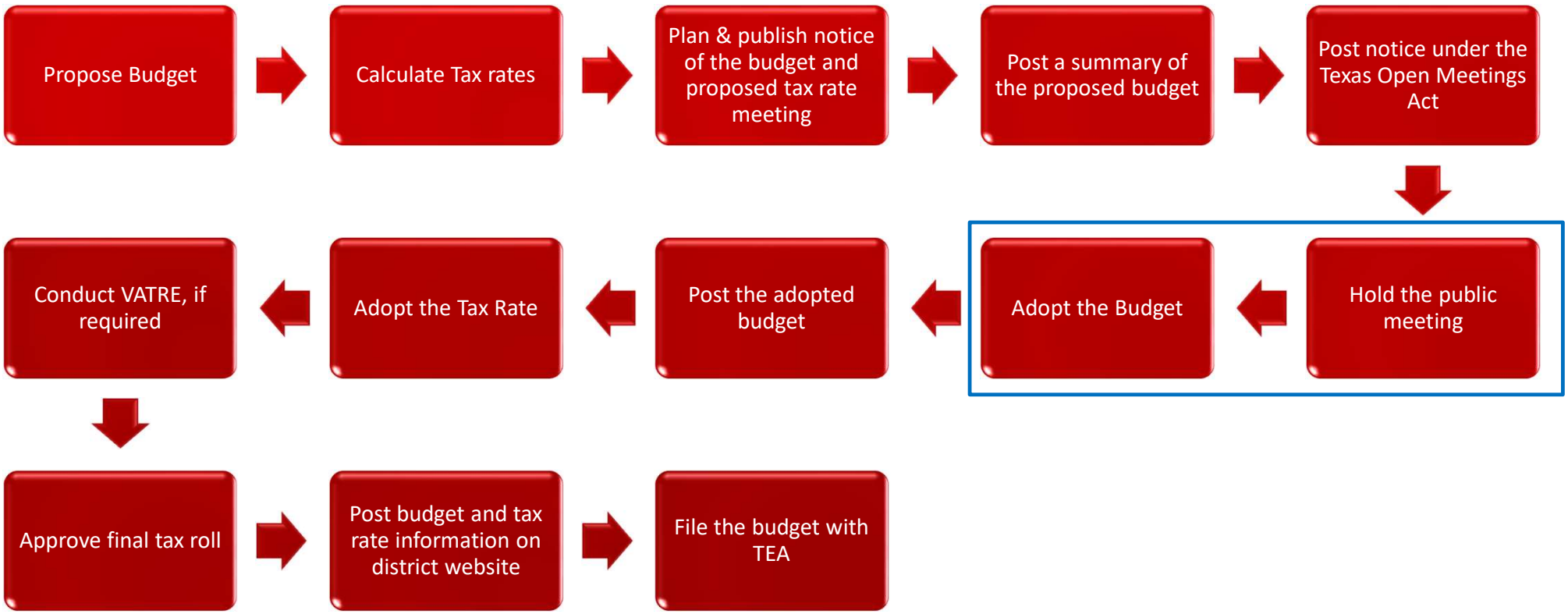
Budget & Tax Rate Hearing

HUFFMAN
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

June 22, 2026

FY 2026-2027


Propose Budget
Calculate Tax rates
Plan & publish notice of the budget and proposed tax rate meeting
Post a summary of the proposed budget
Post notice under the Texas Open Meetings Act
Hold the public meeting
Adopt the Budget
Post the adopted budget
Adopt the Tax Rate
Conduct VATRE, if required
Approve final tax roll
Post budget and tax rate information on district website
File the budget with TEA

Purpose of Tonight's Hearing

- Budget
  - ✓ Present proposed 2026-2027 budget
  - ✓ Budget adoption scheduled following the hearing

- Tax Rate
  - ✓ Present current tax rate information
  - ✓ Explain the tax rate process
  - ✓ NO tax rate adoption tonight

Budget Priorities

- Student Services Remain the Priority
  - Maintain educational programs and services
  - Support recruitment and retention of quality staff
  - Meet operational and safety requirements
  - Continue responsible financial stewardship
  - Improve long-term financial sustainability

The District remains committed to finding solutions that support students while balancing financial realities.

