

School Board Special Meeting
Monday, June 22, 2026 4:00 PM

District Office Conference Room, Room 164
Austin High School
401 3rd Ave. NW
Austin, MN 55912

Agenda

1. Call to order/roll call
Speaker(s): Chairperson
2. Request approval of agenda (Action)
Speaker(s): Chairperson
3. Overview of Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CEIS)
Speaker(s): Exec Director of Special Services Dr. Sarah Knudsen
4. Overview and request approval of 2026-27 adopted budget (Action)
Speaker(s): Exec Director of Finance and Operations Todd Lechtenberg
5. Request approval of Long-term Facilities Maintenance (LTFM) plan for FY28 (Action)
Speaker(s): Exec Director of Finance and Operations Todd Lechtenberg
6. Request approval of Workers' Compensation insurance renewal (Action)
Speaker(s): Exec Director of Finance and Operations Todd Lechtenberg
7. Request approval of bakery bid for 2026-27 (Action)
Speaker(s): Exec Director of Finance and Operations Todd Lechtenberg
8. Request approval of dairy bid for 2026-27 (Action)
Speaker(s): Exec Director of Finance and Operations Todd Lechtenberg
9. Request approval of AHS student council lock-in event (Action)
Speaker(s): Exec Director of Finance and Operations Todd Lechtenberg
10. Request approval of write-in vote tally recommendation (Action)
Speaker(s): Dr. Joey Page, Superintendent
11. School board goal setting retreat
Speaker(s): Teamworks Consultant Dr. Sheri Allen
12. Adjournment
Speaker(s): Chairperson



DATE: 6.22.26

TITLE: Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CEIS) Public Reporting Requirement

TYPE: Information

PRESENTER: Dr. Sarah Knudsen, Executive Director of Special Services

BACKGROUND:

Under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), Section 618(d) (20 U.S.C. § 1418(d)), Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) identified for Significant Disproportionality are required to be placed in Mandatory Coordinated Early Intervening Services (Mandatory CEIS) status. This designation means the district has had a risk ratio at or above 3.0 in one or more of 98 categories of analysis — including identification, placement, and discipline — for three consecutive years.

Austin Public Schools was identified for Mandatory CEIS status due to significant disproportionality in the identification of students who identify as "Two or More Races" as having Emotional or Behavioral Disorders (EBD). As required, the district reserved 15% of its IDEA Part B Section 611 federal funds for the 2025-26 school year to implement a comprehensive CEIS plan.

The district's FY26 CEIS plan focused on Grades K–6, with a projected 50 students without disabilities receiving behavioral supports through a Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) framework. Six Behavior Paraprofessionals are funded under this grant (\$177,701.61) to deliver Tier 2 and Tier 3 behavioral interventions.

RATIONALE:

IDEA Section 618(d)(2)(C) (20 U.S.C. § 1418(d)(2)(C)) requires that LEAs identified for significant disproportionality publicly report on the revision of policies, practices, and procedures that led to the disproportionality. This public reporting must occur within one year of the district setting aside its mandatory 15% IDEA Part B funds.

Austin Public Schools analyzed multi-year data showing that students who identify as "Two or More Races" in Grades K–6 have been identified for EBD services at a rate disproportionate to their representation in the overall student population. The district has reviewed its identification practices and has implemented the following policy and practice revisions:

- ☐ Strengthening MTSS referral screening processes to ensure culturally responsive practices are embedded at all tiers.
- ☐ Deploying trained Behavior Paraprofessionals in elementary buildings to provide early, proactive behavioral support before referral to special education.
- ☐ Using behavior/referral data to monitor student behavioral outcomes and adjust interventions regularly.
- ☐ Measuring impact through Child Find referral rates and office disciplinary referral trends for students who identify as "Two or More Races."

RECOMMENDATION:

This item is presented for information purposes. No board action is required. This presentation fulfills Austin Public Schools' public reporting obligation under IDEA Section 618(d)(2)(C) for the FY26 Mandatory CEIS grant period. A copy of this presentation will be submitted to the Minnesota Department of Education at MDE.CEIS@state.mn.us as evidence of compliance with the public reporting requirement.

A CEIS grant will be submitted for FY27. This grant is voluntary, since we are no longer in mandatory status. The grant will focus on supporting students with social, emotional, and behavioral needs.



Coordinated Early Intervening Services (CEIS)

FY26 Mandatory CEIS

Public Reporting Requirement

Dr. Sarah Knudsen, Executive Director of Special Services

June 22, 2026



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Engagement describes the attention, curiosity, interests, optimism and passion that both students and staff want from their interactions in the learning environment.

Environment includes a safe and supportive space where teaching, learning and movement are of importance and attended to in all forms and functions.

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INSTRUCTIONAL MODEL

Equity includes 4 dimensions (Access, Achievement, Identity and Power) as powerful levers for creating caring, just, inclusive & healthy communities that support all individuals in reaching their fullest potential.

Evidence provides information for teachers and students to focus their teaching and learning to improve student understanding and tailor teaching strategies to accelerate student achievement.

Mandatory CEIS

FEDERAL LAW

IDEA Section 618(d)
(20 U.S.C. §1418(d))

When a district shows Significant Disproportionality for 3 consecutive years, the state must require the district to:

- Reserve 15% of IDEA Part B funds for Mandatory CEIS
- Review and revise policies, practices & procedures
- Publicly report on those revisions

SIGNIFICANT DISPROPORTIONALITY

A district is identified when its risk ratio is ≥ 3.0 in the same category for 3 consecutive years.

Categories include:

- Identification of students for special education disability categories
- Placement in restrictive educational settings
- Discipline (suspensions/expulsions)

Data

- **Area of Disproportionality Identified:**
 - **Students identifying as "Two or More Races" identified for Emotional or Behavioral Disorders (EBD)**
- **Data Supporting Mandatory CEIS Designation:**

Metric	FY22	FY23	FY24	FY25
% of total K-6 enrollment — "2+ Races"	3.5% (92/2,613)	4.0% (101/2,532)	4.0% (102/2,530)	3.8% (98/2,594)
% of EBD population K-6 — "2+ Races"	Percentages during this timeframe range from 5.9% to 10.3%. Due to the small number (N) of students, specific percentages cannot be publicly reported.			

- **Key finding:** Students identifying as "Two or More Races" make up approximately 4% of K–6 enrollment but have represented 6–10% of EBD identifications — a risk ratio exceeding the 3.0 IDEA threshold for multiple consecutive years.

FY26 CEIS Plan

WHO WE SERVE

- Grades K–6
- Focus: Students who identify as "Two or More Races" referred for social/emotional/behavioral concerns
- Projected: 50 students without disabilities
- Identified through MTSS referral process

WHAT WE PROVIDE

- De-escalation strategies
- Behavioral skill building
- Check-in / Check-out
- Zones of Regulation
- SEL skills and support
- Tier 2 & Tier 3 interventions via MTSS

HOW WE STAFF IT

- 6 Behavior Paraprofessionals at elementary buildings
- Supervised by school social worker/counselor
- Serve on building PBIS Teams

Measurable Outcomes

GOAL 1 — REDUCE EBD REFERRALS

5% Decrease

Decrease the number of students identifying as "Two or More Races" referred for behavioral-related IEPs.

Monitoring: Child Find referral data by race/ethnicity

GOAL 2 — REDUCE DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS

5% Decrease

Decrease the number of office discipline referrals for students identifying as "Two or More Races."

