

Madison Public Schools

2026-2027 Board of Education Approved Budget



April 7, 2026



2026-2027 *BOE Budget Presentation*

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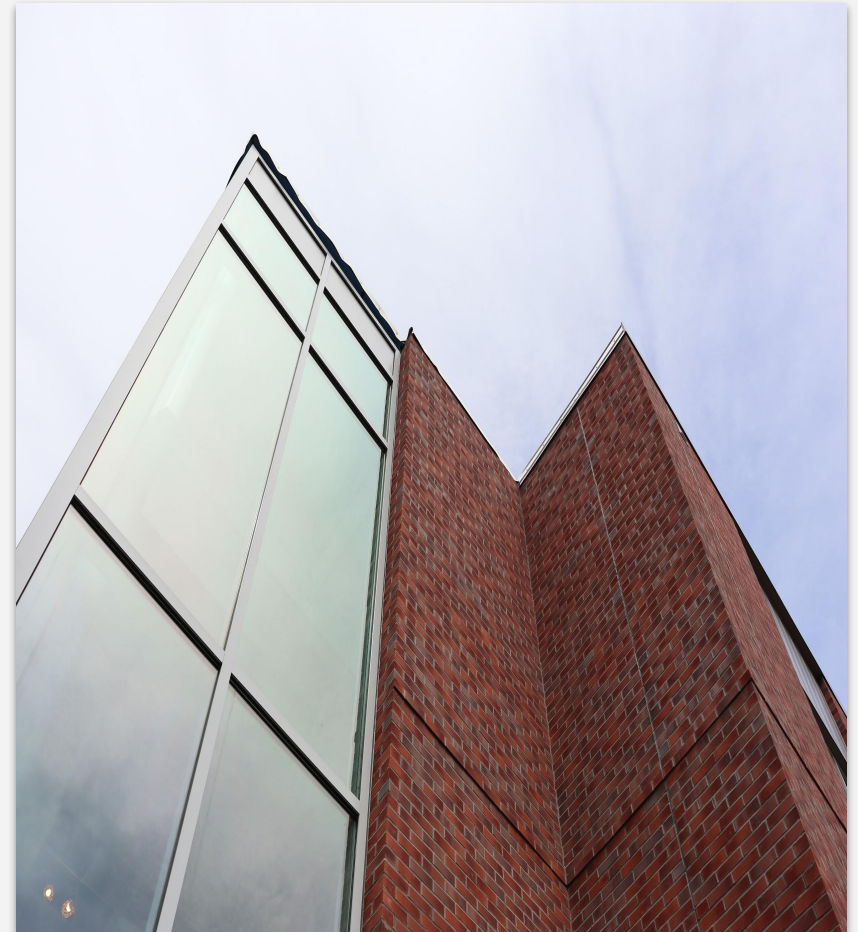
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Recent *achievements*

2025 CT SAT Day Results



Average score in ELA jumped 6 points and the Mathematics score jumped 8 points

Polson Pride



#1 ELA results in DRG B
#1 Math results in DRG B
#1 NGSS results in DRG B

District Reconfiguration



3 Months
100+ Staff
1,500 moving hours
5,000+ Boxes

2025 SBA Grades 3-8



#4 in the State in ELA
#5 in the State in Math

Athletics



6 CIAC 2025 Championships
2 SCC 2025 Championships

DHHS Accreditation



DHHS recieved continuing accreditation from NEASC in Spring 2025.

