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May 5, 2026

**MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE
KALAMAZOO PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Kalamazoo Public Schools will be held on Thursday, May 7, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Administration Building, 1220 Howard Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49008. The meeting will be live streamed on Public Media Network on the Live TV Channel PMN 5: <https://publicmedianet.org/pmn-five/>.

The Board of Trustees, Superintendent, and senior staff will have an informational dinner meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Superintendent's office area and will also discuss any matters that may come before the Board.

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Carol McGlinn, Secretary
Board of Education

- ❖ Please contact the Superintendent's Office in advance of the meeting if auxiliary aids or services for individuals with disabilities are needed.
- ❖ Official minutes of Kalamazoo Public Schools Board of Education open meetings are available for inspection within eight working days of the meeting at the Superintendent's Office, 1220 Howard Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49008.

**POLICY
of the
BOARD OF EDUCATION
KALAMAZOO PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

1.2 Public Participation During a Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Policy

While balancing legitimate privacy interests of students and staff, the Board of Trustees welcomes community input at public meetings of the Board of Trustees.

Specifics

1. Persons requesting to address the board will be asked to complete a sign-in sheet by the end of the public comment period. The portion of that sign-in sheet requiring completion will include: name, school district in which the person resides, and connection to/interest in the Kalamazoo Public Schools. The optional portion will be held private and will include: mailing address, email address, phone number, topic about which they will be speaking and, if authorized and applicable, the organization they represent.
2. The presiding board officer will invite persons to come to the podium in the order in which the sign-in sheets were completed.
3. If after 30 minutes everyone who has completed a sign-in sheet has not had the opportunity to address the board, the public comment period will be tabled and resume before adjournment.
4. Speakers have three minutes each and must stop speaking promptly when signaled.
5. Speakers may not address confidential student or personnel matters, but may submit such concerns to the board in writing.
6. Speakers are encouraged to provide the board with a written copy of their comments and other appropriate supporting documentation, which will be copied and distributed as needed to appropriate staff/personnel.
7. The public is required to exercise common courtesy during the meeting and must follow rule of order. The presiding board officer may terminate public comments that are profane, vulgar, or defamatory, especially if these comments result in a disturbance or breach of peace. Personal attacks against an employee or board member that are totally unrelated to his or her duties are prohibited. If a person engages in disruptive conduct or is out of order, the board presiding officer will strike his or her gavel and warn the person to discontinue their behavior. Further disruptions will result in the person being asked to leave. Refusal to leave will result in being escorted out of the building. (MCL 380.1808)

Adopted: February 13, 2003

Revised: December 17, 2009

Revised: June 25, 2013

Adopted: December 19, 2019

Revised: November 21, 2024

Revised: March 19, 2026

This policy supersedes all other policies on this issue.

KALAMAZOO PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education Meeting
1220 Howard St. Kalamazoo, MI 49008
May 7, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.
A G E N D A

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Acceptance of Agenda**
- IV. Attendance**
- V. Board Recognitions**
- VI. Committee Reports/School Reports**
- VII. Correspondence**
- VIII. Consent Calendar Items**
 - A. Minutes**
April 23, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - B. Business and Financial Reports**
Purchase Recommendation 2026-45, 2026-46, 2026-47, and 2026-48
 - C. Personnel Items**
Personnel Changes
- IX. Reports and Recommendations**
 - A. Superintendent's Report**
 - B. Resolution for Local District Vote on ISD General Fund Budget**
- X. Persons Requesting to Address the Board (3-minute individual limit)**
- XI. Other Business**
- XII. Comments by Trustees/Superintendent**
- XIII. Closed Session**
- XIV. Next Regular Board of Education Meeting: Wednesday, May 20, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.**

KALAMAZOO PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education Meeting
1220 Howard Street
April 23, 2026 - Regular Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order

President TiAnna Harrison called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

III. Acceptance of Agenda

President Harrison called for a motion to accept the agenda.

MOTION: Trustee Patti Sholler-Barber, supported by Vice President Jennie Hill, moved to accept the agenda.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor. The motion was carried unanimously by trustees present.

IV. Attendance

Board members present: TiAnna Harrison, Carol McGlinn, Karla Murphy, Jennie Hill, Yvonne Payton, Takisha Johnson, and Patti Sholler-Barber. Superintendent Dr. Darrin Slade was also present.