Monitoring: Behavioral data for office referrals | Building team review | Monthly MTSS data analysis

Intervention exit criteria: Students exit CEIS supports when MTSS data shows sufficient independence in the general education setting.

Response to policy and practice review

- As required by IDEA §1418(d)(2)(A) & (C), Austin Public Schools has reviewed and revised the following:

01

Culturally Responsive MTSS Referral Screening

Embedded culturally responsive practices at all MTSS tiers to ensure referrals for special education evaluation reflect genuine student need rather than systemic bias.

02

Proactive Behavioral Intervention — Before Referral

Deployed Behavior Paraprofessionals to provide early Tier 2/3 supports, reducing the pipeline from behavioral need to special education identification.

03

Data-Driven Progress Monitoring

Building MTSS teams meet monthly to review behavioral data. Individual student supports are adjusted in real time. Exit criteria are tied to reduced need for out-of-classroom support.

Budget and Compliance Requirements

FY26 CEIS Budget (FIN 429)

\$177,701.61

Mandatory 15% Set-Aside of IDEA Part B Section 611 Funds

- **6 Behavior Paraprofessionals**
- Serving elementary buildings
- Push-in and pull-out Tier 2/3 support
- Supervised by licensed staff

Compliance Checklist



15% IDEA Part B funds reserved (FIN 429)



CEIS Plan submitted to MDE by July 1, 2024



Policies & practices reviewed and revised



Public reporting to School Board (tonight)



Submit board minutes/materials to MDE.CEIS@state.mn.us by July 1, 2025



Report CEIS students in MARSS (SEES 8) by Oct 11, 2025

Next steps

- Summarize and report FY26 outcomes and submit narrative summary to MDE in October
- CEIS grant (FY27) is voluntary
 - Continue to focus on social/emotional/behavioral support
 - Continue to utilize our MTSS process to identify students requiring supports
 - Reduce the number of behavior referrals/students requiring an IEP in the behavior domain
 - Provide better alignment of behavioral supports in our system
 - Provide targeted staff development to providers

Note: There is a small carry-over from FY26 that will need to be allocated to ongoing support of "students of 2 or more races/EBD". We are required to spend all of FY26 allocation in this area.



Thank you!



DATE: June 22, 2026

TITLE: Approval of the 2026-2027 Adopted Budget

TYPE: Action

PRESENTER: Todd Lechtenberg, Executive Director of Finance and Operations

BACKGROUND:

Minnesota Statute 123B.77, Accounting, Budgeting, and Reporting Requirement, provides guidance for the adoption of school district budgets each year. Statute 123B.77, subdivision 4 notes budget approval is required before July 1 of each year. This statute also provides for the necessity for budget amendments prior to the end of each fiscal year.

RATIONALE:

The 2026-2027 budget was prepared in accordance with school board's decisions. During this meeting, I will provide updates on the following items:

- 1) Projected enrollment
- 2) Revenue and expense assumptions per fund

School Board policy 714 requires the district maintain an unassigned operating fund balance of 8.33% which equates to one month's expenditures. This budget meets School Board policy 714.

RECOMMENDATION:

I recommend approval of the 2026-27 Adopted Budget.



2026-2027 Adopted Budget Presentation

Todd Lechtenberg

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General Fund (Fund 1)

General Fund Assumptions

- K-12 Enrollment
 - Staffing-Estimated at 4,768
 - Revenue-Estimated at 4,688
- Compensatory Aid
 - Reduced in FY27 by \$2 million
- Salaries and Benefits
 - Increased by all approved negotiations amount
 - Increased MPL percentage
- Rightsizing plan was fully implemented into this budget

PK-12 Enrollment and Percent Changes

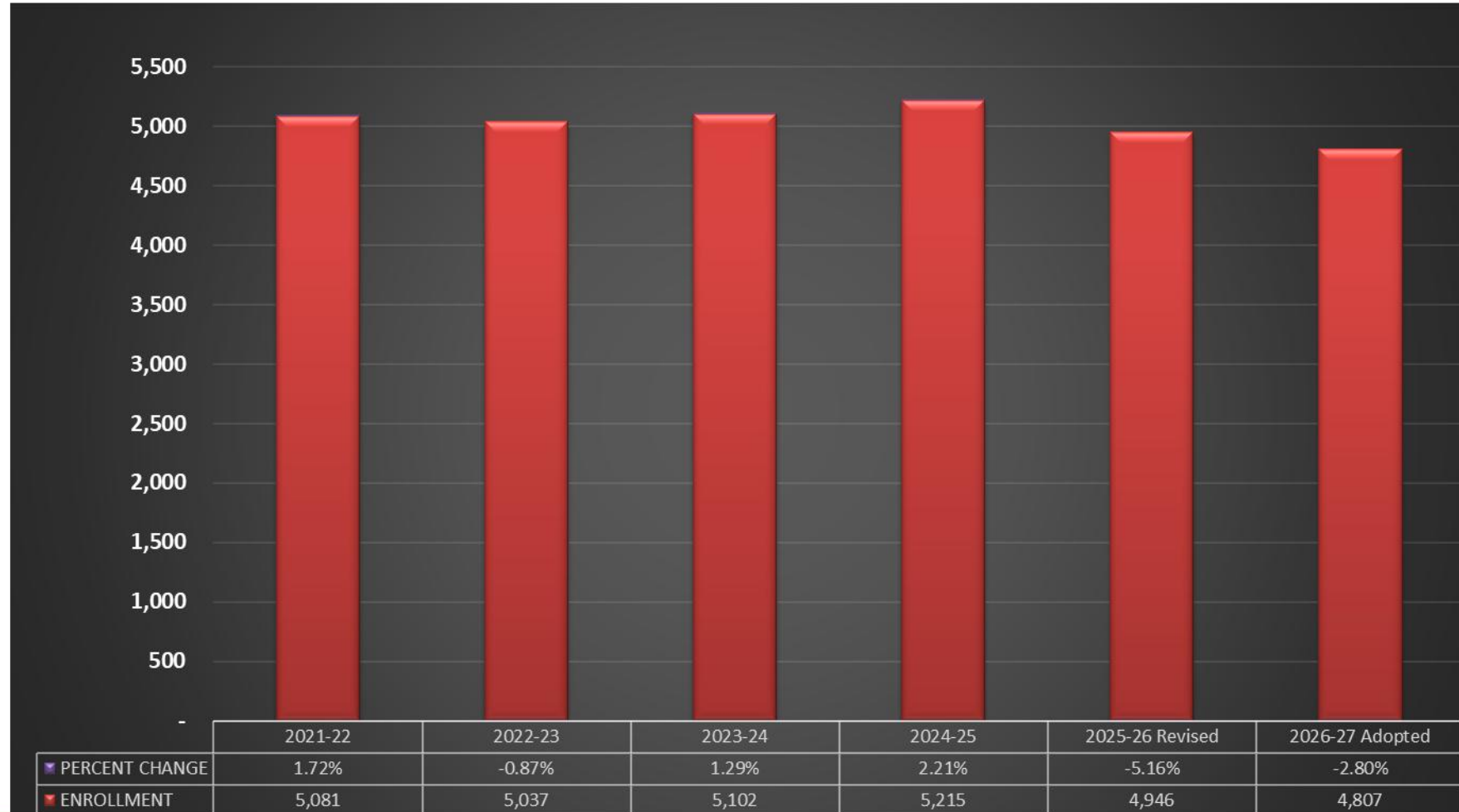
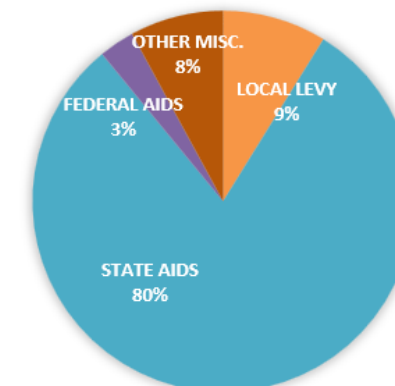


