SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOUTH ORANGE AND MAPLEWOOD, NEW JERSEY
PUBLIC BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 2026

RESOLUTION **5051**

FOR ACTION

SUBJECT: **APPROVE RESOLUTION ON ATTENDANCE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN**

WHEREAS, consistent student attendance is critical for academic success and overall school performance; and

WHEREAS, Maplewood Middle School has identified attendance challenges that require targeted intervention; and

WHEREAS, the South Orange-Maplewood School District is committed to improving student attendance through proactive measures and structured support;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the implementation of an Attendance Corrective Action Plan for Maplewood Middle School, which shall include:

- Enhanced Monitoring and Reporting: Strengthening attendance tracking systems to identify and address patterns of chronic absenteeism.
- Intervention Strategies: Implementing targeted interventions including family outreach, and counseling support for students with excessive absences.
- Stakeholder Collaboration: Engaging parents, teachers, and community partners in promoting a culture of attendance and addressing barriers to regular school attendance.
- Ongoing Evaluation: Regularly reviewing attendance data to assess progress and adjust strategies as needed.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

New Jersey state law emphasizes the importance of regular school attendance as a fundamental component of student success and educational equity. Under N.J.S.A 18A:38 25.1, public school districts are required to develop policies and procedures for addressing chronic absenteeism and truancy.