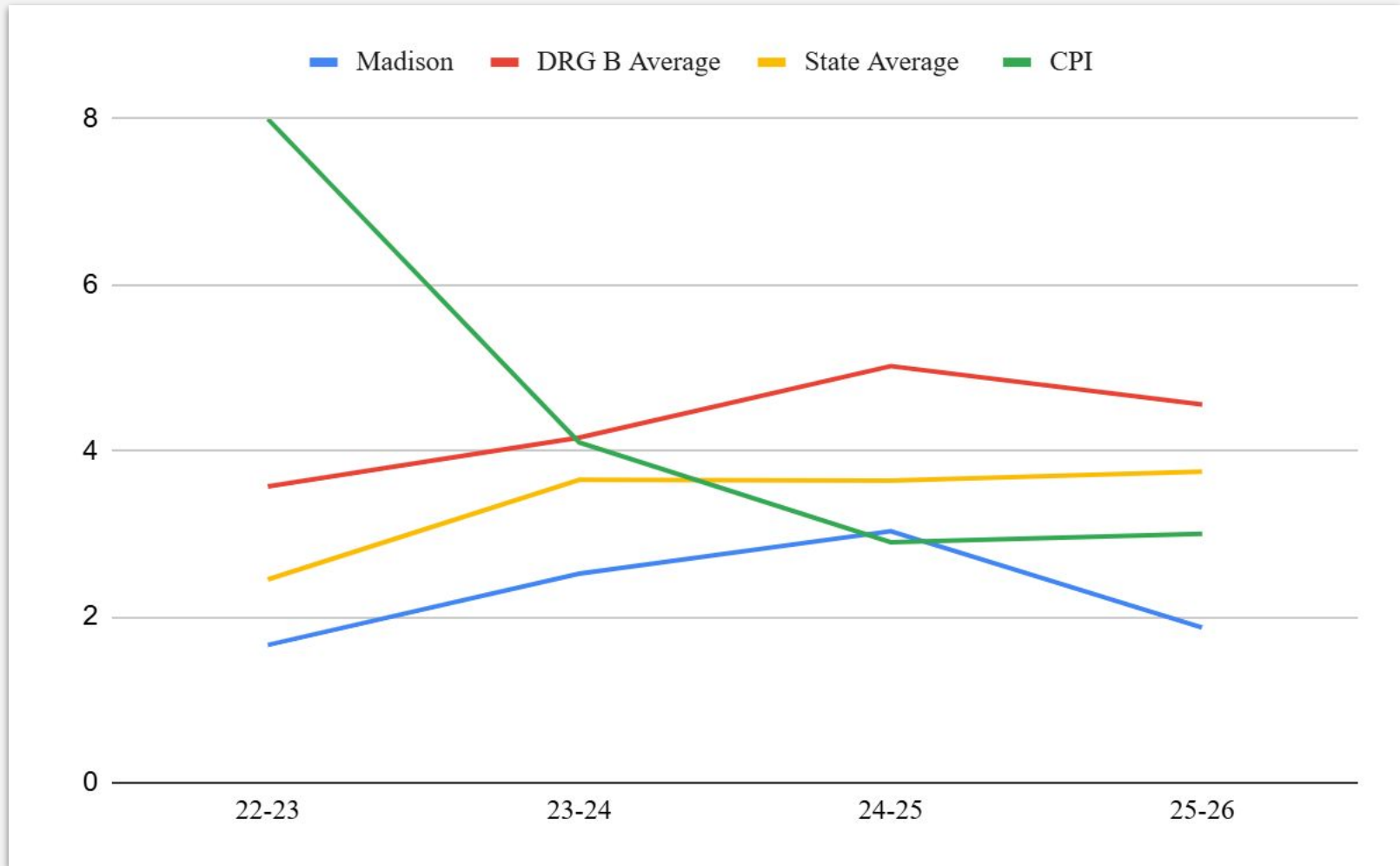
Madison Public Schools BOE 2026-2027 Budget

**Madison Public Schools
Board of Finance Recommended
2026-2027**

Madison Public Schools Board of Finance Recommended 2026-2027							
		2025-2026 Approved		2026-2027 Recommended	Change from prior year budget	% Change	% of total increase
General Education	\$	36,801,671	\$	37,889,598	\$ 1,087,927	2.96%	1.68%
Special Education / Student Services	\$	12,543,958	\$	12,823,770	\$ 279,812	2.23%	0.43%
School Facilities / Daily Services	\$	5,742,857	\$	5,837,609	\$ 94,752	1.65%	0.15%
Planned and Cycled Maintenance	\$	489,500	\$	489,500	\$ -	0.00%	0.00%
Health Insurance / Self Funding	\$	9,259,686	\$	10,449,317	\$ 1,189,631	12.85%	1.83%
Total Comprehensive BOE Budget		\$64,837,672		\$67,489,794	\$2,652,122	4.09%	4.09%

The recommended budget includes a \$100,000 reduction from the Board of Finance.

