# Public Hearing to Discuss Proposed Budget and Tax Rate

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### Agenda

- Revenue and Expenditures Assumptions
- 2025-2026 General Fund Budget
- 2025-2026 Debt Service Fund Budget
- 2025-2026 Nutrition Service Fund Budget
- Next Steps

### General Fund Budget - Revenue

HB2 was the School Finance Bill, and received final approval by the House on May 23, preliminary financial models were received on May 29, and signed by the Governor on June 4, 2025

Moak Casey, school finance consultants, provided financial projection model based on information released

- Very preliminary on amounts, a substantial amount of interpretation on legislative language still exists
- No spending requirements detailed in information released
- Further analysis will likely impact budgeted amounts as presented, possible changes indeterminable
- May require future amendments

State Formula Funding Model used based on current law/current funding formula

- Based on current tax rate (\$.7369/\$100 Valuation) & current values (\$20.6MM)
  - No substantive information to calculate otherwise
- Additional Funding of \$6.1MM from the 89<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session included final amounts TBD
- Based on enrollment from demographic study; ADA based on historical rates
- TIF factored at May, 2025 Values
- Recapture of \$31MM based on current law

Tax Revenue and Recapture are likely to change after SB4 and SB23 are approved by voters in November 2025

- SB 4 to increase the Homestead Exemption from \$100,000 to \$140,000
- SB 23 to increase the over-65 & Disabled Homestead Exemption from \$10,000 to \$60,000
- Both options will be voted on in the November election
- These proposed changes have not been incorporated into the amounts presented

# General Fund Budget - Revenue (cont'd)

#### Other significant items:

- Interest Income budgeted \$2.7MM
- Federal Flood Control budgeted \$1.4MM

#### Note: Tax Rate Adoption for M&O in August/September 2025

- Receipt of Certified Values on July 25, 2025 from Tarrant Appraisal District and Dallas Appraisal District
- Approval of a "Maximum Compressed Rate" by the Texas Education Agency in early August
  - For compression to occur, overall taxable values have to increase

#### **Enrollment Projections**

|           | Snapshot   |            | Snapshot/  | Snapshot    | iUniversity | Funding    |
|-----------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
|           | Enrollment | <u>ADA</u> | <u>ADA</u> | iUniversity | Completers  | <u>ADA</u> |
| 2019-2020 | 13,283     | 12,237     | 92.1%      | 951         | 926         | 13,162.68  |
| 2020-2021 | 12,726     | 11,966     | 94.0%      | 1,208       | 1,164       | 13,129.48  |
| 2021-2022 | 12,673     | 11,713     | 92.4%      | 1,340       | 1,299       | 13,011.67  |
| 2022-2023 | 12,541     | 11,519     | 91.8%      | 1,252       | 1,222       | 12,740.67  |
| 2023-2024 | 12,241     | 11,343     | 92.7%      | 1,332       | 1,296       | 12,638.06  |
| 2024-2025 | 12,136     | 11,240     | 92.6%      | 1,412       | 1,384       | 12,623.59  |
| 2025-2026 | 12,072     | 11,156     | 92.4%      | 1,550       | 1,519       | 12,675.47  |
| 2026-2027 | 11,980     | 11,071     | 92.4%      | 1,600       | 1,568       | 12,639.45  |
| 2027-2028 | 11,895     | 10,993     | 92.4%      | 1,650       | 1,617       | 12,609.89  |
| 2028-2029 | 11,901     | 10,998     | 92.4%      | 1,700       | 1,666       | 12,664.44  |
| 2029-2030 | 11,779     | 10,886     | 92.4%      | 1,750       | 1,715       | 12,600.69  |

2025-2026 Snapshot enrollment based on demographic projections from SDS Demographers

The Snapshot/ADA is not the actual attendance percentage, it is a measure of enrollment in the fall as compared to the ADA for the school year. Revenue for iUniversity students is generated from students that complete the full year.

