

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
WACO DIVISION**

**Minor child JANE DOE, by and
through next friends JOHN DOE and
MARY DOE,**
Plaintiff,

v.
**LORENA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL
DISTRICT and APRIL JEWELL,**
Defendants.

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CASE NO. 6:23-CV-566-ADA-DNM

**ORDER GRANTING THE PARTIES' JOINT MOTION TO AMEND SCHEDULING
ORDER [DKT. NO. 81] AND SECOND AMENDED SCHEDULING ORDER**

Before the Court is the Parties' Joint Motion to Amend Scheduling Order. Dkt. No. 81.

The Court **GRANTS** the Motion and, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16, **ORDERS** that the following schedule will govern deadlines up to and including the trial of this matter:

Date	Event
August 28, 2026	Fact Discovery Deadline. Fact discovery must be completed by this date. Any fact discovery requests must be propounded so that the responses are due by this date.
September 18, 2026	The parties asserting claims for relief shall submit a written offer of settlement to opposing parties on or before this date. All offers of settlement are to be private, not filed, and the Court is not to be advised of the same. The Court further ORDERS the parties to retain the written offers of settlement and responses as the Court will use these in assessing attorney's fees and court costs at the conclusion of trial.
October 16, 2026	Parties with burden of proof to designate Expert Witnesses and provide their expert witness reports, to include all information required by Rule 26(a)(2)(B).
November 2, 2026	Each opposing party shall respond, in writing, to the written offer of settlement made by the parties asserting claims for relief by this date. All offers of settlement are to be private, not filed, and the Court is not to be advised of the same. The Court further ORDERS the parties to retain the written offers of settlement and responses as the Court will use these in assessing attorney's fees and court costs at the conclusion of trial.

November 20, 2026	Parties shall designate Rebuttal Expert Witnesses on issues for which the parties do not bear the burden of proof, and provide their expert witness reports, to include all information required by Rule 26(a)(2)(B).
December 23, 2026	Expert Discovery Deadline. Any objection to the reliability of an expert's proposed testimony under Federal Rule of Evidence 702 shall be made by motion, specifically stating the basis for the objection and identifying the objectionable testimony, not later than 14 days of receipt of the written report of the expert's proposed testimony or not later than 14 days of the expert's deposition, if a deposition is taken, whichever is later. The failure to strictly comply with this paragraph will be deemed a waiver of any objection that could have been made pursuant to Federal Rule of Evidence 702.
January 22, 2027	All dispositive motions shall be filed and served on all other parties on or before this date and shall be limited to 25 pages. Responses shall be filed and served on all other parties not later than 21 days after the service of the motion and shall be limited to 20 pages. Any replies shall be filed and served on all other parties not later than 7 days after the service of the response and shall be limited to 10 pages, but the Court need not wait for the reply before ruling on the motion. Deadline for parties desiring to consent to trial before the magistrate judge to submit Form AO 85, "Notice, Consent, and Reference of a Civil Action to a Magistrate Judge," available at https://www.uscourts.gov/forms/civil-forms/notice-consent-and-reference-civil-action-magistrate-judge.
January 22, 2027	By this date the parties shall meet and confer to determine pre-trial deadlines, including, <i>inter alia</i> , exchange of exhibit lists, designations of and objections to deposition testimony, and exchange of demonstratives.
February 4, 2027	By this date the parties shall exchange a proposed jury charge and questions for the jury. By this date the parties will also exchange draft Motions in Limine to determine which may be agreed.
February 18, 2027	By this date the parties shall exchange any objections to the proposed jury charge, with supporting explanation and citation of controlling law. By this date the parties shall also submit to the Court their Motions in Limine.
March 29, 2027	By this date the parties will submit to the Court their Joint Pre-Trial Order, including the identification of issues to be tried, identification of witnesses, trial schedule provisions, and all other pertinent information. By this date the parties will also submit to the Court their oppositions to Motions in Limine.
April 5, 2027	Final Pre-Trial Conference. The parties shall provide to the Court an agreed jury charge with supported objections of each party, and proposed questions for the jury, at the final Pre-Trial Conference.

May 10, 2027	Jury Selection at 9:00 a.m.
May 10, 2027	Jury Trial Commences.

SIGNED this 16th day of June, 2026.



DAN N. MACLEMORE
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE