

SUMMARY BUDGET 2025-2026

6/16/2025



Budget Timeline Fiscal Year 2025-2026

January/February 2025

- Minnesota legislative session began their work January 14th funding year
- Enrollment projections and trends presented to board
- School Board discussion on budget assumptions, parameters and timelines
- Staffing process begins and allocations are distributed
- Preliminary budget assumptions are developed

March 2025

- General fund financial update & projections
- Budget assumptions are presented
- School sites submit a draft version of staffing

April 2025

• Budget development process continues

May 2025

- Draft budget presented to the board
- Minnesota legislative session adjourns May 19th

June 2025

• School board adopts the FY 2025-2026 budget

June 16, 2025

ROCKFORD AREA SCHOOLS BUDGET SUMMARY - ALL FUNDS 2025-2026

General Fund	REVENUE \$22,770,507	EXPENDITURES \$23,353,031 (Note 1)
Nutrition Service Fund	1,292,399	1,210,067
Community Service Fund	1,533,542	1,527,576 (Note 1)
Building Construction Fund	5,000	2,286,107 (Note 2)
Debt Service Fund	5,061,210	4,839,125
Total All Funds	\$30,662,658	\$33,215,906

Note 1: Reserved and unreserved fund balance in these funds will provide resources.

Note 2: Bond reserves will provide resources for the Building Construction Fund.

General Fund

Budget Assumptions

Enrollment

The table below shows the actual Average Daily Membership (ADM) for 2023-24, the budgeted ADM for 2024-25 and the projected ADM for 2025-26.

Grade	2023-24 Actual	2024-25 Revised Budget	2025-26 Projected
ECSE	8	10	10
(1)			
K-4	577	572	575
5-8	460	475	474
9-12	492	475	472
Total	1,537	1532	1,531

(1) ECSE = Early Childhood Special Education

Revenue

- 1. <u>Property Tax Levy</u> Property taxes are budgeted based on the 2024 Payable 2025 Levy that was approved by the School Board on December 16, 2024.
- 2. <u>State Aids</u> The following primary state funding sources have been budgeted:
 - a. General Education Revenue the budget is based on \$7,481 per pupil unit, which is a 2.74% increase over the 2024-25 level of \$7,281.
 - b. Compensatory Revenue the budget is based on the MDE's entitlement report, which is based on the October 1, 2024, Free/Reduced student count.
 - c. Special Education Revenue the budget is based on the special education formula and projected operating expenditures.
 - d. Other State Funding budgets have been projected based on the approved state funding formulas, projected enrollment and MDE estimates.
- <u>Federal Revenues</u> The district receives funding for Title I, Title II, Title III and Special Education. The district has budgeted for all federal programs at a similar or slightly lower level as 2024-25.
- 4. <u>Local Revenues</u> The primary source of revenue in this area is participation and admission fees. Revenue is based on the fees approved by the School Board. Other sources include interest revenue, E-Rate, and third-party billing revenue.

Expenditures

- 1. <u>Salaries and Employee Benefits</u> Employee compensation is based on current collective bargaining agreements and estimates are used for any contracts that are currently in negotiations.
- 2. <u>Other Line Items (Purchase services, supplies, etc.)</u> Budget lines were held constant to the extent possible or reduced. Some budgets for programs and services were subject to a larger budget increase due to inflation, market demands, or previously agreed agreements.

ROCKFORD AREA SCHOOLS GENERAL FUND FINANCIAL PROJECTION (All Fund Balances)

