



BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PARTICIPATION  
BUSINESS MEETING – MONDAY, JULY 12, 2021 – 6:30 PM

The Board of Education of Harford County will hold a hybrid Business Meeting will on Monday, July 12, 2021, at 6:30 PM in the Board Room of the A.A. Roberty Building with Board Members, staff, and presenters in attendance both virtually and in-person. A limited 50-seat capacity will be available to the public. Seats will be available on a first come-first served basis. The meeting will be streamed live *and* archived for later viewing on the HCPS [Website](#).

**Public Comment Participation Call-In Process**

Community members who wish to provide comments virtually during the *Public Comments* segment of the Business meeting are required to register by completing this form [Public Comment Registration Form](#).

Registrations must be received by 9:00 AM on Monday, July 12, 2021. All fields on the registration form must be completed.

1. First and Last name
2. Mailing Address
3. Email Address
4. Phone Number

- Registered speakers will receive an email from HCPS with a Call-in Phone # and a Conference ID #.
- Registered speakers are required to call-in and enter the conference ID# at 6:30 PM on Monday, July 12, 2021.
- **Important: If you are unable to take your phone off mute, you may need to dial \*6.**
- If you are admitted from the virtual lobby to the meeting within the two-hour time constraint, you will be greeted by an HCPS staff member when it is time to begin your public comment. Expected hold time in the virtual lobby may vary based on number of registered speakers. The maximum wait time in the lobby is 30 minutes; should you be disconnected please call back.

**Public Comment Participation In-Person Process**

Persons who are attending the meeting in person, as provided above, may make in-person public comment. Board Comment cards will be available for Board meeting attendees in the Board Room prior to the Board Meeting for sign-up. Board Comment Registration forms are limited to one (1) per person.

- Doors will open at 6:00 PM and the meeting will begin at 6:30 PM. Masks will be optional in the Board room.

**The Board has authorized public comment as follows:**

- All speakers, regardless of affiliation, will receive 3-minutes per speaker.
- The Board has allotted two-hours for the *Public Comments* segment of the Business meeting.
- The Board will receive virtual public comment first and in-person public comment second.
- In accordance with Board policy, if the number of speakers impede the ability of the Board to complete scheduled business, the Board reserves the right to reduce the amount of time allotted per speaker, or overall time allotted for public comment.
- The Board expects that all comments will be submitted with the decorum and respect appropriate to the conduct of public business.
- Topics such as personnel matters, pending appeals, specific student disciplinary matters or which constitute commercial solicitations are not permitted.
- Disparaging comments, personal attacks, and inflammatory remarks about specific schools or personnel are not permitted. Speakers who engage in these comments will be reminded of the rules and the Board reserves the right to remove the speaker.
- All public comments submitted will be part of the records maintained by the Board office.

**Speakers are reminded that public comments are considered public information and, as such, are subject to the Maryland Public Information Act.**