

**WALL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Tuesday, March 17, 2026**

ADOPTION OF THE 2026-2027 TENTATIVE BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Wall Township Board of Education has prepared a Tentative Budget for the 2026-27 School Year for submission to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends approval to adopt the 2026-2027 Tentative Budget;

WHEREAS, the Wall Township Board of Education recognizes school staff and Board members will incur travel expenses related to and within the scope of their current responsibilities and for travel that promotes the delivery of instruction or furthers the efficient operation of the school district; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3 et seq. requires Board members to receive approval of these expenses by a majority of the full voting membership of the Board and staff members to receive prior approval of these expenses by the Superintendent of Schools and a majority of the full voting membership of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Wall Township Board of Education established \$69,575 as the maximum travel amount for the current School Year and has expended \$34,361 as of this date; now

BE IT RESOLVED that the Tentative Budget be approved for the 2026-2027 School Year using the 2026-2027 state aid figures and that the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary be authorized to submit the following Tentative Budget to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval in accordance with the statutory deadline:

	General Fund	Special Revenue	Debt Service	TOTAL
2026-2027 Total Expenditures	\$ 95,600,000	\$1,163,000	\$ 4,292,650	\$ 101,055,650
Less: Anticipated Revenues	\$ 12,819,834	\$1,163,000	\$ 1,292,748	\$ 15,275,582
Taxes to be Raised	\$ 82,780,166	- 0 -	\$ 2,999,902	\$ 85,780,068

And to advertise said Tentative Budget or as approved by the State Department of Education on the District's website in accordance with the form required by the State Department of Education and according to law; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Wall Township Board of Education includes in the final budget the adjustment for increased costs of health benefits in the amount of \$2,384,900. The additional funds will be used to pay for the additional increases in health benefit premiums; and

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BE IT RESOLVED that as per N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-14.2(d) the general fund appropriations include a \$700,000 withdrawal from the Maintenance Reserve Account for use on required maintenance activities for a school facility as reported in the comprehensive maintenance plan pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26-20.5; and

BE IT RESOLVED that included in the general fund appropriations, budget line 620 is a withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Other Capital Projects in the amount of \$1,000,000 for other capital project costs of \$1,000,000, including Asphalt Paving at Multiple Schools, Wall High School Front & Athletic Entrance Improvements, District-wide BMS Upgrades, and School Signage at four Elementary Schools, which represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves travel and related expense reimbursements in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-7.3, to a maximum expenditure of \$69,600 for the 2026-2027 School Year; and

BE IT RESOLVED, THE Board of Education establishes, for regular district business travel only, an annual school year threshold of \$1,500 per staff member where prior Board approval shall not be required unless this annual threshold for a staff member is exceeded in a given school year (July 1 through June 30); and

BE IT RESOLVED that the 2026-27 Budget proposes programs and services in addition to the New Jersey Students Learning Standards adopted by the State Board of Education. Information on this Budget and the programs and services it provides is available from your local school district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a public hearing be held at the Wall High School, Wall, New Jersey on April 28, 2026, at 7:00 PM for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the 2026-27 School Budget.

Agenda Item Details

Meeting	Mar 17, 2026 - Business Meeting of the Wall Township Public School District Board of Education - Wall High School Cafeteria
Category	15. Board of Education Report
Subject	A. Adoption of the Tentative Budget for the 2026-2027 School Year
Access	Public
Type	Action (Consent)
Recommended Action	Approval of the Adoption of the Tentative Budget for the 2026-2027 School Year

Public Content

WTPS 2026-2027 Tentative Budget Resolution for March 17 2026.pdf (105 KB)

Administrative Content

Executive Content

Motion & Voting

Approval of Consent Agenda. Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education approves all Consent Agenda with item Type - "Action (Consent)" as noted in all Sections of this Agenda as appropriate, and Be it Further Resolved, that the Board of Education authorize the administration to execute all necessary documents.

Motion by Kenneth Wondrack, second by Kathryn Lawlor.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Samantha Adams, Mairin Barbieri, Leah Bibby, Thomas Buffa, Kathryn Lawlor, Cody Smith, Kenneth Wondrack, James Maliff

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND ACCURATE EXCERPT OF THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 17, 2026, MEETING OF THE WALL TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION.


