

Ocean - Tuckerton Boro

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of the Tuckerton Borough School District, in the County of Ocean, of the State of New Jersey, that a Public Hearing will be held in the Media Center/Library of the Tuckerton Borough Board of Education, 213 Marine St, Tuckerton NJ 08087, on the 27 of April 2026, at 6:10 PM, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the following budget for the 2026-2027 school year.

Advertised Enrollments

Enrollment Categories	October	October	October
	15, 2024	15, 2025	15, 2026 Estimated
Pupils On Roll Regular Full-Time	Actual 267	Actual 257	277
Pupils On Roll - Special Full-Time	39	48	48
Subtotal - Pupils On Roll	306	305	325
Private School Placements	0	1	0
Pupils Sent to Other Districts - Reg Prog	4	1	0
Pupils Sent to Other Dists - Spec Ed Prog	4	1	0
Pupils Received	1	0	0

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Advertised Revenues

Budget Category	Account	2024-25 Actual	2025-26 Revised	2026-27 Proposed
Operating Budget:				
Revenues from Local Sources:				
Local Tax Levy-Base Budget	10-1210	3,711,130	3,916,879	4,102,405
Total Tax Levy	10-121x	3,711,130	3,916,879	4,102,405
Unrestricted Miscellaneous Revenues	10-1XXX	93,570	0	70,500
Total Revenues from Local Sources		3,804,700	3,916,879	4,172,905
Revenues from State Sources:				
School Choice Aid	10-3116	567,680	663,048	698,000
Categorical Transportation Aid	10-3121	35,403	9,704	68,293
Extraordinary Aid	10-3131	26,872	0	25,000
Categorical Special Education Aid	10-3132	207,010	345,728	341,081
Equalization Aid	10-3176	966,357	764,866	802,533
Categorical Security Aid	10-3177	51,045	101,723	83,435
Other State Aids	10-3XXX	122,766	0	0
Total Revenues from State Sources		1,977,133	1,885,069	2,018,342
Budgeted Fund Balance-Operating Budget	10-303	0	172,147	22,281
Withdrawal from Maintenance Reserve	10-310	0	0	105,819
Adjustment for Prior Year Encumbrances		0	11,437	0
Actual Revenues (Over)/Under Expenditures		119,502	0	0
Total Operating Budget		5,901,335	5,985,532	6,319,347
Grants and Entitlements:				
Student Activity Fund Revenue	20-1760	8,348	0	0
Other Revenue from Local Sources	20-1XXX	616	0	0
Total Revenues from Local Sources	20-1XXX	8,964	0	0
Revenues from State Sources:				
Preschool Education Aid-Prior Year Carryover	20-3218	189,766	189,766	274,449
Preschool Education Aid	20-3218	525,427	812,263	874,260
Total Revenues from State Sources		715,193	1,002,029	1,148,709
Revenues from Federal Sources:				
Title I	20-4411-4416	51,217	51,988	38,991
Title II	20-4451-4455	2,190	4,548	3,411
Title IV	20-4471-4474	1,869	6,000	4,500
IDEA Part B (Handicapped)	20-4420-4429	53,837	46,760	35,070
Total Revenues from Federal Sources		109,113	109,296	81,972
Transfers from Operating Budget-Pre-Kindergarten	20-5200	105,644	0	0
Transfers from Operating Budget-Pre-Kindergarten (Special Education)	20-5200	0	78,155	97,140
Actual Revenues (Over)/Under Expenditures-Student Activity Fund		-1,792	0	0
Total Grants and Entitlements		937,122	1,189,480	1,327,821
Repayment of Debt:				
Revenues from Local Sources:				
Local Tax Levy	40-1210	281,335	147,075	147,026
Total Revenues from Local Sources		281,335	147,075	147,026
Revenues from State Sources:				
Debt Service Aid Type II	40-3160	85,802	85,831	85,802
Budgeted Fund Balance	40-303	0	0	17,922
Total Local Repayment of Debt		367,137	232,906	250,750
Actual Revenues (Over)/Under Expenditures		8,929	0	0
Total Repayment of Debt		376,066	232,906	250,750
Total Revenues/Sources		7,214,523	7,407,918	7,897,918
Deduct Transfer-Transfers from Operating Budget-Pre-Kindergarten	20-5200	105,644	0	0
Deduct Transfer-Transfers from Operating Budget-Pre-Kindergarten (Special Education)	20-5200	0	78,155	97,140
Total Revenues/Sources Net of Transfers		7,108,879	7,329,763	7,800,778

