

Zionsville Community Schools

Board of School Trustees Meeting "Item for Consideration"

New Business Item 6a • Date: October 5, 2026

Adoption of the 2027 Budget

Category:

☐	Human Resources, Personnel/Staffing	☐	Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment	
☒	Finance, Budgeting, Accounting	☐	Student Services	☐ Board Policy
☐	Facilities, Transportation, Nutrition	☐	Community Relations	☐ Other

Type of Board of Trustees Consideration Sought:

Action	☒
Discussion	☐
Report	☐

Facts of this Matter:

A public hearing on the 2027 budget was held on September 14, 2026. The 2027 budget is to be adopted at the meeting on October 5, 2026.

In order to adopt the 2027 budget in its entirety and to authorize submission of required documents, it will be necessary for the Board to adopt or act on each of the following resolutions and related items:

1. Adoption of Resolution of Appropriations and Tax Rate (State Form 4)
2. Action to Authorize Submission of the 2027 Budget
3. Adoption of Resolution to Adopt the 2027-2031 Bus Replacement Plan
4. Adoption of Resolution to Adopt the 2027-2029 Capital Projects Plan
5. Adoption of Resolution to authorize transfers from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund
6. Adoption of Resolution to authorize reductions in 2026 Appropriations
7. Adoption of Resolution to authorize a total tax rate

Objective POSITIVES and Financial Implications related to this item or approach:

The financial implications and objective positives have been discussed at the public hearing held September 14, 2026.

Objective NEGATIVES related to this item or approach:

The financial objective negatives also have been discussed at the public hearing held September 14, 2026.

Opinion/Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of School Trustees enact each of the adoptions and actions listed above.

Copies of items 1 and 3 through 7 listed above, which will require the Board members' signatures, are attached for their convenience. Item 2 merely requires action by motion, second, and vote to be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

Suggested Wording for a Motion, if any:

For successful adoption of the 2027 budget, Board members are asked to make a motion (with second and vote for the record) for the adoption of each of the resolutions listed above. Item two is not a resolution, but will need its own motion, second, and vote to authorize submission of the 2027 Budget to the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance. It is not necessary to read each of the resolutions, as your action with "as presented" in the suggested motions below will take care of committing the resolutions to the record.

Suggested Motions for Budget Adoption:

1. I move adoption of the Resolution of Appropriations and Tax Rate (State Form 4) as presented.
2. I move to approve the action to authorize submission of the 2027 Budget as presented.
3. I move adoption of the Resolution to Adopt the 2027-2031 Bus Replacement Plan as presented.
4. I move adoption of the Resolution to Adopt the 2027-2029 Capital Projects Plan as presented.
5. I move adoption of the Resolution to Authorize transfers from the Education Fund to the Operations Fund as presented.
6. I move adoption of the Resolution to Authorize reductions in 2026 Appropriations as presented.
7. I move adoption of the Resolution to Authorize a total tax rate for the 2027 Budget as presented.