V. Board Recognitions

Washington Writers' Academy Principal Dr. Amira Mogaji recognized students A'Jhon Carver-Turner, Mia Gallardo, Capra Fahlm-Glossinger, Ilianna Jenne, Leon Clopton, and Nalayah Bird.

Loy Norrix High School Principal Chris Aguinaga and Coach Rodney Manning recognized Men's Varsity Basketball District Championship student-athletes Demetrius Bennett, Keon Berry-Peake, William Bledsoe, Izeieh Ford, Samuel Gagie, Cordae Gordon, Damari Lawler, Jakari Lipsey, Khalil Mayes, Chris McKinney, Javontay Smith, Corey Stanfill, and Tamar Stuart. Coach Morgan Kennedy recognized Varsity Men's Swimming and Diving student-athletes Andrew Bol, Oscar Dunfee, David Glista, August Johnson, Augustus Johnson-Davis, Gavin Lepley, Carson Mortimore, Isaac Patrick, and Ian Wesselhoff.

VI. Correspondence

Secretary McGlinn reported the correspondence for the period of April 7 - April 21, 2026.

- Email received on April 10 from Nolan Bergstrom sharing information inviting the Board to The Bikes in the Zoo event. Secretary McGlinn replied on April 10.
- Email received on April 14 from John McNeill requesting information about the district budget posting policies. Secretary McGlinn replied on April 20.

VII. Consent Calendar

President Harrison presented the Consent Calendar items: VII.A April 8, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes, VII.A April 16, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes, VII.B Purchase Recommendations 2026-43 and 2026-44, and VII.C Personnel Changes

Motion: Trustee Johnson, supported by Trustee Sholler-Barber, moved to accept the Consent Calendar.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried unanimously by trustees present.

Discussion from the board:

Yvonne Payton

- Asked about plans for the house located on the purchased property. Chief Financial Officer Laura Kayser stated plans will be determined during the planning process.

Jennie Hill

- Asked for clarification regarding Purchase Recommendation 2026-43 and whether it replaces existing district software. Director of School Improvements, Title I and Assessments, Geoff Howe, explained that the district previously used Illuminate, and due to changes, the system no longer meets district needs.

Carol McGlinn

- Acknowledged the district's ongoing efforts to meet student needs and noted the importance of property availability for future planning.

Patti Sholler-Barber

- Asked about student population growth and the benefit of additional space. Mrs. Kayser explained that King-Westwood has over 500 students and would benefit from expansion. Dr. Slade added that community members suggested expanding the cafeteria and parking lot during recent meetings.

VIII. Reports and Recommendations

A. Superintendent's Update

Director of Student Services Dr. Lisa Dewey presented data on district behavior improvements over the past three years, noting reductions in incidents and increased consistency across schools. Superintendent Dr. Darrin Slade stated these improvements reflect a coordinated effort among staff, students, and community partners. Dr. Dewey highlighted the district's focus on proactive supports, including 31aa-funded services, therapeutic supports, parent advocates, and home support specialists, as well as intervention strategies such as restorative practices, peer mediation, and family engagement prior to suspension. Dr. Slade added that traditional interventions are used prior to escalation, while serious behaviors continue to be addressed appropriately when necessary.

Dr. Slade also shared updates, including the CIS CHAMPS Celebration recognizing Principal Frank Rocco and Phoenix student River Ford, and the Kalamazoo Promise Senior Signing Day at Growlers Stadium. He announced upcoming community bond meetings and school feedback sessions.

Chief of Marketing and Communications Susan Coney announced the Gilmore Family Concert at Chenery Auditorium on May 2 at 2:00 p.m. and reminded the community of the May 5 election, which includes the KRESA Special Education Millage.

Discussion from the board:

Carol McGlinn

- Congratulated the district on the major improvements.
- Thanked Dr. Dewey for the transparency in sharing data.
- Asked what additional supports are in place beyond discipline. Dr. Dewey shared that students are provided multiple supports, including 31aa-funded services offering therapeutic support to hundreds of students, as well as parent advocates, home support specialists, and additional staff.

Patti Sholler-Barber

- Congratulated the district on the major improvements.
- Expressed enthusiasm for the comprehensive, 360-degree approach to student support.

Jennie Hill

- Noted the outstanding data.
- Shared appreciation that students are being held accountable while the district continues to collaborate with and support students.

Takisha Johnson

- Expressed excitement about the district increasing supports for students.
- Noted appreciation for growing consistency across the district and increased confidence among stakeholders.

