ITASCA SCHOOL DISTRICT #10
ITASCA, ILLINOIS 60143-1722

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, November 11, 2026

LOCATION: ITASCA VILLAGE HALL
550 WEST IRVING PARK
ITASCA, ILLINOIS 60143

6:30 PM Closed Session
7:00 PM Regular Meeting

A G E N D A

I. Call to Order & Roll Call - President Barthel
II. Closed Session - Student disciplinary cases. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9). Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).
III. Return to Open Session
IV. Call to Order, Roll Call & Pledge of Allegiance - President Barthel
V. Welcome Visitors - President Barthel
VI. Introduction Student Board Member - President Barthel
VII. Communications - Secretary Amayun
VIII. Additional Agenda Items
IX. Superintendent's Reports – Dr. Weeks
    A. Superintendent Report – Dr. Weeks 3
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X. Board Reports
    A. NDSEC – Member O'Neill (Member Giambrone Alternate)
    B. Finance – Members Patel & Barthel
    C. Friends of Nature Center – Secretary Amayun
    D. Policy – Members Patel & Giambrone
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XI. Discussions / Presentations
    A. Celebrating Student Excellence - Mr. Taylor
    B. District Audit - Ms. Mitchell & Auditors
    C. Tentative Levy - Ms. Mitchell 17
    D. National School Board Member Day, November 15th - Dr. Weeks & Principals
    E. School Report Card Update - Dr. Weeks 31
    F. Freedom of Information - none
    G. Opportunity for Community Input
XII. Action Items
    A. FY27-#15 - Approval of the Consent Agenda - ROLL CALL VOTE 44
        1. Minutes
        2. Expenditures
        3. Personnel

B. FY27-#16 - Resolution Authorizing Intervention In Property Tax Assessment Appeals - ROLL CALL VOTE 45
   1. Questions/comments from the Board of Education.
   2. Opportunity for community input.

C. FY27-#17 - Resolution Regarding the Estimated Amounts Necessary to be Levied for the Year 2026 - ROLL CALL VOTE 48
   1. Questions/comments from the Board of Education
   2. Opportunity for community input.

D. FY27-#18 - Approval of Report on Shared Services or Outsourcing - ROLL CALL VOTE 52
   1. Questions/comments from the Board of Education
   2. Opportunity for community input.

XIII. Board Requested Reports

XIV. Adjournment

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Casey Amayun, Secretary
Board of Education

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James Barthel, Board President
Board of Education

SUPERINTENDENT'S BOARD REPORT
November, 2026
Dr. Heidi Weeks, Superintendent

A. Student Safety and Citizenship - To ensure a safe learning environment that promotes the development of responsibility, ethics, discipline and citizenship

- The Regional Office of Education completed its annual Health/Life Safety Inspection, with the District performing very well and only a few minor findings to address. Thank you to Mr. Herriman and his team for their continued dedication to maintaining safe learning environments.
- Approximately 35 seventh-grade students completed CPR/AED training during Trimester 1 Health classes. All remaining seventh-grade students are scheduled to complete training by the end of Trimester 3. We continue to provide CPR/AED training for staff.

B. Academic Excellence - To reach the highest level of academic excellence by promoting an environment for the growth and learning of all students and the district

- The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) has released the 2026 School Designation Results. We are proud to share that all three District 10 schools earned an Exemplary designation, the highest rating awarded by ISBE, reflecting our continued commitment to academic excellence and student growth.

C. Fiscal Responsibility - To efficiently and responsibly manage the district's fiscal resources for short term needs and long term stability

- The annual audit has been finalized and will be presented at the November Board of Education meeting.
- The proposed tax levy will be presented at the November Board meeting, with final approval scheduled for December.

D. Community Relationships - To nurture and advance relationships through collaboration and communication with the whole community

- The District Annual Report is in the final stages of editing and is anticipated to be mailed to all community members shortly after Thanksgiving.
- The New Community Connections newsletter will also be distributed later this month.
- Sign-ups for Parent-Teacher Conferences on November 12 and 18 are underway. We look forward to welcoming families and strengthening home-school partnerships through meaningful conversations about student progress and growth.

E. Professional Learning - To support a culture that enhances professional learning and growth

- School Improvement and Grade-Level teams will continue analyzing ISBE School Report Card results and student achievement data to guide professional learning, curriculum development, and instructional practices.

F. Capital Development - To support safety and learning for all

- Planning and progress continue on the secure entryway projects at all three schools. We have been collaborating with building administrators, team leaders, and office staff across all three schools to gather valuable feedback on the proposed designs. Their input is helping to ensure the new entryways enhance safety, security, and functionality while meeting the daily needs of our school communities.

Monthly Enrollment Chart
11/1/2026

Grade	# of Sections	Average Class Size	Target Class Size	Total Count
K	4	18	24	69
1	4	21	24	82
2	5	18	24	92
3	5	21	26	102
4	4	23	26	93
5	5	21	26	105
6	5	24	28	119
7	5	23	28	115
8	5	24	28	117
			TOTAL	**894**

Pre-K - half day	**AM**	16
	PM	26
	TOTAL	**42**

NDSEC Total D10 Placements:	**23**

Total District 10 Enrollment	**959**

To: Dr. Heidi Weeks, Superintendent
Board of Education
From: Tamara L. Mitchell, SFO, Chief School Business Official
Date: November 11, 2026
Re: Business Office Monthly Report

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1. **Fund Balance Report for the month of September 2026**

The detailed fund balances of all funds for the month of September 2026 can be seen on **page 2**. These fund balances align with the fund balances presented to the District on the draft FY2026 Annual Financial Report.

This report shows fund balances and investments as of the last day of the month.

2. **Revenue and Expenditure Variance Report for Operating Funds as of September 2026**

The 2026–2027 Revenue and Expenditure Report for all funds for September 2026 is provided on **page 3**.

3. **Cash and Investment Report**

The detailed cash and investment reports are on **pages 4-6**. They itemize each investment, maturity date, interest rate and anticipated interest income.

4. **Bills Payable / Monthly Disbursements**

The November bills payable total is $653,418.58. Of this amount, $416,865.39 represents accounts payable and other disbursements, while $236,553.19 represents payroll and benefit related expenditures (i.e., payroll taxes, pension fund contributions, employee deductions, etc.). The disbursements by fund are as follows:

Fund Name	Amount
Educational	$296,425.33
Operations & Maintenance	$70,594.19
Debt Service	$600.00
Transportation	$136,481.55
IMRF	$6,539.84
Social Security/Medicare	$11,508.40
Capital Projects	$131,269.27
Total	**$653,418.58**

5. Over $35,000 Items

This section highlights non-recurring expenditures exceeding $35,000, excluding Capital Projects expenditures. There are no applicable expenditures.

6. 2023 Bond Proceeds Balance Update

The balance in the 2023 Bond Proceeds account as of October 31, 2026 was $$2,450,384.43. After accounting for $122,396.77 in payments in November, the projected November 30, 2026 balance, before earned interest, is $2,327,987.66.

7. Preliminary Tax Levy

The District's 2026 preliminary property tax levy has been prepared. The proposed levy is designed to capture the District's maximum allowable property tax extension under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL) while accounting for the uncertainty associated with final property valuations.

Description	Proposed Levy	Estimated Extension
PTELL-Capped Funds	$15,855,000	$15,689,128
Non-Capped Debt Service	$2,568,141	$2,568,141
Total	**$18,423,141**	**$18,257,269**

The proposed capped levy represents a 4.95% increase over the prior year's extension, compared with an anticipated increase of 3.85%. The difference of approximately $165,872, commonly referred to as a *levy balloon*, provides flexibility for changes in final EAV and new-property estimates. The PTELL inflation factor is 2.7%, with additional revenue permitted from new property.

The preliminary levy will be presented to the Board on November 11, 2026, followed by a voluntary public hearing and anticipated Board adoption on December 9, 2026. The adopted levy must be filed with the DuPage County Clerk by December 29, 2026.

8. Business Office Modernization - ACH Implementation

The Business Office has begun implementing Automated Clearing House (ACH) payments as an additional payment option for district vendors. The initiative is part of our ongoing efforts to modernize financial operations, improve efficiency, reduce administrative costs, and enhance the timeliness of vendor payments.

