



## BOARD OF EDUCATION BUDGET WORKSHOP

Monday, January 5, 2026 6:00 PM

Town Council Chambers

Glastonbury Town Hall

2155 Main Street

Glastonbury, CT 06033

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Information Session for Public Comment
4. Budget Workshop
5. Adjournment
  - A. Please note: It is possible that the Board of Education may go into Executive Session

## **How to Participate in Board of Education Meeting Public Comments**

At this time, there are two options for participating in public comment during Board of Education meetings.:

### **1) In-Person Comment.**

The Board sets aside thirty (30) minutes for public comments. Comments are limited to 3 minutes per speaker and a person may speak only once. Each speaker must start by stating their name and address. There will be a sign-up sheet in the back of the room. In-person meetings are held in the Town Hall Town Council Chambers, 2155 Main Street, Glastonbury, unless otherwise noted on the [Board of Education Meeting webpage](#) and the Board Meeting agenda.

### **2) Written Comment.**

Use the form below to submit a written comment before 12 noon on the meeting day. Written comments are attached to the BOE Meeting Agenda.

[Public Comments for Glastonbury Board of Education Meeting](#)

Public Comments for BOE Meeting (Responses) 2025-2026

Timestamp	Your Full Name	Your STREET Address	Your Comment to be attached to the agenda of the next Glastonbury Board of Education meeting. NOTE: This field accepts up to 2500 characters. Please submit a second response to this form if you require additional text.
12/8/2025 14:32:58	Julie Gillingham	91 Heritage Drive	<p>Dear members of the Glastonbury Board of Education. As a member of our community and with two small children who play on the athletic fields in town, I urge you to take seriously the considerations of harmful health effects of turf fields. I understand there is important debate on this topic, however, with a number of increasing studies that link forever chemicals, PFAS's and other toxic chemicals in the materials used in turf fields, I think the potential harm outweighs the benefits of turf fields. As a professor of Earth Sciences at UConn who attends numerous scientific presentations in hydrology and groundwater contamination, and the effects of PFAS on ecosystems, I am familiar with some of this literature. There are additional environmental concerns that need to be weighed against the benefits of using such materials. Please don't abandon natural grass fields, and let's work to make a sustainable maintenance plan for their care. Thank you so much for your consideration.</p>
1/4/2026 11:30:02	Lisa Mendum	45 Candlewood Road	<p>Happy New Year to all and thank you for your time.</p> <p>I am writing regarding the proposed installation of new turf fields. It has been stated that the turf system is recyclable, however no facility in the United States has the capability to separate turf fields into recyclable component materials. Additionally, it has been stated that no taxpayer dollars will be used for this project, but is this still the case?</p> <p>In light of these representations, I respectfully request that the following records be made publicly available prior to the execution of any contract:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* All documentation related to the state's vendor vetting process, including other companies considered; products and pricing compared; bids or quotes received.</li> <li>* Chain-of-custody documentation for at least three turf fields removed by FieldTurf within Connecticut, including the name and physical address of the receiving facility; details of the separation and recycling processes used; the destination of any recycled end products; and confirmation of where Glastonbury's turf and infill materials would be transported and processed.</li> </ul> <p>Thank you for your attention to these matters.</p>