BEAVERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

School Board Meeting
November 10, 2026

WORK SESSION — ITEM FOR INFORMATION

STRONG & SUSTAINABLE BEAVERTON

SUMMARY
The superintendent will present an overview of the "Strong & Sustainable Beaverton" comprehensive 14-month planning initiative designed to address the district's ongoing structural budget deficit and long-term enrollment decline. The initiative outlines a two-phased approach — focusing first on multiyear financial sustainability and subsequently on facility, boundary and program alignment — supported by robust community engagement.

BACKGROUND
BSD faces two connected but distinct challenges: an ongoing structural budget deficit and a long-term alignment of school facilities, programs and staffing with a changing student population.

Enrollment Trends: BSD student enrollment has been declining for seven consecutive years. Since the pre-pandemic peak of 40,629 students (excluding charter schools) in fall 2019, the district's K–12 enrollment has dropped by 5,278 students (13%), driven primarily by falling birth rates in Oregon and the U.S. Projections indicate a further decrease of 3,000 to 7,000 students over the next decade.

Structural Financial Imbalance: Ongoing district expenditures continue to outpace recurring revenues. Projected general fund budget deficits under current assumptions are:

- 2026–27: $17.3 million
- 2027–28: $42.1 million
- 2028–29: $46.3 million
- 2029–30: $60.1 million

Although BSD possesses substantial reserve funds resulting from past fiscal discipline, allowing the district to phase in cost reductions thoughtfully, reserves cannot permanently cover recurring operating shortfalls and would be fully depleted within a few years without action.

Two-Phased Sustainability Framework: Expanding upon the 2021 Long-Range Facility Plan and the 2024–2026 Long-Range Facility Planning Committee guidelines, the district has established a comprehensive 14-month planning process with two distinct phases. Authentic community engagement is central to both phases.

- Phase 1: Sustainable Budget (October 2026 – March 2027)
- Phase 2: Strong Schools (March 2027 – December 2027)

RECOMMENDATION
The superintendent will review the plan for community engagement and decision-making regarding budget and infrastructure over the coming year. This presentation is provided for information and direction-setting; no school board action is required at this time.

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