	1485 ADM 2024-2025 Adopted		2024-2025		2025-2026		2026-27		1531 ADM 2027-28 Projected
\$	21,947,440	\$	22,880,789	\$	22,770,507	\$	23,138,525	\$	23,422,869
	22,125,064		22,125,064		23,353,031		24,532,817		25,453,844
	-		220,675		-		-		-
\$	22,125,064	\$	22,345,739	\$	23,353,031	\$	24,532,817	\$	25,453,844
	(177,624)		535,050		(582,524)		(1,394,291)		(2,030,975)
	5,974,196		5,796,572		6,331,622		5,749,098		4,354,806
\$	5,796,572	\$	6,331,622	\$	5,749,098	\$	4,354,806	\$	2,323,832
\$	1,843,755	\$	1,862,145	\$	1,946,086	\$	2,044,401	\$	2,121,154
\$ \$	3,687,511 26% 2 109 061	\$ \$	3,724,290 28% 2,607,332	\$ \$	3,892,172 25% 1 856 926	\$ \$	4,088,803 18% 266,003	\$ \$	4,242,307 9% (1,918,476)
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ROCKFORD AREA SCHOOLS GENERAL FUND

General Description

The General Fund is used to account for educational activities, district instructional and student support programs, expenditures for the superintendent, district administration, normal operations and maintenance, pupil transportation, capital expenditures, and legal school district expenditures not specifically designated to be accounted for in any other fund. A district may use General Fund balances for capital purposes except when the requirements for a specific categorical revenue state that it may not be used for capital purchases. The General Fund is used to account for all revenues and expenditures of the school district not accounted for elsewhere.

2025 Legislation

Basic General Education Funding tied to inflation agreement to maintain link between basic funding formula and inflation. Library aid cut to \$19,805 in fiscal year 2026 from \$40,000 in fiscal year 2025. Student support aid reduced beginning inf fiscal year 2026-2027. Compensatory revenue modifications funded at \$50 million in FY26, compensatory revenue task force is established. Reduces reimbursement from eligible special education transportation costs from 100% to 95% in FY26, and down to 90% in FY27 and later. Students qualifying as Homeless and Highly Mobile under the McKinney-Vento law will still receive reimbursable transportation at the rate of 100%. Blue Ribbon Commission on Special Education is established to find \$250 million in savings in FY28-29 or commensurate reductions will be made in special education cross-subsidy aid. Long term facility maintenance revenue expanded for roof replacement.

Budget Information	_	2024-2025 Amended Budget	_	2025-2026 Proposed Budget	% Of Budget
Revenue: Property Tax Levy State Aids Federal Revenues Interest Earnings Local Revenues	\$	3,615,994 18,031,711 369,084 350,000 514,000	\$	3,418,463 18,521,225 352,819 50,000 428,000	15.0% 81.3% 1.5% 0.2% 1.9%
Total Revenue	\$	22,880,789	\$_	22,770,507	100.0%
Expenditures: Salaries Benefits Purchased Services Supplies & Materials Capital Expenditures Other	\$	11,682,836 4,009,415 5,533,410 842,163 238,828 39,087	\$	12,154,012 4,181,239 5,825,118 890,546 266,853 35,263	52.0% 17.9% 24.9% 3.8% 1.1% 0.2%
Total Expenditures	\$	22,345,739	\$	23,353,031	100.0%
Excess Revenue Over Expenditures Beginning Fund Balance	\$	535,050 5,846,307	\$	(582,524) 6,381,357	
Ending Fund Balance	\$ =	6,381,357	\$ =	5,798,833	