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General Fund Revenue

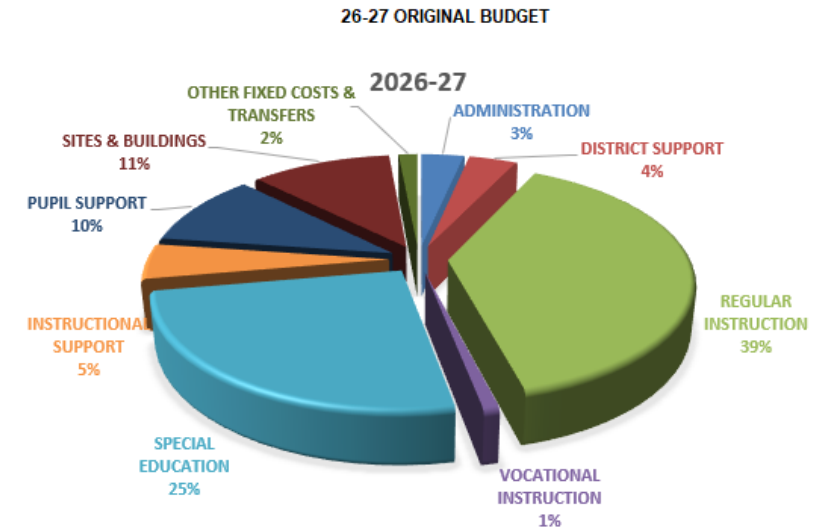
2026-2027 ORIGINAL BUDGET GENERAL FUND REVENUES AND PERCENTAGE BY SOURCE

REVENUE SOURCES	ORIGINAL		REVISED		ACTUALS	
	26-27 BUDGET	26-27 PERCENT	25-26 BUDGET	25-26 PERCENT	24-25 REVENUE	24-25 PERCENT
LOCAL LEVY	7,955,038	8.83%	8,597,487	9.17%	7,729,481	8.01%
STATE AIDS	72,313,027	80.23%	74,224,530	79.16%	76,983,336	79.78%
FEDERAL AIDS	2,714,077	3.01%	3,143,630	3.35%	3,796,499	3.93%
OTHER MISC.	7,145,083	7.93%	7,801,280	8.32%	7,982,580	8.27%
TOTAL REVENUES	90,127,225	100%	93,766,926	100%	96,491,896	100.00%

General Fund Expense

2026-2027 ORIGINAL BUDGET GENERAL FUND
EXPENSES AND PERCENTAGE BY PROGRAM

PROGRAM EXPENSES	ORIGINAL		REVISED		ACTUALS	
	26-27 BUDGET	26-27 PERCENT	25-26 BUDGET	25-26 PERCENT	24-25 EXPENSES	24-25 PERCENT
ADMINISTRATION	3,284,081	3.37%	3,210,466	3.29%	3,075,707	3.49%
DISTRICT SUPPORT	3,677,616	3.77%	3,501,976	3.59%	2,958,447	3.36%
REGULAR INSTRUCTION	37,888,884	38.87%	39,350,399	40.32%	35,605,000	40.40%
VOCATIONAL INSTRUCTION	873,650	0.90%	1,018,789	1.04%	971,599	1.10%
SPECIAL EDUCATION	24,708,187	25.35%	24,112,770	24.70%	21,829,931	24.77%
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT	4,822,878	4.95%	5,118,597	5.24%	4,798,640	5.44%
PUPIL SUPPORT	10,001,780	10.26%	9,425,897	9.66%	8,907,393	10.11%
SITES & BUILDINGS	10,761,054	11.04%	10,329,467	10.58%	9,301,130	10.55%
OTHER FIXED COSTS & TRANSFERS	1,446,123	1.48%	1,535,409	1.57%	690,483	0.78%
SUBTOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	97,464,253	100.00%	97,603,771	100.00%	88,138,330	100.00%
TRANSFERS	-		-		-	
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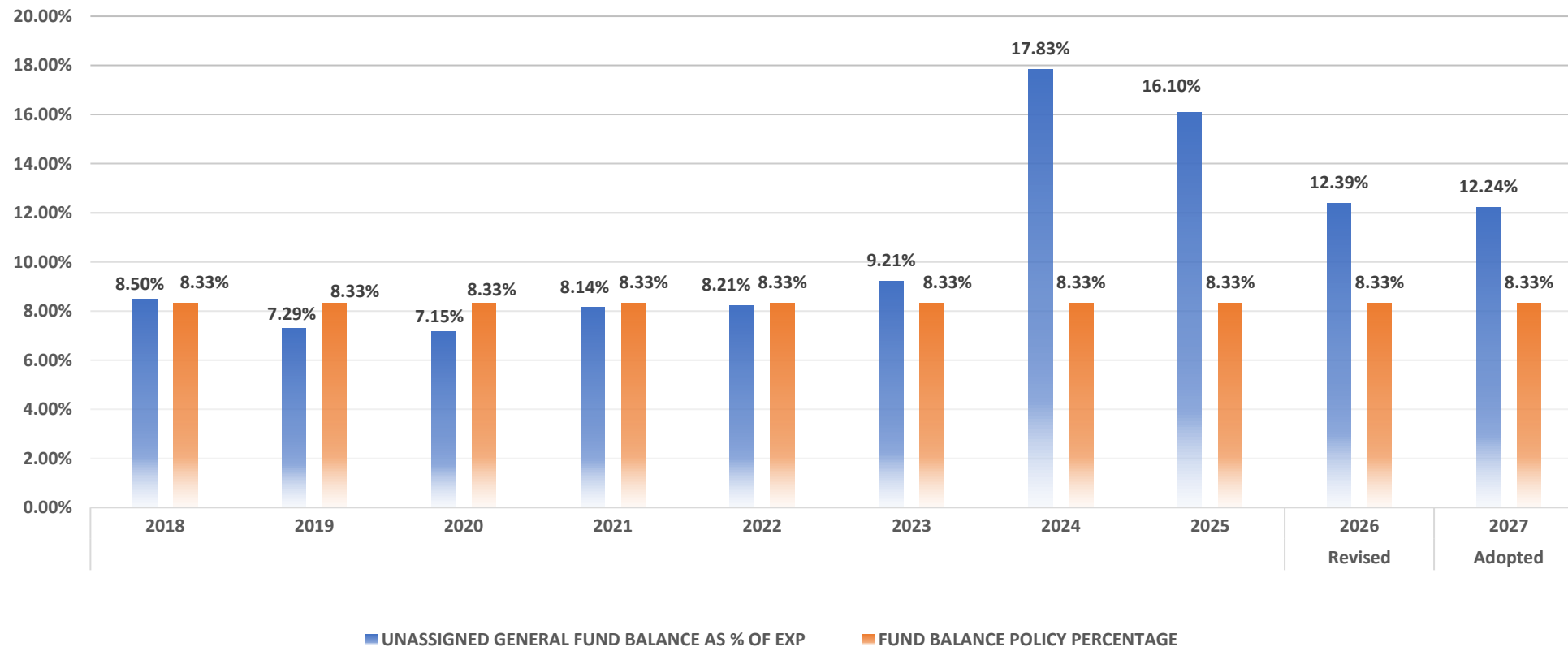


