



MINNEAPOLIS  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

# Budget Overview

For School Year 2024-25

## Historic MPS Deficit

The historic \$110 million dollar budget gap is due to declining enrollment, rising costs of operations, and the end of federal COVID-19 funding.

## Ongoing Negotiations

We are currently negotiating with several Unionized groups. Contract settlements may result in further budget reductions.

## Student-centered

Students are central to our decision making, while also considering legalities, strategic plan priorities and making reductions over eliminations where possible.

## Future Considerations

In order to close the budget gap, we are proposing to use at least \$55 million dollars in strategic assigned fund balance. The fund balance is like a savings account, once it is used it's gone.

## School Allocations

Funds built into school budgets with the advice of instructional leadership teams and site councils.

### School direct allocations:

- Classroom teachers
- Education support professionals
- Principals/Assistant principals
- Certain special education staff
- English learner staff
- Clerical/front office staff
- Library media specialists
- Advanced learner supports (K-8)
- Social workers and counselors
- Many of these allocations are represented in predictable staffing.

## Department Allocations

Funds for central office functions as well as several school-based activities and positions.

### Department allocations that fund direct school activities:

- Custodians
- Curriculum and materials
- Food service
- Transportation
- Nursing
- AVID teachers
- Athletics
- Office of Black Student Achievement Kings and Queens staff
- Student technology and online learning subscriptions
- Some special education service staff

For more information about school allocations scan the QR Code below



With questions about school allocations contact your school principal or site council.

For more information about department allocations scan the QR code below



With questions about department allocations, submit a question on the budget webpage: [bit.ly/mpsbudget25](https://bit.ly/mpsbudget25)

**Department allocations also fund the following central office services:**

- academic content experts
- school board
- human resources
- utilities, insurance
- superintendent and district leadership
- equity
- engagement
- school support programming staff
- legal services

**Proposed 2024-25 Budget Overview** (as of March 18, 2024)  
[bit.ly/mpsbudgetoverview24](https://bit.ly/mpsbudgetoverview24)

The budget will be in process with all changes considered “proposed” until the board votes in June.

The budget was discussed with the board at the following meetings.  
See [bit.ly/mpsboardbook](https://bit.ly/mpsboardbook) for all meeting materials including slide presentations.

**March 5** - [bit.ly/schoolallocation24](https://bit.ly/schoolallocation24) • **March 19** - [bit.ly/deptallocation24](https://bit.ly/deptallocation24)

**March 26** - [bit.ly/mpsbudgetoverview24](https://bit.ly/mpsbudgetoverview24)

Minneapolis Public Schools is going through its annual budget season. MPS is required by state law to present a balanced budget for next school year. The board will have a first reading of the budget at the May 28 board meeting, with final approval of the budget at the June 11 board meeting.