Yvonne Payton

- Thanked Dr. Dewey for presenting the data.
- Asked what interventions are implemented prior to suspension or expulsion. Dr. Dewey explained that schools consider alternatives such as restorative practices, peer mediation, conflict resolution, family engagement meetings, child study teams, and evaluation for potential disabilities. Dr. Slade added that traditional interventions, including teacher-parent communication and administrative meetings, occur prior to escalation, with suspension used when necessary for more serious behaviors.

B. Administrative Appointment - Loy Norrix Athletic Director / Assistant Principal

Director of Human Resources Steve Leland recommended that April Rocco be appointed as Athletic Director/Assistant Principal at Loy Norrix High School.

MOTION: Trustee Sholler-Barber, supported by Trustee Johnson and Secretary McGlinn, moved to appoint April Rocco as Athletic Director/Assistant Principal.

Disposition: Voice vote; all in favor. Motion carried unanimously by trustees present.

C. Second Reading of Policy 3.2 Non-Discrimination, 8.1 Equal Employment Opportunity, 8.2 Hiring, and 8.4 Staff Evaluation

Treasurer Karla Murphy conducted the second reading of the following policies:

Policy 3.2 Non-Discrimination
Policy 8.1 Equal Employment Opportunity
Policy 8.2 Hiring
Policy 8.4 Staff Evaluation

All policies were approved with an effective date of April 23, 2026.

IX. Persons Requesting to Address the Board (3-minute individual limit)

Public comments/audience participation. No actions taken.

X. Other Business

- a. Professional Development Request for TiAnna Harrison
- b. Professional Development Request for TiAnna Harrison
- c. Professional Development Request for TiAnna Harrison
- d. Professional Development Request for Karla Murphy
- e. Professional Development Request for Karla Murphy

XI. Comments by Trustees/Superintendent

Patti Sholler-Barber

- Expressed appreciation for the property partnership with the Kalamazoo Community Foundation.
- Shared athletics update from Kalamazoo Central High School:
 - Men's volleyball is off to a strong start this season.
 - The girls soccer team defeated Lakeshore for the first time in 18 years.
 - Varsity baseball is currently performing well with a 6–3 record.
 - Kalamazoo Central will host the JT Long Track Meet next Friday, with 14 schools scheduled to participate.
 - Kalamazoo Central will host the Baseball Regionals and Quarterfinals on May 6.
- Shared athletics update from Loy Norrix High School:
 - The Loy Norrix Track and Field teams have set two school records this season. Senior Jaylind Motton cleared 6 feet 10 inches, breaking a 50-year-old record set in 1976. Junior Allison Frankart recorded a pole vault of 10 feet 6 inches, breaking the previous school record set in 1999.
 - The teams will host the annual Don Lukens Invitational, with 24 teams scheduled to attend. Events will begin at 10:00 a.m., with finals starting at approximately 3:00 p.m.
 - Loy Norrix will host the Baseball and Softball District Tournaments beginning May 26 and the Baseball Regional Tournament beginning June 3.
- Recognized CIS award recipients.

Carol McGlinn

- Announced Pretty Lake Camp applications are open.

- Thanked Ken Greschak and expressed excitement for future district plans.

Takisha Johnson

- Noted the approaching end of the school year and encouraged continued focus.
- Expressed excitement for future development of the purchased property.

Yvonne Payton

- Thanked the district for the opportunity to attend the NSBA Annual Conference.
- Noted participation in an upcoming literacy meeting.

Karla Murphy

- Attended the NSBA Annual Conference.
- Announced the Maple Street production of Matilda at Kalamazoo Central High School.
- Noted the start of the local Little League season.

Jennie Hill

- Attended the CIS CHAMPS Celebration and First Day Shoe Fund event.
- Recognized student-athletes featured in the newspaper.
- Noted ongoing spring sports and volunteer opportunities for the May 21 track meet.
- Referenced community awareness of crosswalk safety concerns near Maple Street.

TiAnna Harrison

- Attended the NSBA Annual Conference.
- Emphasized improving student experience.
- Attended a parent support coalition meeting and highlighted the importance of parent voice.

XII. Closed Session

Not needed.

XIII. Next Board of Education Meeting

The next Regular Board of Education meeting is Thursday, May 7, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION: Trustee Johnson, supported by Vice President Hill, made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Disposition: Voice Vote; all in favor. Motion carried unanimously by trustees present.

