

Emmett School District #221

Superintendent Report & Funding Overview

March 9, 2026 – Craig Woods

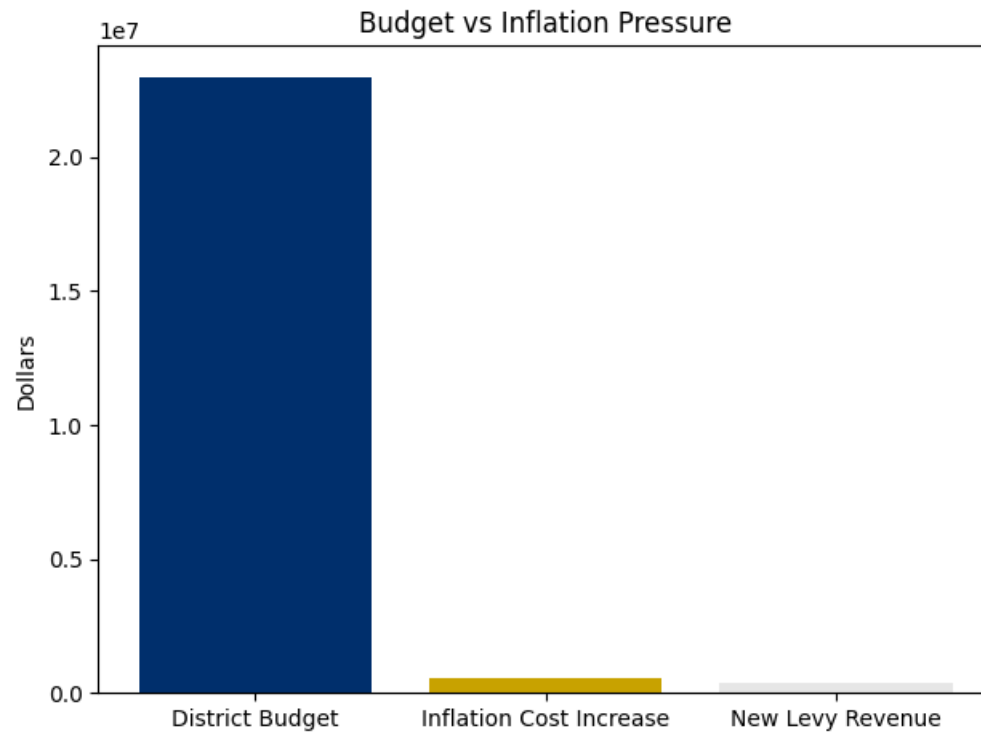
District Highlights

- Principal for a Day welcomed community leaders into our schools
 - We had 1 patron at each school. We will be working on ways to grow this event
- Visitors observed classrooms and met students and staff
- The spring sports season has begun
 - Track, baseball, softball, tennis, and golf are now underway
- Student activities continue to build teamwork and school pride
 - Shadow Butte Spring Dance and Art Auction on April 17th
 - Prom on April 18th

Idaho Legislative Update

- Current legislative proposal keeps school funding at FY26 levels
 - No increases proposed for classified or administrative salaries
 - Final budget still awaiting the Governor's signature
 - Flat funding does not account for inflation, approximately 2.4%
- Districts must still absorb rising operational costs
- Changes to the Idaho Digital Learning Academy are still being debated in committee
- Trustee Jones can report on some of the other positive and concerning legislation still being considered this session

