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Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of the Saddle Brook School District, in the County of Bergen, of the State of New Jersey, that a Public Hearing will be held in the Auditorium of the Saddle Brook Middle/High School, 355 Mayhill Street, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663, on Monday, May 4, 2026 at 7:00 PM, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing on the following budget for the 2026-2027 school year.

Advertised Enrollments

Enrollment Categories	October 15, 2024 Actual	October 15, 2025 Actual	October 15, 2026 Estimated
Pupils On Roll Regular Full-Time	1,480	1,429	1,444
Pupils On Roll Regular Shared-Time	14	18	14
Pupils On Roll - Special Full-Time	353	350	354
Pupils On Roll - Special Shared-Time	4	4	8
Subtotal - Pupils On Roll	1,851	1,801	1,820
Private School Placements	29	26	24
Pupils Sent to Other Districts - Reg Prog	0	0	2
Pupils Sent to Other Dists - Spec Ed Prog	11	12	17
Pupils Received	3	2	2
Pupils in State Facilities	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	37,563,142	39,293,401	42,075,430
Total Tax Levy	10-121x	37,563,142	39,293,401	42,075,430
Total Tuition	10-1300	413,623	308,500	295,300
Unrestricted Miscellaneous Revenues	10-1XXX	305,163	310,000	310,000
Interest Earned on Maintenance Reserve	10-1XXX	0	500	500
Interest Earned on Capital Reserve Funds	10-1XXX	0	1,000	1,000
Total Revenues from Local Sources		38,281,928	39,913,401	42,682,230
Revenues from State Sources:				
Categorical Transportation Aid	10-3121	271,173	247,658	274,442
Extraordinary Aid	10-3131	807,313	525,000	525,000
Categorical Special Education Aid	10-3132	2,153,994	2,557,696	2,692,033
Equalization Aid	10-3176	184,636	0	0
Categorical Security Aid	10-3177	360,485	343,151	370,939
Other State Aids	10-3XXX	54,172	0	0
Total Revenues from State Sources		3,831,773	3,673,505	3,862,414
Revenues from Federal Sources:				
Medicaid Reimbursement	10-4200	16,907	2,631	21,315
Total Revenues from Federal Sources		16,907	2,631	21,315
Withdrawal from Capital Reserve for Excess Cost and Other Capital Projects	10-309	0	592,000	0
Withdrawal from Maintenance Reserve	10-310	0	327,000	418,000
Transfers from Other Funds	10-5200	649,073	0	0
Other Financing Sources	10-5XXX	745,538	927,547	0
Adjustment for Prior Year Encumbrances		0	108,166	0
Actual Revenues (Over)/Under Expenditures		-741,248	0	0
Total Operating Budget		42,783,971	45,544,250	46,983,959
Grants and Entitlements:				
Student Activity Fund Revenue	20-1760	456,811	350,000	350,000
Scholarship Fund Revenue	20-1770	15	0	0
Other Revenue from Local Sources	20-1XXX	48,782	5,000	5,000
Total Revenues from Local Sources	20-1XXX	505,608	355,000	355,000
Revenues from State Sources:				
Other Restricted Entitlements	20-32XX	0	1,000	1,000
Total Revenues from State Sources		0	1,000	1,000
Revenues from Federal Sources:				
Title I	20-4411-4416	221,577	150,000	150,000
Title II	20-4451-4455	32,440	30,000	30,000
Title III	20-4491-4494	11,777	15,000	10,000
Title IV	20-4471-4474	11,330	9,000	8,000
IDEA Part B (Handicapped)	20-4420-4429	470,635	400,000	400,000
Other	20-4XXX	342,179	0	0
Total Revenues from Federal Sources		1,089,938	604,000	598,000
Actual Revenues (Over)/Under Expenditures-Student Activity Fund		-42,600	-50,000	-50,000
Actual Revenues (Over)/Under Expenditures-Scholarship Fund		-15	0	0
Total Grants and Entitlements		1,552,931	910,000	904,000
Repayment of Debt:				
Revenues from Local Sources:				
Local Tax Levy	40-1210	1,244,262	631,598	1,221,424
Total Revenues from Local Sources		1,244,262	631,598	1,221,424