President Harrison adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeGraaf, Recording Secretary,
on behalf of Carol McGlinn,
Secretary, Board of Education

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PURCHASE RECOMMENDATION DATA SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 7, 2026

Request Number: 2026-45

Amount: \$79,151.00

Item: 95 Phonemic Awareness Intervention Resource

Cost Center: Reading Recovery Grant

Cost Center Representative(s) Attending Board Meeting: Dr. Angela Thomas

Description of Need:

The 95 Phonemic Awareness Intervention Resource Program is a systematic literacy instruction grounded in Structured Literacy. It utilizes explicit, multi-sensory routines for interventionists to bridge the gap in foundational skills in reading. Professional development will be part of this adoption.

The 95 Literacy Intervention Program includes:

- Teacher's Editions with tips and scripts embedded throughout the lessons
- Phonics Lesson Library 2.0- Basic
- Phonics Lesson Library 2.0- Advanced
- Manipulatives to provide hands-on practice
- Ready-made digital presentation files, assessments, and other implementation resources.

Vendor: 95 Percent Group
Lincolnshire, IL

Number of Proposals Requested: 1 **Received:** 1

Low Bid Accepted: N/A

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PURCHASE RECOMMENDATION DATA SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 7, 2026

Request Number: 2026-46

Amount: \$437,787.50

Item: 250 Elevate MAX USB-C Charging Cart 36 and delivery

Cost Center: 2022 Bond

Cost Center Representative(s) Attending Board Meeting: Ian Haight

Description of Need:

These carts will replace end of life carts in the elementary schools and support classroom devices in the middle schools.

Vendor: Sehi Computer Products
Rochester Hills, MI

Number of Proposals Requested: 8 **Received:** 8

Low Bid Accepted: No

The Technology Department staff evaluated the 8 bids for:

1. Price: Total cost of ownership.
2. Durability: Build quality and physical security features.
3. Warranty & Support: Length and terms of coverage and ease of service.
4. Charging Style: Efficiency of power management and cable organization.

Sehi quoted Jar Systems carts which were in the middle of the pack price wise but scored the highest in the other categories.

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PURCHASE RECOMMENDATION DATA SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 7, 2026

Request Number: 2026-47

Amount: \$316,110.00

Item: Hillside Middle School Media Center Remodeling

Cost Center: 2022 Bond

Cost Center Representative(s) Attending Board Meeting: Karen Jackson

Description of Need:

Remodeling the media center at Hillside Middle includes enlarging the space by removing a storage room wall, new flooring, interior doors, ceiling and lighting and installing a new exterior door to the courtyard. This is a 2022 bond project.

Vendor: Kalleward Group
Kalamazoo, MI

Number of Proposals Requested: 6 **Received:** 2

Low Bid Accepted: Yes

Bid Amount \$287,375.00

Contingency 28,735.00

Total \$316,110.00

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PURCHASE RECOMMENDATION DATA SHEET

Board Meeting Date: May 7, 2026

Request Number: 2026-48

Amount: \$148,631.51

Item: Hillside Middle School Media Center Furniture

Cost Center: 2022 Bond

Cost Center Representative(s) Attending Board Meeting: Karen Jackson

Description of Need:

This purchase recommendation includes all library shelving, tables, chairs, circulation desk and other furnishings for the remodeled media center at Hillside Middle School.

Vendor: See attached spreadsheet

Number of Proposals Requested: 3 **Received:** 3

Low Bid Accepted: Yes

CONTRACTOR RECOMMENDATIONS

Project: HILLSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL Media Center Furniture

Owner: Kalamazoo Public Schools

Architect: TowerPinkster

Bid Date: April 22, 2026

<u>BID CATEGORY</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Lounge Seating, Media Center Tables, Occasional Tables, Book Truck	CUSTER Grand Rapids, MI	\$48,041.00
Media Center Shelving, Circulation Desk	DEW-EL CORPORATION Holland, MI	\$61,042.33
Media Center Seating, Task Seating, Work Tables	MICHIGAN OFFICE ENVIRONMENTS Kalamazoo, MI	\$39,548.18
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION:		<u>\$148,631.51</u>

KALAMAZOO PUBLIC SCHOOL
Office of the Superintendent

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Dr. Darrin Slade, Superintendent

DATE: May 7, 2026

SUBJECT: Personnel Changes

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the board approve the following employment changes:

