



ISD #727 – Big Lake 2024-2025 Original Budget

June 20th, 2024

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ISD 727 Big Lake 2024-2025 Budget

Minnesota statutes require
School Board approval of
revenue and expenditure
budget by June 30th



24-25 GENERAL FUND

**Beginning Unassigned Fund Balance:
\$8,024,473**

Fund Balance Available for General Operations

Ending Unassigned Fund Balance \$7,942,258

- 19.3% of 24-25 unassigned expenditures
- In compliance with 9-12% minimum operating fund balance policy
- Unassigned Fund Balance Deficit of \$82,215
 - General education aid increase of 2% as compared to 4% increase in 2023-2024.
 - Federal COVID grants spent with most costs shifted to compensatory revenue and literacy aid.
 - Increase in special education cross-subsidy aid due to increased costs.

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June 2024

	Budgeted	Revenue	Expenditure	Projected		Budgeted
	Fund Balance	Budget	Budget	Net Change		Fund Balance
	June 30,2024	24-25	24-25	Incr(Decr)	Transfers	June 30,2025
General:						
Restricted -						
Long Term Facilities Maintenance	\$ 152,744	\$ 271,349	\$ 321,590	\$ (50,241)	\$ -	\$ 102,503
Operating Capital	\$ 555,416	\$ 775,978	\$ 1,155,149	\$ (379,171)	\$ -	\$ 176,245
Capital Projects Levy	\$ 532,040	\$ 851,190	\$ 1,302,100	\$ (450,910)	\$ -	\$ 81,130
Staff Development	\$ 156,608	\$ 496,271	\$ 502,124	\$ (5,853)	\$ -	\$ 150,755
Basic Skills	\$ 664,079	\$ 1,928,890	\$ 2,034,645	\$ (105,755)	\$ -	\$ 558,324
School Library Aid	\$ 17,989	\$ 55,805	\$ 39,343	\$ 16,462	\$ -	\$ 34,451
Literacy Incentive Aid	\$ 20,712	\$ 145,000	\$ 154,160	\$ (9,160)	\$ -	\$ 11,552
Third Party/Medical Assistance	\$ 266,635	\$ 80,000	\$ 162,364	\$ (82,364)	\$ -	\$ 184,271
Area Learning Center (ALC)	\$ 54,936	\$ 320,028	\$ 374,964	\$ (54,936)	\$ -	\$ -
Scholarships	\$ 24,150	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,150
Student Activities	\$ 22,377	\$ 5,500	\$ 3,750	\$ 1,750	\$ -	\$ 24,127
Committed for Severance	\$ 1,122,560	\$ -	\$ 19,023	\$ (19,023)	\$ -	\$ 1,103,537
Assigned for Q Comp	\$ 85,822	\$ 816,592	\$ 830,600	\$ (14,008)	\$ -	\$ 71,814
Assigned for Athletics and Activities	\$ 12,322	\$ 1,293,078	\$ 1,273,933	\$ 19,145	\$ -	\$ 31,467
Assigned for Building Level Activities	\$ 118,590	\$ 29,766	\$ 36,275	\$ (6,509)	\$ -	\$ 112,081
Other Assigned Fund Balances	\$ 3,151,344	\$ 14,805	\$ 2,415,467	\$ (2,400,662)	\$ -	\$ 750,682
Nonspendable for Prepaid Items	\$ 95,239	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 95,239
Unassigned Fund Balance	\$ 8,024,473	\$ 41,032,029	\$ 41,114,244	\$ (82,215)	\$ -	\$ 7,942,258
Subtotal	\$ 15,078,036	\$ 48,136,281	\$ 51,759,731	\$ (3,623,450)	\$ -	\$ 11,454,586
Food Service:						
Restricted	\$ 850,496	\$ 2,539,321	\$ 2,704,248	\$ (164,927)	\$ -	\$ 685,569
Nonspendable for Inventory	\$ 38,540	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 38,540
Subtotal	\$ 889,036	\$ 2,539,321	\$ 2,704,248	\$ (164,927)	\$ -	\$ 724,109
Community Service:						
Restricted -						
Community Education	\$ 997,798	\$ 2,350,876	\$ 2,419,432	\$ (68,556)	\$ (10,003)	\$ 919,239
ECFE	\$ 126,070	\$ 281,725	\$ 341,163	\$ (59,438)	\$ -	\$ 66,632
School Readiness	\$ (73,775)	\$ 447,649	\$ 529,588	\$ (81,939)	\$ -	\$ (155,714)
Preschool Screening	\$ -	\$ 20,150	\$ 30,153	\$ (10,003)	\$ 10,003	\$ -
Subtotal	\$ 1,050,093	\$ 3,100,400	\$ 3,320,336	\$ (219,936)	\$ -	\$ 830,157
Building Construction Fund						
Restricted -						
Long-Term Facilities Maintenance	\$ -			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Referendum Projects	\$ 9,180,415	\$ 125,000	\$ 5,675,500	\$ (5,550,500)	\$ -	\$ 3,629,915
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Debt Service - Restricted	\$ 1,518,853	\$ 6,573,324	\$ 6,157,924	\$ 415,400	\$ -	\$ 1,934,253
OPEB Irrevocable Trust Fund	\$ 1,249,129	\$ 60,000	\$ 42,286	\$ 17,714	\$ -	\$ 1,266,843
Total	\$ 28,965,562	\$ 60,534,326	\$ 69,660,025	\$ (9,125,699)	\$ -	\$ 19,839,863