ROCKFORD AREA SCHOOLS PROPOSED GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE DETAILS 2025-2026

PROGRAM	2023-2024 ACTUAL	2024-2025 AMENDED	2025-2026 PROPOSED	\$ DIFF.	% DIFF.
DISTRICT & SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION:					
SCHOOL BOARD	67,460	73,104	72,487	(617)	-0.8%
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT SCHOOL BUILDING ADMINISTRATION	348,991 739,228	361,961 585,940	389,981 605,405	28,020 19,465	7.7% 3.3%
TOTAL DISTRICT & SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	1,155,679	1,021,005	1,067,873	46,868	4.6%
DISTRICT SUPPORT SERVICES:					
FINANCE & SUPPORT SERVICES	715,608	757,126	744,436	(12,690)	-1.7%
TECHNOLOGY HUMAN RESOURCES & OTHER SUPPORT POSITIONS	437,229 148,160	443,282 156,436	452,209 158,431	8,927 1,995	2.0% 1.3%
TOTAL DISTRICT SUPPORT SERVICES	1,300,997	1,356,844	1,355,076	(1,768)	-0.1%
REGULAR & VOC. ED. INSTRUCTION:					
K-12 INSTRUCTION	7,801,320	7,260,559	7,659,387	398,828	5.5%
GIFTED & TALENTED FEDERAL INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS	22,147 216.377	20,204 226.874	20,684 233,833	480 6.959	2.4% 3.1%
CO-CURRICULAR	953,881	919.105	233,833 998,181	79.076	8.6%
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	103,497	100,000	130,000	30,000	30.0%
CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION	308,210	249,831	257,198	7,367	2.9%
REGULAR & VOC. ED. INSTRUCTION	9,405,432	8,776,573	9,299,283	522,710	6.0%
EXCEPTIONAL INSTRUCTION:					
ADSIS	485,571	450,045	526,240	76,195	16.9%
SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT WIDE	2,795,657	3,018,571	3,134,731	116,160	3.8%
TOTAL EXCEPTIONAL INSTRUCTION	3,281,228	3,468,616	3,660,971	192,355	5.5%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT:					
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT	278,328	250,262	246,642	(3,620)	-1.4%
CURRICULUM SUPPORT	212,481	222,366	178,534	(43,832)	-19.7%
MEDIA CENTERS	177,312	147,793	151,306	3,513	2.4%
STAFF DEVELOPMENT	197,481	469,193	477,457	8,264	1.8%
TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT	865,602	1,089,614	1,053,939	(35,675)	-3.3%
PUPIL SUPPORT SERVICES:					
PUPIL SUPPORT	382,884	397,576	382,544	(15,032)	-3.8%
HEALTH SERVICES	191,429	156,552	160,341	3,789	2.4%
SCHOOL SAFETY	126,202	163,780	167,162	3,382	2.1%
TRANSPORTATION	2,609,007	2,801,483	2,947,754	146,271	5.2%
TOTAL PUPIL SUPPORT SERVICES	3,309,522	3,519,391	3,657,801	138,410	3.9%

ROCKFORD AREA SCHOOLS PROPOSED GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE DETAILS 2025-2026 (Continued)

PROGRAM	2023-2024 ACTUAL	2024-2025 AMENDED	2025-2026 PROPOSED	\$ DIFF.	% DIFF.
SITE & BUILDINGS:					
OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE OPERATING CAPITAL LONG-TERM FACILITIES MAINTENANCE UTILITIES	1,398,976 361,600 419,799 556,910	1,484,622 430,043 273,142 721,139	1,542,988 436,121 278,805 756,742	58,366 6,078 5,663 35,603	3.9% 1.4% 2.1% 4.9%
TOTAL SITE & BUILDINGS	2,737,285	2,908,946	3,014,656	105,710	3.6%
INSURANCE & BENEFITS:					
PROPERTY & LIABILITY INSURANCE	177,754	204,750	243,432	38,682	18.9%
TOTAL INSURANCE & BENEFITS	177,754	204,750	243,432	38,682	18.9%
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	22,233,499	22,345,739	23,353,031	1,007,292	4.5%



