

Budget Planning Timeline 2025-2026

DECEMBER 2024 Planning timeline presented for Board consideration

Board approval of school calendar for the next year

JANUARY 2025 Preliminary student enrollment projections presented to the board

Initial revenue forecast projections

Position initialization (calendar, pay grade, pay cycle, vacancy salaries)

Special program placement finalized

Staffing ratio models analyzed for next year

Administration discusses budget initiatives and assumptions Administration discusses dollar per student allocation scenarios

FEBRUARY 2025 Budget planning salary base snapshots

Enrollment projections communicated to campuses
Title I campuses determined, and allocations estimated

Economic disadvantaged % table in projections file [based on final Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) snapshot data] forwarded to budget

and special/federal program offices

MARCH 2025 Staffing allocations presented to the board

Review staffing allocations with principals

Current stipend levels reviewed

Distribute full-time equivalent (FTE) add requests/pay grade change requests

APRIL 2025 Preliminary values received from Bell County Appraisal District (BCAD)

Technology allocations reviewed

State Compensatory Education (SCE) allocations estimated

Title I/SCE staffing spreadsheets sent to campuses FTE add requests/pay grade change requests due

MAY 2025 Updated revenue forecast projections

Board approval of final staffing allocations

Board meeting budget update with non-staffing budget items

Campuses finalize staffing being assigned to grant funds based on Campus

Improvement Plans (CIP's)

Preliminary Compensation plan and General Pay Increase (GPI) discussion with Board

Board review of anticipated federal grant applications

Final Title I/SCE grant budgets adjusted and communicated to campuses Bilingual and English Language Learners (ELL) grants reviewed; allocations

communicated to campuses

Campus and departments complete budget worksheets

JUNE 2025 Board meeting budget update including budget and tax rate calendar

Board approval of compensation package, including stipends and GPI

Efficiency auditor selection for Voter Approved Tax Rate Election (VATRE), if applicable

Report to campuses the funding source of staff (federal vs. General Fund)

Grant submissions completed

JULY 2025 Final revenue forecast projections

Final budget planning salary snapshot

Certified values received from Bell County Appraisal District (BCAD)

Finalize revenue projections

AUGUST 2025 Board proposal of official budget and set public hearing date

Publish board approved proposed budget and public hearing date on website and

newspaper

Board public hearing and adoption of official budget

Board adopts the 2025 Maintenance and Operations tax rate and Debt Service tax rate

SEPTEMBER 2025 Release general and programmatic funding to campuses and departments