26-27 Budgeted Revenues/Expenditures

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	6/30/2026 Budgeted Fund Balance	Budgeted Revenues	Budgeted Expenditures	Gain(Loss)	Fund Transfer	Transfers In or Out	6/30/2027 Budgeted Fund Balance
General Fund:							
Restricted - ALC-Regular Year	311,843.37	715,000.00	396,701.23	318,298.77	-	-	630,142.14
Restricted - ALC-Summer	132,077.55	120,000.00	91,024.50	28,975.50	-	-	161,053.05
Restricted - Targeted Summer/Regular Year	600,391.08	550,000.00	691,926.64	(141,926.64)	-	-	458,464.44
Restricted - Staff Development	(0.00)	807,219.00	807,219.00	-	-	-	(0.00)
Restricted - Basic Skills	1,535,041.90	7,302,925.98	9,242,739.27	(1,939,813.29)	404,771.39	-	0.00
Restricted - English Learner	153,013.59	2,164,500.00	2,471,417.08	(306,917.08)	153,903.49	-	-
Restricted - Literacy Incentive Aid	273,432.61	198,167.66	319,888.17	(121,720.51)	-	-	151,712.10
Restricted - School Library Aid	83,139.96	56,346.44	88,738.95	(32,392.51)	-	-	50,747.45
Restricted - Literacy Aid	39,276.47	-	36,871.00	(36,871.00)	-	-	2,405.47
Restricted - Teacher Comp for READ Act	0.00	-	-	-	-	-	0.00
Restricted - Gifted & Talented	2,532.89	68,375.84	72,993.44	(4,617.60)	2,084.71	-	(0.00)
Restricted - Learning & Development	248,094.90	1,062,334.00	1,176,566.37	(114,232.37)	-	-	133,862.53
Restricted - American Indian Education Aid	3,087.68	57,500.00	57,500.00	-	-	-	3,087.68
Restricted - Achievement & Integration	(0.00)	1,239,820.00	1,239,820.00	-	-	-	(0.00)
Restricted - Safe Schools	(0.00)	199,463.40	267,200.00	(67,736.60)	67,736.60	-	(0.00)
Restricted - Scholarships	9,889.16	93,644.00	96,123.00	(2,479.00)	-	-	7,410.16
Assigned - Student Support Personnel	(0.00)	164,365.97	138,974.23	25,391.74	-	-	25,391.74
Restricted - Operating Capital	765,083.13	986,454.35	1,693,000.00	(706,545.65)	-	-	58,537.48
Restricted - LTFM	906,616.05	1,156,094.72	1,885,332.84	(729,238.12)	-	-	177,377.93
Restricted - Student Activities	222,867.80	93,166.00	95,782.00	(2,616.00)	-	-	220,251.80
Assigned - Student Athletics	117,134.26	70,361.91	70,528.00	(166.09)	-	-	116,968.17
Assigned - Separation Benefits / OPEB	2,124,260.30	-	-	-	-	-	2,124,260.30
Assigned - Technology	750,000.00	-	-	-	(100,000.00)	-	650,000.00
Assigned - Health Insurance	2,748,220.00	-	-	-	-	-	2,748,220.00
Assigned - Curriculum	750,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	750,000.00
Assigned - Facilities	3,000,000.00	-	-	-	(3,000,000.00)	-	-
Assigned - Wescott Facilities	1,000,000.00	-	1,000,000.00	(1,000,000.00)	-	-	-
Nonspendable - Prepaid Expenses	416,196.82	-	-	-	-	-	416,196.82
Unassigned-Professional Development Accts	(0.00)	31,825.62	67,083.38	(35,257.76)	35,257.76	-	(0.00)
Unassigned-Site-Co-Curricular Funds	632,904.71	226,268.00	333,773.31	(107,505.31)	-	-	525,399.40
Unassigned	10,865,905.39	72,763,391.73	75,123,050.12	(2,359,658.39)	2,436,246.05	-	10,942,493.05
Total General Fund	27,691,009.62	90,127,224.62	97,464,252.53	(7,337,027.91)	-	-	20,353,981.71
					Net Change		184,092.97
					Fund Balance %		12.24%

Unassigned Fund Balance Trend





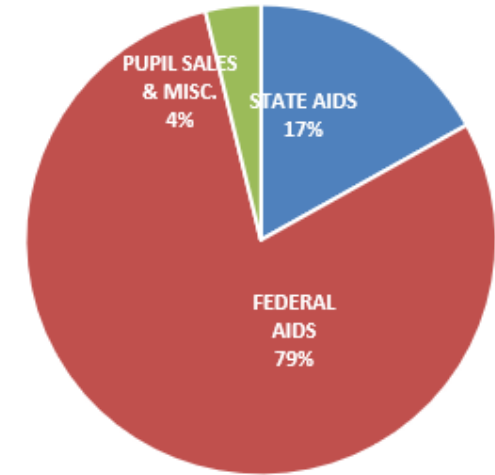
Food Service (Fund 2)

Food Service Assumptions

- Meals Served
 - Will decrease with lower enrollment
- Investment into Facilities
 - Will continue to invest with upgrades to Southgate

Food Service Revenue

2026-27 ORIGINAL BUDGET

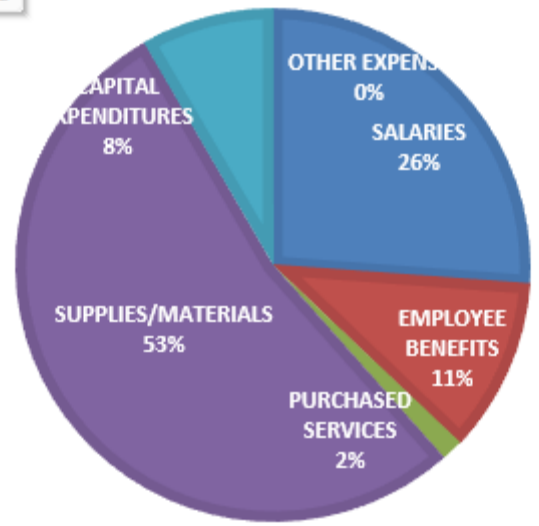


2026-2027 ORIGINAL BUDGET FOOD SERVICE REVENUES AND PERCENTAGE BY SOURCE

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	26-27 BUDGET	26-27 PERCENT	25-26 BUDGET	25-26 PERCENT	24-25 EXPENSES	24-25 PERCENT
STATE AIDS	755,000	16.89%	776,550	16.50%	702,838	15.37%
FEDERAL AIDS	3,545,200	79.31%	3,766,972	80.02%	3,707,372	81.05%
PUPIL SALES & MISC.	169,620	3.79%	163,849	3.48%	163,930	3.58%
TOTAL REVENUES	4,469,820	100.00%	4,707,371	100.00%	4,574,140	100.00%

Food Service Expense

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2026-2027 ORIGINAL BUDGET FOOD SERVICE EXPENSES AND PERCENTAGE BY OBJECT