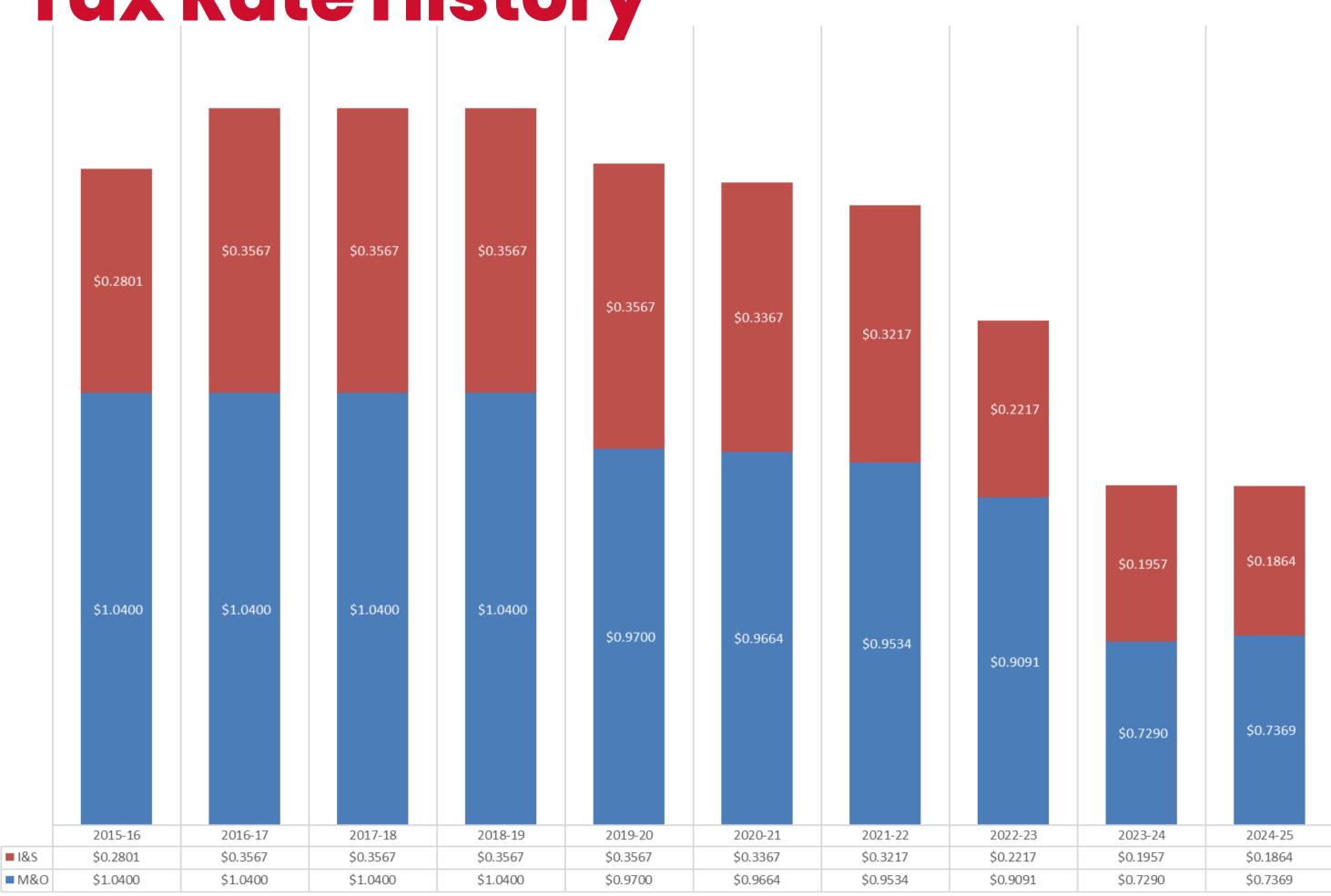
#### **Taxable Valuation**

| Tax Year             | Preliminary Net<br>Taxable Estimate | Certified Net Taxable<br>Value | Certified Value<br>Increase/(Decrease)<br>over Prior Year | Percentage<br>Increase/(Decrease)<br>over Prior Year for<br>Certified |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|---|
| 2020 Tarrant County  | \$17,572,595,305                    | \$15,931,012,956               |   |   |
| 2021 Tarrant County  | 17,578,553,223                      | 16,401,145,561                 | 470,132,605   | 3.0%  |
| 2022 Tarrant County  | 18,825,206,740                      | 17,611,293,244                 | 1,210,147,683   | 7.4%  |
| 2023 Tarrant County  | 21,484,753,518                      | 19,222,799,342                 | 1,611,506,098   | 9.2%  |
| 2024 Tarrant County  | 22,534,287,603                      | 21,891,557,634                 | 2,668,758,292   | 13.9%   |
| 2025 Tarrant County* | \$21,325,349,653                    |                                |   |   |

