



**Grade Configuration Steering Committee
2016-17 meeting schedule**

All meetings will be held from 6-8 p.m. at Harriet Gibbons Student Services Center, located at 75 Watervliet Avenue.

Sept. 26 • Topics: Update; what does an exemplary middle school look like?

• Presentation by Dr. Jim Butterworth of Capital Area School Development Association

Oct. 17 • Topic: Enrollment and demographics • Presentation by Dr. Jim Butterworth of Capital Area School Development Association

Nov. 21 • Topic: Facilities and timelines • Presentation by Bill Hogan, district assistant superintendent for business

Dec. 19 • Topic: Special populations

- Special education presentation by Debbie Sharpe-DeFries, director of district Special Education Department
- English-language learners and refugees presentation by Tom Giglio, director of district English-as-a-new-language and Refugee Services Department

Jan. 23 • Topic: Research on successful urban schools • Presentation by Dr. Jim Butterworth and Dr. Jennifer Bashant of Capital Area School Development Association

Feb. 27 • Topic: Facilities

March 27 • Topic: Program

April 24 • Topic: Enrollment patterns

May 22 • Topic: Prepare report to Board of Education