



FY26-27 BOE Tentative Approved Operating Budget

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Board of Education Business Meeting
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FY27 Budget Development- Reconciliation Gap

Mayor's Recommended Budget \$257,082,548 (4.0% Increase)		Mayor's Revised Recommended Budget \$259,307,301 (4.9% Increase)		BET Recommended Budget \$257,082,548 (4.0% Increase)	
Initial Budget Gap	6,066,244	Initial Budget Gap	6,066,244	Initial Budget Gap	6,066,244
Additional City Funding	-	Additional City Funding	(2,224,753)	Additional City Funding	-
Revised Budget Gap	6,066,244	Revised Budget Gap	3,841,491	Revised Budget Gap	6,066,244
Budget Adjustment	1,198,253	Budget Adjustment	1,198,253	Budget Adjustment	1,198,253
Adjusted Budget Gap	7,264,497	Adjusted Budget Gap	5,039,744	Adjusted Budget Gap	7,264,497
Total Enrollment-Based Rightsizing Reductions	(1,237,764)	Total Enrollment-Based Rightsizing Reductions	(1,237,764)	Total Enrollment-Based Rightsizing Reductions	(1,237,764)
Further Required Reductions	6,026,733	Further Required Reductions	3,801,980	Further Required Reductions	6,026,733
<u>Reconciliation Plan</u>		<u>Reconciliation Plan</u>		<u>Reconciliation Plan</u>	
Non School Reductions	3,673,595	Non School Reductions	3,841,491	Non School Reductions	5,162,981
School Reductions	2,392,649	School Reductions	-	School Reductions	903,263
Final Total Reductions	6,066,244	Final Total Reductions	3,841,491	Final Total Reductions	6,066,244

A Deeper Dive Into School Meals Adjustments

Mayor's Recommended Budget \$257,082,548 (4.0% Increase)	Mayor's Revised Recommended \$259,307,301 (4.9% Increase)	BET Recommended Budget \$257,082,548 (4.0% Increase)
Initial Transfer to Food Services Fund2,381,222	Initial Transfer to Food Services Fund2,381,222	Initial Transfer to Food Services Fund2,381,222
Transfer to Food Services Fund- CEP remains2,381,222	Transfers to Food Services Fund- No CEP, but free meals for all1,474,079	Transfers to Food Services Fund- No CEP, no universal free meals for all1,033,915
Savings Captured -	Savings Captured 907,143	Savings Captured 1,347,307
Program Description	Program Description	Program Description
No Change to CEP Program	Includes the Governor's proposal to provide free breakfast for all students and makes reduced-price lunch free, resulting in free meals for all students.	Includes the Governor's proposal to provide free breakfast for all students and makes reduced-price lunch free. Students who qualify for free and reduced-price meals will continue to receive meals at no cost, while those who do not qualify will be charged accordingly.