

MEMO

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Josh Viegut, Assistant Superintendent of Operations

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RE: Fiscal Impact of Property Detached From District

The following analysis summarizes the fiscal impact of detaching a given property from the Wausau School District.

In the first set of charts below, assumptions are made that the value of the detached property is \$513,000 the District mill rate is \$7.18 per \$1,000 of equalized property value, and there are no students associated with the detachment. The most limiting factor for District revenue is via the revenue limit formula and not the value of property in the District, detaching this small parcel would not change the District revenue limit as property value is not part of the formula. Detaching this property would however, redistribute a portion of the tax levy to the rest of the property in the District as indicated below.

District-wide equalized property valuation, 2024-2025 \$ 6,185,345,156

District-wide 2024-2025		
mill rate		
7.18		

Va	Value of property being		
	considered		
\$	513,000		

Tax distributed to the			
rest of the district tax			
payers			
\$ 3	3,683		

Below illustrates the fiscal impact of detachment if a single student who previous open enrolled to a neighboring district is now included in that neighboring district's boundary. There would be a reduction in open enrollment transfer (EXPENSE) paid by WSD on behalf of that student, and there would be a corresponding reduction in revenue limit (REVENUE) by not having that student inside our District boundary. The reduction in expense would be immediate and last as long as the student is in school, however the reduction in revenue limit would be a gradual impact in thirds via the three year rolling membership, also lasting as long as the student is in school. In the below tables, both the open enrollment transfer amount as well as the revenue limit amount have been indexed by 4% annually.

EXPENSE (reduction in 1 FTE Open				
Enrollment)				
	Open Enrollment			
	Trans	fer Amount		
year 1	\$	(8,962)		
year 2	\$	(9,320)		
year 3	\$	(9,693)		
year 4	\$	(10,081		
Represents a reduction in Expenses				

REVENUE (Reduction in Revenue Limit)				
	Full Revenue Limit	1/3 impact RL		
year 1	(12,099)	(3,993)		
year 2	(12,583)	(8,431)		
year 3	(13,086)	(13,086)		
year 4	(13,610)	(13,610)		
Represents a reduction in Revenue				

	Net Impact on	
	Revenue/Expense	
year 1	4,969	
year 2	890	
year 3	(3,393)	
year 4	(3,529)	
Represents a negative net impact		