	6/30/2025	Adopted	l Budget		6/30/2026
	Beginning Fund	2025-26	2025-26	Fund Balance	Ending Fund
General Fund	Balance (Projected)	Revenues	Expenditures	Buildup/(Usage)	Balance (Projected
Unassigned	3,714,672	19,541,352	19,669,354	(342,487)	3,372,185
onassigned	3,714,072	19,541,552	19,009,354	(342,407)	3,372,105
Nonspendable	4,933	-	-	-	4,933
Assigned:					
Q Comp Program	288,420	406,900	406,900	-	288,420
Future Capital	700,000	50,000	-	50,000	750,000
Machine Shop	840	-	-	-	840
Scholarships	12,441	-	-	-	12,441
Acciment	- 1,001,701	- 456,900	- 406,900	- 50,000	- 1,051,701
Assigned	1,001,701	456,900	406,900	50,000	1,051,701
Restricted:					
Student Activities	127,888	124,999	124,999	-	127,888
Literacy Aid	-	71,077	71,077	-	-
Achievement & Integration		207,773	207,773	-	-
Buidling Lease Aid		26,740	26,740	-	-
Gifted & Talented	-	21,733	21,733	-	-
Career & Tech Program		33,514	247,999	-	-
American Indian Education Aid		43,000	43,000	-	_
Learning & Development		349,718	349,718	_	
Basic Skills	513,388	726,288	827,635	(101,347)	412.041
Medical Assistance	· · · · ·	,		(101,347)	, -
	75,832	34,000	34,000	-	75,832
Staff Development	422,877	250,185	325,185	(75,000)	347,877
Safe Schools	-	57,152	167,152	(110,000)	(110,000
School Library Aid		19,805	19,805	-	-
Student Support Aid	5,278	49,757	55,035	(5,278)	-
Student Support Aid - Coop		40,000	40,000	-	-
Operating Capital	476,203	397,714	436,121	(38,407)	437,796
Long-Term Facilities Maintenance	(11,150)	318,800	278,805	39,995	28,845
Total Restricted	1,610,316	2,772,255	3,276,777	(290,037)	1,320,279
Total General Fund	6,331,622	22,770,507	23,353,031	(582,524)	5,749,098
Unassigned Fund Balance %	16.85%				14.44%
Food Service					
Restricted	826,380	1,292,399	1,210,067	82,332	908,712
Total Food Service	826,380	1,292,399	1,210,067	82,332	908,712
Community Education					
Restricted:					
Regular Community Education	35,130	851,286	814,584	36,702	71,832
Early Childhood Family Education	44,947	115,628	133,485	(17,857)	27,090
School Readiness	29,144	369,020	378,378	(9,358)	19,786
Adult Basic Education	-	3,708	3,708	-	-
Restricted for Community Education	139,527	193,900	197,421	(3,521)	136,006
Total Community Education	248,748	1,533,542	1,527,576	5,966	254,714
Building Projects Fund					
Restricted Fund Balance	2,281,107	5,000	2,286,107	_	
Total Capital Projects	2,281,107	5,000	2,286,107	-	-
Debt Service	2,201,107	5,000	2,200,107		-
Restricted:					
General Debt Service	524,973	5,061,210	4,839,125	222,085	747,058
Total Debt Service	524,973	5,061,210	4,839,125	222,085	747,058
Total All Funds	10,212,830	30,662,658	33,215,906	(272,141)	7,659,582

ROCKFORD AREA SCHOOLS NUTRITION SERVICE FUND

General Description

The nutrition service fund is used to record financial activities of the school district's food service program. This includes activities for the purpose of preparation and service of milk, meals and snacks in connection with the school and community service activities. Expenditures include application processing, meal accountability, food preparation, meal service and kitchen custodial service.

2025 Legislation

Lowers the additional state funding for school lunch (above the amount established by federal rule for free lunch) from \$12.5 cents to \$6.25 cents per meal served beginning in 2028. It also requires a school to allow a student to purchase a second breakfast or lunch if the student has already selected a reimbursable breakfast or lunch.

	2024-2025 Amended			2025-2026 Proposed	% Of
Budget Information		Budget		Budget	Budget
Revenue:					
Local Sales	\$	154,274	\$	152,000	11.8%
State Aids		571,506		650,100	50.3%
Federal Aids		410,958		420,186	32.5%
Commodities		83,735		70,113	5.4%
Total Revenue	\$	1,220,473	\$	1,292,399	100.0%
Expenditures:					
Purchased Services	\$	486,756	\$	582,354	48.1%
Food & Milk		471,197		515,729	42.6%
Commodities		83,735		70,113	5.8%
Supplies & Other		34,242		41,871	3.5%
Total Expenditures	\$	1,075,930	\$	1,210,067	100.0%
Excess Revenue Over Expenditures	\$	144,543	\$	82,332	
Beginning Fund Balance		681,837		826,380	
Ending Fund Balance	\$ _	826,380	\$	908,712	

ROCKFORD AREA SCHOOLS COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND

General Description

The Community Service Fund is used to record financial activities of the school district's community service program. The fund is comprised of five components, each with its own fund balance. Community Education includes programs and services for any age level that are not part of the K-12 education program. Early Childhood Family Education includes activities to improve parenting skills of new and expectant parents and to provide learning experiences for parents and their pre-school children. School Readiness Education includes social services, a development and learning plan, health referral services, a nutrition component and parental involvement. Adult Basic Education includes all activities in adult basic education and adult high school graduation programs.

