

**School Board Committee Reports**  
**School Board Spring Visits to Schools Report**  
**Charlottesville City School Board Meeting**  
**May 7, 2026**

This collection sheet captures the details and preparation for the Spring 2026 School Board Member School Visits, and we note the efficiency of merging this information directly into the School Board Committee Reports for comprehensive documentation.

**School Board Visits to Schools:** School Board Protocols detail a formal process for school visits where Board Members set aside a day to shadow teachers and observe school buildings, a practice distinct from encouraged general school visits and event attendance throughout the year. The plan was for each Board Member to visit three schools during the scheduled visit week of April 13-17, 2026, after which Board Members would provide a brief report on their experiences. Preparation for these visits began on March 10, 2026, when the school board clerk sent an email titled, Spring 2026 School Board Member School Visits: April 13-17, 2026, directing all Board Members to a Google Sheets document to sign up for their preferred visits and to include any special requests.

Board Member	Committee Updates	School Visit Updates
<b>Amanda Burns</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 4/1 City of Promise, Gratitude Visit</li> <li>● 4/3 Wildrock Visit with Trailblazer Elementary School</li> <li>● 4/7 SRO Workgroup</li> <li>● 4/7 Abundant Life, Gratitude Visit</li> <li>● 4/13 <a href="#">Parks &amp; Recreation Advisory Board</a></li> <li>● 4/14 Student School Board Representative Meeting at CHS</li> <li>● 4/20 Student School Board Representative Interviews for 2026-2027 School Year</li> <li>● 4/20 SRO Workgroup</li> <li>● 4/23 WALK Program Cook-Off Judge</li> <li>● 4/27 Emily Couric Scholarship Luncheon</li> <li>● 4/28 Student School Board Representative Interviews for 2026-2027 School Year</li> <li>● 4/29 Golden Apple Ceremony</li> <li>● 4/30 Waterboys Charity Event</li> <li>● 5/1 CHS Theatre Performance of 9 to 5</li> <li>● 5/2 Walker Farewell Festival</li> <li>● 5/2 100 Black Men Scholarship Brunch</li> <li>● 5/4 SRO Workgroup</li> <li>● 5/8 Summit Traffic Community Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 4/13 Visit to Greenbrier Elementary School- I spent my time in the classroom with Ms. Wray (Reading Specialist), a 21 year veteran teacher who has been with CCS for 3 years. I was able to sit with her for both Kindergarten and Third Grade students who were receiving interventions.</li> <li>● 4/17 Visit to Tall Oaks Elementary School- I spent my time taking a tour of the building, observing students in Ms. Rickabaugh’s class during testing and then went outside to observe Ms. Walters and students participating in Bike Week in partnership with Safe Routes and Community Bikes.</li> <li>● 4/28 Visit to Lugo-McGinness Academy- I spent my time welcoming guests from Henry County (Alternative Ed. Principal) and Lynchburg City (3 School Board Members) who were visiting to learn more about LMA and Knight School. We engaged in dialog, visited classrooms, heard from students and staff, as well as community partners.</li> </ul>
<b>Emily Dooley</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 5/23 - CVCJ Jail Tour</li> <li>● 4/29 - Golden Apple Award Ceremony</li> <li>● 5/4 - PREP Agenda Meeting</li> <li>● % - CCS Retirement Ceremony</li> <li>● % - CATEC Completer Ceremony</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 4/13 - Visit to Walker Upper ES: Spent time with Dr. Thompson walking the building to greet students and staff. Observed that teachers were meeting in PLCs during planning time although I</li> </ul>

		<p>did not participate. Briefly observed several classrooms. Overall I was very impressed with the engagement and positive interactions between students and adults in the building.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 4/15 - Visit to CHS: Spent time with Dr. Malone. Observed several classrooms including a 9th grade World Geography and 11/12 Finance &amp; Economics. I had the opportunity to speak with several teachers and CSAs.</li> </ul>
<b>Chris Meyer</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 4/14 - Jackson-Via PTO meeting</li> <li>● 4/16 - SRO worksession</li> <li>● 4/22 - Charlottesville Scholarship Program Board meeting</li> <li>● 4/26 - CHS boys soccer vs. Monticello</li> <li>● 4/30 - Chris Long Foundation fundraiser</li> <li>● 5/1 - Art on the mall and Friday's at 5</li> <li>● 5/2 - Walker goodbye party</li> <li>● 5/2 - CHS urban farming plant sale</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 4/23 - Visit to Jackson-Via: Met with interim-Principal Kronstain and discussed his recent transition to interim and school morale. He showed me some of the concerning lighting situations and spoke to the need to update the building soon.</li> <li>● 4/24 - Visit to CHS: Met Dr. Gurley during the lunch hour and observed significant student social interaction and zero cell phone use. We then observed Mr. Davis's ag class, the expanded garden set up, and potential area for additional outdoor activity such as volleyball (w/ a sand court.) I met one of CHS's social workers also.</li> </ul>
<b>Lisa Torres</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● April 1 - Gratitude Tour and meeting with Mr. Shawn Pendleton (CoP)</li> <li>● April 1 - CDBG Task Force meeting</li> <li>● April 7 - SRO; MOU/SOP work group</li> <li>● April 7 - Gratitude Tour mtg with Mr. Eddie Howard (Abundant Life)</li> <li>● April 20 - SRO; MOU/SOP working group mtg.</li> <li>● April 27 - Emily Couric Luncheon</li> <li>● April 29 - Golden Apple Ceremony</li> <li>● April 29 - CHS Spring Choir Concert</li> <li>● May 2 - CHS Urban Gardening Plant sale and tour of gardens</li> <li>● May 2 - Walker Farewell Festival</li> <li>● May 3 - 9 to 5 The Musical at Black Box</li> <li>● May 4 - SRO Work Group</li> <li>● May 4 - Gifted Advisory Committee</li> <li>● May 6 - CCS Retirement Ceremony at CMS</li> <li>● May 6 - CATEC School-to-Work Signing Day</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● April 13 - School visit @ LMA. Had the opportunity to sit with graduating seniors to listen and talk about their post-graduation plans and aspirations.</li> <li>● April 13 - School visit @ Summit, touring classrooms with Mrs. Johnson and talking about transition planning this summer</li> <li>● April 13 - visit to CHS and met/walked with Dr Malone; noting very few students in hallways and discussing camera placement, door security.</li> </ul>