Record Attendance		Caitie Cerise	
B. Call the Meeting to Order		Kevin Sandoe	1 m
C. Approve Minutes	Approve Minutes	Caitie Cerise	1 m
Approve minutes for Academic Excellence Committee Meeting on September 11, 2025			
II. Academic Excellence Committee			4:02 PM
A. Administrative Update	FYI	Thomas Miller	15 m
Goal 1: Raise overall <u>academic proficiency</u> scores by the end of the 2025-2026 school year.			
• English Language Arts (>90% proficiency & >80% college and career readiness) • Math (>90% college and career readiness) • Science (>90% proficiency & >75% college and career readiness) • History (>90% college and career readiness)			
Goal 2: Learning Gains Goal: Increase Learning Gains to a score of 80 by the end of the 2025-2026 school year.			
Operations Review:			
• Items requiring immediate board action			

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• Brief operational status updates			
B. Core Governance, Intervention Effectiveness Review	Discuss	Kim Mixson and Drew Ward	15 m
• Lexia program: Usage data, reading comprehension gains, ROI analysis • MTSS implementation: Weekly meeting outcomes, tier movement data • Universal screen (5th grade): Grouping accuracy impact • ESE/academic support: Student level progression (level 1-2 to 3+) • ELA curriculum: Proficiency impact data			
C. Dashboard Discussion & Board Support Needs	Discuss	Kevin Sandoe and Thomas Miller	10 m
Accountability Framework Establishment:			
• Monthly/quarterly reporting rhythm • Dashboard development for comprehensive review ◦ Red/Yellow/Green status identification ◦ <i>Example</i> attached			
D. Committee Resource and/or Operational Needs	FYI	Thomas Miller	5 m
As an FYI, these are the Board Approved curriculum and digital tools approved on our web site: Seaside Neighborhood School Seacoast Collegiate High School Schoolwide (Digital Programs) CTE programs			
E. New Curriculum Proposal (Project Lead the Way)	Vote	Kim Mixson	5 m
Project Lead the Way (Science, SNS)			
F. Curriculum Addition Proposal (SCHS)	Vote	Drew Ward	5 m
SCHS -			
Digital tools needing approval			

FYI addition to student handbook:

Updates: Add lunch detention under discipline, add student email icons should be initials only under technology, add that smart watches are not allowed during instructional time under technology.

G. Positive Indicators to Share

5 m

Any other positive indicators to share?

- PSAT scores in 8th grade were well above the average
 - 92% Meets/Exceeds benchmark in Reading and Writing (District 66%)
 - 79% Meets/Exceeds benchmark in Math (District 33%)
 - 79% met BOTH benchmarks (District 32%)
 - Article: SAT/ACT scores lag nationally ([click here](#))
- The high school conducted an informal survey to gather high school students' (9/10) interests in careers. This data will help inform the NWFSC planning for future programs and electives. The results were (216 responses):
 - Business Accounting (15%)
 - Medicine/Healthcare (15%)
 - Biology (10%)
 - Law/Political Science (10%)
 - Psychology (10%)
 - Engineering (8%)
 - Film/Theatre (7%)
 - Architecture (6%)
 - Others (20%)

Our counseling team is working all students through the [Xello](#) program

- We signed an agreement with Ascension to begin getting our students engaged in Medical and Health field educational opportunities/guest speakers
- We have set a plan to launch our Entrepreneur and Leadership program in January. This will kick off with a workshop hosted by Aprio for local business leaders and culminates with our "SCHS Shark Tank" in the spring.
- Our SCHS ROBITIX team (TOAST) competed for the first time in Panama City (encourage you all to see the

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	• SNS Robotix Team finished in 1st place at recent competition • SCHS Theatre program successfully hosted its first production of the year, The Addams Family • Recent Grant Awards ◦ Jess Mitchell, 3D Sculpting Social Studies Adventure ◦ Preston Sink, Growing Young Engineers ◦ Ed Lyons, Medical Detectives ◦ Donna Stark, Walking and Talking Our Way Through Time ◦ Middle School (\$5,000 through Cox Charities for STEM and Theatre Equipment/Materials)		
III. Closing Items			5:02 PM
A. Adjourn Meeting	FYI	Kevin Sandoe	7 m
A. Action Items Summary			
B. Public Comments: All public comments should be factual and should not include personally identifiable information of students or personnel in order to maintain confidentiality and privacy standards.			
C. Adjourn Meeting			