

Cluster Advisory

2025-2026 Meeting #2

Back To The Basics 2030

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AGENDA

Time	Agenda Item	Discussion Leads
4:15 pm	Meeting Opens	Sheletha
GENERAL SESSION		
4:30 pm	Welcome/Overview	Sheletha
4:35 pm	Our Responsibility is Shared • Increase access and engagement for families and communities around student data	Travis Erin
5:00 pm	Our System Is Efficient and Effective • ESPLOST 2022 Update	Adam
CAT Breakout Sessions		
5:15 pm	CAT Discussion Prompts • Discuss ESPLOST and provide feedback • Share and discuss school strategic plans	Cluster Advisory Teams
6:00 pm	Adjourn	Sheletha



Our Responsibility is Shared

Increase access and engagement for families and communities around student data

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EDUCATING & EMPOWERING ATLANTA'S STUDENTS TO SHAPE THE FUTURE



WE ARE ATLANTA'S
PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

BY 2030

- Literacy is a fundamental right that opens the door to lifelong learning.** By 2030, we will increase the percentage of 3rd grade students scoring proficient or above in ELA (GA Milestones) by 20 percentage points.
- Our students will thrive as critical-thinkers and problem-solvers.** By 2030, we will increase the percentage of 8th grade students scoring proficient or above in Math (GA Milestones) by 20 percentage points.
- Every APS student will graduate enrolled, enlisted, employed, or as an entrepreneur.** By 2030, we will increase the percentage of students meeting at least one CCRPI College and Career Readiness Indicator by 20 percentage points.

- Offer high-quality, universal PK3 and PK4
- Have a \$100,000 average teacher salary
- Implement Individual Success Plans for every student
- Establish community hubs in every cluster

A COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS GETTING BACK TO BASICS

Our Strength is Our Team

Atlanta's students will have effective and engaged teachers, leaders, and staff.

- Increase concentration of highly-effective teachers and leaders
- Prioritize engagement and retention for staff
- Grow and promote strong teachers, leaders, and staff

Our Responsibility is Shared

Atlanta's students will have supportive families, communities, and partners.

- Build meaningful partnerships
- Expand Atlanta Partners for Education (APE) impact
- Increase access and engagement for families and communities

Our System is Efficient & Effective

Atlanta's students will have the schools and resources they need to succeed.

- Maximize facility usage for the student and community good
- Leverage data to drive strategic financial investments
- Implement sustainability initiatives

We Are Strengthening Our Instructional Core

Atlanta's students will have high-quality instruction, materials, and targeted support.

- Implement high-quality, relevant, and engaging instructional materials and professional learning in all core content areas
- Target resources towards subgroups (e.g. exceptional education, economically-disadvantaged)
- Accelerate early learning

We Are Caring For Every Child

Atlanta's students will have trusted, supportive adults meeting their unique needs.

- Expand strategies that reduce chronic absenteeism and disproportionate discipline
- Implement systematic culture and climate strategies
- Increase student access to trusted and reliable adults (e.g. mentors, coaches, counselors)

We Are Sparking Student Curiosity

Atlanta's students will have access to explore and expand their passions and interests.

- Promote robust arts, athletics, world language, and enrichment offerings
- Expand access to high-interest and workforce-ready offerings (e.g. career programs and pathways, advanced coursework)
- Explore specialized and innovative school models (e.g. School of the Arts)

VIEW THE COMPLETE STRATEGIC PLAN: WWW.ATLANTAPUBLICSCHOOLS.US/EVERYCHILD

Implement Individual Success Plans for every student

What are Individual (or Student) Success Plans?

Dynamic plans and processes for meeting all students where they are and preparing them for promising futures.

Why are Individual (or Student) Success Plans important?

These plans can serve as a tool that keeps parents and caregivers informed of student progress and the supports in place, enabling collaborative goal-setting and targeted actions to help each student achieve their academic and developmental goals.

1

Data Snapshot

My Foundation

What am I doing so far?