General Fund Revenues

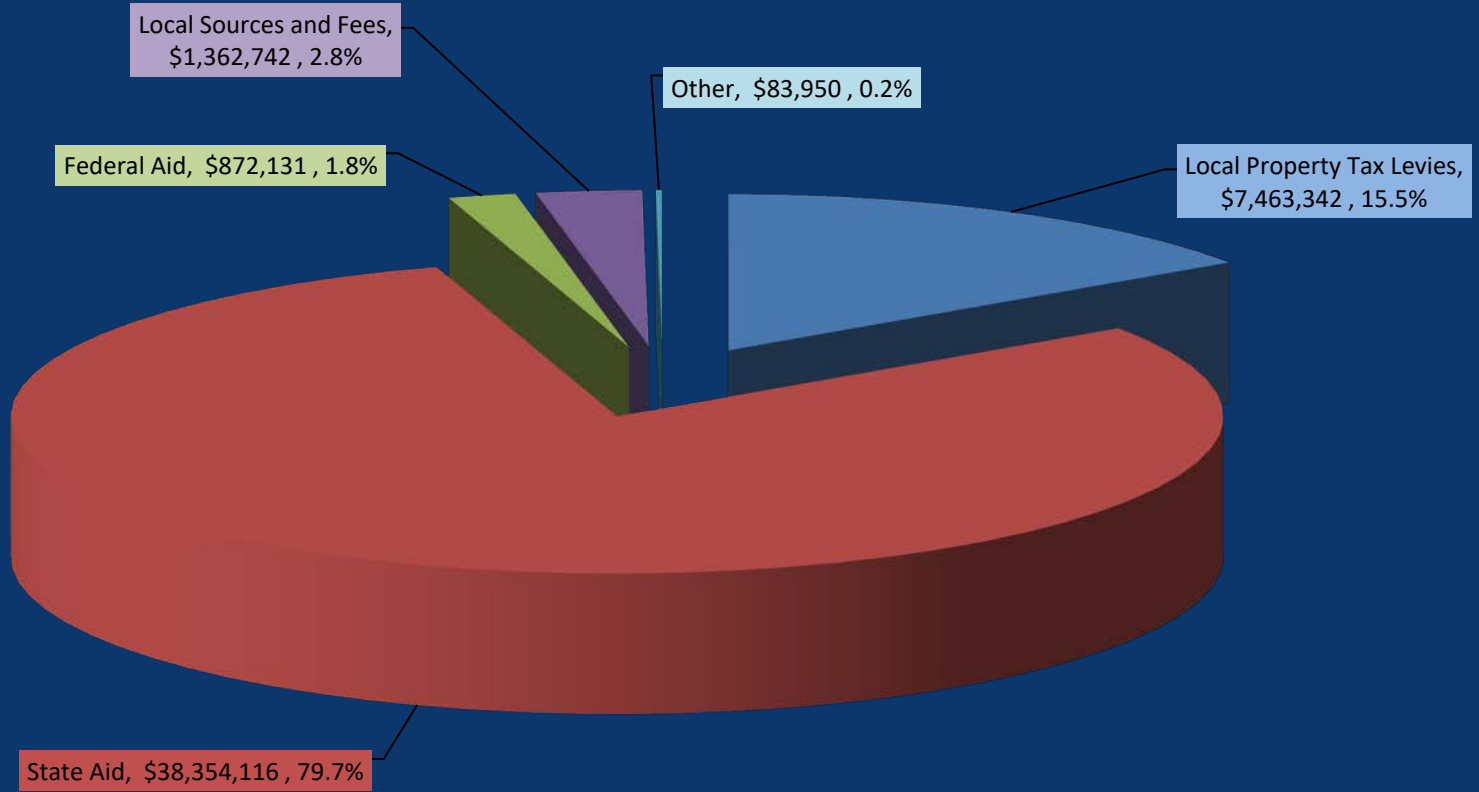
Total Revenues: \$48,136,281

- **General Education Aid \$ 29,229,874**
 - 2% formula allowance increase to \$7,281/student; \$420,689 increase
 - Compensatory aid \$1,927,582; \$146,201 increase over 23-24
 - Total budgeted ADM: 3,171; Kindergarten assumption: 225
 - 4 adm decrease using 3 year weighted average cohort analysis
- **Special Education Aid \$7,800,000; \$600,000 increase**
 - Special education cross-subsidy remains at 44%; aid based on 2024 costs
- **Property Tax Levy \$ 7,463,342**
- **Federal Aid: \$ 872,131**
 - Decrease of \$733,488 from 23-24; ESSER grants are completed
 - Title grants, PCN grant, E-rate funding

