

Memo

To: Board of Trustees
From: Rob Sauer
Date: 11/6/2025
Re: Superintendents Board Report

Updates

- This week is the ISBA conference in Coeur d'Alene. ISBA members will be voting on 13 different resolutions as their focus for the upcoming legislative session. There were 16 but some were withdrawn. [ISBA 2026 Resolutions](#)
- The resolution from COSSA for ISBA consideration includes the following – **Statement of Purpose:** The purpose of this resolution is to ensure that the state of Idaho provides adequate and equitable funding to meet its obligation under federal and state law to serve students with disabilities. Without a substantial increase in special education funding, local boards must continue reallocating limited general funds to cover special education costs, to the detriment of all students. This resolution urges the Idaho Legislature to adopt a funding model that supports all students and protects the financial integrity of local school districts.
- In looking at the upcoming legislative session, Idaho lawmakers may need to cut \$555.2 million from agency spending requests or tap reserves to balance next fiscal year's budget. This includes the additional \$50 million requested for special education block grants. At the end of the day, it is unlikely that any new spending will be approved. We will be fortunate to maintain status quo and avoid cuts.