Annual Budget Comparison



Madison's annual budget increases consistently falls below the State, DRG B, and CPI average.

Data Source: CASBO, Self-reported

Annual Budget Comparison

2025-2026

\$64,837,672 – a 1.87% increase in funding

The Budget included:

- the last year of DHHS debt savings
- Reduction of ½ year operating & maintenance costs – taking 3 buildings offline
- staffing reductions
- a decrease in health insurance costs

This budget reflected the bulk of the savings of moving from 6 buildings to 4.

2026-2027

\$67,489,794 – a 4.09% increase in funding

The Budget includes:

- no debt savings
- regular operating costs
- staffing reductions
- a significant increase in health insurance costs
- Reduction of energy costs for ½ year of 3 buildings
- Reduction of maintenance for 3 buildings, addition of 1 building
- Polson utility increases
- a \$100k reduction from the BOF

OPERATING BUDGET

Personnel and Benefits (other than Health Insurance)

Major Contributing Factors:

Contractual Increases	\$1,426,479
Reductions in Force	(\$234,087)
Net Addition of 1 Certified FTE	\$69,500

+NRES Grade 5 teacher (2)

+NRES Grade 2 teacher

- BES PreK teacher

- BES Grade 2 teacher

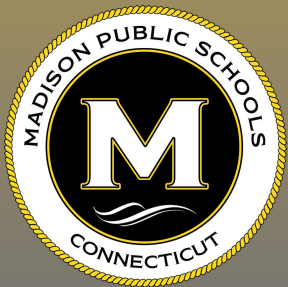


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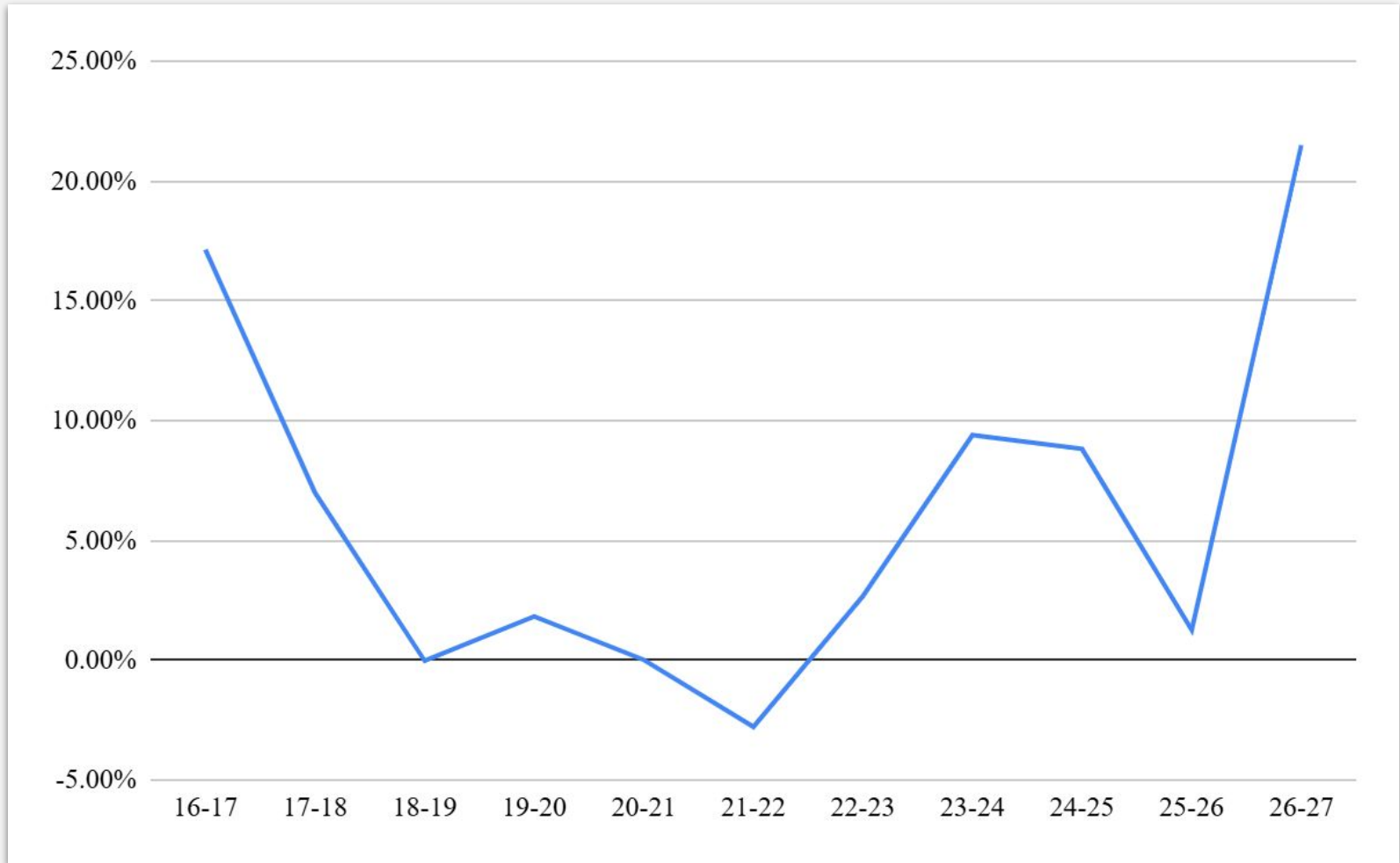
Health Insurance