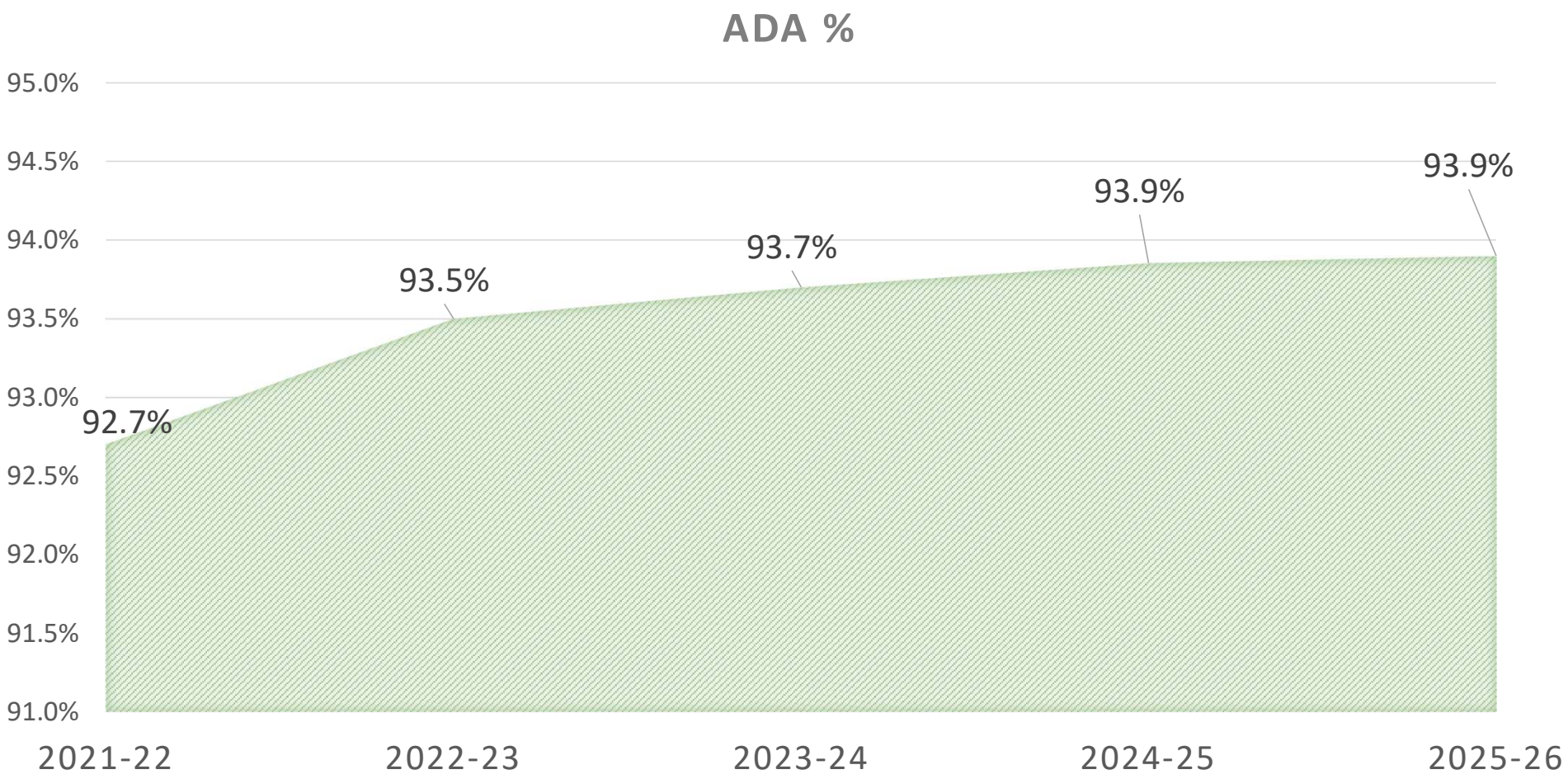
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