

Guidelines for Public Comment at the Yough School Board Meeting

The Yough School Board welcomes public comment during most regular meetings and during public hearings. The board meets on the first two Wednesdays every month, except for the month of July.

Process at the meeting

- Members of the community who wish to speak to the board during the public comment period will be called at the section of the agenda that applies. There are two comment periods: 1) beginning of meeting for items pertaining to agenda 2) end of meeting for items not pertaining to agenda
- Please print your name and complete address legibly on the sign-ups sheet
- When the board is ready, the president will ask anyone interested in speaking to go to microphone
- If a number of people are signed up to speak on the same topic, the board limits the time devoted to a single topic to fifteen minutes

Addressing the board

- When your name is called, approach the podium. Speak into the microphone, giving your full name and your address
- The public comment limit is set at three minutes
- Be respectful of the board when speaking
- Be ready to respond to questions from the board if asked
- Address your comments/questions to the board members, not the audience

Topics

- The School Board will not hear public comment that involves a complaint about an individual staff member, a personnel action, a student disciplinary matter, a complaint about an individual student, or pending litigation

Decorum

- The School Board expects that each speaker will be courteous, modeling for our students how one can respectfully disagree with others' views. Speakers will address their comments to the entire School Board and not to one individual Board member, nor to the Superintendent, a staff member, or audience member. Speakers will not engage in personal attacks. Speakers will present their comments from the podium provided for them.

Written Comments

- If a speaker would like to present written comments to the School Board, twelve copies should be provided to the School Board secretary as the speaker approaches the podium to speak.