2024-2025 General Fund Budget

Revenues by Major Source

Budget \$ 48,136,281

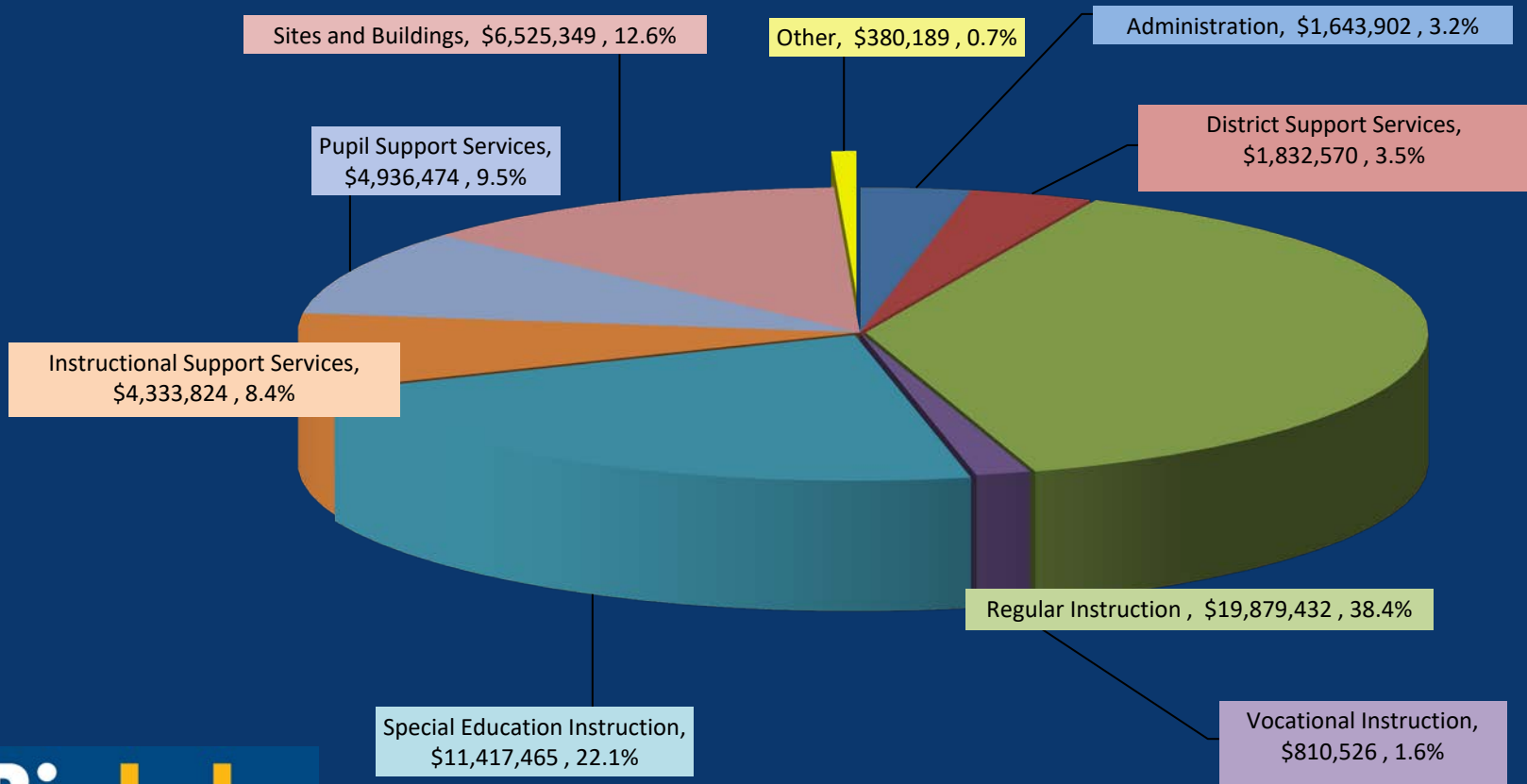


General Fund Expenditures

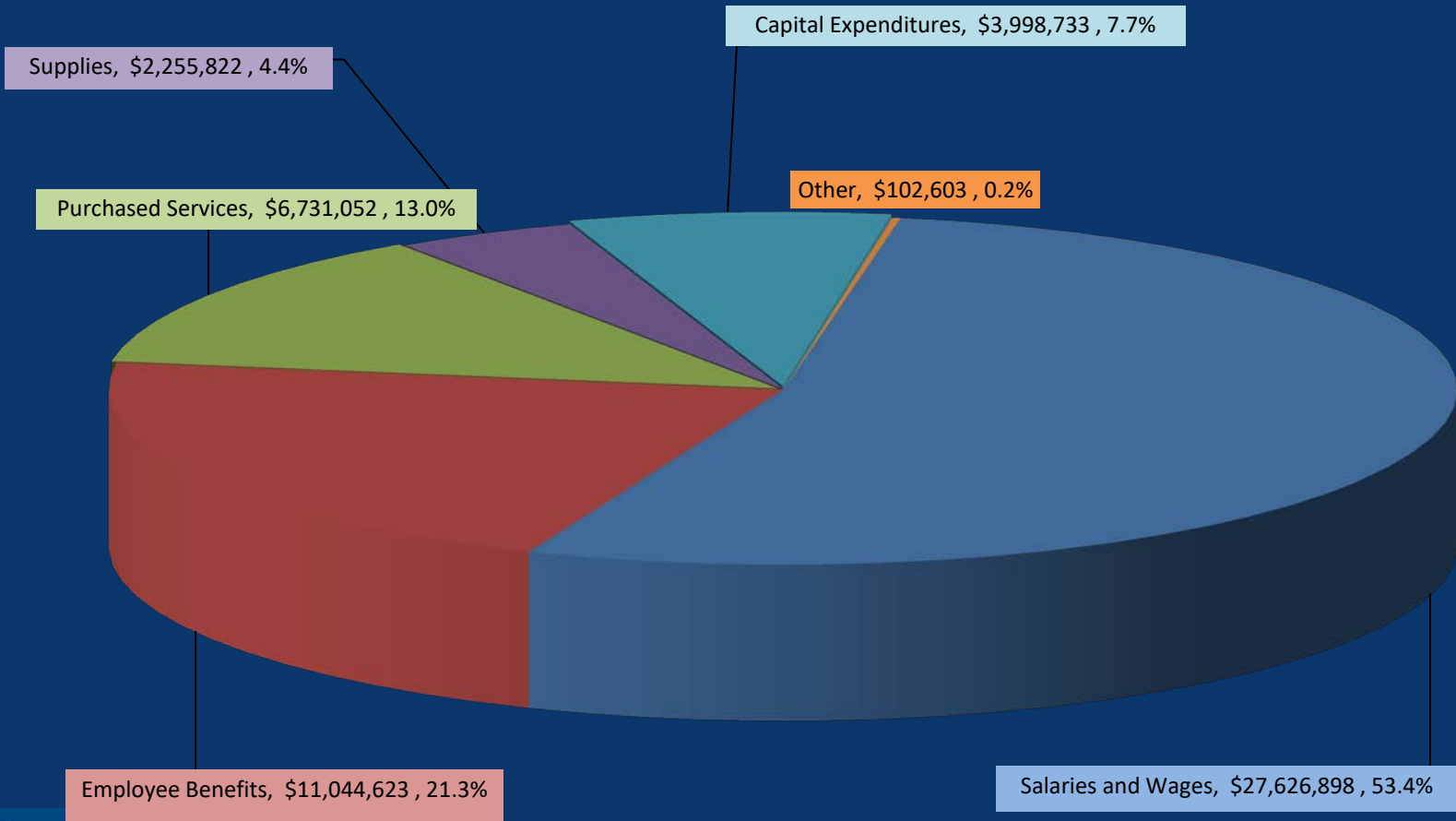
Total Expenditures: \$51,759,731

- **Salaries/Benefits: \$38.7 million**
 - New positions approved by the School Board:
 - Deans to Assistant Principals at Liberty and Independence
 - 4 STEAM specialists at Liberty; reduce 3 FTE's due to class sizes
 - 1 Elementary FTE at Independence due to class size
 - .5 Music FTE at Middle School
 - .5 FTE ADSIS Interventionist
 - 1 Transitional Kindergarten Paraeducator
 - 1 FTE Speech Teacher at Liberty and Independence
 - 1 FTE Social Worker at Liberty
 - 1FTE Learning Disability (LD) teacher at Independence
 - 3 Special Education Paraeducators
 - 1 Custodial FTE at Liberty
 - Summer Term Unemployment Costs: \$300,000
 - Anticipate state aid will offset costs in 2024-2025
- **Purchased Services: \$6.7 million**
 - Transportation, utilities, repairs, property & liability insurance
- **Supplies, Capital, Other: \$6.35 million**
 - Curriculum, technology, and capital projects
 - Capital projects increasing \$3 million due to repair of hail damaged roofs

2024-2025 General Fund Budget Expenditures by Program Area Budget \$ 51,759,731



2024-2025 General Fund Budget Expenditures by Object Category Budget \$ 51,759,731



General Fund Results

- **\$3,623,450 planned general fund deficit**
 - Unassigned deficit \$82,215
 - \$ 830,081 decrease in operating capital & capital project levy reserves
