BRAZOSPORT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

August 18, 2025



BOARD: Public Hearing

SUBJECT: Public Meeting to Discuss the 2025-2026 Budget and the 2025

Proposed Tax Rate

BOARD POLICY: CE (Local) and (Legal)

DISTRICT GOAL: Brazosport ISD will exercise fiscal responsibility to ensure financial

strength and provide the resources to equip and maintain quality

facilities and educational programming.

FISCAL NOTE: N/A

Background Information:

- Chapter 44 of the Texas Education Code provides "notice and hearing" requirements to be followed by school districts in connection with holding a public meeting on the budget and proposed tax rate, and sets out the items to include in the required budget hearing and proposed tax rate notice.
- Senate Bill 18, passed by the 79th Session of the Texas Legislature, further expanded and significantly modified these "notice and hearing" requirements for school districts.

Administrative Considerations:

- A Special Board Meeting was held by the Board of Trustees on August 4th, along with updates at various regularly scheduled Board meetings since January.
- The Board conducted the Special Board Meeting on August 4, 2025, to review the proposed 2025-26 Budget and 2025 Tax Rate. In accordance with the public notice requirements of Chapter 44, on August 6, 2025, the Board of Trustees legally published notice of a public meeting to discuss the 2025-2026 budget and the 2025 proposed tax rate.
- The 2025-2026 proposed budget includes a tax rate of \$0.8975 per \$100 of taxable value to fund the budget, which represents a 5.33 cent decrease from the prior year's rate. The District has reduced the M&O tax rate by over 35 cents in the last 6 years.
- The administration recommends that the Board of Trustees hold a public hearing.

Communication Deployment:

- Board Meeting Minutes
- Advertise via newspaper as required
- Post necessary information on District website

Respectfully submitted,

Ludivina Cansino Chief Financial Officer