OBJECT EXPENSES

	ORIGINAL		REVISED		ACTUALS	
	26-27 BUDGET	26-27 PERCENT	25-26 BUDGET	25-26 PERCENT	24-25 EXPENSES	24-25 PERCENT
SALARIES	1,303,557	26.17%	1,262,194	21.58%	1,209,692	28.57%
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	544,492	10.93%	482,600	8.25%	406,214	9.59%
PURCHASED SERVICES	69,000	1.39%	69,000	1.18%	13,893	0.33%
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	2,651,547	53.23%	2,648,547	45.27%	2,243,733	53.00%
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	412,515	8.28%	1,278,215	21.85%	325,242	7.68%
OTHER EXPENSE	600	0.01%	109,609	1.87%	35,055	0.83%
TOTAL OBJECT EXPENSES	4,981,712	100.00%	5,850,165	100.00%	4,233,828	100.00%

Food Service Fund Balance

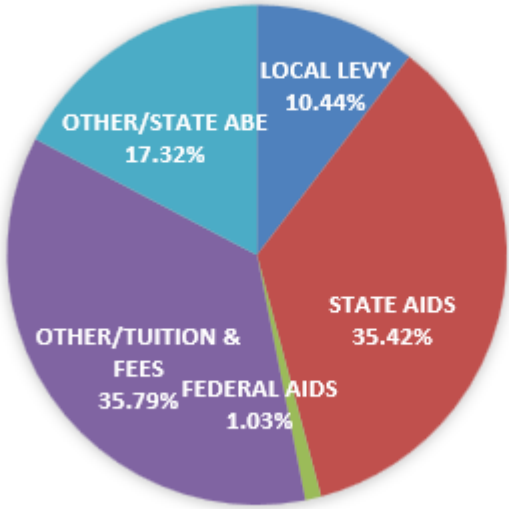
		6/30/2026						6/30/2027
		Budgeted	Budgeted	Budgeted		Fund	Transfers	Budgeted
		Fund Balance	Revenues	Expenditures	Gain(Loss)	Transfer	In or Out	Fund Balance
Food Service Fund		47,122.81	-	-	-	-	-	47,122.81
	Nonspendable - Inventory							
	Restricted	1,307,082.49	4,469,819.52	4,981,711.71	(511,892.19)	-	-	795,190.30
Total Food Service Fund		1,354,205.30	4,469,819.52	4,981,711.71	(511,892.19)	-	-	842,313.11

Chart Area



Community Services (Fund 4)

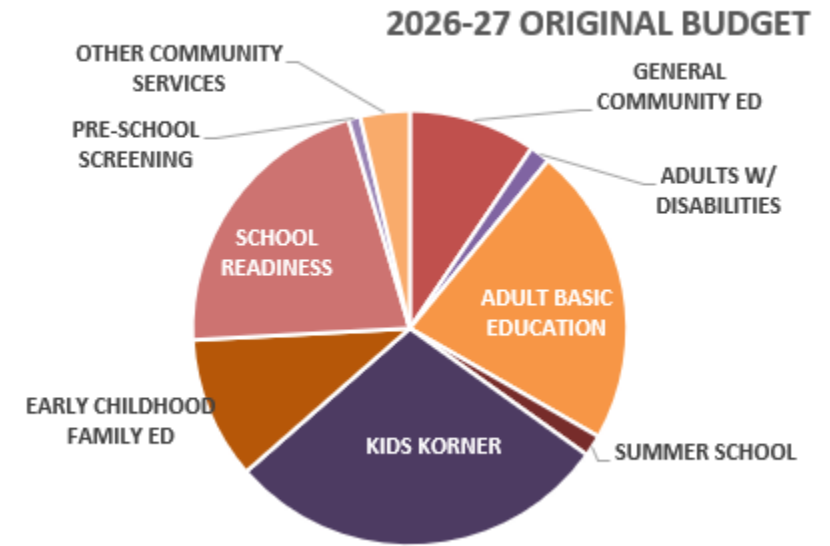
Community Service Revenue



2026-2027 ORIGINAL COMMUNITY SERVICES REVENUES AND PERCENTAGE BY SOURCE

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	26-27 BUDGET	26-27 PERCENT	25-26 BUDGET	25-26 PERCENT	24-25 EXPENSES	24-25 PERCENT
LOCAL LEVY	292,613	10.44%	244,710	8.40%	238,074	8.46%
STATE AIDS	992,873	35.42%	1,099,519	37.73%	989,935	35.17%
FEDERAL AIDS	28,985	1.03%	28,985	0.99%	34,257	1.22%
OTHER/TUITION & FEES	1,003,066	35.79%	1,048,616	35.98%	1,016,854	36.12%
OTHER/STATE ABE	485,388	17.32%	492,227	16.89%	535,744	19.03%
TOTAL REVENUES	2,802,924	100.00%	2,914,057	100.00%	2,814,864	100.00%

Community Service Expense



2026-2027 ORIGINAL BUDGET COMMUNITY SERVICES EXPENSES AND PERCENTAGE BY PROGRAM

PROGRAM EXPENSES	ORIGINAL		REVISED		ACTUALS	
	26-27 BUDGET	26-27 PERCENT	25-26 BUDGET	25-26 PERCENT	24-25 EXPENSES	24-25 PERCENT
GENERAL COMMUNITY ED	284,212	9.47%	200,699	6.66%	158,740	6.30%
ADULTS W/ DISABILITIES	45,331	1.51%	41,074	1.36%	45,422	1.80%
ADULT BASIC EDUCATION	668,814	22.30%	716,256	23.78%	652,094	25.89%
SUMMER SCHOOL	47,562	1.59%	47,562	1.58%	25,550	1.01%
KIDS KORNER	860,860	28.70%	811,407	26.94%	705,158	28.00%
EARLY CHILDHOOD FAMILY ED	317,448	10.58%	322,297	10.70%	167,998	6.67%
SCHOOL READINESS	638,843	21.30%	618,588	20.54%	537,534	21.34%
PRE-SCHOOL SCREENING	26,587	0.89%	27,540	0.91%	23,863	0.95%
OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICES	110,061	3.67%	226,816	7.53%	202,004	8.02%
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES	2,999,718	100.00%	3,012,238	100.00%	2,518,363	100.00%



All Other Funds

	6/30/2026 Budgeted Fund Balance	Budgeted Revenues	Budgeted Expenditures	Gain(Loss)	Fund Transfer	Transfers In or Out	6/30/2027 Budgeted Fund Balance
Building Constr. Fund							
Restricted - COP-AHS Music	-	-	-	-	40,110.43	-	40,110.43
Restricted - COP-Tennis Court Project	(0.00)	-	-	-	-	-	(0.00)
Restricted - Lease Purchase FIN 791	(0.00)	-	-	-	-	-	(0.00)
Restricted - Abatement Bond Project-Parkign Lr	-	140,050.00	140,000.00	-	-	-	-
Restricted - Capital Facilities-Restroom Project	0.00	2,467,000.00	630,918.00	1,836,082.00	-	-	1,836,082.00
Restricted - LTFM+ Projects	-	10,010,000.00	4,431,257.00	5,578,743.00	(151,167.00)	-	5,427,576.00
Restricted - Capital Facilities Lighting Project	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nonspendable - Prepaid Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unassigned - Building Conctrustion	(111,056.57)	-	-	-	111,056.57	-	-
Total Building Constr. Fund	(111,056.57)	12,617,050.00	5,202,175.00	7,414,825.00	-	-	7,303,768.43

	6/30/2026 Budgeted Fund Balance	Budgeted Revenues	Budgeted Expenditures	Gain(Loss)	Fund Transfer	Transfers In or Out	6/30/2027 Budgeted Fund Balance
Debt Service Fund							
Restricted - QZAB Sinking Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted	839,082.62	4,373,260.00	6,334,040.56	(1,960,780.56)	3,000,000.00	-	1,878,302.06
Total Debt Service Fund	839,082.62	4,373,260.00	6,334,040.56	(1,960,780.56)	3,000,000.00	-	1,878,302.06

