



Canal Winchester

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UNDERSTANDING

School Finances

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Project Timeline



06/2024

Master Planning Initiated



12/2024

Approved Lease Financing



02/2025

Approved A/E and CMR



07/2025

State Budget Released

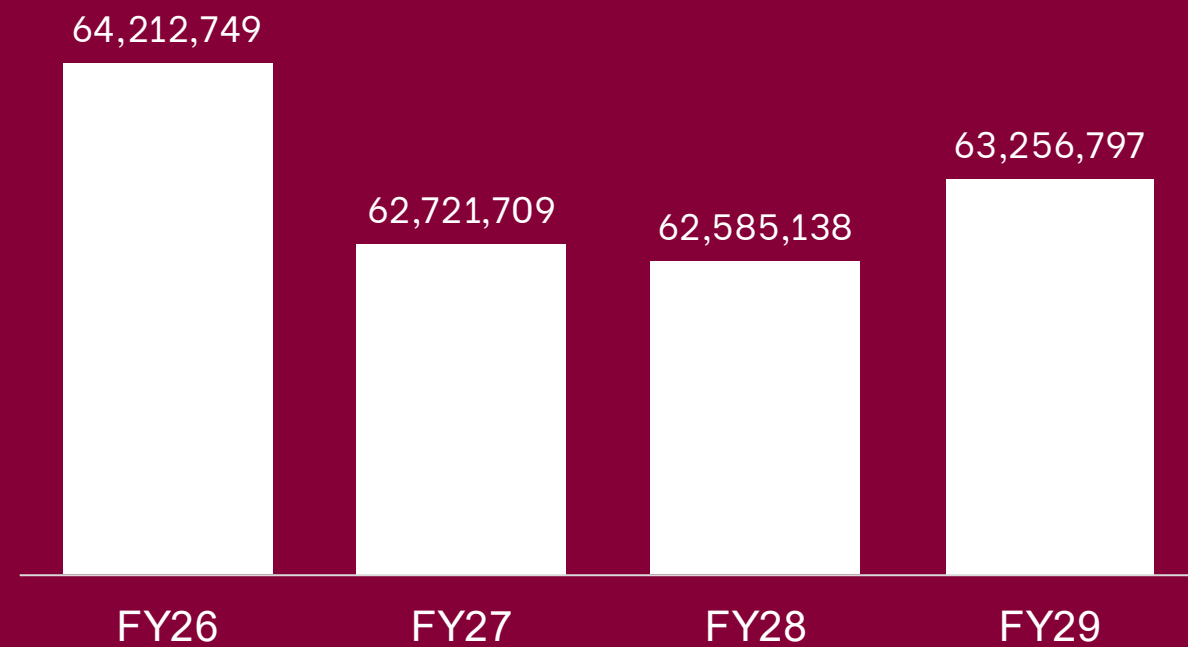


12/2025

Property Tax Reform Bills Passed



Operational Revenue



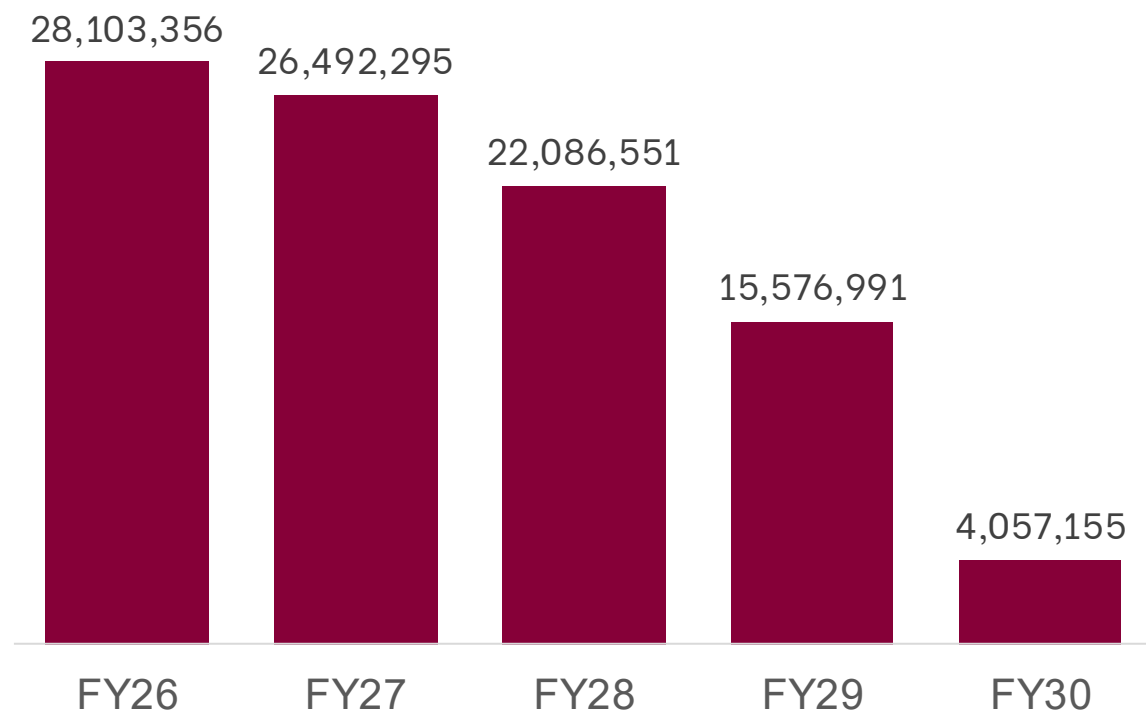
Understanding Your Daily Income Needs

Just like your household income covers daily expenses, operational revenue funds essential costs such as salaries, utilities, and classroom supplies to support our students effectively.



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Cash Reserves Explained



Understanding Our Savings for Future Needs

Think of cash reserves as the district's savings account, similar to a household emergency fund or long-term saving like 401(k) or 403(b). These reserves provide financial stability and allow the district to continue operating effectively even when revenue from the state or local sources changes unexpectedly.

Healthy cash reserves allow the district to make thoughtful, proactive financial decisions instead of reactive ones. They also provide flexibility to plan for long-term investments while maintaining a balanced operational budget.

In some cases, reserves may support long-term investments that benefit students and the community for decades, such as facility improvements.



Recent Budget Changes

Navigating Financial Challenges Together

Recent state budget changes and property tax reform are similar to a household experiencing reduced income. When income decreases, families must adjust their spending to maintain financial stability while continuing to plan responsibly for the future.

In the same way, the district must carefully manage operational expenses while continuing to invest in long-term facility needs that support students for decades.

**\$17.5 Million
Impact**



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Capital Projects

Investing in Our Future Upgrades

The Performing Arts Center and athletic facility upgrades are long-term facility investments that benefit students and the community for decades.

Similar to a household financing a major home improvement, these projects are planned and financed over time while the district continues to responsibly manage its annual operating budget.

Responsible planning ensures the district can maintain strong educational programs while improving critical facilities.



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**"Cash reserves give us time to
make good decisions but they
cannot replace a balanced
budget."**