2025 Legislation

There were no financial changes from the 2025 legislature.

Budget Information Revenue:	-	2024-2025 Amended Budget	_	2025-2026 Proposed Budget	% Of Budget
Property Tax Levy	\$	124,354	\$	137,152	8.9%
State Aids		162,257		186,732	12.2%
Local Revenues	_	1,185,835	_	1,209,658	78.9%
Total Revenue	\$	1,472,446	\$_	1,533,542	100.0%
Expenditures:					
Salaries	\$	974,360	\$	993,100	65.0%
Benefits		269,235		297,976	19.5%
Other Purchased Services		184,000		188,200	12.3%
Supplies & Other		43,000		41,300	2.7%
Capital	-	11,300	_	7,000	0.5%
Total Expenditures	\$	1,481,895	\$	1,527,576	100.0%
Excess Revenue Over Expenditures	\$	(9,449)	\$	5,966	
Beginning Fund Balance	-	248,748	_	239,299	
Ending Fund Balance	\$ =	239,299	\$ =	245,265	

ROCKFORD AREA SCHOOLS COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND - REVENUE

REVENUE BY PROGRAM:	_	2024-2025 Amended Budget	_	2025-2026 Proposed Budget	% Of Budget
000 Community Education - RCC	\$	195,000	\$	187,000	12.2%
321 Community Education		743,836		826,215	53.9%
362 Youth Programs		10,071		10,071	0.7%
322 Adult Education		15,000		3,708	0.2%
798 School Age Care		15,000		15,000	1.0%
325 Early Childhood Family Education		105,600		113,761	7.4%
328 Home Visiting		1,879		1,867	0.1%
337 Pathways II		37,500		37,500	2.4%
344 School Readiness		342,347		331,520	21.6%
354 Early Childhood Screening	_	6,213	_	6,900	0.4%
Total Revenue	\$	1,472,446	\$_	1,533,542	100.0%

ROCKFORD AREA SCHOOLS COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND - EXPENDITURES

EXPENDITURE BY PROGRAM:	 2024-2025 Amended Budget	 2025-2026 Proposed Budget	% Of Budget
000 Community Education - RCC	\$ 188,160	\$ 196,421	12.9%
321 Community Education	721,367	750,146	49.1%
362 Youth Programs	10,071	10,071	0.7%
322 Adult Education	500	3,708	0.2%
798 School Age Care	15,000	15,000	1.0%
325 Early Childhood Family Education	133,473	133,485	8.7%
328 Home Visiting	1,879	1,867	0.1%
337 Pathways II	37,500	37,500	2.5%
344 School Readiness	367,937	378,378	24.8%
354 Early Childhood Screening	 6,008	 1,000	0.1%
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,481,895	\$ 1,527,576	100.0%

ROCKFORD AREA SCHOOLS BUILDING CONSTRUCTION FUND

General Description

The Building Construction Fund is used to record all operations of the district's building construction program that are funded by the sale of bonds, capital loans, or Long-Term Facilities Maintenance program if bonds are sold or a single project exceeds \$2 million.

2025 Legislation

There were no financial changes from the 2025 legislative session.

