



Quincy Public Schools

UPDATE

July 23, 2025

SUPER'S 8 DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS

1. Registration for the 2025–2026 school year is now available online. Each school will also offer in-person registration help on designated days. Visit QPS.org for complete information.
2. Kindergarten classes will begin with a staggered start this year. This helps young students adjust in smaller groups. Each school will share their schedules with parents prior to the start of school.
3. Interested in becoming a substitute teacher? The ROE will hold monthly online trainings for short-term licenses. Visit ROE1.NET to register.
4. QHS freshmen and new students parent night will be held on August 6 at 6pm and parents can meet the teachers on August 27 from 6-8pm.
5. Early Childhood & Family Center staff attended the national Frog Street Conference. They gained new ideas and skills to better support our youngest learners.
6. Back-to-School Fairs will be held at Iles Elementary on August 2 and at the Quincy Neighborhood Federation on August 5. Both events will offer immunizations, clothing, school supplies, and more.
7. Lincoln-Douglas 5th graders selected as house leaders got a big surprise. They received personalized yard signs to celebrate their new role.
8. Shout Out to Maintenance Staff —A sincere thank you to Allan Schrand and Scott Watkins for the tremendous effort and hard work they dedicated to clearing out the back room and the technology areas at the Board Office. Your commitment and heavy lifting are truly appreciated, and the results speak volumes.

Dr. Todd Pettit

Superintendent

PERSONNEL ITEMS

Appointments/Change in Assignment (2025-2026 unless otherwise noted)

GRACE BEELER – SPEECH & LANGUAGE PATH - QJHS
AMBER BORDEWICK – ATHLETIC SECRETARY - QJHS
LORI BUCKMAN – KITCHEN HELPER
RITA CARPER – SECRETARY - QJHS
BLAKE CRABTREE – MECHANIC - TRANSPORTATION 06/26/2025
MELISSA CUNNINGHAM—4TH GRADE—ROONEY
ANDREA FISCHER – PARA - QJHS
KELLEY LAWSON - JV BASKETBALL COACH (GIRLS) – QHS
HILLARY MARKS – 2ND GRADE - ROONEY
MAKAYLA MCGHEE – CERTIFIED OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT - DISTRICT
JUDITH MEYERS – CROSSING GUARD
SARA NYTES – CAFETERIA COORDINATOR – LINCOLN DOUGLAS
8/12/2025
JORDAN RAGAR – 5TH GRADE SPED CO-TEACHER - ROONEY
ELIZABETH SEALS - HEAD 8TH GRADE BASKETBALL COACH (GIRLS) – QJHS
BRENDA SHIRES – KITCHEN HELPER - QJHS
MASON SWISHER - ASST. VARSITY FOOTBALL COACH – QHS
ALISON TALCOTT– MUSIC - ROONEY
JUSTIN TRAMMEL – DAY CUSTODIAN - QJHS 7/11/2025
GENAVIEVE ZENGEL – PARA - BALDWIN

Resignations

HAILEY ALVIS – ASST. VOLLEYBALL COACH – QHS 07/14/2025
ABBY BOLT – PE TEACHER – QJHS 07/31/2025
ABBY BOLT – ASST. CROSS COUNTRY COACH– QJHS 07/31/2025
KENNETH DAVIS – SECURITY GUARD – DENMAN 07/16/2025
AMANDA GRIESBAUM – ELA TEACHER – QJHS 06/23/2025
CHEYENNE GRISSOM – BASKETBALL COACH (GIRLS) - QHS AND QJHS 06/27/2025
BROOKE NIEKAMP – ATTENDANCE SECRETARY – QJHS 07/01/2025
AMY SLOUGH – 4TH GRADE TEACHER – ROONEY 06/20/2025

In other action, the Board approved:

- ♦ IBEW Local 34 Contract 7/1/25-6/30/27
- ♦ Bid for bread for 25-26 submitted by Kohl Wholesale at a cost of \$50,843.50
- ♦ Bid for milk for 25-26 submitted by Prairie Farms Dairy, Inc. at a cost of \$322,910.00.
- ♦ Bid for produce for 25-26 submitted by Kohl Wholesale at a cost of \$70,969.84.
- ♦ Bid for food and non-food items for 25-26 submitted by Kohl Wholesale at a cost of \$905,262.30.
- ♦ Resolution for 25-26 Tentative Budgets for QAVTC, WCR, and Special Education.
- ♦ Real Property Tax Assessment Settlements with KIN, Inc, Menard, Inc., and Home Depot #1915.
- ♦ Charge for Community Engagement

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SCHOOL CALENDAR 2025-2026

Monday, August 11 Teacher Institute
Tuesday, August 12 Teacher Institute
Wednesday, August 13 First Student Day
Monday, September 1 No School—Labor Day
Friday, October 10..... ½ Day School—1/2 Day School Improvement
Monday, October 13..... No School—Columbus Day
Thursday, October 30..... 1/2 Day School—Parent/Teacher Conference
Friday, October 31..... No School—Parent/Teacher Conference
Wednesday, November 26.... No School—Thanksgiving Break
Thursday, November 27..... No School—Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 28..... No School—Thanksgiving Break
Monday, December 22-Friday, January 2... No School—Winter Break
Monday, January 5..... Teacher Institute
Tuesday, January 6..... School Resumes for Students
Monday, January 19..... No School—Martin Luther King Day
Friday, February 13..... 1/2 Day School—Parent/Teacher Conference
Monday, February 16 No School—Presidents' Day
Monday, March 30 – Monday, April 6... No School—Easter Break
Monday, May 25..... No School—Memorial Day
Thursday, May 28..... ½ Day School-1/2 Day School Improvement
Thursday, May 28..... Last Day for Students
Friday, May 29..... Teacher Institute

***If no emergency days are used, students' last attendance day could be May 20 and Teacher Institute Day would be May 21.



OPENING DAY MONDAY, AUGUST 11

All teaching staff, para-educators, support personnel, clerical and school nurses are required to attend the August 11 opening day meeting in the Quincy Junior High School Morrison Theatre from 8:30-9:30 a.m. All other district employees are encouraged to join us. Shuttle bus services will be provided at each building. Buses will load at 7:45 a.m. and depart at 8:05 a.m. to QJHS.

All returning staff members should notify the HR Office of any changes in personal information (address, phone, zip code, name changes, etc.) or notify the Payroll Office of any changes in business information (number of tax deductions, direct deposit information, etc.).