



**District  
Mission:**

LCSD Challenges students to reach their fullest potential through personal, engaged and rigorous learning in the classroom and beyond.

**Board  
Priorities:**

Ensure all students stay on or above grade level each year and graduate prepared to successfully implement a plan for college or career.

Every day, we are college or career ready.

Provide all students with engaging learning opportunities.

Rigor and engagement are everywhere.

Create a space that is safe, inclusive and welcoming for all.

Diversity and culture make us better.

Plan and execute the capital and human capital investments that will make our district better.

We plan for the future.

Lake County School District Board of Education  
Oct. 16, 2020 12:00 pm Special Meeting  
Location: District Office-Room 11 & via Zoom

1. 12:00 Call to order
2. 12:01 Pledge of Allegiance
3. 12:02 Roll Call
4. 12:03 Preview Agenda
5. 12:04 Public Participation

Members of the public who wish to address the board on non-agenda items are welcome to do so at this time. Please sign up with board secretary. We ask you to please observe the following guidelines:

- Confine your comments to matters that are germane to the business of the School District.
- Recognize that students often attend or view our meetings. Speaker's remarks, therefore, should be suitable for an audience that includes kindergarten through twelfth grade students.
- Understand that the board cannot discuss specific personnel matters or specific students in a public forum.

6. 12:10 Action Items
  - a. Resolution NO. 21-09 In Support of Proposition EE
  - b. Resolution NO. 21-10 In Support of Repealing the Gallagher Amendment
  - c. Resolution NO. 21-11 In Opposition to Proposition #116
  - d. Resolution NO. 21-12 In Opposition to Proposition #117
7. Adjourn
8. Next Meeting or event:
  - a. Oct. 20, 2020 Special Meeting 4:00 pm @ District Office/Zoom
  - b. Oct. 27, 2020 Special Meeting 6:30 pm @ District Office/Zoom

Estimated duration of regular meeting is 2.5 to 3 hours \*\*Updated 10/14/2020

**A few welcoming notes:**

The board's meeting time is dedicated to its strategic mission and top priorities. • The "consent agenda" has items which have either been discussed prior or are highly routine. By not discussing these issues, we are able to spend time on our most important priorities. • "Public participation" is an opportunity to present brief comments or pose questions to the board for consideration or follow-up. Time limits are 3 minutes for individual speakers if fewer than 20 individuals have signed up to speak; 2 minutes' limit and 5 minutes for groups of 20 signed up; and 1 minute for individual and 3 minutes for groups if more than 30 have signed up to speak. Please see Board Policy GP-14 (Governance Process) for the full policy. The boundaries are designed to help keep the strategic meeting focused and in no way limits conversations beyond the board meeting. • Your insights are needed and welcomed and the board encourages you to request a meeting with any board member, should you have something to discuss. • If you are interested in helping the district's achievement effort, please talk with any member of the leadership team or call the district office at 719-486-6800. Opportunities abound. Your participation is highly desired.



## Mision del Distrito:

LCSD desafía a los estudiantes a alcanzar su máximo potencial a través del aprendizaje personal, comprometido y riguroso en el aula y más allá.

## Prioridades de la junta:

Asegúrese de que todos los estudiantes se mantengan en o por encima del nivel de grado cada año y se gradúen preparados para implementar con éxito un plan para la universidad o una carrera.

Todos los días estamos preparados para la universidad o una carrera.

Brindar a todos los estudiantes oportunidades de aprendizaje interesantes.

El rigor y el compromiso están en todas partes.

Crea un espacio seguro, inclusivo y acogedor para todos.

La diversidad y la cultura nos hacen mejores.

Planificar y ejecutar las inversiones de capital y capital humano que mejorarán nuestro distrito.

Planeamos para el futuro.

## Junta de Educación del Distrito Escolar del Condado de Lake 16 de octubre de 2020 12:00 pm Reunión ordinaria Ubicación: Oficina del distrito Room 11 y via Zoom

1. 12:00 Llamada al orden
2. 12:01 Juramento a la bandera
3. 12:02 Pasar lista
4. 12:03 Vista previa de la agenda
5. 12:04 Participación pública

Los miembros del público que deseen dirigirse a la junta sobre temas que no estén en la agenda pueden hacerlo en este momento. Regístrese con el secretario de la junta. Le pedimos que observe las siguientes pautas:

