

# New Castle County Combined Boards of Education

## AGENDA

- Date: Friday, March 22, 2024
- Time: 7:30 a.m.: Breakfast, Socialization  
8:00 a.m.: Public Meeting
- In-Person: Hilton Wilmington/Christiana  
100 Continental Drive, Newark, DE 19713
- Virtual: <https://www.christinak12.org/Combined-Boards>

Following a buffet breakfast provided for the presenter(s), School Board Members and their staff, the public session will commence at 8:00 a.m.\*

The agenda is as follows:

- Welcome and Introductions by Mr. Donald Patton  
President, Christina School District Board of Education
  - » Host duties rotate between districts.
  - » Christina School District is serving as the host for the 2023-2024 school year.
- Presentation: Cultivating a Culture of Care to Create Safe and Supportive Schools for All with Dr. Teri Lawler
  - » Following the presentation, attendees can participate in the discussion focused on current and future initiatives to create safe and supportive schools for all.
- Participating districts are invited to present an optional two-minute highlight or update on a matter of general interest.

The meeting will end whenever the discussion concludes. Because the individuals in attendance lack the authority to take action, there will be no motions to convene or adjourn the meeting.

\*Attendees not affiliated with the Combined Boards will not be provided with a meal.



### APPOQUINIMINK SCHOOL DISTRICT

Michelle Wall  
*President*  
Norm Abrams  
Nichelle DeWitt  
Richard Forsten, Esq.  
Tashiba Graham

### BRANDYWINE SCHOOL DISTRICT

John Skrobot, III  
*President*  
Ralph Ackerman  
Rev. Shanika Dickerson  
Jason Heller  
Kristin Pidgeon  
Kimberly Stock

### CHRISTINA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Donald Patton  
*President*  
Dr. Naveed Baqir  
Y. F. Lou  
Douglas Manley  
Monica Moriak  
Dr. Claire O'Neal  
Alethea Smith-Tucker  
Daniel Okagbare (Student)

### COLONIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Christopher Piecuch, Sr.  
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Robin Crossan  
Dr. Keenan Dorsey  
Ronald D. Handy, Sr.  
Joseph T. Laws  
Christina L. Smith  
Ja'Lisa K. White  
Adrianna Hutton (Student)

### NEW CASTLE COUNTY VO-TECH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Yvette Santiago  
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Madeline Johnson  
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### RED CLAY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Jose Matthews  
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Catherine H. Thompson  
Martin A. Wilson, Sr.

**Mission:** The New Castle County Combined Boards of Education is committed to promoting strong and effective public schools by working collaboratively with our member boards and other stakeholder groups including the Department of Education, State Board of Education, elected officials and the public to identify and address emerging needs. Using our combined intellects and strengthened numbers, we seek to: influence statewide decision-making through educational outreach & lobbying activities; promote a positive image for Delaware's public schools; enhance inter-district communication; and promote the effective use of resources.