- I. Employment
 - A. Professional/Management
 - B. Classified
- II. Promotions/Key Transfers
 - A. Professional/Management
 - B. Classified
- III. Leaves of Absence
 - A. Professional/Management
 - B. Classified
- IV. Terminations
 - A. Professional/Management
 - Inger M. Bergman**, Special Education Teacher, Arcadia Elementary, Retirement, 06/30/2026
 - Brigetta E. Bernhard**, Special Education Teacher, Woods Lake Elementary: A Magnet for the Arts, Resignation, 06/30/2026
 - Matthew M. Covault**, Science Teacher, Maple Street Magnet School, Retirement, 06/30/2026
 - Misty A. Denoon**, Art Teacher, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in Westwood Elementary School, Retirement, 06/30/2026
 - Gerald G. Douth**, Social Studies Teacher, Hillside Middle School, Retirement, 06/30/2026
 - Mary M. Foster**, Music Teacher, Arcadia Elementary School and Greenwood Elementary School, Retirement, 06/30/2026
 - Dana L. Gay**, KILP Teacher, Kalamazoo Innovative Learning Program, Retirement, 06/30/2026
 - Julie A. Hahn**, Virtual Science Teacher, K-12 Virtual Learning Program, Retirement, 06/30/2026
 - Jody M. Heaney**, Virtual Science Teacher, K-12 Virtual Learning Program, Retirement, 06/30/2026
 - Olivia M. Hull**, Grade 2 Teacher, Edison Academy, Resignation, 06/30/2026
 - William P. Hopewell III**, Special Education Teacher, Northeastern Elementary School, Retirement, 06/30/2026
 - Pamela K. Ide**, Grade 3 Elementary Teacher, Winchell Elementary School, Retirement, 06/30/2026

Nancy A. Klee, Academically Talented Teacher, Itinerant, Retirement, 06/30/2026

Andrea L. Melvin, Physical Education Teacher, Parkwood-Upjohn Elementary and Indian Prairie Elementary School, Retirement, 06/30/2026

Kelly J. Moore, Grade 2 Teacher, Milwood Elementary School, Retirement, 06/30/2026

Jill S. Sikaundi, Grade 1 Teacher, Spring Valley Center for Exploration, Retirement 06/30/2026

Prudence J. Terbeek, Special Education Teacher, Spring Valley Center for Exploration, Retirement 06/30/2026

Lisa A. Thomas, Grade 5 Teacher, Spring Valley Center for Exploration, Retirement 06/30/2026

Patricia A. Tyler, Special Education Teacher, Loy Norrix High School, Retirement, 06/30/2026

Robert M. Verduzco, Math Teacher, Linden Grove Middle School, Retirement, 06/30/2026

Tony O. Wine, Math Teacher, Linden Grove Middle School, Retirement, 06/30/2026

B. Classified

Nicoshi M. Brockman, Instructional Secretary - Curriculum, Instruction and Professional Development, West Main Professional Development Center, Resignation, 04/27/2026

Virginia Cruz, Food Service, Arcadia Elementary School, Retirement, 06/05/2026

V. Termination from Leave of Absence

A. Professional/Management

B. Classified

VI. Return from Leave of Absence

A. Professional/Management

B. Classified

VII. Lay-offs

A. Professional/Management

B. Classified



To: Local District Boards of Education, Superintendents, and Business Officials

From: Scott Thomas, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services

Date: April 24, 2026

Subject: Kalamazoo RESA 2026-2027 Original General Education Fund Budget Narrative and Resolution

Kalamazoo RESA (KRESA) is an intermediate school district whose mission is to deliver transformative, equitable, and innovative programs, and specialized services that empower learners, families, and schools to thrive in a rapidly changing world. We carry out our mission through each of KRESA's Centers of Excellence, which represents a distinct category—or pillar—of our work, encompassing a wide range of supports tailored to meet the needs of learners, families, and educators. KRESA's five Centers of Excellence are Special Education, Early Childhood, Career Connect, Educator Supports, and Operational Supports. KRESA's General Fund budget supports the work of these Centers of Excellence.

KRESA's 2026-2027 Original General Fund budget shows an overall decrease in revenues of approximately 12.6% and an overall decrease in expenditures of approximately 12.5% compared to the 2025-2026 revised budget. These decreases are primarily due to the reduction of various grant revenues and their related expenditures, moving the Education for the Arts program to the Career Connect Fund, as well as other changes in the various General Fund departments discussed in more detail below. The budget anticipates an overall surplus of \$10,323. This will leave the General Fund with an estimated fund balance at June 30, 2027 of \$13,714,417.