2

Resources

My Toolkit

What can will help me grow?

3

Plan & Goals

My Future

What do I want to achieve?



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Student Data Access

The **Student Data Profile** is a snapshot of a student's academic, attendance, and behavior information

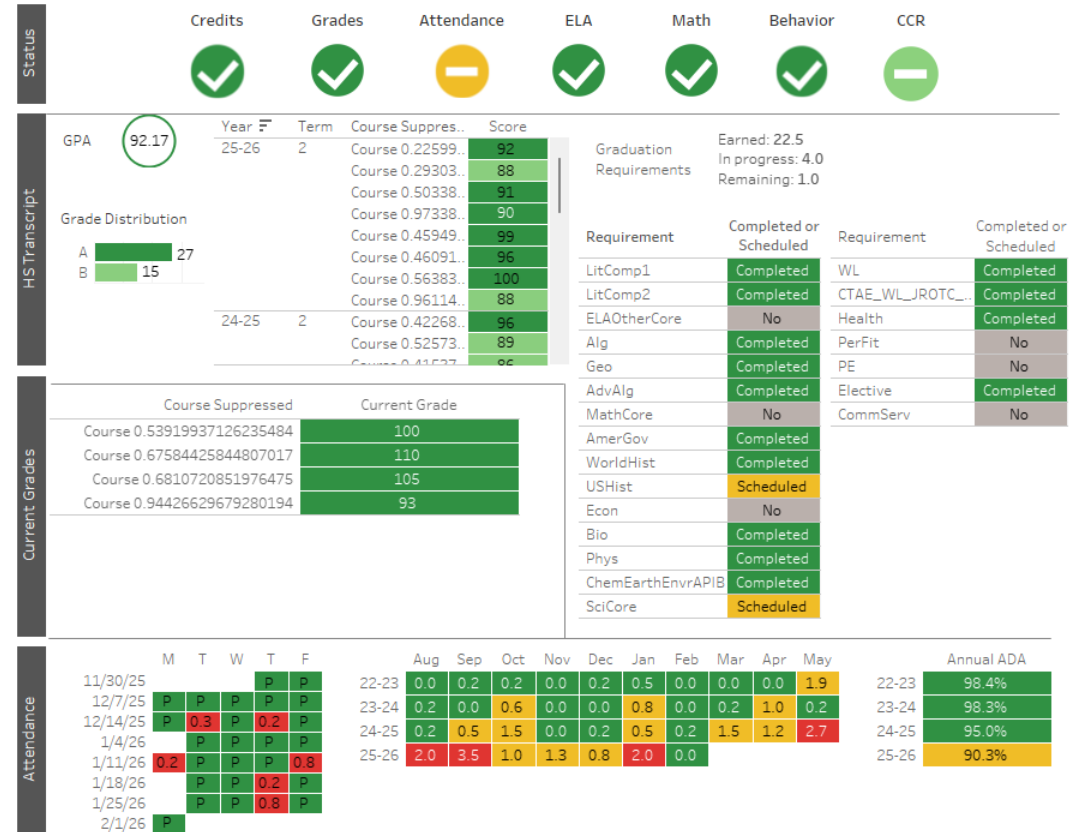
School staff have had access to this tool in the past, but now students in grades 9-12 can access it directly

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ID: 999999
Grade: 11

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SWD: No
LEP: No
Age: XXy, 0m

