

Duquesne City School District
A Board Resolution by the Court-Appointed Receiver, acting as the Board
of School Directors, to optimize budget and finance operations for greater
efficiency and accountability, improved resources allocation,
and increased transparency.

Whereas, the Duquesne City School District aims to improve budget and finance processes by setting clear guidelines, promoting transparency, and using technology for online budget tracking, automated reporting, and vendor consolidation.

Whereas, alongside the Oracle system and our partnership with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit, the School District has a desire to build upon successes to date and to enhance engagement through the following goals:

Develop a streamlined process to enhance financial management efficiency and effectiveness.

Provide an enhanced timeline for budget development to ensure timely preparation and thorough review.

Create data-driven budgets using best practices and evidence to inform budget decisions rather than relying solely on historical trends.

Engage all relevant stakeholders, namely the Superintendent's Cabinet, to be involved in the budget process as responsible budget managers.

Develop an online system for tracking budget allocations, expenditures, and remaining funds will be implemented.

Provide regular financial reports to the school board and the public, ensuring transparency and accountability. Advanced technology will be used to automate the generation of these reports, saving time and resources.

Ensure budget documents and financial reports will be readily accessible to the public through the school district website.

Explore additional consolidation of purchasing through the Allegheny Intermediate Unit and with other school districts to obtain bulk discounts. Implement a comprehensive system for managing vendor contracts, payments, and performance. Ensure major purchases are made through competitive bidding to secure the best value.

Implement advanced financial software to improve operations, utilize online payment systems for transactions, and automate tasks such as invoice processing and expense reporting.

Train all staff involved in budgeting and finance to ensure they have the necessary skills. Also, set up a system for ongoing financial support and guidance.

Implement the process in stages to minimize disruption and ensure a smooth transition. Evaluate new processes or technologies in select areas before district-wide deployment. Continuously review and adjust streamlined processes for efficiency, cost-effectiveness, and fiscal responsibility.

Follow all Board policies, state regulations, and federal laws, applicable to federal standards, to meet public meeting requirements for the General Fund Budget adoption and the levy of local real estate taxes and Act 511 taxes.

Maintain financial fiscal responsibility through School District policy that follows the guidelines of the Pennsylvania Department of Education for meeting Medicaid requirements related to the Access program.

Verify and approve Child Accounting enrollment and invoices for payment to outside school districts according to the Public-School Code and continue facilitating the education of students through electronic notification and follow-up procedures.

Manage School District depository needs for the fluid cash requirements to maintain effective and efficient financial operations. The School District shall adhere to the Local Unit Government Debt Act and all Pennsylvania Public School Code regulations regarding debt service obligations and payments.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, the Duquesne City School District remains committed to delivering high-quality education while optimizing budget and finance processes, encouraging all stakeholders to support and collaborate in the effort for accountability, transparency, and fiscal responsibility.

HEREBY adopted this 13th day of May 2025.

ATTEST:

DUQUESNE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Board Secretary

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Court-Appointed Receiver, acting as the Board
of School Directors

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