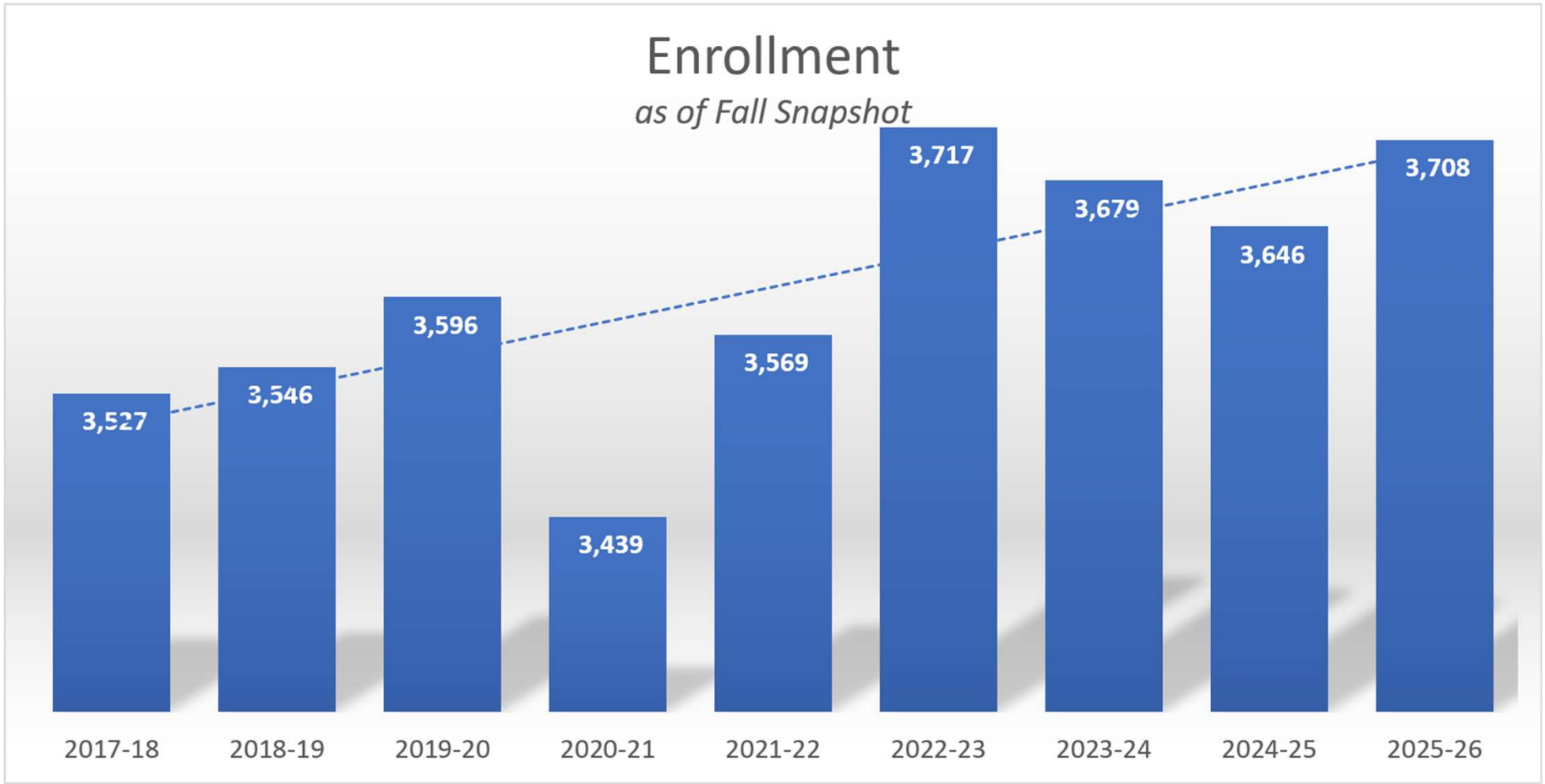
Budget Adoption: June 22