<sup>\*</sup>Note: Values shown from information provided by Tarrant Appraisal District, and assume SB4 and SB 23 passing (total amount of \$1.06BB); Certified Values will be released on July 25, 2025.

# Tax Rate History \$0.3567 \$0.3567 \$0.3567 \$0.2801 \$0.3567 \$0.3367

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# General Fund Budget - Expenditures

Raises included in the proposed General Fund Budget

- Teacher Retention Allotment for teachers 3+ years
- 1.5% of Midpoint Increase for all other employees

An underspending allowance has been incorporated into Expenditures:

- The percentage is approximately 1.7% of budgets net of TIF and Recapture
- The underspending amount is typical with underspending variances
- If underspending doesn't occur in the estimate incorporated into the budget, a deficit could occur
- The reductions have been incorporated into the payroll category in amounts as presented

#### Proposed General Fund Budget - Revenues

|                      | 2024-2025<br>Original Budget | 2025-2026<br>Proposed Budget |
|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 5700 Local Revenue   | \$167,367,156                | \$165,380,318                |
| 5800 State Revenue   | 15,264,870                   | 29,687,000                   |
| 5900 Federal Revenue | 2,664,346                    | 2,048,493                    |
| Total Revenue        | \$185,296,372                | \$197,115,811                |

<sup>\*\*</sup>These amounts for 2025-2026 include all taxes before recapture, 100% of the revenue attributable to the TIF, and the estimated increase in state funding from the recent legislative session.

## Proposed General Fund Budget - Expenditures

|  | 2024-2025       | 2025-2026       |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Function                                 | Original Budget | Proposed Budget |
| 11 Instruction                           | \$86,373,225    | \$87,885,963    |
| 12 Library                               | 1,518,456       | 1,551,049       |
| 13 Professional Development & Curriculum | 728,546         | 554,371         |
| 21 Instructional Leadership              | 3,783,378       | 3,535,500       |
| 23 School Leadership                     | 8,614,847       | 9,094,940       |
| 31 Counseling Services                   | 5,771,468       | 6,447,875       |
| 32 Social Work Services                  | 166,394         | 169,191         |
| 33 Health Services                       | 1,816,346       | 1,809,715       |
| 34 Student Transportation                | 3,977,158       | 4,101,900       |
| 36 Extra-Curricular                      | 3,948,178       | 4,256,007       |
| 41 General Administration                | 4,244,704       | 4,546,735       |
| 51 Maintenance & Facilities              | 15,985,584      | 17,223,794      |
| 52 Security                              | 522,940         | 3,237,432       |
| 53 Technology                            | 1,710,100       | 1,725,710       |
| 61 Extended Care                         | 2,948,707       | 2,625,124       |
| 71 Debt Service                          | 0               | 596,411         |
| 91 Recapture                             | 34,825,656      | 31,136,749      |
| 97 TIF Payment                           | 6,929,410       | 15,536,759      |
| 99 Other Intergovernemental Charge       | 959,744         | 1,080,586       |
| TOTAL                                    | \$184,824,841   | \$197,115,811   |

#### **Function:**

State Law requres Districts to approve Budgets at the Functional Level

**Total Expenditures \$197,115,811** 

### Proposed General Fund Budget - Recap

|                                      | 2024-2025<br>Original Budget | 2025-2026<br>Proposed Budget |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Total Revenues                       | \$185,296,372                | \$197,115,811                |
| Total Expenditures                   | 184,824,841                  | 197,115,811                  |
| Excess of Revenues over Expenditures | \$471,531                    | \$0                          |