 - Inclusionary playground upgrades at Liberty and Independence and a significant network project across the district
 - \$2,400,662 Other Assigned Fund Balance decrease
 - Roofs will be repaired from hail damage insurance claim in July 2023
 - \$105,755 decrease in Basic Skills reserves
 - Compensatory revenue and basic skills fund balance are funding former ESSER grant positions, such as social workers and counselors
- **Unassigned Fund Balance: \$7,942,258**
 - 19.3% of Unassigned expenditures
 - In compliance with fund balance policy

Food Service Fund

- Revenue: \$ 2,539,321
- Expenditures: \$ 2,704,248
- Deficit \$ 164,927

- Total Restricted Fund Balance: \$ 685,569

- 2nd year of universal free meals
- \$400,000 equipment investment
 - Freezers and coolers, convection ovens, combi ovens, kettle, lunchroom tables

Community Service Fund

- Revenue: \$ 3,100,400
- Expenditures: \$ 3,320,336
- Planned Deficit \$ 219,936

- Projected ending fund balance: \$ 830,157
- No ESSER funding in 2024-2025
- Review and possible restructuring of ECFE, School Readiness and Childcare programs
- Budget was reviewed by Community Education Advisory Council in May

Building Construction Fund

- Revenue: \$ 125,000
- Expenditures: \$ 5,675,000
- Construction Projects:
 - Continuation of November 2021 bond referendum projects
 - Liberty parking lot and media center renovations
 - Independence HVAC renovation and media center update

Other Funds

- Debt Service
 - District mortgage payments
 - Revenues = \$6,573,324
 - Expenditures = \$6,157,924
