

## COMMUNICATION PROCESS W/DISTRICT AND BOARD OF EDUCATION

The most effective and efficient manner to deal with a concern is to address the person most directly involved first. It is best to start with the teacher, coach or advisor if there is an academic, athletic, or activities question. Concerns about class schedules should be directed to the counseling office, health issues to the nurse, and transportation comments to the Director of Transportation. Issues that are not resolved at this level can be reviewed with the administrator in charge.

Community input is very important to the Board of Education and time for public comment is built into the agenda at each BOE meeting. There will be two opportunities for residents and staff of the District to share comments with the Board. The first is at the beginning of the meeting during which feedback can be provided on topics on the agenda. The second is at the end of the meeting. Please indicate on the sign in sheet if you wish to speak, which session you'd like to speak and the subject.

**Each public comment section will be no more than 15 minutes in length.** In order to give as many people as possible an opportunity to speak, **each person will be limited to no more than 3 minutes to express their thoughts.** We also ask that if a group has concerns they should select a spokesperson to convey the group's thoughts. We encourage speakers to share their thoughts, but **refrain from comments regarding specific personnel or students as a matter of respect to all involved.**

If the answer to a community question is known, the Board or Administration **may** respond during the meeting. Most often an issue must be investigated further, and will be assigned to an individual for follow-up outside the meeting. Responses may be provided at the next meeting or, if appropriate, in writing to the speaker.

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## Marion Central School District Philosophical Framework

### MISSION

We engage all students to achieve their fullest potential today and to be prepared for tomorrow's opportunities.

### VISION

The leader in growing future-ready generations.

### CORE BELIEFS

#### We believe...

**Students** are at the heart of what we do.

**Innovation** is critical to our success.

**Integrity** is the foundation of our conduct.

**Engagement** is achieved through rigor, relevance and relationships.

**Teamwork** is the key to excellence.

**Personalized Learning** is the future of education.



## Marion Central School

## WELCOME TO A BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING



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# WELCOME

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Welcome to the Marion Central School District Board of Education meeting. Thank you for taking the time to attend.

Please sign in, take an agenda, and indicate if you wish to speak during one of the Community Comment sections. In addition to the agenda, supporting documents related to the agenda topics may be found on the district website so that you can better follow the discussion.

The Board of Education meetings are held in public. This allows the public to learn how the Board of Education conducts business. It also insures that Board of Education discussions are held and decisions made in a transparent fashion. While a Board of Education meeting is held in public it is not a public meeting as in the manner of a 'Town Hall' meeting.

## Role of the Board of Education

As the only elected officials that represent children, the fundamental role of the Board of Education is to keep the district focused on the learning and achievement of all students. School Boards provide oversight, but do not manage the daily operations of school districts. The Board sets policy while the Superintendent is responsible for carrying out Board policy and managing the district.

## The Board of Education Meeting Agenda

**Action Items** are items requiring formal Board approval or disapproval. Some matters may appear to be dealt with in a cursory manner, but this is only because they have been previously studied or discussed.

**Community Comment** is a formal opportunity for the public to address the Board. To use this opportunity, please sign up on the comment sign-in sheet in advance of the meeting and indicate the subject that you would like to comment on. This is a time for the Board members to listen, rather than respond, to your concerns. (See Communication section).

**Reports** are opportunities for the Board members and administrators to update one another on brief items or activities of general interest.

**Presentations** are given at the first meeting of the month. The Board may request a presentation on a specific aspect of district operations, or the presentation may be made by a group of students with the topic chosen by the building principal.

**Consent Agenda** is a grouping of routine business items that normally require no discussion.

**Policy Review** is held the second meeting of the month. The Board reviews the district policies on a rotating basis, making changes and adding policies as law/circumstances require.

**Executive Session** may be held before or after the regular Board meeting. This is a closed session, as required by law, during which the Board can discuss personnel matters, collective bargaining or other legal matters. The topic of discussion for an Executive session is noted on the agenda.

**Meeting Etiquette:** Please turn off cell phones during the meetings. For the benefit of those around you, please do not have audible discussions with other members of the audience during the meeting. Lastly, we invite you to have discussions with administrators or individual members of the Board before the meeting or once it has adjourned, but not while the meeting is in session. Thanks in advance for your help with these matters.

## BOE Meeting Administration

The five-member Marion CSD Board of Education routinely meets the first and third Monday of each month at 6:00 PM. The first meeting of the month is the business meeting and focuses on District operations. The second meeting focuses on policies and updates on key initiatives. If additional special meetings are needed, the time and location are announced on the district website ([www.marioncsd.org](http://www.marioncsd.org)). Regular meetings are scheduled in advance and dates are posted on the District Calendar, District Website, and school sign boards.

NY State Law determines that power belongs not to individual members of a Board of Education, but to the Board of Education itself. Board members have authority only when acting as a Board of Education in a legally constituted session, a quorum being present. The statement or action of an individual member or subset of members of the Board of Education does not bind the Board of Education itself, except when that statement or action is authorized by an official act of the Board at a BOE meeting.