- Limite sus comentarios a asuntos relacionados con los negocios del Distrito Escolar.
  - Reconozca que los estudiantes a menudo asisten o ven nuestras reuniones. Por lo tanto, los comentarios del orador deben ser adecuados para una audiencia que incluya a estudiantes de jardín de infantes a duodécimo grado.
  - Entender que la junta no puede discutir asuntos específicos de personal o estudiantes específicos en un foro público.
6. 12:10
    - a. Resolución NO. 21-09 en apoyo de la propuesta EE
    - b. Resolución NO. 21-10 en apoyo de la revocación de la Enmienda Gallagher
    - c. Resolución NO. 21-11 En oposición a la Proposición # 116
    - d. Resolución NO. 21-12 En oposición a la Proposición # 117
  7. Aplazar
  8. Próxima reunión o evento:
    - a. 20 de octubre de 2020 reunión especial 4:00 pm en la oficina del distrito / Zoom
    - b. 27 de octubre de 2020 reunión especial 6:30 pm en la oficina del distrito / Zoom

La duración estimada de la reunión es de 2,5 a 3 horas \*\* Actualizado el 14 de octubre de 2020

### Algunas notas de bienvenida:

El tiempo de reunión de la junta se dedica a su misión estratégica y sus principales prioridades. • La "agenda de consentimiento" tiene elementos que han sido discutidos previamente o son muy rutinarios. Al no discutir estos temas, podemos dedicar tiempo a nuestras prioridades más importantes. • La "participación pública" es una oportunidad para presentar breves comentarios o plantear preguntas a la junta para su consideración o seguimiento. Los límites de tiempo son 3 minutos para oradores individuales si menos de 20 personas se han inscrito para hablar; Límite de 2 minutos y 5 minutos para grupos de 20 inscritos; y 1 minuto para individuales y 3 minutos para grupos si más de 30 se han inscrito para hablar. Consulte la Política de la Junta GP-14 (Proceso de gobernanza) para conocer la política completa). Los límites están diseñados para ayudar a mantener la reunión estratégica enfocada y de ninguna manera limita las conversaciones más allá de la reunión de la junta. • Sus ideas son necesarias y bienvenidas y la junta le anima a solicitar una reunión con cualquier miembro de la junta, en caso de que tenga algo que discutir. • Si está interesado en ayudar en el esfuerzo de rendimiento del distrito, hable con cualquier miembro del equipo de liderazgo o llame a la oficina del distrito al 719-486-6800. Abundan las oportunidades. Su participación es muy deseada d.

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## **RESOLUTION NO 21-09 IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION EE**

WHEREAS, the Lake County School District Board of Education believes that every student should have the opportunity to reach their full potential and to participate meaningfully in the civic and economic life of the community, regardless of their zip code or learning needs; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that quality public education develops a competitive workforce that will drive a vibrant Colorado economy for decades to come; and

WHEREAS, education funding in this state has not recovered from the Great Recession and in the 2020-21 school year alone, Colorado public schools were underfunded by \$1.2 billion; and

WHEREAS, the loss of funding to Colorado public schools has been over \$9.3 billion since 2009, which could have been used toward preventing teacher salaries from becoming the least competitive in the nation; addressing the growing mental health needs of students, inequities, and barriers, which prevent students educational opportunities; and being better equipped to react to the largest disruption of the education system in history due to the current global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the loss of state funding to the Lake County School District is 1.4 million in the current school year and has been over 21.1 million since 2009; and

WHEREAS, Colorado does not currently tax vape products despite the fact that the state has one of the highest teen vaping rates in the country at 29 percent; and

WHEREAS, if passed, Proposition EE will provide \$2 billion over ten years to a universal preschool program for all Colorado four-year-olds. Funded by taxes on tobacco and vape products, the measure also includes \$110 million for tobacco-vape cessation and public health programs, \$375 million for public schools (including \$90 million for rural schools) between 2020 and 2023, and \$35 million in critical support for affordable housing and eviction assistance; and

WHEREAS, state share of funding to Colorado school districts is \$1.2 billion below its commitment to provide state aid to fund Colorado schools and 1.4 million below its commitment to provide state aid to Lake County School District; and

WHEREAS, the Board declares that Proposition EE is a matter of official concern.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lake County School District Board of Education officially declares its support for Proposition EE as it will provide additional funding for health and education programs.