 - Fund Balance regulated by MDE - excess levy dollars returned to District taxpayers

Other Funds

- OPEB Irrevocable Trust Fund
 - Other Post Employment Benefits
 - Proceeds from 2009 OPEB bonds
 - 2009 bonds are paid
 - Revenues = \$ 60,000
 - Expenditures = \$ 42,286
 - Projected Ending Fund Balance: \$1,266,843
 - Available for future other post employment benefit liabilities

Factors bearing on the District's Future

Projected Ending Unassigned Fund Balance \$7,942,258

- Compensatory funding in fiscal year 2026 and beyond is expected to decline
 - Formula is changing to the number of free and reduced direct certifications only and paper applications will not be considered
- General education aid increases tied to inflation after fiscal year 2024-2025.
 - Minimum 2% Maximum 3%
- Special education cross subsidy aid will increase to 50% in fiscal year 2027
- Labor negotiations: Local 284 in fiscal year 2025; Big Lake Education Association in fiscal year 2026
- Existing school district operating levy has been renewed by the School Board
- Outcome of November 2024 election: biglakethrivingtogether.org

The General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance is in compliance with the District's fund balance policy and is adequate to satisfy bond rating agencies.



School Board Action

Approval of 2024-2025 District revenue and expenditure budgets

Total Revenue:	\$ 60,534,326
Total Expenditures:	<u>\$ 69,660,025</u>
Deficit	\$ (9,125,699)
Construction & Capital Project Deficits	<u>\$ 8,996,411</u>
Net District Deficit	\$ 129,288