Revenues from State Sources:				
Debt Service Aid Type II	40-3160	631,660	411,116	410,487
Budgeted Fund Balance	40-303	0	589,978	1
Total Local Repayment of Debt		1,875,922	1,632,692	1,631,912
Actual Revenues (Over)/Under Expenditures		-1	0	0
Total Repayment of Debt		1,875,921	1,632,692	1,631,912
Total Revenues/Sources		46,212,823	48,086,942	49,519,871
Total Revenues/Sources Net of Transfers		46,212,823	48,086,942	49,519,871

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Advertised Appropriations				
Budget Category	Account	2024-25 Actual	2025-26 Revised	2026-27 Proposed
General Current Expense:				
Instruction:				
Regular Programs-Instruction	11-1XX-100-XXX	9,588,703	10,088,238	10,262,276
Special Education-Instruction	11-2XX-100-XXX	4,554,544	5,058,089	5,246,784
Basic Skills/Remedial-Instruction	11-230-100-XXX	734,301	747,671	757,308
Bilingual Education-Instruction	11-240-100-XXX	111,382	127,548	134,670
School-Sponsored Cocurricular or Extracurricular Activities-Instruction	11-401-100-XXX	154,206	179,468	171,552
School-Sponsored Athletics-Instruction	11-402-100-XXX	471,806	526,999	508,672
Support Services:				
Undistributed Expenditures-Instruction (Tuition)	11-000-100-XXX	4,095,655	3,887,178	4,178,411
Undistributed Expenditures-Health Services	11-000-213-XXX	450,917	409,225	422,325
Undistributed Expenditures-Speech, OT, PT and Related Services	11-000-216-XXX	860,465	820,039	821,268
Undistributed Expenditures-Other Support Services, Students>Extraordinary Services	11-000-217-XXX	1,804,542	1,579,716	1,583,400
Undistributed Expenditures-Guidance	11-000-218-XXX	780,193	809,995	836,560
Undistributed Expenditures-Child Study Teams	11-000-219-XXX	1,207,780	1,219,213	1,290,366
Undistributed Expenditures-Improvement of Instruction Services	11-000-221-XXX	271,318	301,461	315,285
Undistributed Expenditures-Education Media Services/Library	11-000-222-XXX	334,193	361,469	376,092
Undistributed Expenditures-Instructional Staff Training Services	11-000-223-XXX	23,358	26,450	27,750
Undistributed Expenditures-Support Services-General Administration	11-000-230-XXX	659,392	741,645	725,810
Undistributed Expenditures-Support Services-School Administration	11-000-240-XXX	1,844,121	1,921,490	1,982,398
Undistributed Expenditures-Central Services	11-000-251-XXX	595,065	493,426	504,200
Undistributed Expenditures-Administrative InformationTechnology	11-000-252-XXX	395,376	792,638	522,235
Undistributed Expenditures-Operation and Maintenance of Plant Services	11-000-26X-XXX	4,464,599	4,242,517	4,490,266
Undistributed Expenditures-Student Transportation Services	11-000-270-XXX	1,799,050	1,868,304	1,950,543
Personal Services-Employee Benefits	11-XXX-XXX-2XX	6,471,085	7,664,354	9,267,255
Undistributed Expenditures-Food Services	11-000-310-930	8,038	0	0
Total Undistributed Expenditures		26,065,147	27,139,120	29,294,164
Interest Earned on Maintenance Reserve	10-606	0	500	500
Total General Current Expense		41,680,089	43,867,633	46,375,926
Capital Expenditures:				
Equipment	12-XXX-XXX-730	583,534	535,362	0
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	12-000-400-XXX	188,263	783,956	191,956
Interest Deposit to Capital Reserve	10-604	0	1,000	1,000
Total Capital Outlay		771,797	1,320,318	192,956
Transfer of Funds to Charter Schools	10-000-100-56X	332,085	356,299	415,077
General Fund Grand Total		42,783,971	45,544,250	46,983,959
Special Grants and Entitlements:				
Local Projects	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	48,782	5,000	5,000
Student Activity Fund	20-475-XXX-XXX	414,211	300,000	300,000
Other State Projects:				
Nonpublic Textbooks	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	0	200	200
Nonpublic Nursing Services	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	0	200	200
Nonpublic Technology Initiative	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	0	100	100
Nonpublic Security Aid	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	0	500	500
Total Other State Projects		0	1,000	1,000
Total State Projects	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	0	1,000	1,000
Federal Projects:				
Title I	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	221,577	150,000	150,000
Title II	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	32,440	30,000	30,000
Title III	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	11,777	15,000	10,000
Title IV	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	11,330	9,000	8,000
IDEA Part B (Handicapped)	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	470,635	400,000	400,000
Other	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	342,179	0	0
Total Federal Projects	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	1,089,938	604,000	598,000
Total Special Revenue Funds		1,552,931	910,000	904,000