ITASCA SCHOOL DISTRICT 10

MONTHLY FINANCIALS
UNAUDITED
9/30/26

FUND BALANCE REPORT
VARIANCE REPORT
CASH AND INVESTMENT REPORT
TREASURER'S INVESTMENT REPORT

September 30, 2026

Board Funds

FUND	DESCRIPTION	9/1/26	REVENUES	EXPENDITURES	REV OVER EXPENSE	9/30/26
10	Education	$ 3,726,077	$ 5,235,756	$ 941,473	$ 4,294,282	$ 8,020,359
20	Operations & Maintenance	$ 1,252,087	675,745	76,552	$ 599,194	$ 1,851,281
40	Transportation	$ (65,435)	261,885	25,835	$ 236,050	$ 170,615
50	Municipal Retirement	$ 357,378	96,213	11,475	$ 84,738	$ 442,117
51	Social Security	$ (77,012)	38,883	22,861	$ 16,022	$ (60,990)
70	Working Cash	$ 1,676,610	5,138	-	$ 5,138	$ 1,681,748
	OPERATING TOTAL	$ 6,869,705	$ 6,313,620	$ 1,078,195	$ 5,235,425	$ 12,105,130
30	Debt Service	$ 57,970	1,035,824	-	1,035,824	$ 1,093,795
60	Capital Projects	$ 6,278,073	27,489	5,460	22,029	$ 6,300,103
	NON OPERATING TOTAL	$ 6,336,043	$ 1,063,314	$ 5,460	$ 1,057,854	$ 7,393,897
	GRAND TOTAL	**$ 13,205,749**	**$ 7,376,934**	**$ 1,083,655**	**$ 6,293,278**	**$ 19,499,027**

VARIANCE REPORT
September 30, 2026

OPERATING REVENUES	TOTAL ANNUAL REVENUES			YTD REVENUES			YTD % OF TOTAL REVENUES		
	FY25 ACTUAL	FY26 BUDGET	FY 27 BUDGET	FY25 ACTUAL	FY26 ACTUAL	FY27 ACTUAL	FY25 ACTUAL	FY26 ACTUAL/BUDGET	FY27 ACTUAL/BUDGET
Property Taxes	$ 14,262,290	$ 14,994,818	$ 15,286,297	$ 14,262,290	$ 15,697,931	$ 6,334,691	100.0%	104.7%	41.4%
CPPRT	$ 178,477	$ 174,577	$ 212,852	$ 178,477	$ 174,577	$ 44,888	100.0%	100.0%	21.1%
Interest	$ 490,648	$ 526,012	$ 551,100	$ 490,648	$ 457,832	$ 83,906	100.0%	87.0%	15.2%
Other Local	$ 726,851	$ 608,297	$ 537,910	$ 732,807	$ 520,698	$ 162,380	100.8%	85.6%	30.2%
State	$ 985,312	$ 993,796	$ 973,295	$ 985,312	$ 839,541	$ 211,108	100.0%	84.5%	21.7%
Federal	$ 532,639	$ 570,975	$ 350,287	$ 532,639	$ 529,159	$ 78,675	100.0%	92.7%	22.5%
TOTAL	$ 17,176,217	$ 17,868,476	$ 17,911,741	$ 17,182,173	$ 18,219,737	$ 6,915,647	100.0%	102.0%	38.6%

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	TOTAL ANNUAL EXPENDITURES			YTD EXPENDITURES			YTD % OF TOTAL EXPENDITURES		
	FY25 ACTUAL	FY26 BUDGET	FY 27 BUDGET	FY25 ACTUAL	FY26 ACTUAL	FY27 ACTUAL	FY25 ACTUAL	FY26 ACTUAL/BUDGET	FY27 ACTUAL/BUDGET
Salaries	$ 8,941,736	$ 9,690,027	$ 10,030,205	$ 8,941,736	$ 8,661,060	$ 2,277,884	100.0%	89.4%	22.7%
Benefits	$ 2,155,335	$ 2,421,933	$ 2,649,072	$ 2,155,335	$ 2,091,061	$ 574,798	100.0%	86.3%	21.7%
Purchased Services	$ 1,930,348	$ 2,013,893	$ 1,780,702	$ 1,930,348	$ 1,844,283	$ 314,565	100.0%	91.6%	17.7%
Supplies and Materials	$ 1,012,349	$ 940,129	$ 950,255	$ 1,012,349	$ 878,566	$ 187,122	100.0%	93.5%	19.7%
Capital Outlay	$ 335,186	$ 135,847	$ 110,000	$ 335,186	$ 131,940	$ -	100.0%	97.1%	0.0%
Other Objects	$ 1,776,927	$ 2,043,818	$ 2,003,550	$ 1,776,927	$ 1,999,768	$ 502,107	100.0%	97.8%	25.1%
Non-capitalized Equipment	$ 27,684	$ 180,279	$ 202,950	$ 27,684	$ 9,484	$ -	100.0%	5.3%	0.0%
Termination Benefits	$ 6,775	$ -	$ 69,750	$ 6,775	$ -	$ -	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%
TOTAL	$ 16,186,340	$ 17,425,928	$ 17,796,484	$ 16,186,340	$ 15,616,163	$ 3,856,476	100.0%	89.6%	21.7%

FY26 is pre-audit and will be udpated

CASH AND INVESTMENT REPORT

September 30, 2026

Board Funds

INSTITUTION	DESCRIPTION			GENERAL LEDGER
Itasca Bank	Imprest			$ 2,253.83
Itasca Bank	NOW account			$ 52,391.76
Itasca Bank	Investments	CD 105671910	$ 709,262.74	
		CD 105671912	$ 851,740.99	
		CD 148992506	$ 469,039.20	
		CD 148992508	$ 443,027.74	
		CD 148992509	$ 446,510.20	$ 2,919,580.87
ISDLAF	Bond Account 2021	LIQ		$ -
ISDLAF	Bond Account 2021	Max		$ -
ISDLAF	Bond Account 2023	LIQ		$ 0.42
ISDLAF	Bond Account 2023	Max		$ 2,714,880.75
ISDLAF	General	LIQ		$ 578,762.46
ISDLAF	General	MAX		$ 2,944,181.51
ISDLAF	General	Fixed Income		$ 20,928,703.04
Outstanding Checks Not Cleared				241,872.07
Non Cash Liability Accruals				-
			TOTAL	**$ 30,382,627**

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TREASURER'S INVESTMENT REPORT

September 30, 2026

INSTITUTION	TYPE	SECURED BY	PURCHASE	MATURITY	# OF DAYS	PURCHASE	RATE	EST INVESTMENT INCOME
ISDLAF Term Series	TS	Fully Secured	6/26/2026	12/2/2026	159	$ 500,000.00	3.74%	$ 8,146.03
Bank 7, OK	CD	FDIC Insured	6/26/2026	12/10/2026	167	$ 245,700.00	3.75%	$ 4,214.48
Hiawatha National Bank, WI	CD	FDIC Insured	6/26/2026	12/10/2026	167	$ 245,600.00	3.74%	$ 4,206.02
FirstBank Puerto Rico	CD	FDIC Insured	7/9/2025	12/30/2026	539	$ 236,500.00	3.85%	$ 13,445.83
Eastern International Bank	CD	FDIC Insured	4/2/2026	12/30/2026	272	$ 243,200.00	3.65%	$ 6,611.42
MapleMark Bank	CD	FDIC Insured	4/2/2026	12/30/2026	272	$ 243,200.00	3.63%	$ 6,586.04
Flagstar Bank	CD	FDIC Insured	4/2/2026	12/30/2026	272	$ 243,000.00	3.78%	$ 6,848.63
Bank of China	CD	FDIC Insured	4/2/2026	12/30/2026	272	$ 243,200.00	3.66%	$ 6,624.10
Lake Forest Bank & Trust, IL	CD	FDIC Insured	6/9/2026	12/30/2026	204	$ 244,900.00	3.67%	$ 5,024.70
Wintrust Bank, Il	CD	FDIC Insured	6/9/2026	12/30/2026	204	$ 244,900.00	3.67%	$ 5,024.70
Civista Bank, OH	CD	FDIC Insured	6/9/2026	12/30/2026	204	$ 244,900.00	3.66%	$ 5,009.65
State Bank of the Lakes, IL	CD	FDIC Insured	6/9/2026	12/30/2026	204	$ 244,900.00	3.67%	$ 5,024.70
Wheaton Bank & Trust, Il	CD	FDIC Insured	6/9/2026	12/30/2026	204	$ 244,900.00	3.67%	$ 5,024.70
St. Charles Bank & Trust, Il	CD	FDIC Insured	6/9/2026	12/30/2026	204	$ 244,900.00	3.67%	$ 5,024.70
Itasca Bank CD 105671912	CD	Fully Secured	7/6/2026	1/4/2027	182	$ 846,265.07	3.93%	$ 16,719.47
ISDLAF Term Series	TS	Fully Secured	6/12/2026	1/6/2027	208	$ 1,000,000.00	3.68%	$ 20,970.96
Itasca Bank CD 148992506	CD	Fully Secured	1/16/2026	1/16/2027	365	$ 457,876.59	3.59%	$ 16,710.95
Omb, Bank, MO	CD	Fully Secured	10/20/2026	1/28/2027	100	$ 247,100.00	4.16%	$ 2,827.45
ISDLAF Term Series	TS	Fully Secured	6/12/2026	2/3/2027	236	$ 2,400,000.00	3.72%	$ 57,726.25
GBank	CD	FDIC Insured	7/15/2026	2/25/2027	225	$ 244,100.00	3.48%	$ 5,234.34
Royal Business Bank	CD	FDIC Insured	7/15/2026	2/25/2027	225	$ 244,100.00	3.79%	$ 5,705.92
NexBank	CD	FDIC Insured	9/5/2025	2/26/2027	539	$ 236,600.00	3.79%	$ 13,241.89
Farmers and Merchants Union Bank	CD	FDIC Insured	9/5/2025	2/26/2027	539	$ 235,800.00	3.99%	$ 13,893.53
Itasca Bank CD 105671910	CD	Fully Secured	8/28/2026	2/26/2027	182	$ 707,054.99	3.93%	$ 13,969.13
Banc of California	DTC	FDIC Insured	5/29/2026	3/1/2027	276	$ 242,323.58	3.77%	$ 6,904.35
Wells Fargo Bank	DTC	FDIC Insured	5/29/2026	3/1/2027	276	$ 242,323.58	3.77%	$ 6,904.35
ISDLAF Term Series	TS	Fully Secured	6/12/2026	3/3/2027	264	$ 1,350,000.00	3.75%	$ 36,616.44
Western Alliance Bank	CD	FDIC Insured	5/26/2026	3/11/2027	289	$ 242,700.00	3.75%	$ 7,206.20
Bank Hapoalim	CD	FDIC Insured	7/16/2026	3/24/2027	251	$ 243,600.00	3.77%	$ 6,315.38
Security Bank And Trust	DTC	FDIC Insured	7/29/2026	3/29/2027	251	$ 249,308.81	3.86%	$ 6,408.42
First Pryority Bank	CD	FDIC Insured	4/16/2026	3/30/2027	348	$ 241,300.00	3.68%	$ 8,461.66
Security Bank of Texas	CD	FDIC Insured	4/16/2026	3/30/2027	348	$ 241,300.00	3.66%	$ 8,420.25
Independent Bk, TN	DTC	FDIC Insured	6/2/2026	4/2/2027	304	$ 249,385.00	3.76%	$ 7,811.86