# Debt Service Fund Budget

Preliminary Debt Service Fund Revenue is based on current year values & the current tax rate of \$.1864/\$100 Valuation

Expenditures for the 2025-2026 are based on current Debt Service Schedule

Principal: \$16,945,659.07 Interest: \$26,867,104.26

Debt Service Fund paying agent fees: \$15,000

The 2025-2026 Debt Service Fund Budget will need to be amended in September/October 2025:

- Receipt of Certified Values on July 25, 2025
  - Necessary to determine the tax rate for Debt Service Fund, which will determine tax revenue
- The Bond Refunding transaction approved by the Board in the April, 2025 board meeting
- An analysis after the aforementioned information is received for Board Policy CCT use of excess fund balance in reducing the tax rate

Note: Tax Rate Adoption for I&S in August/September 2025 Receipt of Certified Values on July 25, 2025 from Tarrant Appraisal District and Dallas Appraisal District

#### Proposed Debt Service Fund Budget

|                                      | 2024-2025<br>Original Budget | 2025-2026<br>Proposed Budget | Difference  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| <u>Revenues</u>                      |                              |                              |             |
| Local & Intermediate Sources         | \$39,973,429                 | \$43,227,089                 | \$3,253,660 |
| State Sources                        | 2,935,873                    | 2,741,841                    | (194,032)   |
| Total Revenues                       | \$42,909,302                 | \$45,968,930                 | \$3,059,628 |
| <u>Expenditures</u>                  |                              |                              |             |
| 71 - Principal                       | 16,574,935                   | 16,945,659                   | 370,724     |
| 71 - Interest                        | 24,767,275                   | 26,867,104                   | 2,099,829   |
| 71 - Debt Service Fees               | 23,000                       | 15,000                       | (8,000)     |
| Total Expenditures                   | \$41,365,210                 | \$43,827,763                 | \$2,462,553 |
| Excess of Revenues over Expenditures | \$1,544,092                  | \$2,141,167                  |             |

# **Nutrition Service Fund Budget**

Preliminary Child Nutrition Funds Budget

- Volume based on reduced enrollment
- Includes HS price increases (\$0.20 breakfast, \$0.55 lunch)
- Includes PK-8 price increases (\$0.10 breakfast, \$0.20 lunch)
- Includes some a la carte price increases
- Bond funds will be used for equipment over \$10,000

#### **Proposed Nutrition Service Fund Budget**

|                                      | 2024-2025<br>Original Budget | 2025-2026<br>Proposed Budget | Difference  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| <u>Revenues</u>                      |                              |                              |             |
| Local & Intermediate Sources         | \$4,474,361                  | \$4,275,119                  | (\$199,242) |
| State Sources                        | 77,573                       | 17,500                       | (60,073)    |
| Federal Sources                      | 2,550,579                    | 2,205,505                    | (345,074)   |
| Total Revenues                       | \$7,102,513                  | \$6,498,124                  | (\$604,389) |
| <u>Expenditures</u>                  |                              |                              |             |
| 35 - Food Service                    | \$6,981,638                  | \$6,474,697                  | (\$506,941) |
| 51 - Maintenance                     | 21,631                       | 700                          | (20,931)    |
| Total Expenditures                   | \$7,003,269                  | \$6,475,397                  | (\$527,872) |
| Excess of Revenues over Expenditures | \$99,244                     | \$22,727                     |             |

# **Budget Process Timeline**

- December
  - Calendar presented to Board
- January
  - Preliminary student projections established (Demographer)
- February
  - Campuses & departments budget process
  - Training & work-sessions (campuses & depts)
  - Staffing projections & salary study
  - Revenue projections
  - Budget planning update with Board
- March
  - Campuses & departments budgets due
  - Initial presentation to the Board

- April
  - Budget submissions reviewed
  - Receive preliminary tax values
  - Budget update with the Board
  - Budget work session with DEC
- May
  - Receive preliminary tax values
  - Preliminary budget presented to Board
  - Review legislative outcomes, modifications if needed
- June
  - Public hearing on proposed budget
  - Board adopts budget
- August/September
  - Board adopts tax rate

# ThankYou

Questions?

