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To: Dr. Dave Palzet, Superintendent
From: Griffin L. Sonntag, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations
Date: August 6, 2026
RE: FY27 Tentative Budget

Executive Summary

The proposed tentative budget for Fiscal Year 2027 reflects our continued commitment to the community of being fiscally responsible while providing the very best education for our students. In addition, we must continue to maintain and improve our schools to create learning environments that foster and support students' education.

In 2021–2022, we launched a five-year facilities plan aimed at addressing essential maintenance needs across our schools. The plan prioritizes projects that must be completed within the next five years to preserve the integrity and safety of our buildings. Three summers ago, we began implementation of several major upgrades, including new shingled roofs and an HVAC unit at the middle school, along with a new APR roof and HVAC unit at the elementary school. Two summers ago, the elementary school received a completely new HVAC system—an upgrade that has made a significant difference for students, staff, and learning throughout the building. Last summer, we focused on several smaller but meaningful improvements: phase one of the bathroom upgrades at PES, the first phase of gymnasium refreshes at both schools, the final installation of safety film, and sealcoating the middle school parking lot. We also added more Apple Ready Classrooms at the elementary school to support our continued investment in instructional technology. These projects were completed alongside our routine summer maintenance and inspections. Additionally, solar panels were installed at PMS as part of our Power Purchase Agreement (PPA), marking a significant step toward energy efficiency and saving the district money with rising energy prices.

This summer, we've added new furniture to both kindergarten and 7th grade at our schools. In addition, we've installed a new gymnasium floor and a new moveable wall, both at PES. We've completed the final classrooms of our Apple Ready Classroom project. In addition, we've replaced multiple exterior doors at PES, sump pumps at PMS, and began the process of upgrading the fire alarm system at PMS. Finally, we've completed our yearly maintenance and inspections.

We continue to follow our three-prong approach in paying for these larger capital projects and in planning for the future of Pleasantdale School District 107. These prongs include: (1) Bonds sold in 2022, (2) Operating funds, (3) Fund balance reserves. Overall, the district is in a very sound financial position. We will continue to be thoughtful about every single dollar spent and ensure that it supports our mission of *Driving Toward Excellence*.

In the FY27 tentative budget summary on the following page, you will notice the following:

1. The overall operating budget reflects a surplus of \$647,842. This means that due to careful planning and fiscal responsibility, we expect to have funds to meet the needs of our students, staff, and operations.

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2. With that said, to pay for the capital improvements outlined above, we are going to transfer \$540,000 from the O&M Fund to the Capital Projects Fund. These items are classified as capital improvement and can be purchased out of this fund.
3. The projected total amount in our fund balances at the end of FY27 is expected to be approximately 15.6 million dollars. This amount is 78% of the budgeted expenditures and satisfies Board policy 4:20, which seeks to maintain at least 50% of the annual expenditures in our fund balances.

Timeline for budget adoption:

The tentative budget will be presented at the August 12, 2026 Board of Education meeting and placed on display for more than 30 days. A budget hearing will be held on Wednesday, September 16, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Pleasantdale School District 107 Administration Building. The FY27 Budget will be formally adopted at the Board of Education meeting following the budget hearing on September 16th.

Conclusion:

A budget is a roadmap constructed using the best information available at the time it is made. The tentative budget continues to be fiscally responsible for Pleasantdale School District 107's taxpayers while offering our students the highest levels of education every single day. I look forward to walking the Board of Education through more specifics at your meeting on August 12, 2026.

PLEASANTDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT 107
FY27 TENTATIVE BUDGET
August 12, 2026

FUNDS	UNAUDITED FUND BALANCE as of July 1, 2026	FY27 TENTATIVE BUDGET REVENUES 2027	FY27 TENTATIVE BUDGET EXPENDITURES 2027	FY27 TENTATIVE BUDGET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	INTERFUND TRANSFER FY27	PROJECTED FY27 ENDING FUND BALANCE
EDUCATION	12,510,788	15,973,474	15,717,317	256,157		12,766,945
O&M	744,457	1,697,023	1,535,598	161,425	(540,000)	365,882
TRANSPORTATION	790,286	1,157,501	1,157,501	-		790,286
WORKING CASH	334,740	230,260		230,260		565,000
OPERATING FUNDS	14,380,271	19,058,258	18,410,416	647,842	(540,000)	14,488,113
IMRF	236,340	61,001	130,870	(69,869)		166,471
SOCIAL SECURITY	228,868	246,000	245,420	580		229,448
TORT	265,283	202,806	171,872	30,934		296,217
LIFE SAFETY	305,500	11,051	65,000	(53,949)		251,551
OTHER FUNDS	1,035,991	520,858	613,162	(92,304)	-	943,687
CAPITAL PROJECTS	10,886	-	550,000	(550,000)	540,000	886
BOND & INTEREST	167,679	408,751	385,684	23,067		190,746
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)		19,987,867	19,959,262	28,605	-	15,623,432
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