GNB Bank	DTC	FDIC Insured	6/5/2026	4/5/2027	304	$ 242,367.34	3.76%	$	7,594.05
Itasca Bank CD 148992508	CD	Fully Secured	4/6/2026	4/6/2027	365	$ 435,892.08	3.88%	$	17,216.64
BOM Bank, LA	CD	FDIC Insured	6/26/2026	5/13/2027	321	$ 241,400.00	3.97%	$	8,417.68
Dundee Bank, NE	CD	FDIC Insured	6/26/2026	5/13/2027	321	$ 241,600.00	3.91%	$	8,307.80
PBT Bancorp, KY	CD	FDIC Insured	6/26/2026	5/13/2027	321	$ 241,500.00	3.91%	$	8,304.36
Merrick Bank, UT	CD	FDIC Insured	6/26/2026	5/13/2027	321	$ 241,600.00	3.92%	$	8,324.79
Patriot Bank, TN	CD	FDIC Insured	6/9/2026	5/27/2027	352	$ 241,000.00	3.79%	$	8,813.23
Solera National Bank, CO	CD	FDIC Insured	6/9/2026	5/27/2027	352	$ 241,000.00	3.84%	$	8,931.76
ISDLAF Term Series	TS	Fully Secured	9/4/2026	6/2/2027	271	$ 1,500,000.00	4.00%	$	44,547.95
US Treasury N/B, 91282CKV2	SEC	Fully Secured	9/22/2026	6/15/2027	266	$ 987,036.56	4.18%	$	30,067.57
US Treasury N/B, 91282CNL1	SEC	Fully Secured	9/2/2026	6/30/2027	301	$ 495,116.84	4.25%	$	17,348.74
ISDLAF Term Series	TS	Fully Secured	9/4/2026	7/7/2027	306	$ 500,000.00	4.02%	$	16,850.96
EagleBank, VA	CD	FDIC Insured	9/4/2026	7/14/2027	313	$ 241,600.00	4.03%	$	8,349.37
First Southeast Bank, MN	CD	FDIC Insured	9/4/2026	7/14/2027	313	$ 241,600.00	4.03%	$	8,349.37
US Treasury N/B, 91282CKZ3	SEC	Fully Secured	9/22/2026	7/15/2027	296	$ 495,386.72	4.27%	$	17,142.17
US Treasury N/B, 91282CFB2	SEC	Fully Secured	9/22/2026	7/31/2027	312	$ 497,385.00	4.33%	$	18,396.76
Morgan Stanley PVT Bank	DTC	FDIC Insured	7/22/2026	1/24/2028	551	$ 244,517.69	4.05%	$	14,962.47
First Bank of the Lakes	DTC	FDIC Insured	7/29/2026	1/31/2028	551	$ 249,535.83	4.05%	$	15,265.24
US Treasury N/B, 91282CMS7	SEC	Fully Secured	9/29/2026	3/15/2028	533	$ 498,507.19	4.65%	$	33,858.99
ISDLAF Term Series	TS	Fully Secured	7/17/2026	7/17/2028	731	$ 500,000.00	4.10%	$	41,025.78
Baxter Credit Union, Il	CD	FDIC Insured	9/4/2026	9/5/2028	732	$ 230,200.00	4.260%	$	19,648.57
OPTUM Bank, Int UT 68405VHF9	DTC	FDIC Insured	9/16/2026	9/18/2028	733	$ 244,208.90	4.205%	$	20,602.31
WI Treasury SEC, 912797WJ2	SEC	FDIC Insured	10/1/2026	9/30/2027	364	$ 499,440.81	4.479%	$	22,308.67
Itasca Bank CD 148992509	CD	Fully Secured	9/22/2026	3/23/2027	182	$ 446,510.20	4.07%	$	9,138.52
				TOTAL		$ 23,588,342.78			
						-20928703.04			

Off by the Itasca CD's

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Districtwide

- The district continues to coordinate planning and project details to ensure the secure entry systems meet the operational and security needs of each building. Ongoing discussions include reviewing project specifications, coordinating with contractors and vendors, and addressing building-specific requirements.

- The district also had its annual Health Life Safety and Fire inspection. The inspectors were impressed with the conditions of our facilities, the level of preparation, and overall work being done throughout the district.

Benson Primary

- The district is continuing to obtain quotes for the fence repairs. Once the quotes are received, we will review the options and determine the next steps.

- The replacement for the damaged piece of furniture in the outdoor classroom also arrived.

Franzen Intermediate

- The new solar parking lot lights have been installed and are receiving positive feedback. Initial responses have been encouraging, and the district is pleased with the results so far.

- Plumbing repairs are ongoing, and the district continues to work toward resolving the outstanding issues.

- The construction fence was also removed from the site as well.

Peacock Middle

- Ongoing discussions are taking place regarding the new Gym roof top unit. The district is continuing to review project details and coordinate next steps to ensure the equipment meets the building's operational needs and long-term HVAC requirements. Further updates will be provided as the project progresses.

- Chiller maintenance and service is also taking place.

TECHNOLOGY REPORT
Steve Schmidt
November 2026

District-Wide Copier Replacement - The Information Technology Department (IT) is currently working with our print vendor on finalizing details for a district-wide copier refresh. The current 5-year maintenance contract and lease agreement are up, and the copiers have served their useful life. This refresh reflects a cost saving to the district by removing one machine at Peacock Middle, modifying an accessory on our high-volume machines, and switching to a “pay for what is used” program with lower costs per page for color and black/white. The projected cost saving is just over $3,600 annually. We will be seeking board approval at the December meeting with the new devices installed over this winter break.

Content Management Policy Update - The Information Technology Department (IT) recently updated the current policies in our student content management system, GoGuardian. Some of these updates included now having a simple, easily managed global content policy for all school buildings and weekly reviews of the newly added alerts to the systems of games and AI conversations.

Help Desk - There is currently one open ticket in our system.

TEACHING & LEARNING BOARD REPORT
November 2026
Mrs. Heather Buske
Director of Teaching and Learning

Illinois School Report Card:
We are incredibly proud to share that all three of our district schools have earned an Exemplary designation on the 2026 Illinois School Report Card! This outstanding accomplishment reflects our districtwide commitment to academic excellence, continuous improvement, and ensuring that every student has the opportunity to succeed. This recognition is a testament to the collective efforts of our entire school community.

We extend our sincere appreciation to our teachers and staff for their dedication to providing high-quality instruction and supportive learning environments; our students for their hard work, perseverance, and commitment to learning; our administrators for their leadership and focus on continuous improvement; and our families for their ongoing partnership and support. While we celebrate this achievement, we recognize that our work continues. Guided by our district vision, Every Learner, Every Day, we remain committed to building upon our successes, strengthening instructional practices, and meeting the needs of all students.

English Language Learning:
We hosted our annual ELL Parent Night, held on October 26th. A big thank you to our building ELL Leads- Mrs. Vicki Farmer (Benson), Ms. Jordan Balliet (Franzen), and Mrs. Ashley Darling (Peacock) for their leadership and support. Each ELL Lead has been hosting monthly meetings at each building to build the capacity of our ELL trained staff.

