

June 8, 2026

In accordance with Sections 18-25 of Chapter 30A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the MassHire State Workforce Development Board. The meeting will take place as noted below.

MassHire State Workforce Board

Thursday, June 11, 2026

10:00am – 12:00pm

William J. Dean Tech High School, Holyoke, MA

1045 Main St, Holyoke, MA 01040

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Agenda

- I. Welcome & Introductions**
 - Board chair Joanne Pokaski
 - Senator Oliveira
 - Mayor Garcia
- II. Federal and state updates – Secretary Jones**
- III. Labor Market Update – Mark Rembert, Department of Economic Research**
- IV. Board Priorities update**
 - **Workforce investments as economic development, regional strategies**
 - i. Partnerships with Executive Office of Economic Development
 - **ESOL moving forward**
 - i. Recap and next steps
 - **MassHire Workforce Innovation Project**
 - i. Updates on project progress
- V. Board Committees and Advisory Groups updates**
 - **Policy Subcommittee**
 - i. Policy Subcommittee update regarding work on Workforce Pell
 - ii. Review and recommend occupations for Workforce Pell program, assign Policy Subcommittee task of working with Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development and Executive Office of Education on implementation structure
 - **MassHire Recognition**
 - i. Update on 2026 MassHire awards, process moving forward
- VI. Legislative update**
- VII. Adoption of meeting minutes from March 19, 2026, and April 27, 2026, meetings of the board**
- VIII. Adjournment and announcements on future meetings**