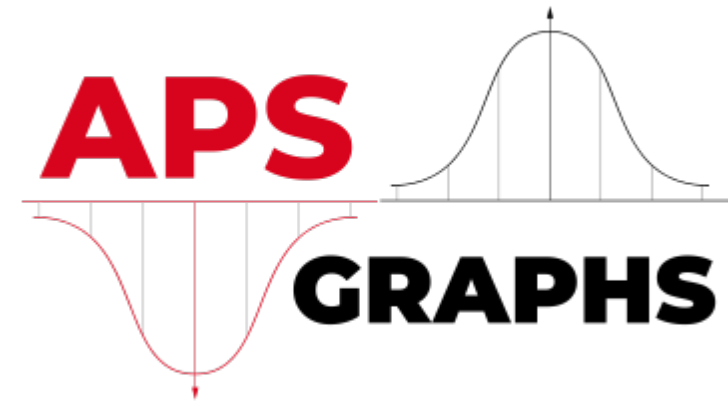


Student Data Access

Student access via
<https://www.apsgraphs.com>

Students log in with their APS
username and password

Navigate to Student Data Profile
Student



Our System is Efficient and Effective

Leverage data to drive strategic financial investments - ESPLOST 2022 Update

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→ E-SPLOST

An E-SPLOST is a Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) for education. It is a **one-cent sales tax** on all retail purchases. This means that everyone who makes a purchase in the school district county, including visitors, contributes to the support of local schools.

By law, an E-SPLOST can only be used for certain **capital projects, such as construction, renovation, furnishings, computers, and buses.**

November 2026

Voters will vote on
renewing E-SPLOST

Lasts for **5 years**

Exploring **Bond Option** to
begin more projects in
Year 1

**Facilities:
Construction &
Renovation**

**Facilities:
Infrastructure
Projects**

Athletics

Nutrition

Technology

**Safety &
Security**

Transportation

**Teaching &
Learning***

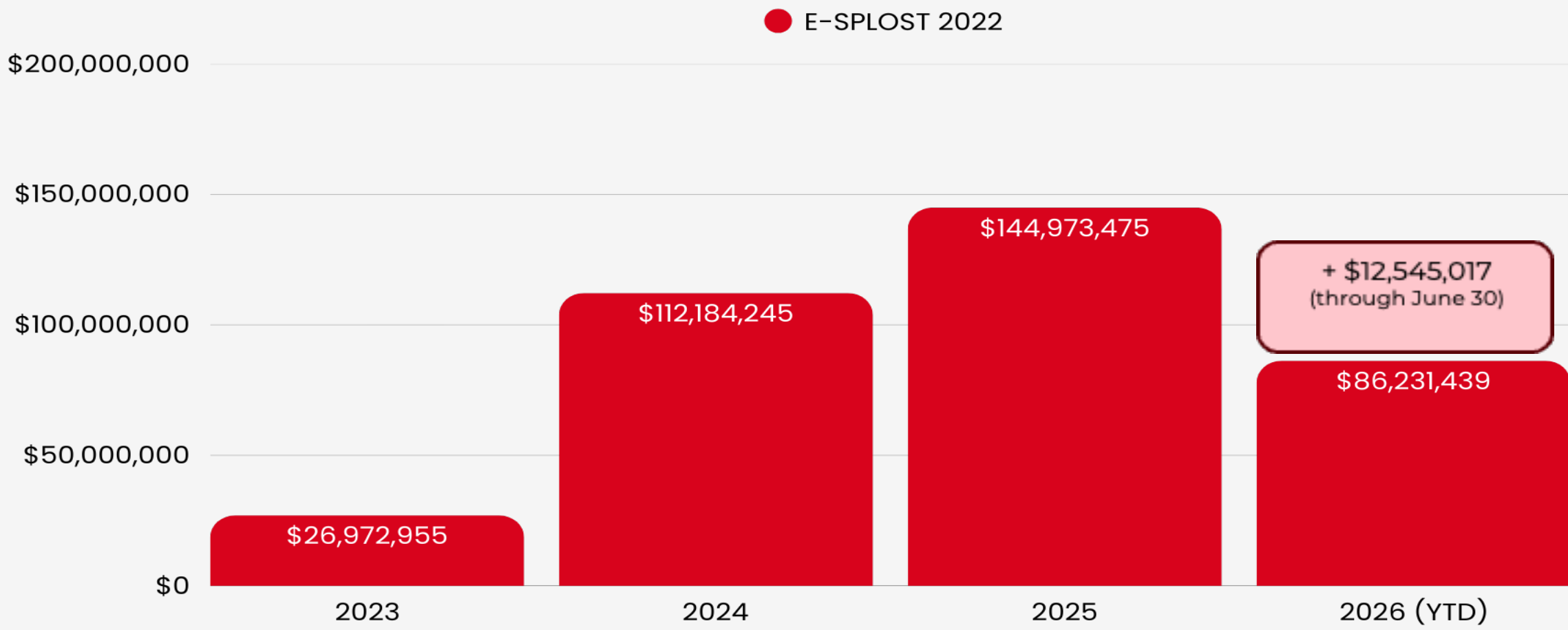


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→ Quick Review of E-SPLOST 2022