As part of our continued commitment to meeting the diverse needs of all students, our district is utilizing Summit K12, a standards-based English Language Development resource. The program provides targeted, individualized lessons designed to strengthen students' English language proficiency in four key areas: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. This program enhances the direct instruction, meaningful conversations, and language-rich learning experiences provided by our EL certified teachers. It also provides valuable information to help teachers make data-informed instructional decisions.

An additional benefit of Summit K12 is its Family Access component, which extends learning beyond the classroom. Families can log in from home using their own accounts to access English language development This feature encourages family engagement, strengthens school-home connections, and creates opportunities for families to learn alongside their children.

November School Board Reports

Benson Principal - Mrs. Melissa Stafford
Franzen Principal - Ms. Katie Sard
Peacock Principal - Mr. Jason Taylor

A. Student Safety and Citizenship - To ensure a safe learning environment that promotes the development of responsibility, ethics, discipline, and citizenship.

CAP - Students have continued to participate in the Child Assault Prevention (CAP) program at Benson & Franzen. This meets our continued requirement to teach Erin's Law.

YWCA - During the month of October, all grades partnered with YWCA to teach about relationships and appropriate boundary setting.

B. Academic Excellence – To reach the highest level of academic excellence by promoting an environment for growth and learning for all students and the district.

School Improvement Teams - Across all three schools, school improvement teams have worked to set building Academic, SEL and Professional Development goals for the 2026-2027 school year. SIP teams are currently analyzing recent School Report Card data to set action steps to help achieve these goals.

C. Fiscal Responsibility - To efficiently and responsibly manage the district's fiscal resources for short-term needs and long-term stability.

D. Community Relationships - To nurture and advance relationships through collaboration and communication with the whole community.

Parent-Teacher Conferences - November 12th & 18th, in-person conferences will be held at all three schools. All families received an email communication with information on how to sign up on Monday, November 2nd.

IPTO Events - We appreciate the IPTO for again providing resources & snacks for our holiday parties. The trunk or treat event was a very well attended event & great for our families. All schools will host a Scholastic Book Fair and are grateful to the **IPTO** for their partnership.

Music Events - Second Grade Musical is scheduled for Thursday, December 10 starting at 6:30 pm this year. Third Grade students will perform their annual "informance" on November 5, 2026. This event showcases student's work from the first trimester. Thank you to our music teacher, Mrs. Rachel Berry for coordinating these events. On October 15th, Peacock Band and Choir students held the first concert of the school year. Excellent work to all students, Mr. Robert Ranz and Mr. Bryen Travis.

IESA Cross Country Sectionals and State - In October, Jason K. (7th grade) proudly represented Peacock Middle School and District 10 at the IESA Cross Country State meet. His hard work, dedication, and commitment throughout the season have made him a role model. A heartfelt thank you to Peacock Coaches Doug Anderson, Mike Reisel, Kelly Dolan, and Jeff Weaver for their unwavering dedication and commitment to the Cross Country program in District 10.

Monthly Communication - Newsletters are emailed home at the beginning of each month highlighting upcoming events and important information. School specific newsletters can be accessed through the following links: **Benson Bulletin** **Franzen Falcon** **Peacock Charger**

E. Professional Learning - To support a culture that enhances professional learning and growth.
Institute Day - School Improvement Teams have been discussing and implementing PLC structures based on the September Institute Day with Dr. Mario Acosta. Team leads began working on ways to implement George Couros lessons from Forward Together.

F. Capital Development - To support safety and learning for all.

2026 PRELIMINARY TAX LEVY PRESENTATION



Presented by: Tamara L. Mitchell, SFO - CSBO

Review of Terms

CPI – Consumer Price Index.

Levy – The amount a taxing body requests to be billed by the County Clerk for real estate property taxes.

Extension – The total dollar amount of taxes billed to taxpayers.

PTELL – Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (aka "Tax Cap Law").

EAV – Equalized Assessed Valuation (expressed as 33 ⅓% of market value).

Tax Rate – Rate per $100 of equalized assessed value.

Limiting Rate – The maximum tax rate that the County Clerk may bill taxpayers on behalf of a taxing body *excluding* Debt Service.

Truth In Taxation Act – Requires public notice and public hearings on tax increases greater than 105% of the prior year's extension.

Tax Levy Facts

- The tax levy is based on 2 known factors and 2 estimates:
  - **Known Factors** – prior year taxes billed to taxpayers (i.e., tax extension) and prior year CPI.
  - **Estimates** – New property and EAV of all property.
- These four numbers determine the **Limiting Rate**.
- These numbers are applied to the following formula to arrive at the limiting rate:

$$\textbf{Limiting Rate} = \frac{\text{Prior Year Capped Extension x (1+Lesser of 5\% or CPI)}}{\text{(Estimated EAV – New Construction)}} \times 100$$

2026 Limiting Rate Calculation

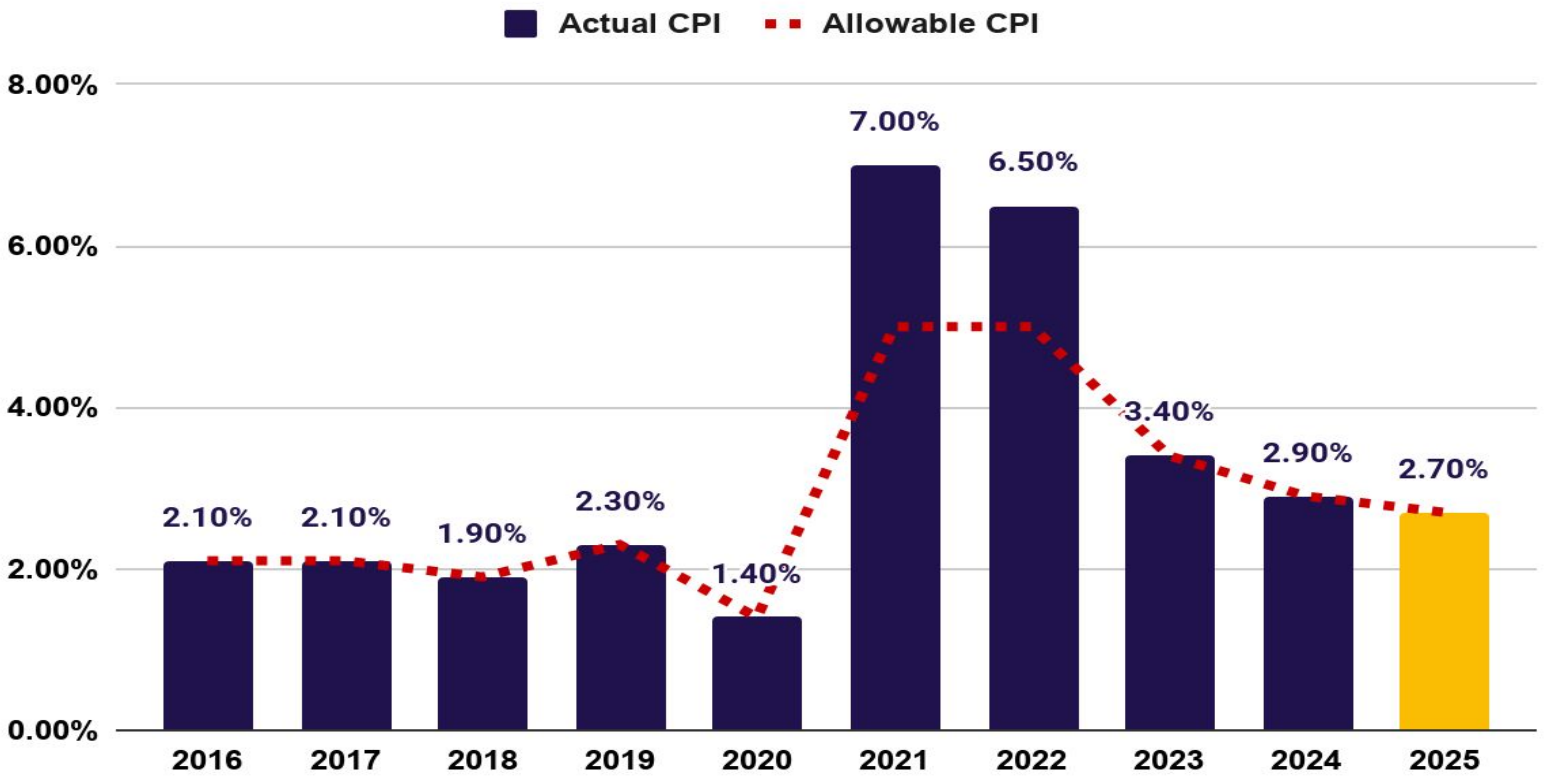
2025 Tax Extension	PTELL Inflation Factor	2026 Estimated EAV	Less: New Property
Excluding debt service and recapture	*2025 calendar-year CPI*	*Including new property*	*Excluded from denominator*
$15.107M	**2.7%**	**$855.576M**	**$9.5M**