Trust Fund							
Unassigned	123,094.12	4,035.00	500.00	3,535.00	-	-	126,629.12
Total Trust Fund	123,094.12	4,035.00	500.00	3,535.00	-	-	126,629.12

Custodial Fund							
Unassigned	-	235,000.00	235,000.00	-	-	-	-
Total Custodial Fund	-	235,000.00	235,000.00	-	-	-	-

Internal Service - Insurance Trust Fund							
Unassigned	2,502,983.42	18,140,092.60	18,140,092.60	-	-	-	2,502,983.42
Total Internal Service Fund - Insur. Trust	2,502,983.42	18,140,092.60	18,140,092.60	-	-	-	2,502,983.42

Internal Service - OPEB Trust							
Unassigned	177,640.00	56,800.00	-	56,800.00	-	-	234,440.00
Total Internal Service Fund - OPEB Trust	177,640.00	56,800.00	-	56,800.00	-	-	234,440.00

Thank You's

- Administration for their leadership and guidance during the rightsizing plan discussions that helped build this budget
- Building and Department leaders for continuing to work together on developing the best plans for educating our students
- Finance and HR teams for all their work to bring this budget together over the past three months

DATE: June 22, 2026

TITLE: Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Fiscal Year 2028

TYPE: Action

PRESENTER: Todd Lechtenberg, Executive Director of Finance and Operations

BACKGROUND:

Minnesota Statutes 2021, section 123B.595, establishes the Long-Term Facilities Maintenance (LTFM) Revenue program. It replaced three programs: Deferred Maintenance (Minn. Stat. section 23B.591 [2021]), Alternative Facilities (Minn. Stat. section 123B.59 [2021]), and Health and Safety (Minn. Stat. section 123B.57 [2021]). The LTFM program offers a comprehensive program to fund a ten-year facility plan developed by a school district. The uses of revenue, or allowable expenditures, remain the same as under the three previous programs. The plan submission will be used to determine initial LTFM aids and levies for fiscal year (FY) 2027 and to adjust LTFM revenues for FY 2027 and FY 2028.

RATIONALE:

School districts are required to annually update their LTFM ten-year plan and submit the board approved plan to the commissioner for approval by July 31.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the board approve the "Resolution Adopting Independent School District No. 492 FY27 Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Ten-Year Plan" and accompanying forms as presented.

FY 28 Long-Term Facilities Maintenance (LTFM) Ten-Year Revenue Projection				5/20/2026								
492	<= Type in School District Number											
	AUSTIN											
			Change only									
			if requiring levy adjustments	Payable 2026 LLC Certification	Current Estimate							
Calculations for Ten Year Projection				Pay 26								
	LLC #	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032	FY 2033	FY 2034	
1	Type your district number in cell A2 (Minneapolis = 1.2)											
2	Type APU, health and safety and alternative facilities project, and bond estimates in lines 6a, 14, 16b, 16s, 18, 18r, 20b, 21, 26, 27 and 50b											
3	Type debt excess, intermediate/coop district, and revenue reduction data in lines 13, 15, 23, 31, and 33											
4	Look-up data from following tabs											
5	Initial Formula Revenue											
6	Current year APU	57	5,396.08	5,396.09	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02
6a	Additional Pre-K Pupil Units (see line 16 of Pre-K application for details)			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6b	Total Adjusted Pupil Units = (6) + (6a)			5,396.09	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02
7	District average building age (uncapped)	401	67.19	67.19	68.19	69.19	70.19	71.19	72.19	73.19	74.19	
8	Formula allowance		\$ 380.00	\$ 380.00	\$ 380.00	\$ 380.00	\$ 380.00	\$ 380.00	\$ 380.00	\$ 380.00	\$ 380.00	\$ 380.00
9	Building age ratio = (Lesser of 1 or (7) / 35)			402	1.00000	1.00000	1.00000	1.00000	1.00000	1.00000	1.00000	1.00000
10	Initial revenue = (6) * (8) * (9)			403	2,050,510	2,050,513	2,017,049	2,017,049	2,017,049	2,017,049	2,017,049	2,017,049
11	Added Revenue for Eligible H&S Proj and/or Roofing > \$100,000 / site											
12	Debt Service for Existing Alt Facilities H&S Bonds (1B) - Gross before Debt Excess - Projects > \$500,000 per site			701	382,554	369,744	362,342	375,939	367,907	364,455	2,623,583	-
13	Debt Excess related to Debt Service for Existing Alt Facilities H&S Bonds (1B)			755	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	Debt Service for Portion of Existing Alt Facilities Bonds from line (22) attributable to Eligible H&S Projects > \$100,000 per site (1A)				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	Debt Excess related to Debt Service for Portion of Existing Alt Facilities Bonds attributable to Eligible H&S Projects > \$100,000 per site (1A)				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16a	Existing Net Debt Service for LTFM Bonds for Eligible New H&S Projects > \$100,000 / site = (principal + interest)*1.05 - Portion of Bond Paid by Initial Revenue from "IAQFAA Bonds" tab				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16b	New Debt Service for LTFM Bonds for Eligible New H&S Projects > \$100,000 / site = (principal + interest)*1.05 - Portion of Bond Paid by Initial Revenue				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16r	Existing Debt Service for LTFM Bonds for Eligible New Roofing Projects > \$100,000 / site = (principal + interest)*1.05			beginning FY27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16s	New Debt Service for LTFM Bonds for Eligible New Roofing Projects > \$100,000 / site = (principal + interest)*1.05				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	Net Debt Service for LTFM Bonds for Eligible New H&S Projects & Roofing Projects > \$100,000 / site = (principal + interest)*1.05 - Portion of Bond Paid by Initial Revenue = (16a) + (16b) + (16r) + (16s)				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18	Pay as you Go Revenue for Eligible New H&S Projects > \$100,000 / site (corresponds to Category 2 on the expenditures spreadsheet)			405	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18r	Pay as you Go Revenue for Eligible New Roofing Projects > \$100,000 / site (corresponds to Category 6 on the expenditures spreadsheet)			406	beginning FY27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19	Total Additional Revenue for Eligible Projects > \$100,000 / site (12) - (13) + (14) - (15) + (16a) + (16b) + (16r) + (16s) + (18) + (18r)			407	359,787	382,554	369,744	362,342	375,939	367,907	364,455	2,623,583
	Added Revenue for Pre-K Remodeling (for VPK approvals only)											
20a	Net Debt Service for Bonds Approved for Pre-K Remodeling			768	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20b	Pay as you Go for Projects Approved for Pre-K Remodeling			408	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20c	Total Pre-K Revenue				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20d	Total New Law Revenue (10) + (19) + (20c)			409	2,433,068	2,386,794	2,379,391	2,392,989	2,384,956	2,381,504	4,640,632	2,017,049