Budget Information	2024-2025 Amended Budget	_	2025-2026 Proposed Budget	% Of Budget
Revenue: Bond Investment Interest	\$ 100,000	\$_	5,000	100%
Total Revenue	\$ 100,000	\$.	5,000	100%
Expenditures: Capital Improvements	\$ 550,000_5	\$_	2,286,107	100%
Total Expenditures	\$ 550,000	\$_	2,286,107	100%
Excess Revenue Over Expenditures Beginning Fund Balance	\$ (450,000) \$ 2,731,107	\$	(2,281,107) 2,281,107	
Ending Fund Balance	\$ 2,281,107	\$_	0	

ROCKFORD AREA SCHOOLS BUILDING CONSTRUCTION FUND

	Amended Budget 2024-2025			Projected Budget 2025-2026	
Revenue:					
Bond Investment Interest	\$_	100,000	\$	5,000	
Total Revenue	\$ _	100,000	\$	5,000	
Expenditures: Capital Improvements	\$	550,000 -	\$	2,286,107	
Total Expenditures	\$ _	550,000	\$	2,286,107	

ROCKFORD AREA SCHOOLS DEBT SERVICE FUND

General Description

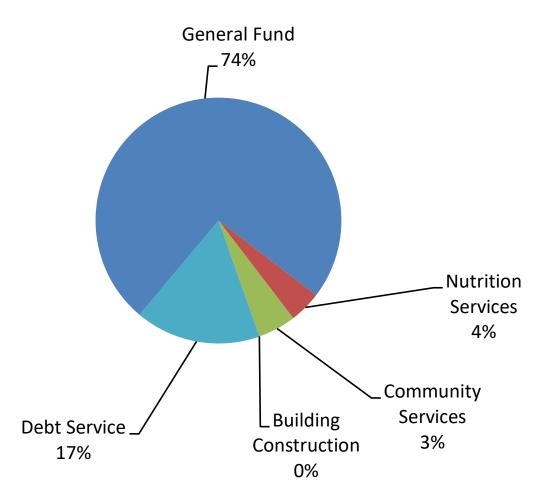
The Debt Service Fund is used to record revenues and expenditures for a school district's outstanding bonded indebtedness, whether for building construction or operating capital, and whether for initial or refunding bonds. When a bond issue is sold, the school board must levy a direct general tax upon the property of the district for the payment of principal and interest on such bonds as due. The amount levied is 105% of the principal and interest due on such bonds, which allows for delinquencies. When an amount is accumulated in the Restricted Debt Service Fund due to interest earnings, lower than anticipated tax delinquency, or excess building funds, the accumulations must be used to reduce debt levies.

2025 Legislation

There were no financial changes from the 2025 legislative session.

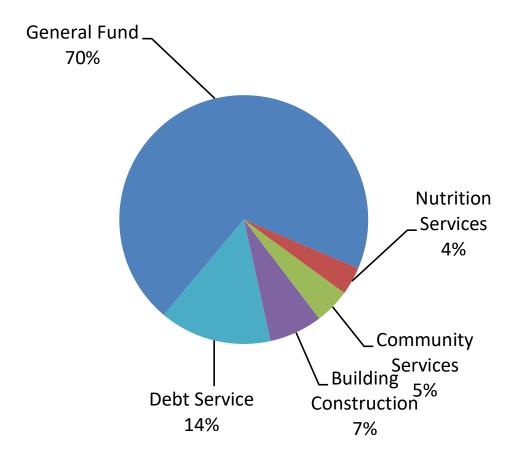
<u>Budget Information</u> Revenue: Local Property Taxes State Aids	\$ 2024-2025 Amended Budget 5,028,448 158,800	\$ 2025-2026 Proposed Budget 4,982,508 78,702	% Of Budget 98.4% 1.6%
Total Revenue	\$ 5,187,248	\$ 5,061,210	100.0%
Expenditures: Principal Payments Interest Payments Other Bond Charges	4,173,000 737,541 5,000	4,185,000 649,125 5,000	86.5% 13.4% 0.1%
Total Expenditures	\$ 4,915,541	\$ 4,839,125	100.0%
Excess Revenue Over Expenditures	\$ 271,707	\$ 222,085	
Beginning Fund Balance	253,266	524,973	
Ending Fund Balance	\$ 524,973	\$ 747,058	

Revenues - All Funds 2025-2026



Total Revenues: \$ 30,662,658

Expenditures - All Funds 2025-2026



Total Expenditures: \$ 33,215,906