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Advertised Appropriations

Budget Category	Account	2024-25 Actual	2025-26 Revised	2026-27 Proposed
<b>General Current Expense:</b>				
<b>Instruction:</b>				
Regular Programs-Instruction	11-1XX-100-XXX	1,602,345	1,564,305	1,617,989
Special Education-Instruction	11-2XX-100-XXX	705,788	695,838	931,723
Basic Skills/Remedial-Instruction	11-230-100-XXX	299,639	209,865	164,000
Bilingual Education-Instruction	11-240-100-XXX	24,351	33,906	35,444
School-Sponsored Cocurricular or Extracurricular Activities-Instruction	11-401-100-XXX	32,014	10,500	10,500
Summer School	11-422-XXX-XXX	28,937	44,404	46,847
<b>Support Services:</b>				
Undistributed Expenditures-Instruction (Tuition)	11-000-100-XXX	85,054	111,025	65,000
Undistributed Expenditures-Health Services	11-000-213-XXX	56,145	13,303	12,559
Undistributed Expenditures-Speech, OT, PT and Related Services	11-000-216-XXX	163,623	193,597	172,087
Undistributed Expenditures-Guidance	11-000-218-XXX	74,991	78,082	82,412
Undistributed Expenditures-Child Study Teams	11-000-219-XXX	148,638	113,614	144,563
Undistributed Expenditures-Improvement of Instruction Services	11-000-221-XXX	111,735	52,981	117,372
Undistributed Expenditures-Education Media Services/Library	11-000-222-XXX	175,118	184,417	203,704
Undistributed Expenditures-Instructional Staff Training Services	11-000-223-XXX	5,183	0	0
Undistributed Expenditures-Support Services-General Administration	11-000-230-XXX	128,456	144,808	162,845
Undistributed Expenditures-Support Services-School Administration	11-000-240-XXX	105,065	69,526	105,588
Undistributed Expenditures-Central Services	11-000-251-XXX	67,404	89,126	52,405
Undistributed Expenditures-Operation and Maintenance of Plant Services	11-000-26X-XXX	595,733	677,918	652,986
Undistributed Expenditures-Student Transportation Services	11-000-270-XXX	231,378	224,296	137,224
Personal Services-Employee Benefits	11-XXX-XXX-2XX	1,195,240	1,455,050	1,585,128
<b>Total Undistributed Expenditures</b>		<b>3,143,763</b>	<b>3,407,743</b>	<b>3,493,873</b>
<b>Total General Current Expense</b>		<b>5,836,837</b>	<b>5,966,561</b>	<b>6,300,376</b>
<b>Capital Expenditures:</b>				
Equipment	12-XXX-XXX-730	35,182	0	0
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	12-000-400-XXX	29,316	18,971	18,971
<b>Total Capital Outlay</b>		<b>64,498</b>	<b>18,971</b>	<b>18,971</b>
<b>General Fund Grand Total</b>		<b>5,901,335</b>	<b>5,985,532</b>	<b>6,319,347</b>
<b>Special Grants and Entitlements:</b>				
Local Projects	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	616	0	0
Student Activity Fund	20-475-XXX-XXX	6,556	0	0
<b>Preschool Education Aid:</b>				
Preschool Education Aid Instruction	20-218-100-XXX	359,432	410,452	456,911
Support Services	20-218-200-XXX	461,405	614,732	719,163
Facility Acquisition and Construction Services	20-218-400-XXX	0	55,000	69,775
<b>Total Preschool Education Aid</b>	<b>20-218-XXX-XXX</b>	<b>820,837</b>	<b>1,080,184</b>	<b>1,245,849</b>
<b>Total State Projects</b>	<b>20-XXX-XXX-XXX</b>	<b>820,837</b>	<b>1,080,184</b>	<b>1,245,849</b>
<b>Federal Projects:</b>				
Title I	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	51,217	51,988	38,991
Title II	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	2,190	4,548	3,411
Title IV	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	1,869	6,000	4,500
IDEA Part B (Handicapped)	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	53,837	46,760	35,070
<b>Total Federal Projects</b>	<b>20-XXX-XXX-XXX</b>	<b>109,113</b>	<b>109,296</b>	<b>81,972</b>
<b>Total Special Revenue Funds</b>		<b>937,122</b>	<b>1,189,480</b>	<b>1,327,821</b>
<b>Repayment of Debt:</b>				
Total Regular Debt Service	40-701-510-XXX	376,066	232,906	232,828
Increase In Debt Service Reserve	40-608	0	0	17,922
<b>Total Debt Service Funds</b>		<b>376,066</b>	<b>232,906</b>	<b>250,750</b>
<b>Total Expenditures/Appropriations</b>		<b>7,214,523</b>	<b>7,407,918</b>	<b>7,897,918</b>
Deduct Transfer-Local Contribution-Transfer To Special Revenues-Regular	11-105-100-935	105,644	0	0
Deduct Transfer-Local Contribution-Transfer To Special Revenues-Inclusion	11-105-100-936	0	78,155	97,140
<b>Total Expenditures Net of Transfers</b>		<b>7,108,879</b>	<b>7,329,763</b>	<b>7,800,778</b>

