

Special Board of Education Meeting

Monday, July 27, 2026 7:30 AM

Gering Civic Center, 1050 M Street, Gering, NE 69341



Agenda

1. GPS Board of Education Information

The meeting agenda will be kept current and available for public inspection in the office of the Secretary of the Board of Education at the Central Office during regular working hours.

District Vision: *Gering Public Schools provides a collaborative community, inspiring excellence and innovation in teaching and learning to empower student growth and leadership in school and life.*

District Mission: *Gering Public Schools exists to equip today's learners with the skills necessary to be tomorrow's leaders.*

The Open Meetings Act requires and the intention of the Board is that agenda items be sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of matters to be considered at the meeting. The Board of Education releases its agenda well in advance of most meetings and desires that all interested persons are fully informed. Any interested person who has a question or needs clarification about the sufficiency of a descriptive item should contact the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

Agenda items are subject to reordering at the discretion of the board president. Board members may request specific agenda item(s) be moved to a different place on the agenda. Please attend the entire meeting to ensure you hear discussion on a particular agenda item.

2. Opening Procedures

2.1. Call to Order

The Board of Education reserves the right to enter into Executive Session for the protection of the public interest; or the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, and if the individual has not requested a public meeting.

2.2. Roll Call

2.3. Open Meetings Act

Pursuant to Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Statutes, the public is hereby informed that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted in the Board meeting room on the north wall.

Notice of this meeting was published in the Star Herald on Thursday, July 23rd, 2026.

3. **Consent Agenda**

3.1. Personnel Items

3.1.i. Certified Contracts Titus Terrebonne - Science Teacher, Middle School

4. **Action Items**

4.1. Discuss, consider, and take action to approve the 2026-27 school year meal prices.

5. **Public Comment: Policy 204.12**

6. **Adjourn**

MEMO



To: Dr. Kory Knight and Board of Education

From: Stacy Rodriguez, Director of Finance

Date: July 23, 2026

Re: School Lunch Prices

As part of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (Public Law 111-296), Section 205 addresses equity in school lunch pricing. Effective July 1, 2011, School Food Authorities (SFA) participating in the National School Lunch Program are required to provide the same level of support for their paid student lunches as they are for lunches served to students eligible for free and reduced priced meals.

With the ongoing requirements from USDA, we must continue to include serving more fresh fruits and vegetables, serving more products with whole grains and not utilizing breaded meat food products, reduction in sodium and fat, all of which increase our costs. To help ensure we can address our costs and meet these compliance requirements, USDA provides a “Lunch Price Calculator” tool to establish meal prices. Based on the recommendation from the tool we propose the following with a \$0.05 increase: The adult price increase is the minimum price we are allowed to charge, according to USDA requirements. Milk prices will stay the same.

	2025-2026		2026-2027	
	Breakfast	Lunch	Breakfast	Lunch
Elementary	\$2.20	\$3.25	\$2.25	\$3.30
Secondary	\$2.45	\$3.50	\$2.50	\$3.55
GHS	\$2.45	\$3.50	\$2.50	\$3.55
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Adult	\$4.05	\$4.80	\$4.10	\$5.10
Milk	\$0.65	\$0.65	\$0.65	\$0.65