Tax Rate Adoption: Later Meeting

- The budget establishes:
  - ✓ Planned education programs
  - ✓ Staffing levels
  - ✓ Operational priorities
- The tax rate process continues after:
  - ✓ Certified values are received
  - ✓ TEA calculates the Maximum Compressed Rate
  - ✓ Board evaluates available options

Attendance & Enrollment


ADA %
95.0%
94.5%
94.0%
93.5%
93.0%
92.5%
92.0%
91.5%
91.0%
92.7%
93.5%
93.7%
93.9%
93.9%
2021-22
2022-23
2023-24
2024-25
2025-26


Enrollment
as of Fall Snapshot
3,527
3,546
3,596
3,439
3,569
3,717
3,679
3,646
3,708
2017-18
2018-19
2019-20
2020-21
2021-22
2022-23
2023-24
2024-25
2025-26

Budget Development Challenges

FACTORS AFFECTING THE 2026-2027 BUDGET

State Funding Challenges

- Basic allotment unchanged for 2026-2027
- Inflation continues to increase costs
- Insurance and benefit costs continue to rise
- Unfunded mandates continue to grow
- Local property value growth often reduces state aid

Budget Pressures

- Employee compensation
- Health Insurance and benefits
- Utilities and fuel
- Safety and security requirements
- Inflationary operating costs

$1.9 million in Budget Solutions Identified

- Detailed Department budget reviews
- Operational efficiencies
- Vacancy management
- Prioritization of expenditures
- Ongoing evaluation of services

General Fund Revenues

UNDERSTANDING REVENUE SOURCES & ASSUMPTIONS

General Fund Revenue

Comparison of 2025-2026 Amended vs 2025-26 Projected

	Amended 2025-2026	Projected 2025-2026	Increase/ (Decrease)
Local Revenue			
Total Local Revenue	$ 12,474,433	$ 12,980,030	$ 505,597
Total State Revenue	$ 29,632,202	$ 29,986,544	$ 354,342
Total Federal Revenue	$ 736,680	$ 687,447	$ (49,233)
Total Revenue	$ 42,843,315	$ 43,654,021	$ 810,706
Other Resources	$ 3,049,000	$ 3,049,000	$ -
Grand Total Rev. & Other Res.	$ 45,892,315	$ 46,703,021	$ 810,706

General Fund Revenue Assumptions

	Projected 2025-2026	Proposed 2026-2027	Increase/ (Decrease)
Assumptions:			
Taxable Values	$ 1,970,675,380	$ 2,077,724,271	$ 107,048,891
Tax Rate	$ 0.6969	$ 0.6669	$ (0.0300)
Collection Rate	95%	95%	0%
Enrollment	3,708	3,708	-
Average Daily Attendance	***3,418***	***3,418***	**-**
Attendance Rate	93.90%	93.90%	0.00%

Local Revenue – General Fund

Comparison of 2025-2026 Projected vs 2026-2027 Proposed

	Projected 2025-2026	Proposed 2026-2027	Increase/ (Decrease)
Local Revenue			
Current Year Taxes	$ 11,830,410	$ 11,978,831	$ 148,421
Delinquent Taxes	$ 531,308	$ 500,000	$ (31,308)
Penalties and Interest	$ 257,213	$ 250,000	$ (7,213)
Total Tax Reciepts	$ 12,618,931	$ 12,728,831	
Tuition Pre-K/Credit Recovery	$ 8,658	$ 8,658	$ -
Investments/Interest	$ 111,592	$ 100,432	$ (11,160)
Facilities Rentals	$ 2,160	$ -	$ (2,160)
Revenue from Foundations	$ 19,890	$ -	$ (19,890)
Gate Receipts	$ 96,888	$ 90,000	$ (6,888)
Miscellaneous	$ 121,911	$ 70,000	$ (51,911)
Total Local Revenue	**$ 12,980,030**	**$ 12,997,921**	**$ 17,891**

State Revenue – General Fund

Comparison of 2025-2026 Projected vs 2026-2027 Proposed

	Projected 2025-2026	Proposed 2026-2027	Increase/ (Decrease)
State Revenue			
Foundation	$ 26,439,646	$ 24,229,343	$ (2,210,303)
Available School Funds	$ 1,570,216	$ 2,051,089	$ 480,873
Total State Aid	$ 28,009,862	$ 26,280,432	
Hazard Mitigation Grant	$ 12,500	$ 37,500	$ 25,000
Indirect Costs	$ 7,850	$ -	$ (7,850)
TRS On Behalf	$ 1,956,332	$ 1,956,332	$ -
Instructional Facilities Allotment			
Existing Debt Allotment			
Total State Revenue	**$ 29,986,544**	**$ 28,274,264**	**$ (1,712,280)**

