



## 2025-2026 Superintendent's Budget Recommendation

Dr. Whitney Oakley has presented her budget recommendation to the Guilford County Board of Education. The budget was developed based on our strategic direction focus areas and our goals of making GCS the best place to learn, work and play including the following:



**Accelerating Learning**



**Providing Innovative Choice Programs**



**Offering Great Neighborhood Schools**



**Supporting Students with Caring Teachers and Staff**



**Preparing Students for the World**

## 2025-2026 Budget Priorities



**Increase in Pay for Teachers and Frontline Workers**



**Continue School Safety Strategies**



**Support Non-Bond Maintenance Projects**

## Budget Highlights 2025-2026



**Mandatory Expense Increases**

Total Increase in Legally Required & Sustaining Operations Costs

**\$10.5 Million**



**Safety & Security Expense Increases**

Total Safety & Security

**\$3.6 Million**



**Compensation Expense Increases**

Total Compensation

**\$29.7 Million**

## Where does the money come from?



**\$495M**  
State Fund

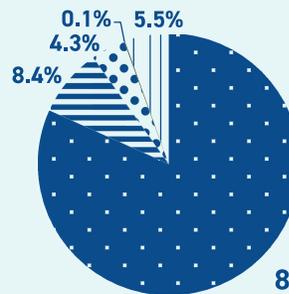


**\$318.3M**  
Local Fund



**\$54.5M**  
Federal Fund

## What does the operating budget pay for?



-  Salaries & Benefits \$709.4 Million
-  Purchased Services \$73.0 Million
-  Supplies & Materials \$37.2 Million
-  Equipment \$.5 Million
-  Transfers to Charter Schools \$47.5 Million

## What Happens Next?

**Opportunities for Feedback:** The Board of Education will hold a Public Hearing and the Board of County Commissioners is hosting three Budget Town Halls and Resource fairs to gather feedback on YOUR priorities for the upcoming Guilford County 2025-2026 budget.

**Townhall #1 & Resource Fair**  
March 31, 2025  
5:30PM-8 PM  
Claxton Elementary  
3720 Pinetop Road  
Greensboro

**Townhall #2 & Resource Fair**  
April 1, 2025  
5:30PM-8 PM  
Jamestown Elementary  
108 Potter Drive  
Jamestown

**Townhall #3 & Resource Fair**  
April 7, 2025  
5:30PM-8 PM  
Simkins Elementary  
3511 E. Lee Street  
Greensboro

**Board of Education Public Hearing**  
April 8, 2025

Board of Education will hold a public hearing and possible vote on the budget request

**Board of County Commissioners**  
June 5, 2025

public hearing