Major Contributing Factors:

Health Insurance <i>(21.5% increase from prior year)</i>	\$1,989,631
Reserve Fund Usage	(\$800,000)



Health Insurance Annual Increases



2016-2017 to 2026-2027

OPERATING BUDGET

Special Education (excluding personnel)

Major Contributing Factors:

Public and Private Placements (including transportation)	\$261,523
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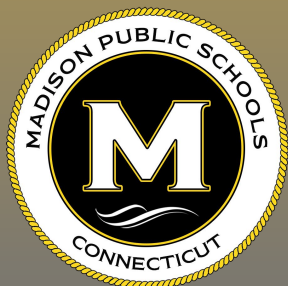


OPERATING BUDGET

Facilities (Excluding Personnel)

Contributing Factors (Account Adjustments):

R&M/Utilities Reduction (TCLC, KHR, JES)	(\$30,540)
Utilities, Neck River	(\$6,440)
Utilities, remaining (3% electric, 5% gas)	\$28,256
Polson Utilities (20% increase)	\$35,010



OPERATING BUDGET

Other Items

Major Contributing Factors:

Transportation (including contractual 4%)	\$90,260
Right To Read Act	(\$109,000)
Athletics	\$36,666





Deferred Requests

NEXT STEPS

Pay to Participate	\$149,375
Music Department Requests	\$150,000
Furniture requests	\$31,000
Two elementary teachers	\$139,000

Total: \$469,375

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DRG B BOE Approved Budget Increase Comparison

South Windsor:	8.16%	Monroe:	4.82%
Cheshire:	7.54%	Newtown:	4.73%
Avon:	6.79%	Farmington:	4.35%
Trumbull:	6.65%	New Fairfield:	4.44%
Guilford:	6.25%	Madison:	4.09%
Fairfield:	5.54%	Greenwich:	3.13%
Region 15:	5.48%	Simsbury:	2.79%
Glastonbury:	5.31%	Orange:	2.08%
Woodbridge:	5.24%	Amity Region 5:	1.54%
Brookfield:	4.86%		

List excludes West Hartford – Data not yet available.

MPS Budget History

Year	Percent Increase
2021 - 2022	1.23%
2022 - 2023	1.66%
2023 - 2024	2.52%
2024 - 2025	3.03%
2025 - 2026	1.87%
2026 - 2027	4.09% *

**Recommended to the BOF.*

6 - Year Average: 2.40%

Questions

