



THREE WAY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Teddy Ott,
Superintendent

AGENDA TWISD Regular School Board Meeting

August 26, 2026 Board Room 4:30 PM

I. Roll Call - Verify Quorum

Tracie Hankins, Senaida Huerta, Duanea Armes, Lloyd Lietz, Susan Driskill

II. Public Hearing

1. Public Hearing on the Fiscal Year 2027 Proposed Tax Rate of \$0.6692 per Hundred Dollars of Valuation in accordance with Chapter 26 of the Texas Tax Code.

III. Adjourn

With no further business before the Board, this meeting is adjourned at _____ pm.

Closed Session Notice

Three Way Independent School District may convene into Closed Session on any matter related to any of the above agenda items for a purpose, such a closed session is allowed under Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meetings. Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the School Board with regard to any matter considered in such closed meeting then the final action, final decision, or final vote shall be either: (a) In the open meeting covered by the Notice upon the reconvening of the public meeting; or (b) At a subsequent public meeting of the School Board upon notice thereof; as the Board shall determine.

ADA Notice

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons who need accommodation to attend or participate in the meeting should contact Stephanie Ritchie at (254)965-6496 x 200 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to request such assistance.

Certification

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted in accordance with the regulations of the Texas Open Meetings Act on the front door of the Three Way Administration Building and the front door of the Three Way High School, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public, as well as to school's website at www.twisd.us and said notice was posted at or before , and remained posted for at least two hours after said meeting was convened.

Dr. Teddy Ott, Superintendent

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

THREE WAY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT _____ will hold a public
(name of school district)

meeting at _____ 5:30 PM on August 11, 2026 _____ at _____ TWISD _____
(time, date, year) *(name of room, building, physical location)*

in _____ Stephenville, TX _____. **This meeting is to discuss**
(city, state)

the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate the school district will adopt.

The school district invites public participation in the discussion.

The tax rate the school district ultimately adopts at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax \$ _____ 0.6692 _____ / \$100 (proposed rate for maintenance and operations)

School Debt Service Tax
Approved by Local Voters \$ _____ 0.0000 _____ / \$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	6.38	% increase	or		% (decrease)
Debt service	0	% increase	or		% (decrease)
Total expenditures	12.13	% increase	or		% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ 437,041,550	\$ 456,979,492
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ 5,487,100	\$ 5,750,910
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ 111,809,550	\$ 118,370,424
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ 5,153,510	\$ 4,559,072

* Appraised value is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8).

** New property is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17).

*** Taxable value is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ _____ 0 _____

* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	<u>Maintenance and Operations</u>	<u>Interest and Sinking Fund*</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Local Revenue Per Student</u>	<u>State Revenue Per Student</u>
Last Year's Rate	\$ 0.66920	\$ *	\$ 0.66920	\$ 4281	\$ 12,600
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$	\$ *	\$	\$	\$
Proposed Rate	\$.6692	\$ *	\$.6692	\$	\$

* The interest and sinking fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment or both.
The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>This Year</u>
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 322,304	\$ 349,250
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 182,304	\$ 209,250
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$.66920	\$.6692
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 1219.98	\$ 1400.30
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 180.32

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person age 65 or older or their surviving spouse, if the surviving spouse was age 55 or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 0.6692. This election will be automatically held

(school voter-approval rate)

if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of 0.6692.

(school voter-approval rate)

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 396,617
Interest and Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

Visit Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.