FY 28 Long-Term Facilities Maintenance (LTFM) Ten-Year Revenue Projection				5/20/2026								
492	<= Type in School District Number											
	AUSTIN		Change only									
			if requiring levy adjustments	Payable 2026 LLC Certification	Current Estimate							
Calculations for Ten Year Projection				Pay 26								
		LLC #	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032	FY 2033	FY 2034
	Old Formula Revenue											
21	Old Formula Health & Safety Revenue (should match amounts entered into the Health & Safety Data Submission System through FY 2028) (corresponds to Category 1 on the expenditures spreadsheet)	410	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22	Old Formula Alt Facilities Debt Revenue (1A) - gross before Debt Excess	700			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
23	Debt Excess allocated to Alt Facilities Debt Service (1A) on line 22	754			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24	Old Formula Alt Facilities Debt Revenue (1A) less Debt Excess	765			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25	Old Formula Alt Facilities Net Debt Revenue (1B) = (12) - (13)	766			382,554	369,744	362,342	375,939	367,907	364,455	2,623,583	-
26	Old Formula Alt Facilities Pay as you Go Revenue (1A)	411	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
26b	Pay as you Go Revenue for Projects > \$100,000 per site				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
27	Old Formula Alt Facilities Pay as you Go Revenue (1B) > \$500,000 (should match the pay as you go amounts entered into the Health & Safety Data Submission System through FY 2028)	412			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
27a	LTFM ">100K per site" Bonds				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
27b	LTFM "Other" Bonds for 1A Hold Harmless	414			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28	Old Formula Deferred Maintenance Revenue = (if (22) + (26) = 0, (10) * (\$64 / formula allowance))	417			345,350	339,714	339,714	339,714	339,714	339,714	339,714	339,714
29	Total Old Formula Revenue = (21)+(24)+(25)+(26)+(26b)+(27)+(27a)+(27b)+(28)	418		705,136	727,904	709,458	702,055	715,653	707,620	704,169	2,963,296	339,714
30	Total LTFM Revenue for Individual District Projects = Greater of (20d) or [(29) + (20c)]	419		2,410,298	2,433,068	2,386,794	2,379,391	2,392,989	2,384,956	2,381,504	4,640,632	2,017,049
31	District Requested Reduction from Maximum LTFM Revenue (to levy less than the maximum). Also enter this amount in the Levy Information System. Stated as Positive Number	420		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32	District LTFM Revenue (30) - (31)	421		2,410,298	2,433,068	2,386,794	2,379,391	2,392,989	2,384,956	2,381,504	4,640,632	2,017,049
33	LTFM Revenue for District Share of Eligible Cooperative / Intermediate Projects (Unequalized)	422		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
34	Grand Total LTFM Revenue (32) + (33)	423		2,410,298	2,433,068	2,386,794	2,379,391	2,392,989	2,384,956	2,381,504	4,640,632	2,017,049
	Aid and Levy Shares of Total Revenue											
35	For ANTC & APU - Three Year Prior Date		2024	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	
36	Three Year Prior Ag Modified ANTC	35	27,202,792	27,202,792	29,461,720	30,640,188	31,865,796	33,140,428	34,466,045	35,844,687	37,278,474	
37	Three Year Prior Adjusted Pupil Units (APU)	54	5,586.03	5,586.05	5,713.46	5,492.28	5,396.09	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02	5,308.02	
38	ANTC / APU = (36) / (37)	425	4,869.79	4,869.77	5,156.55	5,578.78	5,905.35	6,243.46	6,493.20	6,752.92	7,023.04	
39	State Average ANTC / APU with Ag Value Adjustment	426	13,658.30	13,658.30	14,248.69	14,899.31	15,697.71	16,326.00	16,979.00	17,658.00	18,364.00	
40	Equalizing Factor = 125.5% of (39) or 127% of (39) starting FY 28 and later	427	17,141.17	17,141.17	18,095.84	18,922.12	19,936.09	20,734.02	21,563.33	22,425.66	23,322.28	
41	Local (Levy) Share of Equalized Revenue (lesser of 1 or (38) / (40))	428	28.41%	28.41%	28.50%	29.48%	29.62%	30.11%	30.11%	30.11%	30.11%	
42	State (Aid) Share of Equalized Revenue (1 - (41))	429	71.59%	71.59%	71.50%	70.52%	70.38%	69.89%	69.89%	69.89%	69.89%	
43	Equalized Revenue (lesser of (34) or (6) * (8))	424	2,050,510	2,050,513	2,017,049	2,017,049	2,017,049	2,017,049	2,017,049	2,017,049	2,017,049	
44	Initial LTFM State Aid (42) * (43)	430	1,467,959	1,467,967	1,442,276	1,422,366	1,419,571	1,409,672	1,409,671	1,409,666	1,409,655	
45	Old Formula Grandfathered Alternative Facilities Aid	432	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
46	Total LTFM State Aid (greater of (44) or (45))	433	1,467,959	1,467,967	1,442,276	1,422,366	1,419,571	1,409,672	1,409,671	1,409,666	1,409,655	
47	Total LTFM Levy (34) - (46) (including coop/intermediate)	436	942,338	965,101	944,518	957,026	973,418	975,284	971,834	3,230,966	607,394	
48	Debt Service Portion of Revenue (non-grandfather districts *)											
49	Subtotal Debt Service Revenue from Above = (12) - (13) + (17) + (20a) + (24)	765+766+767+768+770			382,554	369,744	362,342	375,939	367,907	364,455	2,623,583	-
50	Existing LTFM Bonds excluding Bonds on line 17 (principal + interest)*1.05 from "FM Other Bonds" tab				369,495	371,070	371,858	371,858	371,070	369,495	-	-
50b	New LTFM Bonds excluding Bonds on line 17 (principal + interest)*1.05				-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
51	Total Debt Service Revenue = (49) + (50) + (50b)	771			752,049	740,814	734,199	747,797	738,977	733,950	2,623,583	-

FY 2035	FY 2036
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2,017,049	2,017,049
-	-
2,017,049	2,017,049
-	-
2,017,049	2,017,049
2032	2033
38,769,613	40,320,398
5,308.02	5,308.02
7,303.96	7,596.12
19,099.00	19,863.00
24,255.73	25,226.01
30.11%	30.11%
69.89%	69.89%
2,017,049	2,017,049
1,409,669	1,409,670
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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 492

AUSTIN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

STATE OF MINNESOTA

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a School Board meeting of Independent School District No. 492, State of Minnesota, was held on June 22, 2026 at 4 p.m., for the purpose in part, of approving the District's Fiscal Year (FY) 28 Long-Term Facility Maintenance Ten-Year Plan as established in Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 123B.595.

School Board Member _____ introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 492 FY 28 LONG-TERM FACILITIES MAINTENANCE TEN-YEAR PLAN

BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board of Independent School District No. 492, State of Minnesota, approves the attached FY 28 Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Ten-Year Plan.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by School Board Member _____ and, upon vote being thereon, the following voted in favor of the motion:

And the following voted against:

WHEREUPON the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted the 22nd day of June, 2026.

SCHOOL BOARD CLERK SIGNATURE



DATE: June 22, 2026

TITLE: Approve Workers' Compensation Renewal 2026-2027

TYPE: Action

PRESENTER: Todd Lechtenberg, Executive Director of Finance and Operations

BACKGROUND:

Workers' compensation insurance protects a business owner from claims by employees who experience a work-related injury or illness either sustained on business premises or due to business operations. In all states, employers are required to carry workers' compensation insurance for their employees.

The district engages USI One Advantage (USI) to reduce lost time for workers and expedite care for employees through easy access to occupational nurses on demand. USI also provides education to local healthcare providers on the nuances of workers compensation. The goal of this work is to empower employees in healing and recovery. USI also provides training and resources to the district to aid in reducing injuries in the workplace.

