

Notice of Hearing 2025-2026 Budget

The governing body of Unified School District 203 will meet on the 8th day of September, 2025 at 5:50 PM at 4410 N 107th Street, Kansas City, KS 66109 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied. Detailed budget information, including budget profile, building needs assessment, and Board state assessments review is available at the District Office, on the district website, and will be available at this hearing.

The Amount of 2025 Tax to be Levied and Expenditures (published below) establish the maximum limits of the 2025-2026 Budget. The 'Est. Tax Rate' (column 7), shown for comparative purposes, is subject to slight change depending on final assessed valuation.

	Code 99 Line	2023-2024 Actual		2024-2025 Actual		2025-2026 Proposed Budget		
		Actual Expenditures (1)	Actual Tax Rate* (2)	Actual Expenditures (3)	Actual Tax Rate* (4)	Budgeted Expenditures (5)	Amount of 2025 Tax to be Levied (6)	Est. Tax Rate* (7)
OPERATING								
General	06	21,698,333	20.000	24,660,558	20.000	25,439,612	6,762,542	20.000
Supplemental General (LOB)	08	7,007,701	13.770	8,045,050	14.905	8,471,708	5,320,007	13.998
SPECIAL REVENUE								
Federal Funds	07	750,013		329,116		266,573		
Adult Education	10	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Preschool-Aged At-Risk	11	37,777		212,046		235,994		
Adult Supplemental Education	12	0		0		0		
At-Risk Education Fund	13	1,973,468		2,530,222		2,426,045		
Bilingual Education	14	236,502		306,244		338,293		
Virtual Education	15	64,250		44,000		70,000		
Capital Outlay	16	3,421,478	8.000	3,163,430	8.000	3,856,399	3,040,454	8.000
Driver Training	18	0		0		0		
Declining Enrollment	19	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Extraordinary School Program	22	0		0		0		
Food Service	24	1,226,685		1,288,917		1,657,669		
Professional Development	26	69,551		97,500		100,000		
Parent Education Program	28	0		44,000		46,000		
Summer School	29	0		0		26,009		
Special Education	30	6,136,462		7,361,388		7,374,242		
Cost of Living	33	639,500	2.000	1,211,720	3.470	1,077,926	951,109	2.503
Career and Postsecondary Education	34	879,595		988,802		1,181,393		
Gifts and Grants	35	732,665		777,549		2,370,120		
Special Liability Expense Fund	42	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
School Retirement	44	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Extraordinary Growth Facilities	45	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Special Reserve Fund	47	0		0				
KPERS Special Retirement Contribution	51	2,547,450		2,523,858		3,233,693		
Contingency Reserve	53	0		0				
Textbook & Student Material Revolving	55	418,556		682,557				
Activity Fund	56	768,142		1,145,716				
DEBT SERVICE								
Bond and Interest #1	62	7,252,791	22.500	7,072,644	19.900	7,160,116	7,943,046	20.900
Bond and Interest #2	63	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
No-Fund Warrant	66	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Special Assessment	67	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Temporary Note	68	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
COOPERATIVES1								
Special Education	78	0		0		0		
TOTAL USD EXPENDITURES	100	55,860,919	66.270	62,485,317	66.275	65,331,792	24,017,158	65.401
Less: Transfers	105	9,403,199		12,432,547		11,652,857		
NET USD EXPENDITURES	110	46,457,720		50,052,770		53,678,935		
TOTAL USD TAXES LEVIED	115	20,698,640		22,255,738		24,017,158		

1. Sponsoring District Only

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OTHER								
Historical Museum	80	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Public Library Board	82	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Public Library Board Employee Benefits	83	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Recreation Commission	84	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Rec Comm Emp Benefits & Spec Liab	86	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
TOTAL OTHER	120	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED	125	\$20,698,640		\$22,255,738		\$24,017,158		
Assessed Valuation - General Fund	128	\$301,529,735		\$306,701,312		\$338,127,109		
Assessed Valuation - All Other Funds	130	\$324,748,461		\$348,367,474		\$380,056,728		
Assessed Valuation - Capital Outlay	129	\$317,007,321		\$348,367,474		\$380,056,728		
Outstanding Indebtedness, July 1								
		2023		2024		2025		
General Obligation Bonds	135	113,050,000		110,875,000		108,810,000		
Capital Outlay Bonds	140	0		0		0		
Temporary Note	145	0		0		0		
No-Fund Warrant	150	0		0		0		
Lease Purchase Principal	153	3,160,308		2,643,486		2,110,727		
TOTAL USD DEBT	155	116,210,308		113,518,486		110,920,727		

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Clerk of the Board