($15,107,032 × 1.027) ÷ ($855,576,417 – $9,500,000) × 100 = $1.8337

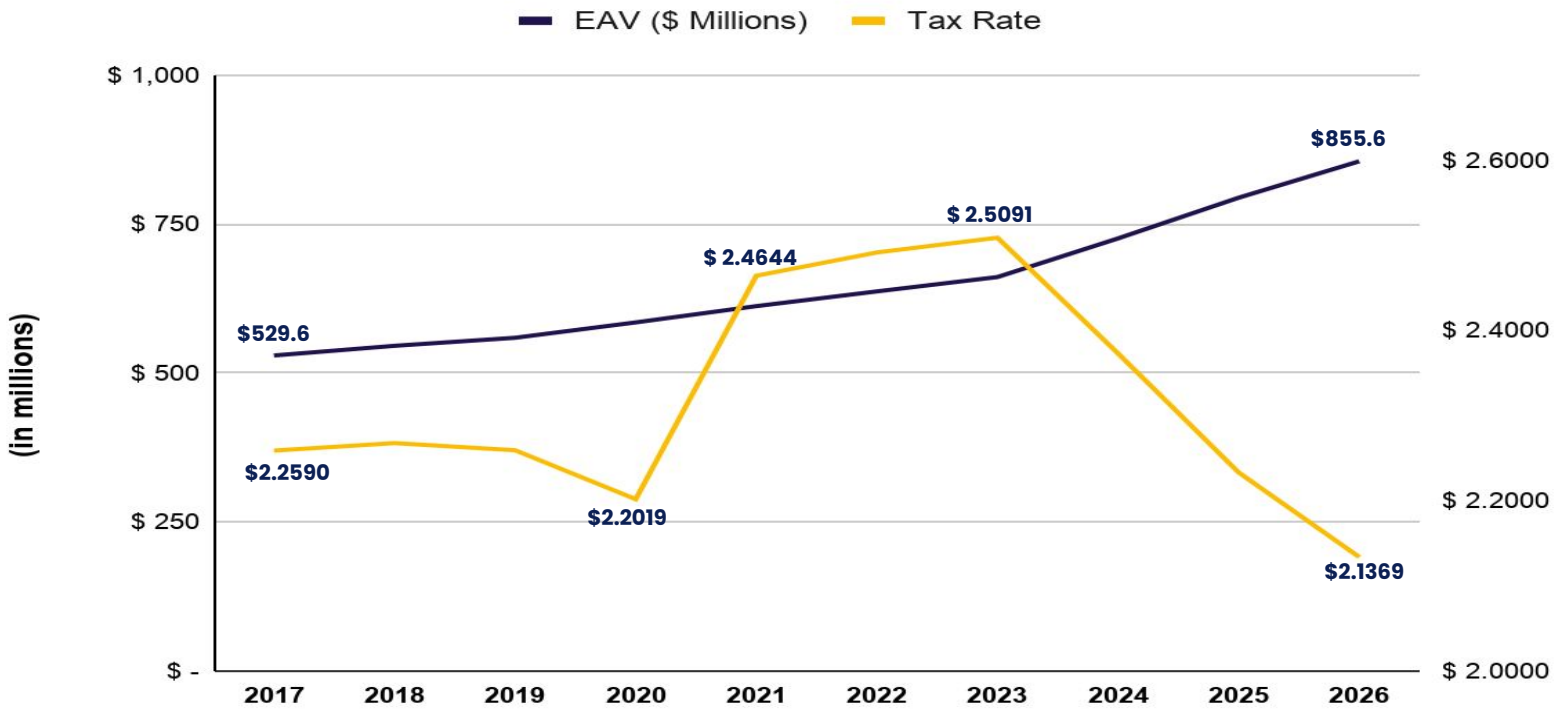
Estimated limiting rate per $100 of EAV

Estimated Limiting Rate	Debt Service Rate	Total Estimated Tax Rate
$1.8337	**$0.3032**	**$2.1369** *per $100 of EAV*

10-Year CPI History



10-Year EAV and Tax Rate History



- ***2026 EAV and tax rate are estimates.***

2026 Preliminary Tax Levy

CAPPED FUNDS

Educational	$12,853,000
Operations & Maintenance	$1,735,000
Transportation	$750,000
IMRF	$97,000
Social Security	$250,000
Special Education	$170,000
Total Capped Levy	**$15,855,000**

NON-CAPPED FUNDS

Debt Service	$2,568,141
Total Non-Capped Levy	**$2,568,141**

Total Preliminary Levy — $18,423,141

Preliminary levy amounts shown above are rounded to the nearest dollar.

2026 Levy VS 2026 Estimated Extension

2026 Preliminary Levy Request	
PTELL-Capped Funds	$15,855,000
Debt Service	$2,568,141
Total Levy Request	$18,423,141

↑ +4.95% from 2025

Levy Cushion (Balloon)

$165,872

(approximately 1.06%)

2026 Estimated Extension	
PTELL-Capped Funds	$15,689,128
Debt Service	$2,593,823
Total Estimated Extension	$18,282,951

↑ +3.85% from 2025

UNDERSTANDING THE PERCENTAGE INCREASES

Levy Request Increase

+4.95%

Amount requested to ensure the District can capture its maximum allowable extension.

Estimated Extension Increase

+3.85%

Revenue anticipated, which includes the 2.7% inflation factor plus revenue from new property.

PTELL Inflation Factor (CPI)

2.70%

The annual inflationary increase that can be applied to the existing property tax base under PTELL.

The Levy Cushion (Balloon) of $165,872 provides flexibility for changes in final property valuations and new-property estimates.

Our Levy Request Explained

Why do we request more than we expect to receive?

- The levy is adopted before final property values and new construction amounts are known.
- A modest cushion helps ensure we capture all revenue the district is legally authorized to receive.
- This is a standard, prudent practice to protect the district's available taxing authority.

Why do we request the maximum allowable levy?

- Strategically align property tax revenue growth with expenditure growth to the extent possible.
- Help offset cost increases that exceed the 2.7% PTELL inflation factor in certain areas.
- It supports the district's long-term financial stability and flexibility for future needs.

Estimated Impact to Homeowner



Illustrative Home Value

$400,000

Assumed Property Value Growth	Estimated Annual Impact
6.5%	+$73.17

- *Includes the $8,000 General Homestead Exemption only. Other qualifying exemptions are not included.*
- *Illustration reflects District 10 taxes only. Actual taxes will vary with individual assessments, exemptions, and final tax rates.*

Your Property Tax Dollar at Work



41¢ Classroom instruction
Teaching and classroom learning

17¢ Student services & tuition
Student support, instructional staff and placements

15¢ Facilities & business operations
Building upkeep and operational services

8¢ District & school administration
Leadership and administrative services

14¢ Debt service
Principal and interest on district debt

3¢ Transportation
Student transportation services

2¢ Retirement & Social Security
Employer retirement and payroll obligations

Timeline

- November 11 - 2026 Preliminary Tax Levy Presentation
- November 25 - 2026 Tax Levy Public Hearing Notice Publication
- December 9 - Public Hearing and Board Adoption of 2026 Tax Levy
- By December 29 - Filing of Adopted Tax Levy with DuPage County Clerk





Exemplary is our distinction, reflecting the strength of our schools and our community.

Every Learner, Every Day.
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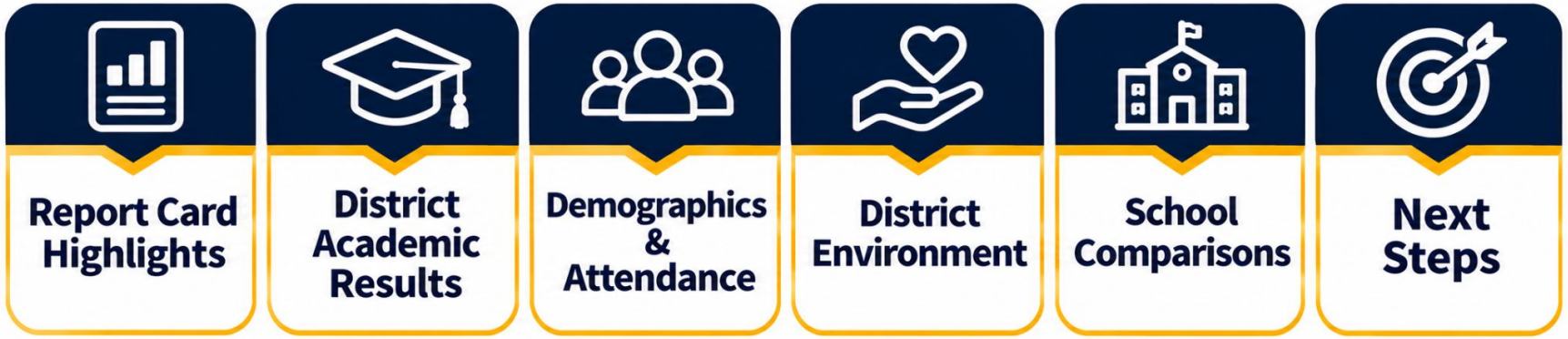
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2026 School Report Card

Dr. Heidi Weeks, Superintendent

Topics


Report Card Highlights
District Academic Results
Demographics & Attendance
District Environment
School Comparisons
Next Steps

Report Card Highlights

Illinois School Report Card

ISBE

Developed annually by the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE).