Federal Revenue – General Fund

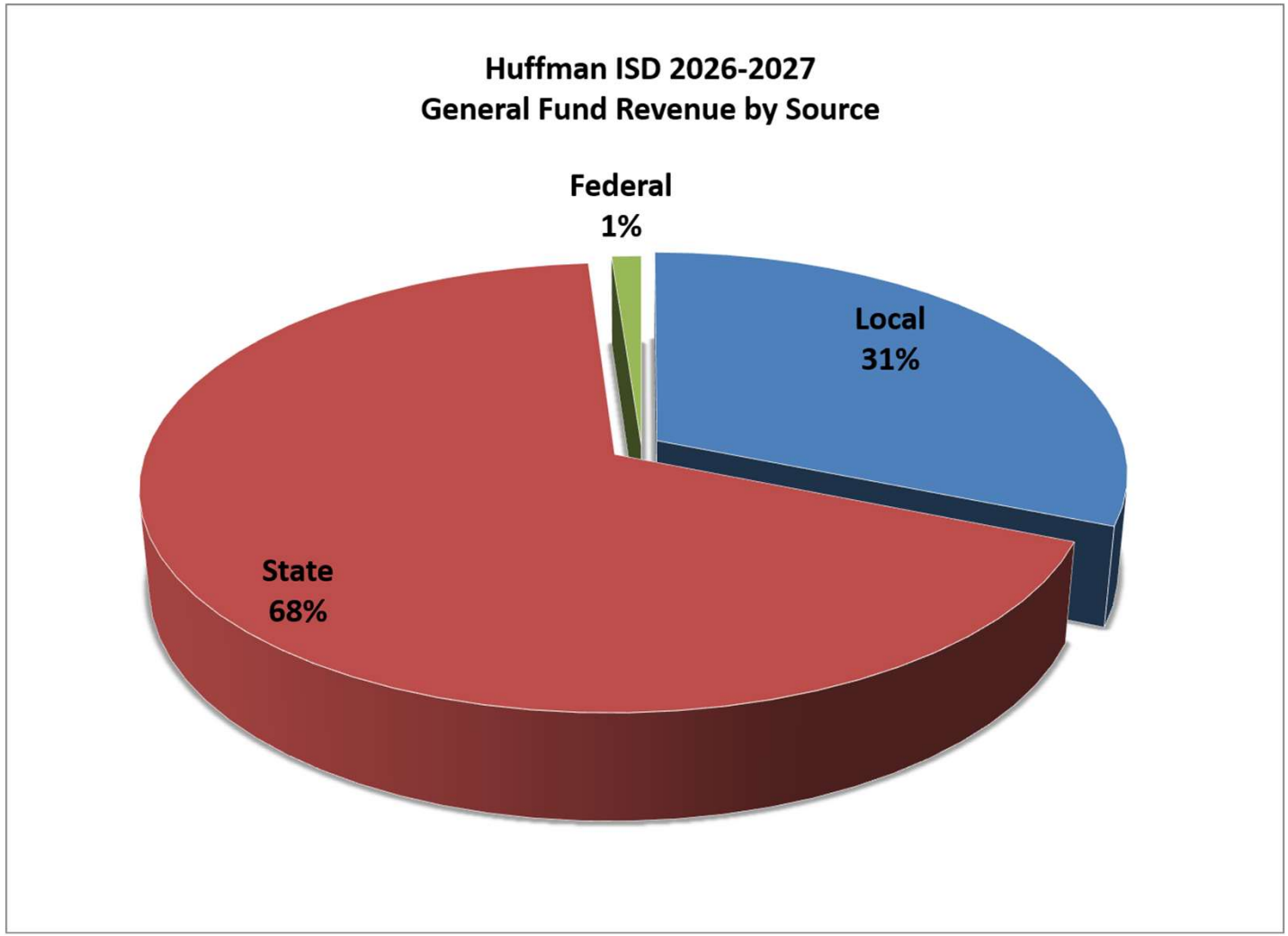
Comparison of 2025-2026 Projected vs 2026-2027 Proposed

