



River Trails

SCHOOL DISTRICT 26

To: Finance Committee
From: Ryan Berry
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Subject: 2026-27 Student Fee Recommendation

Introduction

The total 2025-26 budgeted District fees, which include transportation, materials and technology, summer school tuition and preschool tuition are \$466,500. This represents 1.5% of the 25-26 Operating Revenue Budget.

Recommendation

The following fees rates are being recommended for the 2026-27 school year:

	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26*</u>	<u>2026-27*</u>
Material and Technology - K-5	\$ 225	\$ 250	\$ 260
Material and Technology - 6-8	\$ 255	\$ 280	\$ 290
Chrome Book Insurance - all	\$ 25	\$ 0	\$ 0
Transportation	\$ 160	\$ 140	\$ 145
Preschool tuition	\$2,800	\$2,850	\$2,900
Preschool snack	\$ 90	\$ 90	\$ 95

*Fees shown as early bird payments

The 2026-27 fee proposal represents an anticipated overall decrease in anticipated revenue compared to the 2025-26 budget, but maintains a 1.4% share of anticipated operating revenue for the 2026-27 projection. The main reason for the decrease in collected fees is a projected reduction in enrollment.

Furthermore, it is recommended that the district continue the early payment discount of \$25 for material fees and \$50 for transportation fees if payment is received at the district office by May 1, 2026. We have held this practice for the last several years.

Students on free lunch do not pay material and technology fees and those on reduced lunch pay half fees. For those students on free or reduced lunch that require paid transportation we offer payment plans at \$50 per month. As long as the first payment is made by May 1, we will not charge a late fee.