Provides data on academic achievement, student growth, attendance, school climate, and English Learner progress.

Helps families and communities understand school performance and identify strengths and opportunities for growth.

New for 2026

ISBE introduced Profiles of Performance, featuring six school designations:

Exemplary	Highest Performance
Approaching Exemplary	Strong Performance
Commendable	Average Performance
Developing	Below Average Performance
Comprehensive	Low Performance
Automatic Comprehensive	Lowest Performance

Report Card Highlights

Our School Designation

Exemplary is the highest school performance designation awarded by the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE).

It recognizes schools demonstrating exceptional student achievement, academic growth, and overall performance across multiple accountability measures.

Under the 2026 accountability system, **Exemplary** schools represent the highest-performing schools in Illinois.



- **Benson – Exemplary**
- **Franzen – Exemplary**
- **Peacock – Exemplary**

District Academics

District 10 Performance Highlights

Strong Academic Achievement

District 10 continues to outperform the state in ELA, Math, and Science.

- **ELA** — **81.0%** proficiency (94th percentile)
- **Math** — **66.6%** proficiency (93rd percentile)
- **Science** — **71.6%** proficiency (91st percentile)

Student Growth

ELA: 51.1 (62nd percentile)

Math: 56.5 (90th percentile)

English Learner Progress: 64.2 (55th percentile)

Algebra I Success

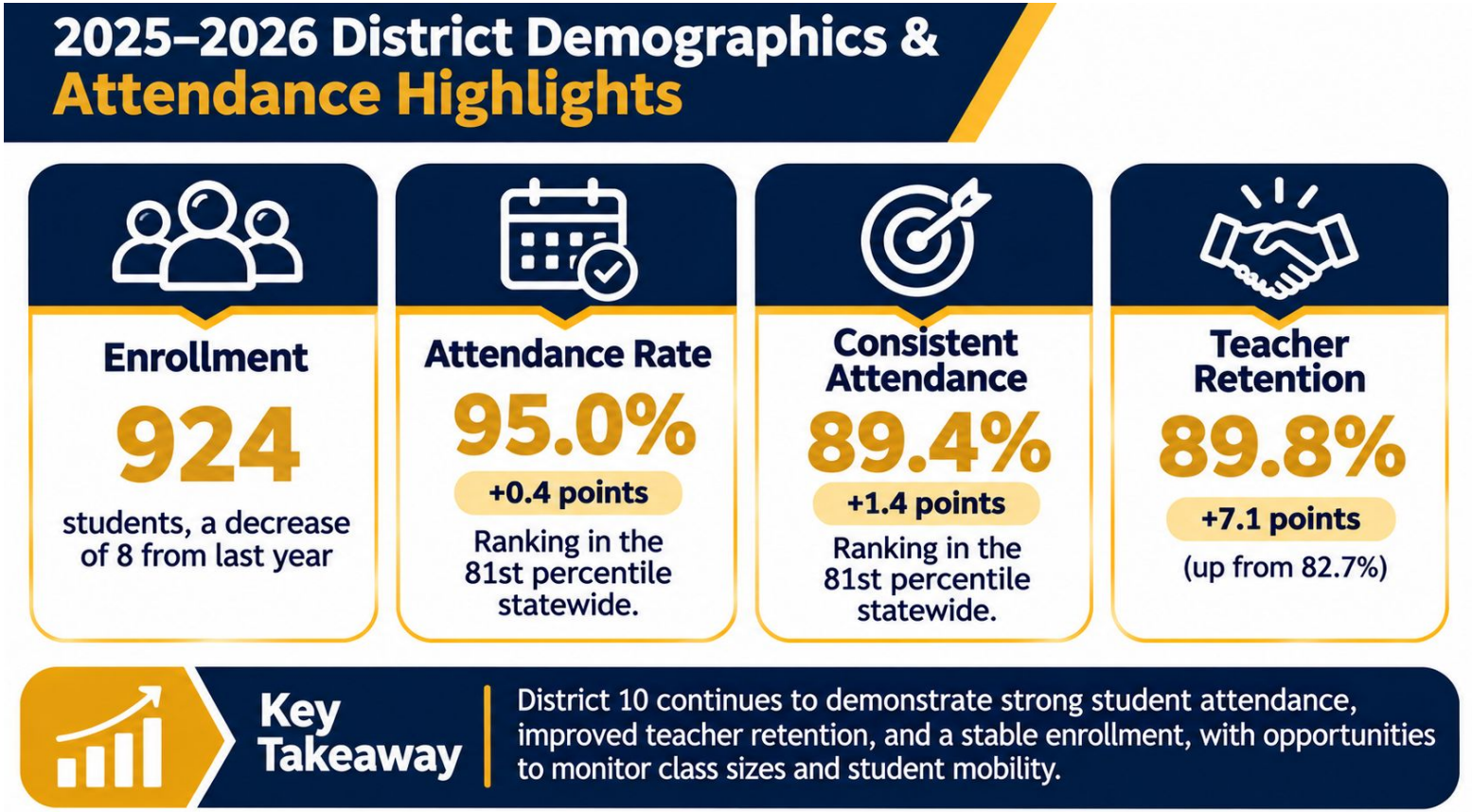
76.2% of 8th graders achieved proficiency.*

**This doesn't account for the students who took Algebra in 7th grade.*

Continued Focus

Maintain high achievement while strengthening student growth, particularly in ELA and Math.

Demographics & Attendance



District Environment

2025–2026 Five Essentials Highlights

Ambitious Instruction*
A significant district strength.
97th percentile

Collaborative Teachers
Improved to the 92nd percentile.
92nd percentile

Effective Leaders
Increased from the 77th to the 91st percentile.
91st percentile

Involved Families
Remained strong at the 93rd percentile.
93rd percentile

Supportive Environment*
Declined from the 81st to the 66th percentile.
66th percentile