	Projected 2025-2026	Proposed 2026-2027	Increase/ (Decrease)
Federal Revenue			
SHARS & Medicaid	$ 82,334	$ 84,850	$ 2,516
JROTC	$ 72,963	$ 72,980	$ 17
FEMA	$ 275,084	$ -	$ (275,084)
Indirect Costs	$ 233,625	$ 282,226	$ 48,601
E-Rate	$ 23,441	$ 46,241	$ 22,800
Total Federal Revenue	**$ 687,447**	**$ 486,297**	**$ (201,150)**

General Fund Revenue

Comparison of 2025-2026 Projected vs 2026-2027 Proposed

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Total Local Revenue	$ 12,980,030	$ 12,997,921	$ 17,891
Total State Revenue	$ 29,986,544	$ 28,274,264	$ (1,712,280)
Total Federal Revenue	$ 687,447	$ 486,297	$ (201,150)
Total Revenue	$ 43,654,021	$ 41,758,482	$ (1,895,539)
Other Resources	$ 3,049,000	$ -	$ (3,049,000)
Grand Total Rev. & Other Res.	$ 46,703,021	$ 41,758,482	$ (4,944,539)


Huffman ISD 2026-2027
General Fund Revenue by Source
Federal
1%
Local
31%
State
68%

General Fund Expenditures

EXPENDITURE ASSUMPTIONS AND BUDGET DEVELOPMENT

General Fund Expenditures

Comparison of 2025-2026 Amended vs 2025-26 Projected

		2025-2026 Amended	2025-2026 Projected	Inc/(Dec)
6100	Payroll Costs	$ 34,939,053	$ 34,857,128	$ (81,925)
6200	Contracted Services	$ 4,204,965	$ 4,152,093	$ (52,872)
6300	Supplies & Materials	$ 1,840,517	$ 2,002,226	$ 161,709
6400	Other Operating	$ 2,072,047	$ 1,867,156	$ (204,891)
6500	Debt Service	$ 3,335,552	$ 3,334,942	$ (610)
6600	Capital Outlay	$ 77,662	$ 580	$ (77,082)
Total		**$ 46,469,796**	**$ 46,214,125**	**$ (255,671)**

