

Robbinsville Board of Education

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Frequently Asked Questions

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Disclaimer: For questions which require a more detailed response, please call the Board Office at 609-632-0910 (2201).

1. Regarding the budget proposal, there was some concern regarding the alleged contraction of the real estate market. This was provided as evidence for supporting the proposal not to increase taxes. My question is this: have you considered independently verifying that the real estate market is, in fact, contracting?

We have not confirmed this information with a real estate agent. This can be discussed at the board committee level.

2. I notice that the first public comment period is for agenda items only. The second public comment period time is for both agenda and new-business/non-agenda items. Would it help to remind the public specifically about the difference in items for the usages of the public comment periods?

YES, thank you for the suggestion.

3. I so appreciate the commitment to transparency the Board has taken. Community engagement is much higher than it used to be, and since we have taken the time to come, we do want to receive answers to our questions. What is the timing of the FAQ that would provide answers to the questions the public asks?

We hope to post the answers to FAQ inquiries within a week to 10 days after a Board meeting.

4. What is the decision regarding amending the Use Policy to include School Board Forums moderated by the League of Women Voters from Class IV to Class I?

The League of Women Voters is identified as an outside nonprofit organization which falls under a Class II user. At this point, there is no recommendation to revise the Facility Use Policy and make an exception for this outside group.

5. Why does the civility policy not include language regarding Board members' uncivil actions toward members of the public?

The 18A:12-24.1 Code of Ethics for School Board Members communicates the expectation for civil behavior to fellow board members and members of the public.

6. What is the capacity of each of the schools?

According to the Space Capacity Report, based upon current use:

- **RHS: 1088**
- **Pond: 933**
- **Sharon School: 1036**

7. What current percentage of each of the schools' capacity?

The current enrollment (as of February 26, 2019) for each school is as follows:

- **RHS: 1050**
- **Pond: 1037**
- **Sharon School: 1074**

8. What is the anticipated impact of the Town Center South housing on school enrollment?

The impact of Town Center South on school enrollment has yet to be determined.

9. What is the status of the fire alarm replacement project at Pond Road Middle School?

Of the three zones at PRMS, two zones of addressable devices have been replaced. The final zone is slated for replacement shortly.

10. What is the proposed date for the Parent Internet Safety night? Will this have a similar format to the RHS Parent-Student Opioid night?

The tentatively scheduled date is October 15, 2019. While it will not be a required event (like the RHS Opioid Night was), it will target the parents of students in grades PK-12. Students will not be invited to this evening event.