*Student Voice

Survey Participation

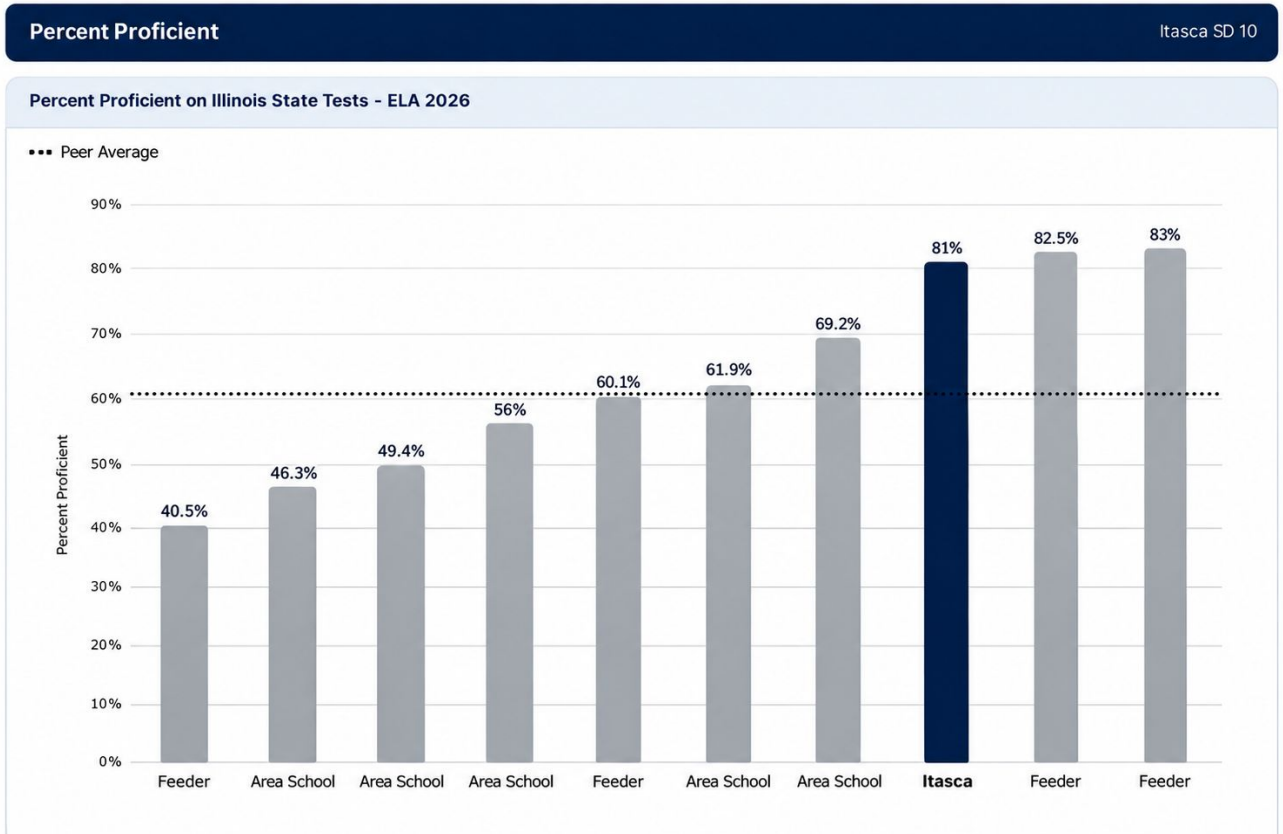
97.4% of students participated

93.9% of teachers participated

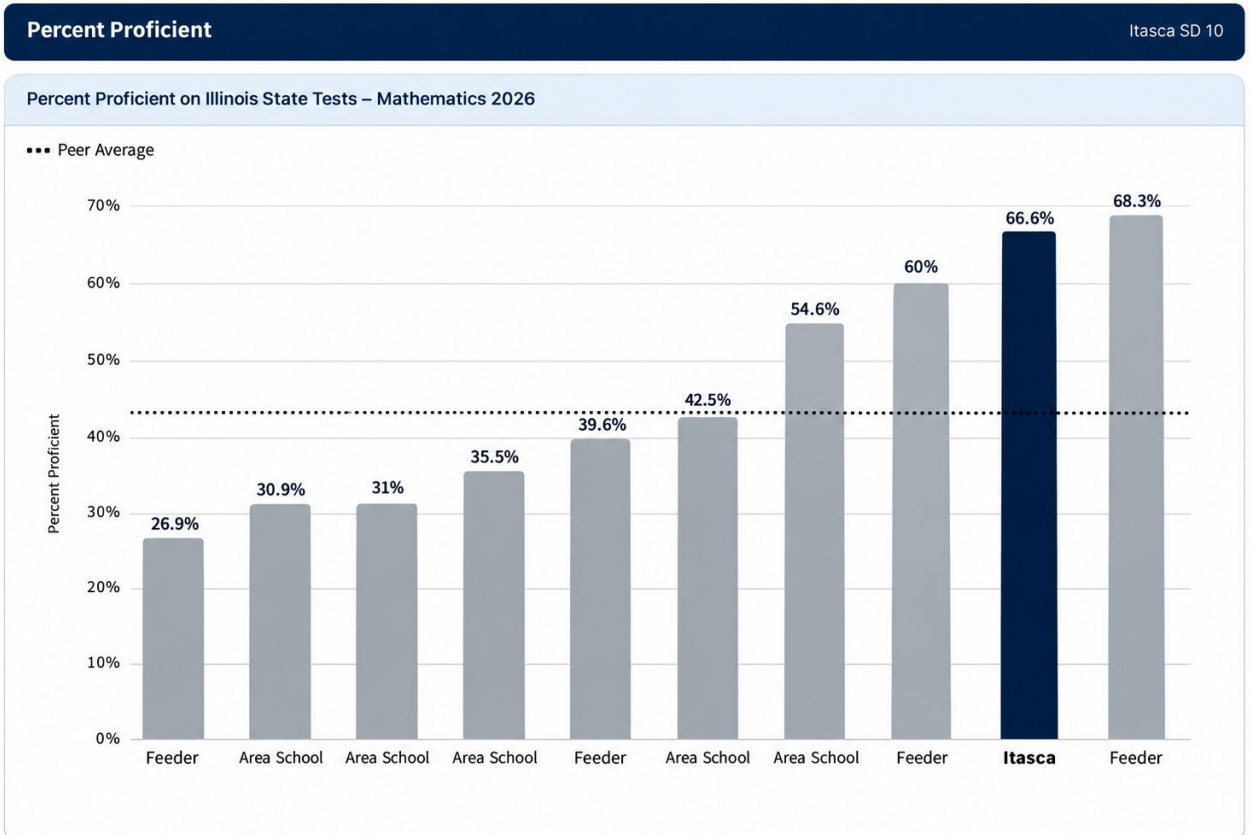
Key Takeaway

Strong performance in instruction, collaboration, and leadership, with continued opportunities to strengthen supportive learning environments.

