

North Canaan Board of Education  
North Canaan School Library  
6:30 pm

Canaan, Connecticut  
February 19, 2026

Our Mission Statement: North Canaan Elementary School is dedicated to developing a collaborative community of learners who achieve academic excellence, exhibit social awareness, and demonstrate respect and responsibility.

Agenda:

- I. Call to order
- II. Consent Agenda
  - A. Minutes - January 13, 2026 Meeting
- III. Public Comment - Agenda Items Only
- IV. Communications - Written
- V. Bridges Presentation - Sarah Ponkos
- VI. Region One Reports
- VII. All Boards Chair Report
- VIII. Discussion to pick a date for Board members to attend a Budget workshop for the North Canaan Elementary School Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget.
- IX. Board Policies (first reading) -
  - 5113.13 Work-Study Student Employment Work Release
  - Service Animals
  - Transition Policies for Region One, 2000 Series for Adoption
    - 2131 Superintendent of Schools
    - 2200 Administrative Operations
    - 2220 Representative and Deliberate Groups
    - 2230 Control and Communication Channels & Systems
    - 2231 Policy and Regulations Systems
    - 2410 Administrative Organization
- X. Action
  - A. Student Tuition Waiver -
  - B. North Canaan Building Committee Board member assignment -
  - C. New Hire -
    - 1. Hiring of a 3rd grade teacher
    - 2. Hiring of a School Counselor
  - D. Policies -
    - a) 4152.6 Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) (Current)

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- b) 0521 Nondiscrimination (Current)
- c) 6161.12 Library Material Review and Reconsideration (Current)
- d) 6161.13 Library Collection Development and Maintenance (Current)
- e) 2100 Administrative Staff Organization (Current)
- f) 2112 Professional Development (Current)
- g) 2121 Lines of Responsibility (Current)
- h) 2210 Administrative Leeway in Absence of Board Policy (Current)
- i) 2300 Code of Ethics (Current)

XI. Administrative Reports

- A. Principal's Report (Feb)
- B. Assistant Superintendent's Report (Feb)
- C. Superintendent's Report (Feb)

XII. Public Comment

XIII. Adjournment

Public Comment: The Board welcomes public participation and asks that speakers please limit their comments to 3 minutes, which will be monitored. Speakers must introduce themselves and state the topic of their comment. Speakers may offer objective comments of school operations and/or programs that concern them. To protect the impartiality of the Board, we will not permit any expression of personal complaints or defamatory comments about North Canaan Elementary School personnel or students, nor against any person connected with the Region One public schools. Such issues should be brought to the school building administration or the office of the Superintendent of Schools. The Board will not respond to comments made during Public Comment, except to clarify issues, if necessary. When appropriate, the school administration will follow up at a later point in time, or in conjunction with the Board Chair, schedule a topic as an agenda item for a future Business Meeting of the North Canaan Board of Education.