The Board authorizes the expenditure of District funds to distribute a factual summary regarding Proposition EE, in accordance with the Fair Campaign Practices Act, C.R.S. 1-45-117.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

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President, on behalf of

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Date

the Lake County School District Board of Education

## **RESOLUTION NO. 21-10 IN SUPPORT OF REPEALING THE GALLAGHER AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS, all property tax revenues remain at the local level and go to pay for schools, roads, fire protection, libraries, police, and other local services; and

WHEREAS, local property tax serves as the foundation of the Total Program Funding calculation, called 'local share,' in support of our schools; and

WHEREAS, local property tax is the basis of additional voter-approved mill levy overrides and bonds in support of our schools; and

WHEREAS, the Gallagher Amendment in the Colorado Constitution mandates that property taxes assessed on personal residences can only make up 45% of the total property taxes the state collects, with business property taxes making up the remaining 55%; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado tax code calls for a calculation called the Residential Assessment Rate (RAR) in order to keep this 45/55 ratio between residential and nonresidential property taxes. When the Gallagher Amendment was passed, residential property taxes were calculated at 21% of the assessed value and nonresidential was 29% of assessed value; and

WHEREAS, the residential assessment rate has dropped from 21% in 1982 to 7.15% in 2020, while the non-residential rate has stayed at 29%. The non-residential assessment rate impacts business property owners, farmers, ranchers, and landowners; and

WHEREAS, every time the residential assessment rate drops, the state must backfill the loss in local revenue for schools. The continual drop in the residential assessment rate creates significant pressure on the General Fund and other areas of the state budget, and the state has not been able to meet its obligation as tracked through the Budget Stabilization Factor; and

WHEREAS, analysts are forecasting additional shortfalls in FY 2021-22 and FY 2022-23 due to the prolonged loss of revenue to the state during the health emergency and lag in collection of sales and income taxes; and

WHEREAS, the next assessment cycle is 2021-22, with 2021 as the reassessment year, with the cutoff date for valuing properties for that cycle being June 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Property Taxation estimates a 33% drop in value for oil and gas and a 20% drop in commercial, while estimating that residential will go up 10% in value; and

WHEREAS, the residential assessment rate is projected to drop next year from 7.15 to 5.88%, resulting in a \$246 million drop in district Total Program Funding revenues and a \$203 million drop in revenues for counties; and

WHEREAS, the state will have to backfill in 2021-22 a projected \$490 million drop in all district revenues, which will likely force an increase in the Budget Stabilization Factor; and

WHEREAS, Lake County School District is already operating on \$1.4 million less in state share in FY 2019-20 due to the Budget Stabilization Factor, the amount of revenue withheld from the state share based on full funding of the School Finance Act; and

WHEREAS, Lake County School District is preparing to reopen schools for in-person learning, which will likely require additional resources to ensure compliance with guidance from local health agencies due to the health emergency; and

WHEREAS, repealing the Gallagher Amendment will prevent a loss in desperately needed funding to help support schools as they weather the economic toll of the global pandemic by mitigating the effects of the cuts and allowing schools to maintain essential services to students, families, and the community.

WHEREAS, the Board declares that *Repealing the Gallagher Amendment* is a matter of official concern.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lake County Board of Education officially declares its support for *Repealing the Gallagher Amendment* for the purpose of increasing funding of public education in the State of Colorado.

The Board authorizes the expenditure of District funds to distribute a factual summary regarding *Repealing the Gallagher Amendment*, in accordance with the Fair Campaign Practices Act, C.R.S. 1-45-117.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

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President, on behalf of  
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## **RESOLUTION NO. 21-11 IN OPPOSITION TO PROPOSITION #116**

WHEREAS, the Lake County School District Board of Education believes that every student should have the opportunity to reach their full potential and to participate meaningfully in the civic and economic life of the community, regardless of their zip code or learning needs; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that quality public education develops a competitive workforce that will drive a vibrant Colorado economy for decades to come; and

WHEREAS, education funding in this state has not recovered from the Great Recession and in the 2020-21 school year alone, Colorado public schools were underfunded by \$1.2 billion; and

WHEREAS, the loss of funding to Colorado public schools has been over \$9.3 billion since 2009, which could have been used toward preventing teacher salaries from becoming the least competitive in the nation; addressing the growing mental health needs of students, inequities, and barriers, which prevent students educational opportunities; and being better equipped to react to the largest disruption of the education system in history due to the current global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the loss of state funding to the Lake County School District is 1.4 million in the current school year and has been over 12.1 million since 2009; and

WHEREAS, Colorado is currently experiencing and will be recovering from the economic toll and human impacts from the Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, education funding is projected to diminish even further due to the current economic crisis, further exacerbating the current inequities with access to technology and educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, reduced funding is directly impacting the District's ability to provide equitable and meaningful educational opportunities for all students; and

WHEREAS, reduced funding also limits the Board's ability to respond to parent and community input on the District's programs and services; and