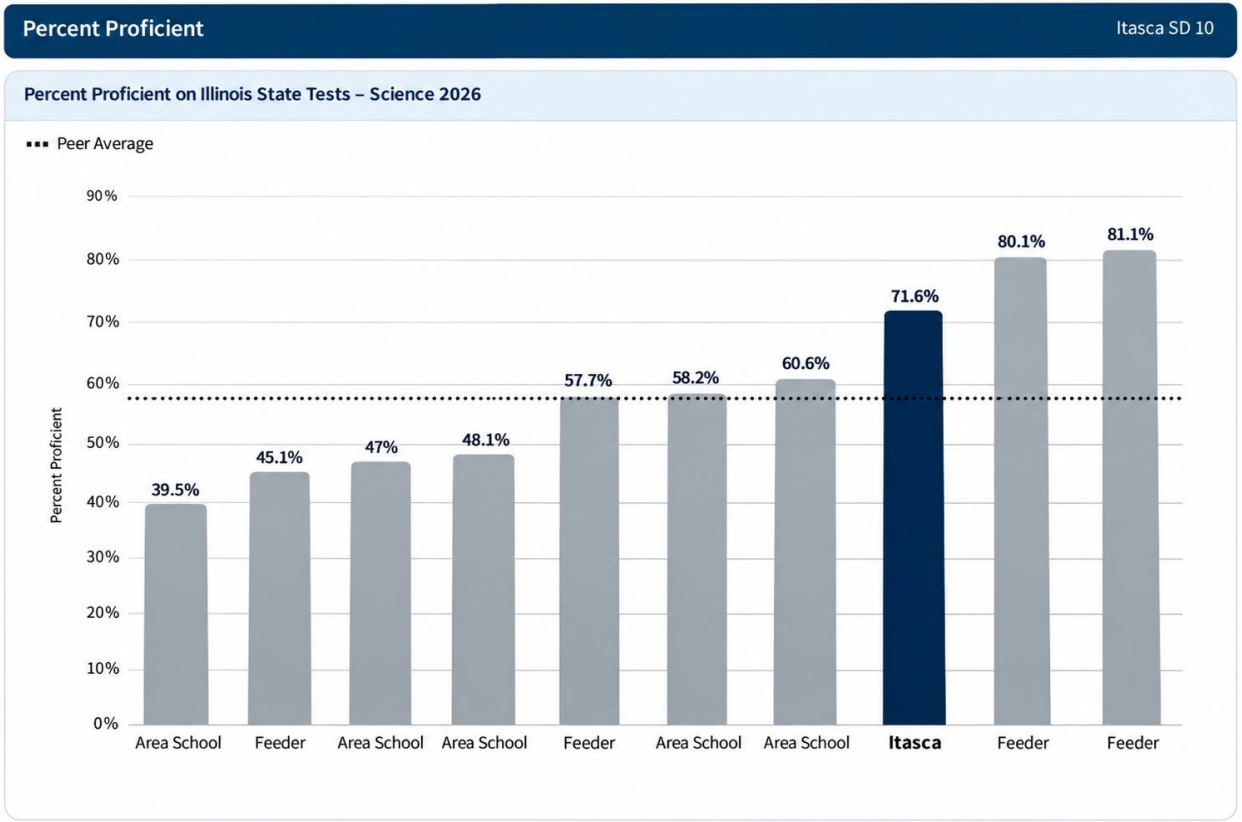
District Comparisons - ELA



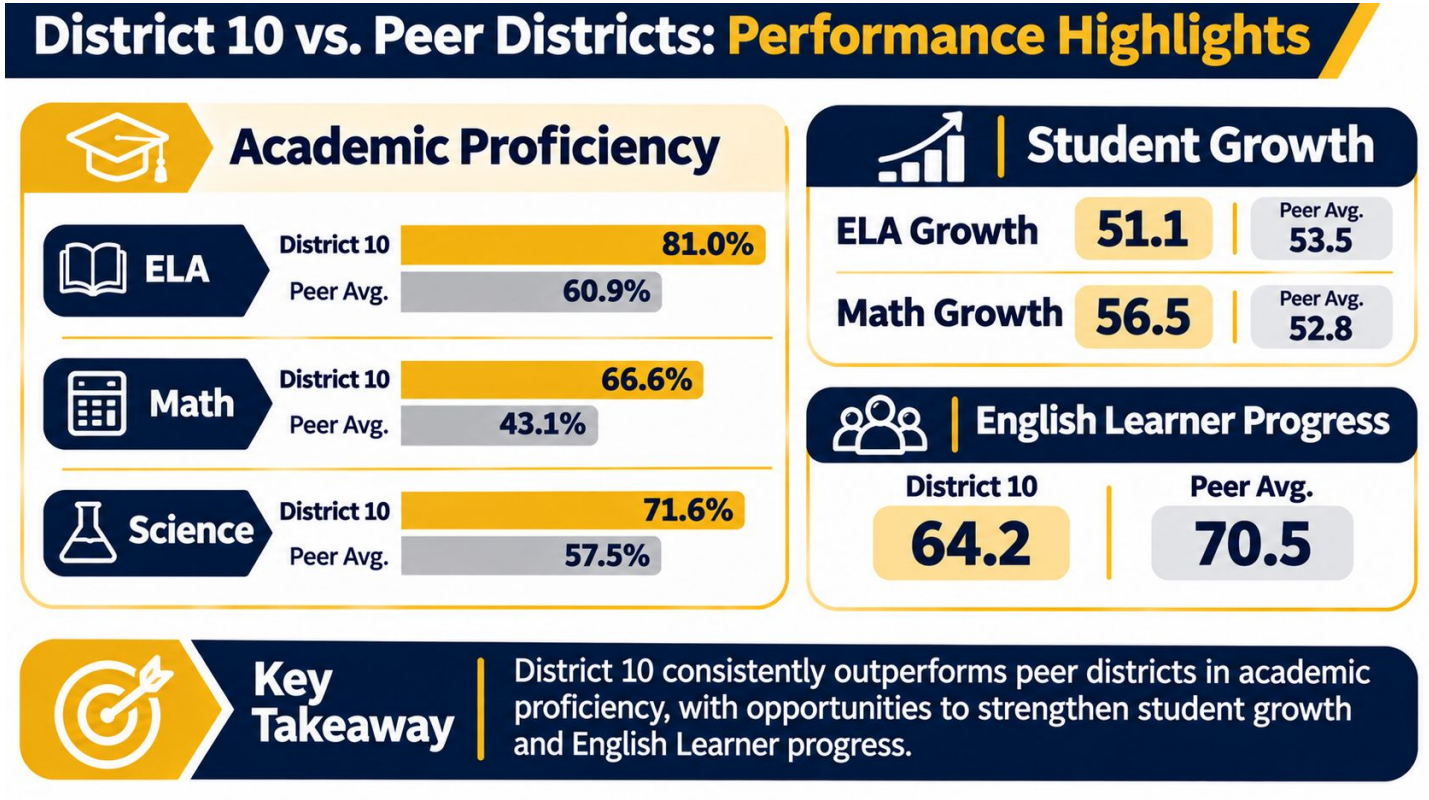
District Comparisons - Math



District Comparisons - Science



District Comparisons



Next Steps



Celebrate Success

Recognize the accomplishments of our students, staff, and school community.



Analyze Results

Review achievement, growth, and school climate data to identify strengths and opportunities.



Set Priorities

Use data to guide school improvement goals and instructional priorities.



Support Continuous Improvement

Align professional learning, curriculum, and instructional practices to student needs.



December BOE Meeting

Building leaders will dive deeper into their individual school data and share findings with the Board of Education.

“Exemplary is not a destination, but a journey. We celebrate our successes, learn from our data, and continue striving to be better for every learner, every day.”

BOE Action Memorandum FY27-#15

Consent Agenda

November 11, 2026

Included in the consent agenda:

1. Approval of Minutes:
    a. October 14, 2026 Meeting Minutes
    b. October 14, 2026 Closed Meeting Minutes

2. Approval of Expenditures

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda

BOE Action Memorandum FY27-#16

Resolution Authorizing Intervention In Property Tax Assessment Appeals

November 11, 2026

At a duly called and noticed public meeting of the BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ITASCA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10, ("School District") held on the 11th day of November, 2026 at Itasca Village Hall, 550 W. Irving Park Road, Itasca, IL, County of DuPage, State of Illinois;

WHEREAS, the School District received statutory notice from the Board of Review of DuPage County of property tax assessment appeals filed by taxpayers with the DuPage County Board of Review or the Property Tax Appeal Board ("PTAB") regarding the assessed valuation of property which comprises part of the assessed valuation of the Taxing District;

WHEREAS, the School District has a revenue interest in such property tax assessment appeals and finds that intervention as a party in such proceedings is in the best interests of the Taxing District; and

WHEREAS, the School District has a right to intervene in proceeding before the Board of Review and the PTAB in order to protect its revenue interests in the assessed valuation of the subject properties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ITASCA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 as follows:

1. The Board finds that all of the recitals contained above are true and correct and that the same are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

2. The law firm of Robbins Schwartz is authorized, as of the postmarked date of the Board of Review notice of property tax assessment appeals, to file as legal representative on the School District's behalf a request to intervene in the property tax assessment appeals identified in **Addendum A** attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, whereupon members of the Board voted as follows:

AYES: _____.

NAYS: _____.

The Resolution was thereupon declared adopted.

APPROVED THIS 11th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026.

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ITASCA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10

By: _____
Board President

By: _____
Board Secretary

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF DUPAGE) ss.:

I, Casey Amayun, the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Itasca School District 10 in the County of DuPage, State of Illinois ("Board"), do hereby certify that attached hereto is a true and correct copy of the Resolution entitled:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTERVENTION IN PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT APPEALS

which was duly adopted by said Board at a meeting held on November 11, 2026.

I further certify that a quorum of said Board was present at said meeting and that all requirements of the Illinois Open Meetings Act were complied with.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on November 11, 2026.

By: _____
Board Secretary

ADDENDUM A
October 14, 2026

1. PTAB Docket No. 25-04268 for Appellant CPUS Itasca, LP
    a. PINs: 03-07-200-006

BOE Action Memorandum FY27-#17

Resolution Regarding the Estimated Amounts Necessary to be Levied for the Year 2026

November 11, 2026

The Truth in Taxation Law requires that all taxing districts in the State of Illinois determine the estimated amount of taxes necessary to be levied for a given year not less than 20 days prior to the official adoption of the aggregate tax levy of the district. It is common practice for a district subject to the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL) to adopt a "balloon levy" to collect the full amount of property taxes available under PTELL because not all data needed for the calculation are available at the time of levy adoption. The proposed levy represents a 4.95% increase over the 2025 tax extension, excluding debt service, while the administration anticipates an increase in the actual tax extension of approximately 3.85% excluding debt service and 2.90% including debt service. The levy amounts for all funds excluding debt service are as follows:

Educational Purposes	$12,853,000
Special Education Purposes	$170,000
Operations and Maintenance Purposes	$1,735,000
Transportation Purposes	$750,000
Social Security/Medicare Purposes	$250,000
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Purposes	$97,000
TOTAL	**$15,855,000**

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the Resolution Regarding the Estimated Amounts Necessary to be Levied for the Year 2026. Although the proposed levy does not exceed the threshold requiring a public hearing under the Truth in Taxation Law, the District will voluntarily hold a public hearing before final levy adoption to promote transparency and provide an opportunity for public comment.

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ESTIMATED AMOUNTS NECESSARY TO BE LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2026

WHEREAS, the **Truth in Taxation Law** requires that all taxing districts in the State of Illinois determine the estimated amount of taxes necessary to be levied for a given year not less than 20 days prior to the official adoption of the aggregate tax levy of the district; and,

WHEREAS, the Truth in Taxation Law requires public notice and a public hearing when the proposed aggregate levy, exclusive of debt service and election costs, exceeds 105% of the amount of property taxes extended or estimated to be extended upon the preceding year's final aggregate levy, including any amounts abated by the District prior to extension and exclusive of election costs; and,

WHEREAS, the aggregate amount of the property taxes extended for the year 2025, exclusive of the Debt Service Levy, was $15,107,032.06 and,

WHEREAS, it is hereby determined that the amount of taxes to be levied for the year 2026, exclusive of the Debt Service Levy, is as follows:

Educational Purposes	$12,853,000
Special Education Purposes	$170,000
Operations and Maintenance Purposes	$1,735,000
Transportation Purposes	$750,000
Social Security/Medicare Purposes	$250,000
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Purposes	$97,000
TOTAL	**$15,855,000**

WHEREAS, the proposed aggregate levy does not exceed the statutory threshold requiring public notice and a public hearing under the Truth in Taxation Law; however, the Board of Education will voluntarily hold a public hearing before final adoption of the levy to promote transparency and provide an opportunity for public comment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Itasca School District No.10, DuPage County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1: The aggregate amount of taxes proposed to be levied for the year 2026 exclusive of the Debt Service Levy, is $15,855,000.

Section 2: The aggregate amount of taxes proposed to be levied for the year 2026, exclusive of the Debt Service Levy, does not exceed 105% of the

taxes extended by the district for the year 2025, exclusive of the Debt Service Levy.

Section 3: This resolution shall be in full force and effect forthwith upon its passage.

Adopted this 11th day of November, 2026, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: _____

_____

NAYS: _____

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ABSENT: _____

_____

President, Board of Education

ATTEST:

_____

Secretary, Board of Education

BOE Action Memorandum FY27-#18

Approval of Report on Shared Services or Outsourcing

November 11, 2026

The Illinois School Code requires that school districts include with their annual financial report (AFR) a report that "summarizes district attempts to improve fiscal efficiency through shared services or outsourcing in the prior fiscal year." This report "must be approved by the school board and published on the Internet website of the school district." The Illinois State Board of Education provides a form that meets the requirement.

On the following page for the Board's approval is the Report on Shared Services or Outsourcing. This page will be included as part of the school district's AFR, which will be posted on District 10's website.

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Education approve the Report on Shared Services or Outsourcing.