KRESA's sources of General Fund revenues include an operating tax levy of 0.1420 mills on all property in the KRESA area. We are anticipating that property taxable values will increase by 4.0% and that property tax revenue will increase by \$60,617. State aid is received through Section 81 of the State Aid Act and this budget assumes Section 81 State Aid will remain the same. Local, state, and federal grants make up a large portion of the revenue received by KRESA, as well as revenues from departments that provide services on a fee for service basis or through shared service agreements.

KRESA's expenditures include the following assumptions: 3.0% increase in health insurance costs, retirement costs based on ORS published rates effective 10-1-2026, and a compensation adjustment for staff that includes a 3% increase on pay schedules and step advancements for eligible staff.

KRESA's General Fund revenues and expenditures are categorized in the following departments, which are supported by the attached proposed budget resolution:

General Administration and Operations: These expenses include the Board of Education, Superintendent's Office, Communications, Human Resources, Business Office, and Maintenance and Operations departments. These departments are primarily funded through a portion of property tax revenue and Section 81 State Aid revenue.

Southwest MiTech Technology Services: The Southwest MiTech Technology Services department supports the technology needs of KRESA programs, state reporting compliance, on-site technology support staff to schools, the Michigan Data Hub and MiCloud statewide grants, internet bandwidth and phone service to local schools, network engineering, and customer service support personnel. Many of the services provided are on a fee for service model and direct support is charged back to the various KRESA departments. The Michigan Data Hub and MiCloud are statewide activities funded by state grants. KRESA's General Fund budget is projected to contribute an additional \$516,135 to support this department.

Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP): This budget includes early childhood preschool services and programming county-wide. The GSRP program is funded through Section 32d State Aid funding. The budget includes \$15,657,771 in grant revenues and expenditures, and provides funding for 1,350 GSRP preschool children. Funding for 1,078 children is provided to local districts and private providers.

Print Center: The Print Center is funded with fee for service in the areas of our full print shop, graphic arts services, county-wide delivery services, and shredding services. Schools who participate in the program pay a fee for the services they purchase. The Print Center is showing a deficit of \$21,438.

Educator Supports: The Educator Supports department is funded with state and federal grants, local district professional development consortium contributions, fee for service coaching and consulting billings, and a direct contribution from the KRESA General Fund budget of \$496,921. The expenditures include the following grants: Title I Regional Assistance, Sec 35a Early Literacy, Sec 31n Mental Health, and a few other small local grants. Educator Supports leads workshops through the professional development consortium, and provides instructional coaching and consulting services to local school districts.

Regional Transportation Safety Institute (RTSI): RTSI provides training of transportation staff for a nine-county consortium. This includes required training for beginning school bus drivers, continuing education for all bus drivers, and training for transportation supervisor staff. RTSI is a provider for CDL/GDL for the State of Michigan, handles the mandatory drug testing program, and runs the Eaton Proving Grounds program to teach defensive driving classes to school bus drivers. This program is funded through a fee for service model and Section 74 State Aid funding.

Head Start Grant: The budget includes \$7,046,752 in grant revenues and expenses to operate KRESA's Head Start program, which serves 485 three and four year olds within Kalamazoo County with preschool, family, and health support services.

Enhancement Millage: This budget includes \$17,609,610 in revenue for the enhancement millage that was approved by voters in May of 2023. Enhancement millage revenue is distributed back to the local districts and public school academies to support their operations, which equates to approximately \$515 per student.

Attached to this budget narrative please find the Resolution for Local District Vote on ISD General Fund Budget and KRESA's proposed 2026-2027 General Fund Budget Resolution. Local district Boards of Education are required to adopt a resolution expressing its support or disapproval of KRESA's General Fund proposed budget during its May meeting, and submit to KRESA's Board of Education any specific objections and/or proposed changes prior to June 1, 2026.

More information on KRESA's Centers of Excellence, and additional details on KRESA's programs and services, can be found in our annual report. KRESA's most recent annual report can be found on our website.

Please contact me at 269.250.9363 or scott.thomas@kresa.org for any questions related to KRESA's 2026-2027 Original General Fund budget. Thank you.