WHEREAS, the return on investment has been well documented when it comes to investing in public schools. Studies demonstrate that well-targeted dollars have a direct, positive effect on student outcomes and that improving education in Colorado would generate billions for the economy. A 2018 study found that if Colorado schools produced graduates with sufficient post-secondary education to meet workforce demands, after 10 years of improvement Colorado would see 57,600 more high school graduates earning some form of post-secondary education. The exponential impacts of a decade of improvement would mean:

- \$8.6 billion in additional earnings over those 10 years;
- 14,600 new jobs created each year by the tenth year, with that number continuing to increase annually;

- An increase in spending on housing by \$1.4 billion over the decade;
- An increase in spending on automobiles and parts by \$472 million over the decade;
- Almost a \$1 billion in new revenue and savings from lower rates of incarceration and fewer people relying on public assistance; and
- An additional \$12 billion added to GDP over the decade; and

WHEREAS, Proposition #116 would decrease the state income tax rate for individuals, estates, and trusts from 4.63% of federal taxable income to 4.55% for tax years commencing on and after January 1, 2020, and would also reduce the tax rate for domestic and foreign C corporations operating in Colorado from 4.63% of Colorado net income to 4.55%; and

WHEREAS, Lake County School District currently receives 29.8% of its Total Program Funding from the state share; and

WHEREAS, state share of funding to Colorado school districts is \$1.2 billion below its commitment to provide state aid to fund Colorado schools and 1.4 million below its commitment to provide state aid to Lake County School District; and

WHEREAS, Proposition #116 will further exacerbate the state’s ability to fulfill its commitment to providing state aid to Colorado public schools, which is meant to provide desperately needed funding to support schools as they weather the economic toll of the global pandemic by assisting schools in providing students educational opportunities to prepare them for success in college, career, and life; preparing a qualified workforce for decades to come; and ensuring that Colorado's economic prosperity is shared with every community in the state; and

WHEREAS, the Board declares that Proposition #116 is a matter of official concern.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lake County School District Board of Education officially declares its opposition for Proposition #116 as it would be detrimental to public education in the State of Colorado.

The Board authorizes the expenditure of District funds to distribute a factual summary regarding Proposition #116, in accordance with the Fair Campaign Practices Act, C.R.S. 1-45-117.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

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President, on behalf of

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Date

the Lake County School District Board of Education

## **RESOLUTION NO. 21-12 IN OPPOSITION TO PROPOSITION #117**

WHEREAS, the November 3, 2020 ballot will contain a proposed citizen's initiative, Proposition #117, Voter Approval Requirement for Creation of Certain Fee-Based Enterprises, which if enacted, beginning in 2021, would require that voter approval be obtained in order for new programs to be created as state enterprises for the purpose of Article X, Section 20, of the Colorado Constitution (TABOR), and in order for existing state programs that are not enterprises to qualify as enterprises. The voter approval requirement applies if the program's projected or actual revenue from fees and surcharges exceeds \$100 million over the first five years for which the program will operate as an enterprise. The measure also includes required language to be used in ballot titles for elections required under the measure; and

WHEREAS, fees are revenues that are collected for a specific purpose and often for the funding of quasi-government entities referred to as enterprises. Examples of enterprises owned by the state government include public colleges and universities, the Colorado Lottery, and the Division of Parks and Wildlife; and

WHEREAS, taxes are revenues collected by the government which can be used for any purpose the legislature chooses. Taxes require voters to approve and, since the adoption of TABOR 28 years ago in 1992, voters have approved only a total of three statewide tax revenue increases, which include increased rates on tobacco products, new taxes on marijuana, and online sports betting; and

WHEREAS, further limitations placed on the Colorado Legislature to restrict its ability to fund essential functions of the state will harm its ability to fulfill its obligations, such as providing state aid to school districts; and

WHEREAS, Proposition #117 will further exacerbate the state's ability to fulfill its commitment to providing state aid to Colorado public schools, which is meant to provide desperately needed funding to support schools as they weather the economic toll of the global pandemic by assisting schools in providing students educational opportunities to prepare them for success in college, career, and life; preparing a qualified workforce for decades to come; and ensuring that Colorado's economic prosperity is shared with every community in the state; and

WHEREAS, the Board declares that Proposition #117 is a matter of official concern.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lake County School District Board of Education officially declares its opposition for Proposition #117 as it would be detrimental to public education in the State of Colorado.



The Board authorizes the expenditure of District funds to distribute a factual summary regarding Proposition #117, in accordance with the Fair Campaign Practices Act, C.R.S. 1-45-117.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 16th day of October, 2020.

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President, on behalf of

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