

**GALENA USD 499
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MONDAY, May 11, 2026
News Notes**

The board voted to approve the following items during the regular meeting:

- Renewal addendum with OPAA! Foods for the 26-27 school year
- Approve policy JCDC as presented
- Hiring Bailey Canady, 3rd grade teacher
- Posting a half-time title teacher position
- Starting high school boys and girls Powerlifting teams
- Hiring Blake Arehart with the following stipends: HS boys and girls powerlifting, PE curriculum director, conditioning program director, HS assistant track coach, and summer conditioning supervisor
- Hiring Ryan Cannon, ESports coach

Mr. Douglas Holbert gave a report to the board on the many summer projects he and his staff will be working on when school is out.

Mr VanCleave reported that at the senior awards assembly over \$63,000 in scholarships were awarded. This money will be used by our seniors going to a post high school education program. Thank you to the Galena Educational Foundation and other families that support our bulldogs!

The next regular scheduled Board of Education meeting is Monday, June 8, 2026 at 6:30 P.M.