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 Advertised Recapitulation of Balances

Budget Category	Audited Balance 06-30-2024	Audited Balance 06-30-2025	Estimated Balance 06-30-2026	Estimated Balance 06-30-2027
Unrestricted:				
(General Operating Budget)	315,130	337,411	272,281	250,000
(Repayment of Debt)	26,851	17,922	17,922	0
Restricted for Specific Purposes:				
(General Operating Budget)				
--Capital Reserve	1,101,559	1,101,559	1,101,559	1,101,559
--Adult Education Programs	0	0	0	0
--Maintenance Reserve	364,927	264,927	264,927	159,108
--Legal Reserve	107,017	107,017	0	0
--Unemployment Fund	51,039	34,369	34,369	34,369
--Tuition Reserve	0	0	0	0
--Current Expense Emergency Reserve	0	0	0	0
--Impact Aid Reserve for General Expenses (Sections 8002 and 8003)	0	0	0	0
--Impact Aid Reserve for Capital Expenses (Sections 8007 and 8008)	0	0	0	0
(Special Revenue Fund)				
--Student Activity Fund	7,554	9,346	9,346	9,346
--Scholarship Fund	0	0	0	0
(Repayment of Debt)				
--Restricted for Repayment of Debt	0	0	0	17,922

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Advertised Per Pupil Cost Calculations

Per Pupil Cost Calculations	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2025-26	2026-27
	Actual	Actual	Original	Revised	Proposed
	Costs	Costs	Budget	Budget	Budget
Total Budgetary Comparative Per Pupil Cost	\$19,733	\$19,894	\$20,341	\$21,558	\$22,079
Total Classroom Instruction	\$11,850	\$12,244	\$12,332	\$13,060	\$13,253
Classroom-Salaries and Benefits	\$11,552	\$11,734	\$11,876	\$12,577	\$12,633
Classroom-General Supplies and Textbooks	\$255	\$415	\$314	\$333	\$452
Classroom-Purchased Services	\$44	\$96	\$142	\$150	\$167
Total Support Services	\$3,865	\$4,161	\$4,231	\$4,480	\$5,010
Support Services-Salaries and Benefits	\$2,799	\$2,884	\$2,866	\$3,035	\$3,670
Total Administrative Costs	\$1,251	\$1,176	\$1,200	\$1,272	\$1,249
Administration Salaries and Benefits	\$965	\$860	\$943	\$999	\$949
Total Operations and Maintenance of Plant	\$2,524	\$2,154	\$2,417	\$2,576	\$2,398
Operations and Maintenance-Salaries and Benefits	\$1,187	\$1,010	\$1,160	\$1,228	\$1,386
Board Contribution to Food Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Extracurricular Costs	\$91	\$136	\$45	\$48	\$44
Total Equipment Costs	\$88	\$112	\$170	\$180	\$215
Legal Costs	\$108	\$115	\$80	\$84	\$89
Employee Benefits as a percentage of salaries*	32.64%	33.51%	40.34%	40.34%	38.97%

\*Does not include pension and social security paid by the State on-behalf of the district.

\*\* Federal and State funds in the blended resource school-based budgets.

The information presented in columns 1 through 3 as well as the related descriptions of the per pupil cost calculations are contained in the Taxpayers Guide to Education Spending and can be found on the Department of Education website: <http://www.nj.gov/education/guide/>. This publication is also available in the board office and public libraries. The same calculations were performed using the 2025-26 revised appropriations and the 2026-27 budgeted appropriations presented in this advertised budget. Total Budgetary Comparative Per Pupil Cost is defined as current expense exclusive of tuition expenditures, transportation, residential costs, and judgments against the school district. For all years it also includes the restricted entitlement aids. With the exception of Total Equipment Cost, each of the other per pupil cost calculations presented is a component of the total comparative per pupil cost, although all components are not shown.

The complete budget will be on file and open to examination at the school administration office  
213 Maine St, Tuckerton, Ocean County New Jersey between

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