RESOLUTION FOR LOCAL DISTRICT VOTE ON ISD GENERAL FUND
BUDGET

Kalamazoo Regional Educational Service Agency
("ISD")
GENERAL EDUCATION FUND BUDGET
RESOLUTION

A _____ meeting of the Board of Education of the _____
School District was held at the _____ on _____,
2026, at _____.

Members present were: _____

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member _____
and seconded by Member _____.

WHEREAS:

This Board received the Kalamazoo Regional Educational Service
Agency General Education Fund Budget on or before May 1, 2026;
and

WHEREAS:

In accordance with Section 380.624 of the Revised School Code, this
Board must now adopt a resolution expressing its support or
disapproval of the proposed ISD budget, and must submit to the ISD
Board any specific objections and/or proposed changes the Board may
have to the budget prior to June 1, 2026.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The ISD General Education Fund Budget for the 2026-2027 school
year be ("supported" or "disapproved for the reasons attached hereto"),
and that the Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to submit a copy
of this Resolution to the Secretary of the ISD Board of Education,
along with any specific objections or proposed changes to the budget.

Ayes: Members _____

Nays: Members _____

Motion declared _____.

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of _____, Michigan hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Board at a _____ meeting held on _____, 2026, the original of which resolution is a part of the Board's minutes, and further certifies that notice of the meeting was given to the public under the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended.

Signed:

Secretary, Board of Education

**RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
KALAMAZOO REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY
2026-2027 ORIGINAL GENERAL EDUCATION FUND BUDGET**

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the appropriations of Kalamazoo Regional Educational Service Agency for the 2026-2027 fiscal year; a resolution to make appropriations; to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; and to provide for the disposition of all revenues received by Kalamazoo Regional Educational Service Agency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total revenues and unappropriated fund balance estimated to be available for appropriation in the GENERAL EDUCATION FUND of the Kalamazoo Regional Educational Service Agency for fiscal year 2026-2027 is as follows:

	ACTUAL 2024-25	ORIGINAL 2025-26	REVISED 2025-26	ORIGINAL 2026-27
REVENUES:				
Local	24,946,204	20,866,075	21,327,524	20,546,384
State	29,011,035	36,038,318	39,423,172	31,083,408
Federal	11,478,867	9,085,051	8,758,290	8,536,113
Other Sources	8,504,947	8,051,733	8,146,452	7,725,790
Total Revenue	73,941,053	74,041,177	77,655,438	67,891,695

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that \$67,881,372 of the total available to appropriate in the GENERAL EDUCATION FUND is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purpose set forth below:

Instruction:				
Basic Programs	5,939,627	6,133,047	6,090,272	5,168,691
Added Needs	1,036,089	-	-	-
Support Services:				
Pupil	1,885,216	1,505,437	1,291,846	1,318,507
Instructional staff	8,442,473	6,715,418	5,609,159	4,797,026
General Administration	928,554	670,091	662,852	669,729
School Administration	609,591	609,723	637,163	669,659
Business	1,745,409	1,588,561	1,662,213	1,577,945
Operations and Maintenance	1,233,200	1,258,225	1,241,557	1,268,784
Transportation	897,444	1,020,271	883,648	1,034,359
Central	12,347,907	21,195,576	23,029,192	18,230,472
Other Support Services	860,225	-	-	-
Community Services	4,948,555	1,443,267	1,291,457	17,970
Other Financing Uses	31,530,482	31,915,121	35,202,911	33,128,230
Total Expenditures	72,404,772	74,054,737	77,602,270	67,881,372
Revenues over Expenses	1,536,281	(13,560)	53,168	10,323
FUND BALANCE - July 1	12,114,645	12,174,445	13,650,926	13,704,094
FUND BALANCE - JUNE 30	13,650,926	12,160,885	13,704,094	13,714,417

FURTHER RESOLVED, that no board of education member or employee of the school district shall expend any funds or obligate the expenditure of any funds, except pursuant to appropriations made by the board of education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the board. Changes in the amount appropriated by the board shall require approval by the board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent is hereby charged with general supervision on the execution of the budgets adopted by the board and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities within the amounts appropriated by the board of education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the board. (Resolution effective 6/16/2026)

Note: The General Education tax levy for 2026 is proposed to be 0.1420 mills and the Regional Enhancement tax levy for 2026 is proposed to be 1.4921 mills. These millages will be levied on all properties to be used for operating purposes as described above.