Repayment of Debt:				
Total Regular Debt Service	40-701-510-XXX	1,875,921	1,632,692	1,631,912
Total Debt Service Funds		1,875,921	1,632,692	1,631,912
Total Expenditures/Appropriations		46,212,823	48,086,942	49,519,871
Total Expenditures Net of Transfers		46,212,823	48,086,942	49,519,871

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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)	1,249,533	1,277,093	907,093	907,093
(Repayment of Debt)	589,978	589,979	1	0
Restricted for Specific Purposes:				
(General Operating Budget)				
--Capital Reserve	938,140	1,509,765	1,218,765	1,219,765
--Adult Education Programs	0	0	0	0
--Maintenance Reserve	772,083	1,239,012	1,362,512	945,012
--Legal Reserve	0	0	0	0
--Unemployment Fund	351,376	294,626	294,626	294,626
--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	237,896	280,496	330,496	380,496
--Scholarship Fund	2,851	2,866	2,866	2,866
(Repayment of Debt)				
--Restricted for Repayment of Debt	0	0	0	0

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Advertised Per Pupil Cost Calculations

Per Pupil Cost Calculations	2023-24 Actual Costs	2024-25 Actual Costs	2025-26 Original Budget	2025-26 Revised Budget	2026-27 Proposed Budget
Total Budgetary Comparative Per Pupil Cost	$18,563	$19,587	$20,083	$21,467	$22,467
Total Classroom Instruction	$9,848	$10,309	$10,951	$11,642	$12,290
Classroom-Salaries and Benefits	$9,119	$9,546	$10,326	$10,874	$11,666
Classroom-General Supplies and Textbooks	$370	$244	$210	$325	$179
Classroom-Purchased Services	$359	$519	$415	$443	$445
Total Support Services	$3,591	$3,772	$3,704	$3,863	$4,084
Support Services-Salaries and Benefits	$2,766	$2,877	$3,103	$3,114	$3,414
Total Administrative Costs	$2,252	$2,330	$2,407	$2,732	$2,683
Administration Salaries and Benefits	$1,841	$1,923	$2,008	$2,126	$2,243
Total Operations and Maintenance of Plant	$2,431	$2,719	$2,512	$2,689	$2,862
Operations and Maintenance-Salaries and Benefits	$1,076	$1,245	$1,127	$1,244	$1,320
Board Contribution to Food Services	$0	$4	$0	$0	$0
Total Extracurricular Costs	$403	$416	$461	$489	$484
Total Equipment Costs	$142	$320	$0	$302	$0
Legal Costs	$34	$21	$28	$28	$31
Employee Benefits as a percentage of salaries*	25.85%	28.24%	31.07%	31.67%	36.70%

*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.

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Capital Projects

Description/Activity	Project Number	Dollar Amount	Eligible for Grant	Request to Exceed Referendum	Funding Source for Request to Exceed Referendum
Capital lease payment	01	$141,337	N	N	

The complete budget will be on file and open to examination at the Saddle Brook Board of Education Office, 540 Saddle River Road, Saddle Brook, NJ 07663, Bergen County New Jersey between the hours of 9:00 am and 4:00 pm Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

The school district has proposed programs and services in addition to the New Jersey Student Learning Standards adopted by the State Board of Education.