General Fund Expenditure Assumptions

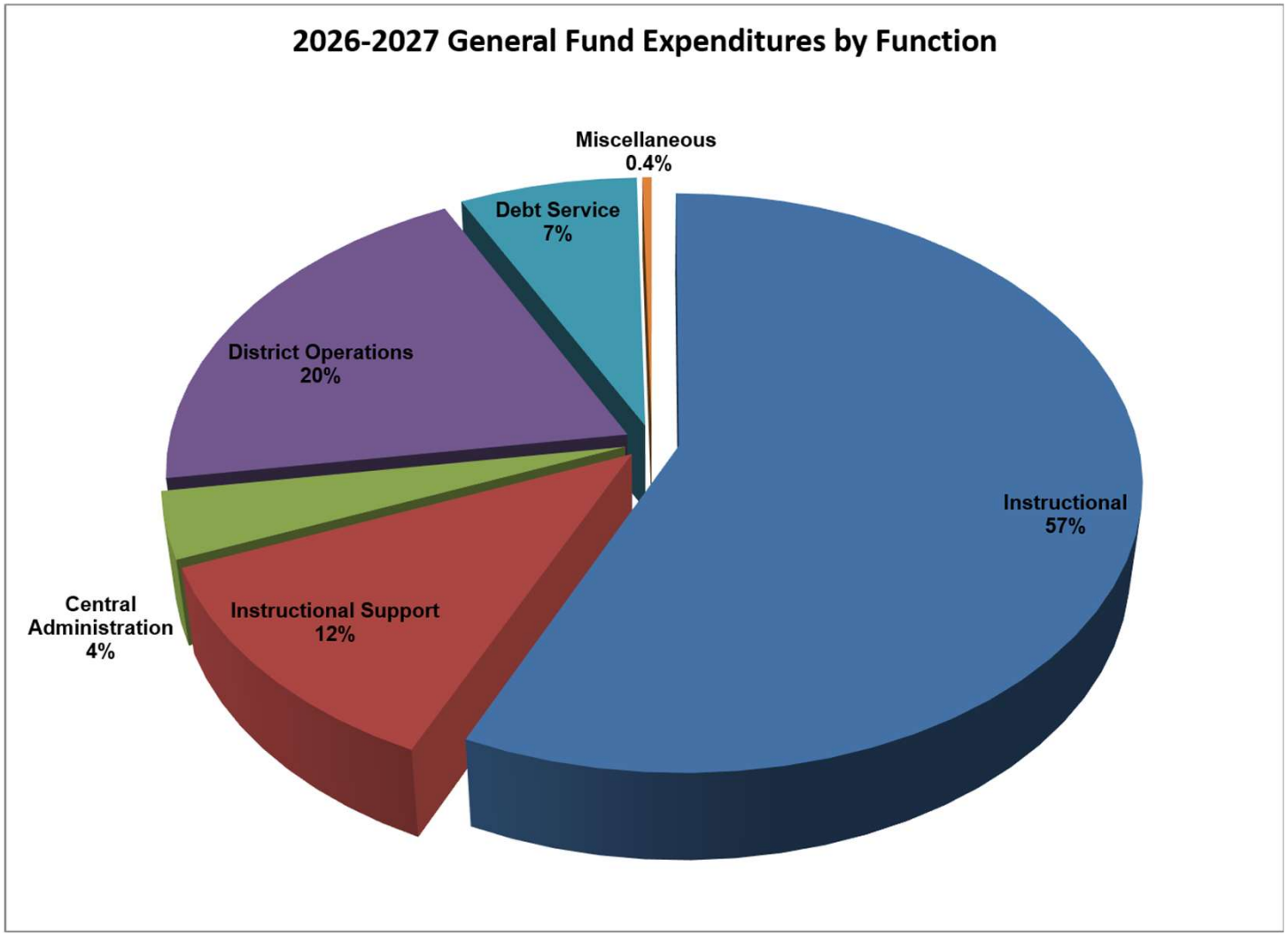
- Salaries & Benefits
  - ✓ Uncertified, 1st year teachers have been added at $58,000
  - ✓ Increases paystep for teachers and hourly staff to maintain pay equity
  - ✓ Includes longevity stipend
- All Other Costs
  - ✓ Includes repayment of previously authorized Maintenance Tax Note ($3.2 million)
  - ✓ No additional tax note *assumed* for 2026-2027
  - ✓ Decreased property insurance premiums

Expenditures – Year over Year Comparison

		2025-2026 Amended	2026-2027 Proposed	Inc/(Dec)	
6100	Payroll Costs	$ 34,939,053	$ 34,754,685	$ (184,368)	-0.4%
6200	Contracted Services	$ 4,204,965	$ 4,071,048	$ (133,918)	-0.3%
6300	Supplies & Materials	$ 1,840,517	$ 1,892,747	$ 52,230	0.1%
6400	Other Operating	$ 2,072,047	$ 1,498,789	$ (573,258)	-1.2%
6500	Debt Service	$ 3,335,552	$ 3,221,835	$ (113,716)	-0.2%
6600	Capital Outlay	$ 77,662	$ 28,564	$ (49,098)	-0.1%
Total		**$ 46,469,796**	**$ 45,467,668**	**$ (1,002,127)**	**-2%**

Huffman ISD
2026-2027 General Fund Budget Summary
as a percentage of Total Expenditures

Salaries	34,754,685	76.4%
Tax Appraisal and Collections	218,500	0.5%
Professional and Contracted Services	2,472,126	5.4%
Utilities	1,380,422	3.0%
Fuel	250,561	0.6%
Supplies and Materials	1,642,186	3.6%
Travel - Staff and Student	309,385	0.7%
Insurance Costs	767,145	1.7%
Miscellaneous Operating	422,259	0.9%
Maintenance Tax Note	3,195,281	7.0%
Copier Lease Purchase	26,554	0.1%
Capital Outlay	28,564	0.1%
Total	**45,467,668**	**100.0%**