RATIONALE:

In the current proposal, our experience modification factor went up from 1.29 to 1.39. This means we have more workers' compensation than in an average district. With increasing modification factor and higher wages, USI is estimating that our premium would decrease from \$359,892 (FY26 rate) to \$357,620 this year.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that approval be given for the SFM Mutual Insurance Company premium renewal of \$357,620.

DATE: June 22, 2026

TITLE: Bakery Contract for 2026-2027 5 School Year

TYPE: Action

PRESENTER: Todd Lechtenberg, Executive Director of Finance and Operations

BACKGROUND: Bids for bakery products for the 2026-2027 school year were taken at the District Offices no later than 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 10, 2026. Bids were received from Bimbo Baking Company USA and Pan-o-Gold.

RATIONALE: The bid submissions were reviewed by the Director of Food Services, who compiled the following comparison chart. Based on our anticipated ordering volumes for each item and the superior customer service history, we recommend awarding the bakery bid to Pan-O-Gold.

<u>Pan-O-Gold - Bid Items</u>	<u>Pricing</u>	<u>Price Per Unit</u>	<u>Bimbo Bakeries - Bid Items</u>	<u>Pricing</u>	<u>Price Per Unit</u>
WG Bread, Sliced (20 oz)	\$ 20.16	\$ 2.52 / Loaf	WG Bread, Sliced (20 oz)	\$ 2.27	\$ 2.27 / Loaf
Hamburger Bun (60 ct)	\$ 10.49	\$ 0.17 / Bun	Hamburger Bun (30 ct)	\$ 6.16	\$ 0.21 / Bun
Hotdog Bun (72 ct)	\$ 16.80	\$ 0.23 / Bun	Hotdog Bun (16 ct)	\$ 3.25	\$ 0.20 / Bun
Dinner Rolls (64 ct)	\$ 10.24	\$ 0.16 / Roll	Dinner Rolls (12 ct)	\$ 1.71	\$ 0.14 / Roll
Sub Buns (24 ct)	\$ 5.59	\$ 0.23 / Bun	Sub Buns (6 ct)	\$ 1.71	\$ 0.28 / Bun

Here is a comparison of the cost per dozen comparing 2025-2026 to 2026-2027.

Items	SY 25-26 Price	SY 26-27 Price	% Change
Hotdog Buns	\$ 2.72 / Dozen	\$ 2.80 / Dozen	2.94 %
Dinner Rolls	\$ 2.52 / Dozen	\$ 1.92 /Dozen	(23.81%)
Steak Buns	\$ 2.71 / Dozen	\$ 2.80 / Dozen	3.32 %
Hamburger Buns	\$ 2.03 / Dozen	\$ 2.10 / Dozen	3.45 %
WG Bread	\$ 2.45	\$ 2.52 / Loaf	2.86 %

RECOMMENDATION: It is requested that the Board award a contract for bakery products for the 2026-27 school year to Pan-O-Gold.

DATE: June 22, 2026

TITLE: Dairy Contract for 2026-2027 School Year

TYPE: Action

PRESENTER: Todd Lechtenberg, Executive Director of Finance and Operations

BACKGROUND: Bids for dairy products for the 2026-2027 school year were taken at the District Offices no later than 2:00 p.m., Wednesday June 10, 2026. The district received one bid from Kemps.

RATIONALE: As the district only received one bid, it is our recommendation to award the contract to Kemps.

Here is a comparison between 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 for dairy prices.

Items	SY 25-26 Price	SY 26-27	% Change
1% Gallon	\$ 3.796	\$ 4.713	24.16 %
1% Carton	\$ 0.369	\$ 0.418	13.28 %
Choc Skim Carton	\$ 0.366	\$ 0.418	14.21 %

RECOMMENDATION: It is requested that the Board award a contract for dairy products for the 2026-2027 school year to Kemps of Rochester, Minnesota.



DATE: June 22, 2026

TITLE: Approve AHS Student Council Lock-in

TYPE: Action Items

PRESENTER: Todd Lechtenberg, Executive Director of Finance and Operations

BACKGROUND:

Austin High School Student Council is requesting approval to host a student leadership lock-in focused on building school culture and strengthening student engagement.

The event will begin at 12:00 p.m. on June 25 and conclude at 12:00 p.m. on June 26. Approximately 20–30 students are expected to participate.

The event will be supervised by the following staff members:

- Emily Hovland, Katie Carter, and Matt Schmidt

Students will utilize the following areas throughout the event:

- Packer Profile Room, IMC (Library Media Center), Auditorium, and students will sleep in the library overnight.

To ensure student safety and security, participants will not be permitted to access other areas of the building without direct staff supervision. Supervising staff will remain on-site throughout the event and will be responsible for monitoring student activities, attendance, and adherence to school expectations.

The purpose of the lock-in is to provide Student Council members with opportunities for team building, leadership development, and planning activities that support a positive school culture at Austin High School.

RATIONALE:

After reviewing our insurance policy and discussing it with our agent, it was determined that a lock-in must be board-approved to have insurance coverage.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that approval be given for the AHS Student Council to host a lock-in on June 25 and 26.

DATE: June 22, 2026

TITLE: Change to Write-in Vote Tally Process

TYPE: Action

PRESENTER: Dr. Joey Page, Superintendent

BACKGROUND: Minnesota Statutes, section 204B.09, provides that a school board may adopt a resolution governing the counting of write-in votes for school board elections. The resolution may require that write-in votes for an individual candidate for the school board only be individually recorded if the total number of write-in votes for that office is equal to or greater than the fewest number of non-write-in votes for a ballot candidate.

RATIONALE: Providing a detailed roster of all write-in votes on the final election tally can be very time consuming and requires resources that do not result in a change of election results unless a single write-in candidate receives more votes than a ballot candidate. It would be more efficient to enact the statute allowing the streamlining of this tally process for write-in votes.

RECOMMENDATION: I recommend the adoption of the resolution requiring the tally of write-in votes only if write-in votes are greater than a ballot candidate's total votes. The resolution would remain in effect for all future elections until and unless a subsequent resolution is adopted by the school board.

**RESOLUTION REQUIRING THE TALLY OF WRITE-IN VOTES
ONLY IF WRITE-IN VOTES ARE GREATER THAN
A BALLOT CANDIDATE'S TOTAL VOTES**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes, section 204B.09, provides that a school board may adopt a resolution governing the counting of write-in votes for school board elections. The resolution may require that write-in votes for an individual candidate for the school board only be individually recorded if the total number of write-in votes for that office is equal to or greater than the fewest number of non-write-in votes for a ballot candidate; and

WHEREAS, the write-in vote counting process can be overly time consuming and require resources that does not result in a change of election results unless a single write-in candidate receives more votes than a ballot candidate.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District No 492, Austin Public Schools, State of Minnesota, that the school board requires that write-in votes for an individual candidate for the school board will only be individually recorded if the total number of write-in votes for that office is equal to or greater than the fewest number of non-write-in votes for a ballot candidate. If not enough people filed for open positions and one of the open positions needs to be filled by a write-in candidate, then all write-in votes will be counted.

This resolution shall remain effective for all future elections until and unless a subsequent resolution on the same subject is adopted by the school board.

The motion for adoption for the Resolution was made by Member _____, duly seconded by Member _____

The vote on adoption of the Resolution was as follows:

Aye:

Nay:

Absent:

Whereupon, said Resolution was declared duly adopted by Independent School District No. 492.

Austin Public Schools, State of Minnesota, this 22nd day of June, 2026.

By: _____

By: _____

School Board Chair

School Board Clerk