

TO: School Board Members

FROM: Brian Schultz, Director of Finance

DATE: March 2, 2026

SUBJECT: Approval of Fiscal Year 2026-2027 General Fund Budget Framework

BACKGROUND

The Budget Framework is a guiding document for building the fiscal year 2026-2027 budget. It consists of the strategic framework focus areas, assumptions for enrollment, funding and expenditures, along with specific parameters that are used to develop and guide the budget process. It was presented to the board during their meeting on February 23, 2026.

Overall, budget resources are allocated to help the district make progress toward achieving the items stated in the Strategic Framework, which, in turn, drives the work of district staff and administrators. The five goals of the Strategic Framework and their underlying strategies have been developed so that programming and educational resources are directed toward helping all students achieve their personal goals and academic potential.

Additional commentary was provided and discussed during the February 23rd meeting.

RECOMMENDED RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of School District 197 to approve the FY2026-2027 General Fund Budget Framework as presented.