

District Administrator's Report

October 2022

2022-2023 Budget Update

Unity School District's Budget for 2022–2023 sees a decrease in state aid by over 15%. This decrease does not increase the revenue or budget for the District, but it does impact property taxes under the revenue limit. Property taxes and state aid are the two components of the revenue limit.

The proposed budget for 2022-2023 is a balanced budget with a decrease in the levy rate. The actual budget is awaiting the state aid certification which will be released on October 15th. A more detailed report will be presented at the 2022-2023 District Annual Meeting on October 24, 2022 at 7:00pm.

ESSER funding, provided from the federal and state government continues to support the budget. The ESSER grants may be used until 2024.

Student Enrollment Increases Slightly

The Unity School District's pupil enrollment has increased slightly this year, as reported in the DPI September Pupil Count. Unity has had a stable enrollment for the last several years, having slight increases or decreases each year.

School finances are determined based upon a three-year rolling average of enrollment. The District's three-year rolling average is still down slightly due to previous enrollment trends. To compensate for the average being slightly lower, Unity will qualify for a Declining Enrollment Exemption for the 2022-2023 school year's budget.

"Expect Great Things"

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Unity: A Great Place to Live, Learn, and Work!

Check Out Some Amazing Career Opportunities! Unity School District, like other districts throughout the region, is feeling the effects of a staffing shortage in many categories.

Join the team! Unity School District is seeking team members in a variety of different positions.

Consider becoming an employee of an amazing school district! Career opportunities are accessible at <https://www.unity.k12.wi.us/o/unity-school-district/page/employment>.

Current Openings include: Grade 5-12 Choir Teacher, LEAP Childcare Teachers and Assistants, Educational Assistants, Custodians, and substitute employees in all positions.

Interested individuals are encouraged to contact the school district office at (715) 825-3515 or Kobussen at (715) 330-4234.

Consider Driving a School Bus!

Kobussen, our student transportation provider, has continued staffing issues. We are working creatively to resolve these issues, but staffing remains a problem. If you are willing to obtain your CDL or know someone who has one, Kobussen is offering paid training and sign-on incentives. Kobussen is currently offering up to \$1500 as a sign-on bonus!

Please communicate with Kobussen at 715-330-4234 if you are interested in driving school bus or need assistance with training and obtaining your licensure.

2022-2023 School Day Schedule:

Early Student Dropoff:	7:55am
Students:	
Elementary:	8:15am – 3:15pm
MS and HS:	8:15am – 3:20pm
Teacher Work Schedule:	7:50am – 3:50pm

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Unity School District Annual Meeting

Monday, October 24, 2022
7:00PM



2022 - 2023 UNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT GOALS

1. PREPARE STUDENTS FOR THEIR FUTURE BY INCREASING CAREER READINESS THROUGH THE EXPANSION OF YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP, ADVANCED PLACEMENT, EARLY COLLEGE CREDIT PROGRAM, START COLLEGE NOW, AND NEW PROGRAMS.
2. IMPROVE READING ACHIEVEMENT AND LITERACY THROUGH IMPLEMENTATION OF A RIGOROUS CURRICULUM WITH FLEXIBLE AND PERSONALIZED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS.
3. CONTINUE TO IMPLEMENT SUPPORTIVE MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMMING FOR STUDENTS.
4. PROMOTE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND CHARACTER-BUILDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL STUDENTS.

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

DATE	MEETING	PLACE	TIME
Tuesday, October 11	Board of Education Meeting	Board Room	6:00 PM
Wednesday, October 12	WASB Region 1 Meeting	Rice Lake	6:00 PM
Friday, October 14	CESA 11 Superintendents Meeting	Turtle Lake	9:00 AM
Monday, October 17	Parent-Teacher Conferences	District	4:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Tuesday, October 18	Lakeland Conference Superintendent Meeting	Turtle Lake	10:00 AM
Monday, October 24	District Annual Meeting		7:00 PM
Friday, October 28	No School - Staff In-Service Training	District	
Thursday, November 3	Optional Flu Shot Clinic	District	
Friday, November 4	CESA 11 Superintendents Meeting	Turtle Lake	9:00 AM
Tuesday, November 8	Board of Education Meeting	Board Room	6:00 PM
Friday, November 11	Veteran's Day Assembly	HS PAC	10:30 AM
Friday, November 18	Last Day of Trimester	District	

School Closing Information

Unity School District Website, www.unity.k12.wi.us

WCCO Channel 4, www.wcco.com

KSTP Channel 5, www.kstp.com

KMSP Channel 9, www.myfox9.com

KARE Channel 11, www.kare11.com