SPLOST 2022 Referendum approved for \$650.8 Million

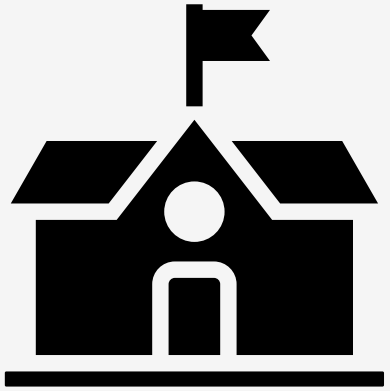
E-SPLOST 2022 EXPENDITURES



*E-SPLOST 22 expenditures will continue into FY27 and beyond.

→ E-SPLOST 2022 Major Projects

Data Snapshot



Building Renovations/ Additions

High School Field Houses

High School Bleachers

Security Vestibules

School HVAC, Roof, and other system upgrades

Student and Staff Devices

Buses and White Fleet Vehicles

[Reference](#)

→ Redistricting, Capital Planning, and the Road to E-SPLOST 2027

- **January - March 2026:** Recommendation development (APS staff/leadership)
- **February - May 2026:** Community Engagement (including Accelerate APS Series; Cluster Advisory; Teacher Advisory; Student Advisory)
- **March - April 2026:** Present E-SPLOST proposal to Board
- **April - October 2026:** Non-SPLOST dependent redistricting (for SY 2027-2028)
- **June 2026:** Board of Education adoption of E-SPLOST 2027 referendum and call for vote
- **July - October 2026:** Website of E-SPLOST 2027 information
- **November 3, 2026:** E-SPLOST 2027 vote on referendum
- **November and December 2026:** First and second reads of Non-SPLOST dependent redistricting
 - Begin redistricting based on 2027 SPLOST projects
- **July 1, 2027:** If E-SPLOST 2027 passes, collections start



→ For Conversation

- As we plan for E-SPLOST 2027, which ***capital improvement projects*** do you think have the greatest impact on our students (i.e. construction, renovation, infrastructure improvements, athletics, safety, security, technology, transportation, nutrition) **and** why?
- Out of the following **6 E-SPLOST Program Areas**, prioritize your top three areas:
 - A. Facilities: Infrastructure
 - B. Technology
 - C. Transportation
 - D. Safety and Security
 - E. Athletics
 - F. Nutrition
- Looking ahead to 2032 (which would be the final year of SPLOST 27), what are **1 to 2** ***physical changes/capital projects*** that would make you feel E-SPLOST was a success?

Cluster Breakout Sessions

ESPLOST Conversation + School Strategic Plans

Cluster Advisory Team Chairs

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CLUSTER BREAKOUT SESSION

PROMPTS

- **ESPLOST:** Discuss and provide feedback.
- **Strategic Plans:** Share and discuss for cross-collaboration.

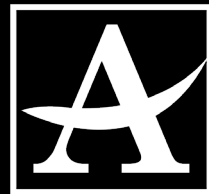
NORMS

- One (1) room per cluster; 10 Rooms
- Secretary *(or other volunteer)* record the discussion* *(co-host privileges required)*
- Secretary *(or other volunteer)* complete the Meeting Notes form
- Can return to the main room to ask questions
- Leave the meeting at the end of the discussion

*Upload recording to designated GoogleDrive folder: http://tinyAPS.com/?2526CAT1_Recordings.



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