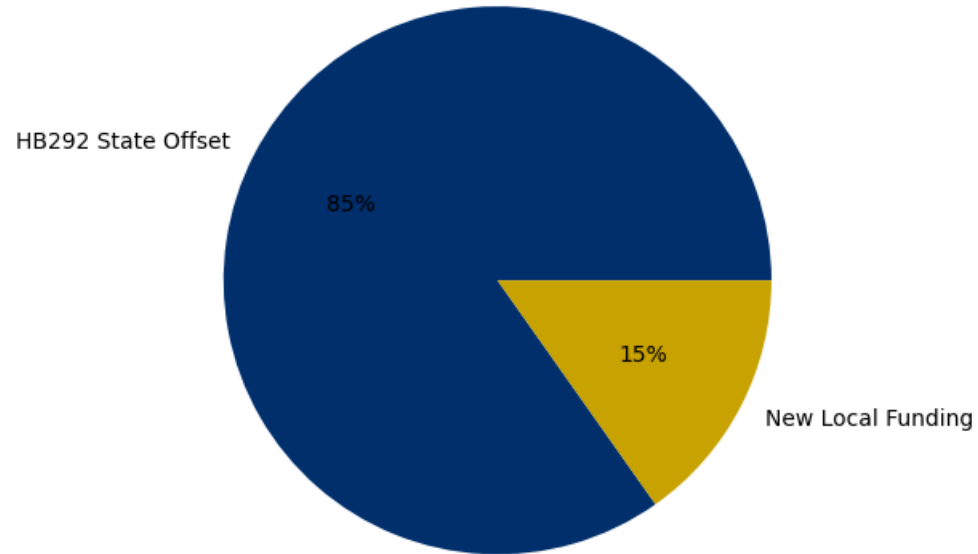
Budget Pressure from Inflation



A 2.4% inflation rate on a \$23M budget equals roughly \$550K in additional operating costs.

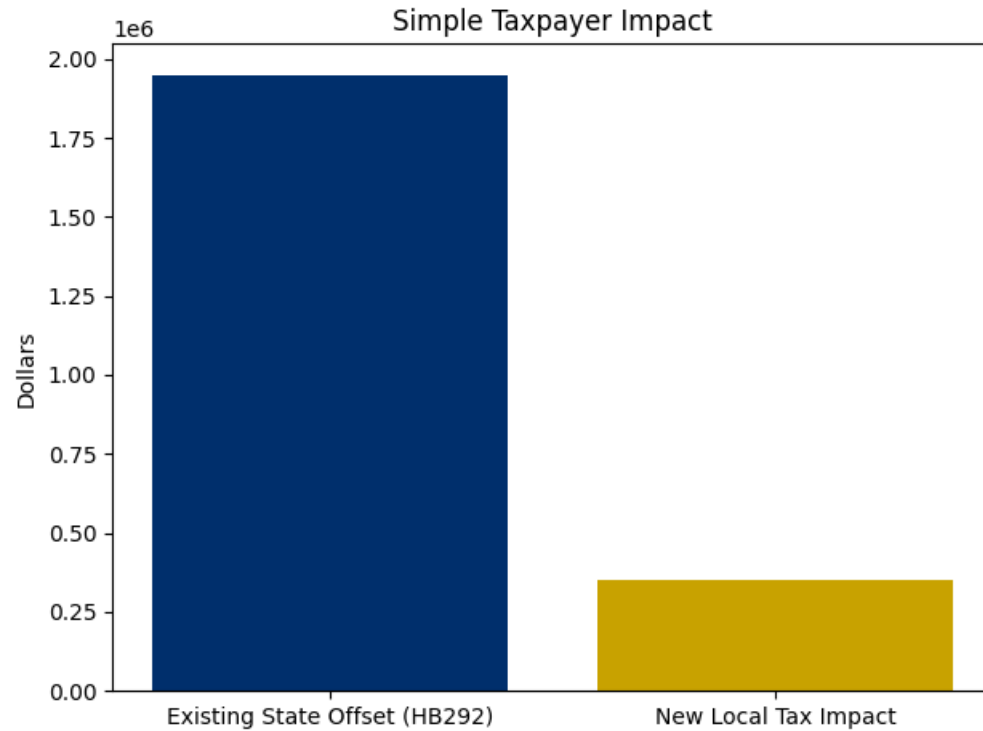
Understanding the Proposed Levy

Where the \$2.3M Levy Comes From



Most levy funds are already provided through HB292 tax relief.
Approximately 350K is new local funding.

Simple Taxpayer Impact



Of the \$2.3M levy, about \$1.95M already exists through state HB292 property tax relief.
Approximately \$350K represents new local tax revenue.

Why the Levy Matters

- Levy funds must be spent as presented in the ballot and resolution
- Utilities and building operations
- Continue with projects identified in our 10 Year Maintenance plan, as well as routine facility upkeep
- Offset inflation pressures
- Goal: Maintain strong schools without reducing student services

Moving Forward

- Emmett School District remains financially responsible and stable
- Staffing adjustments continue to follow enrollment projections
- Our goal: maintain strong schools while responsibly managing costs.