



ANKENY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Upcoming Board Meeting Information

Dear Ankeny Community School District Community Members,

As many of you know, the Ankeny Community School District Board of Education held a special board meeting on September 14, 2021 so community members and directors could learn more from our attorney about the federal court decision we received earlier in the week related to Iowa Code Section 280.31, the law passed last spring prohibiting school districts from requiring masks on district property. At this special board meeting, it was communicated that the board would come together in the near future to respond to this legal decision.

The Board of Education will next meet at its regularly-scheduled time, Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. We do not anticipate having a special board meeting prior to this date.

To allow for maximum public participation, we are exploring moving the meeting to one of our secondary building auditoriums where seating capacity is greater. The public will be notified of the meeting's location as soon as possible and no later than 24-hours prior to the meeting.

The board is committed to sincerely considering the input community members have offered since this legal decision was issued and to fully exploring the legal options that may be available to the district. Holding the board meeting at its regularly-scheduled time will give the board sufficient time to process this information and will prevent members of the public who may wish to participate in the meeting from needing to make last-minute schedule changes.

Public comment will be allowed at this meeting. To balance our commitment to community participation with the need to conduct the district's business in an orderly fashion, the board may elect to cap the total amount of time available for public comment at the meeting. Should this be necessary, speakers will be heard in the order of their requests for public comment.

As a reminder, information about public comment - including how to submit your name to speak at the board meeting - can be found on the [district website](#). Further, additional venues for public comment exist via our [district website](#).

The meeting agenda and additional information about the meeting will be made available on the district website at least 24-hours in advance of the meeting.

As always, we thank you for your desire to engage in the conversation about how we as a community can come together to best serve our students.

Sincerely,

Dr. Erick Pruitt

emailed 9.16.21