East Lansing
Public Schools

# MEMORANDUM

**TO:** **ELPS Board of Education, Dori Leyko, Superintendent**

**FROM:** **Richard Pugh, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations**

**SUBJECT:** **Informational Item – 2026-27 Tuition Rates**

**DATE:** **October 16, 2026**

Background:

Each year the Board of Education is required to establish tuition rates per Section 380.1401 of the Revised School Code. This generally coincides with the completion of the annual audited financial statements as operating costs of the preceding fiscal year are used in the calculation of tuition rates.

**Tuition rates only apply to non-resident students wanting to attend the District outside of the School of Choice rules**. Example: the District has 10 slots for 6th grade and has 8 SOC applications and fills all 8 slots. After the close of the SOC process one non-resident student applies to attend the District as a tuition student. Note had the District originally filled all 10 slots via SOC and also had a waiting list for this grade it would not accept a tuition student for this grade.

The District rarely accepts a tuition student (only one over the last 17 years). Attached is the calculation of the 2026-27 tuition rates.