2026-2027 General Fund Expenditures by Function
Miscellaneous
0.4%
Debt Service
7%
District Operations
20%
Instructional
57%
Central
Administration
4%
Instructional Support
12%

Budget Development Results

PROPOSED 2026-2027 FINANCIAL PLAN

Huffman ISD

2026-2027 Proposed Budget

		2025-26 General Fund Amended	2026-27 General Fund Proposed	Increase	2026-27 Food Service Fund	2026-27 Debt Service Fund	2026-27 Total
	REVENUES:						
5700	Local	$ 12,474,433	$ 12,997,921	$ 523,488	$ 912,292	$ 8,413,783	$ 22,323,996
5800	State	29,632,202	28,274,264	(1,357,938)	73,500	980,520	29,328,284
5900	Federal	736,680	486,297	(250,383)	1,537,397	-	2,023,694
	Total Revenues	$ 42,843,315	$ 41,758,482	$ (1,084,832)	$ 2,523,189	$ 9,394,303	$ 53,675,974
	EXPENDITURES:						
11	Instruction	$ 24,691,512	$ 25,072,908	$ 381,396	$ -	$ -	$ 25,072,908
12	Instruction resources and Media	288,361	242,157	(46,204)	-	-	242,157
13	Curriculum and Staff Development	703,776	505,946	(197,829)	-	-	505,946
21	Instructional Leadership	628,971	473,676	(155,294)	-	-	473,676
23	School Leadership	2,109,112	2,046,917	(62,195)	-	-	2,046,917
31	Guidance and Counseling	1,232,840	1,149,403	(83,437)	-	-	1,149,403
32	Social Work Services	176,386	255,411	79,024	-	-	255,411
33	Health Services	404,031	389,281	(14,750)	-	-	389,281
34	Student Transportation	1,794,874	1,709,733	(85,141)	-	-	1,709,733
35	Food Service	50,000	-	(50,000)	2,463,899	-	2,463,899
36	Extracurricular/Cocurricular	1,189,608	1,144,345	(45,263)	-	-	1,144,345
41	Central Administration	1,679,798	1,695,306	15,507	-	-	1,695,306
51	Plant Maintenance and Operations	5,992,524	5,423,196	(569,327)	25,800	-	5,448,996
52	Security and Monitoring Services	971,724	949,360	(22,363)	-	-	949,360
53	Data Processing	1,033,077	1,000,593	(32,484)	-	-	1,000,593
71	Debt Service	3,335,552	3,221,835	(113,716)	-	9,406,993	12,628,828
81	Facilities Construction	-	-	-	-	-	-
95	Payments to JJAEP	21,600	21,600	-	-	-	21,600
99	Other Intergovernmental Charges	166,000	166,000	-	-	-	166,000
	Total Expenditures	46,469,746	45,467,668	(1,002,077)	2,489,699	9,406,993	57,364,360
	Excess/(Deficiency) of Rev over Exp	(3,626,431)	(3,709,186)		33,490	(12,690)	(3,688,386)
7900	Total Other Financing Resources	3,049,000	-		-	-	-
8900	Total Other Financing Uses	-	-		-	-	-
	Net Change in Fund Balance	(577,431)	(3,709,186)		33,490	(12,690)	(3,688,386)
	Beginning Fund Balance, July 1	7,250,477 [1]	6,673,046		592,634	4,376,902	11,642,582
	Ending Fund Balance, June 30 (estimated)	6,673,046	2,963,860		626,124	4,364,212	7,954,195

Huffman ISD

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Other Resources	$ 3,049,000	$ -	$ (3,049,000)
Grand Total Rev. & Other Res.	$ 46,703,021	$ 41,758,482	$ (4,944,539)

General Fund

Comparison of 2025-2026 Projected vs 2026-2027 Proposed

	2025-2026 Amended	2025-2026 Projected	2026-2027 Proposed	Variance
Revenue & Other Resources				
Local Taxes	12,080,841	12,618,931	12,728,831	109,900
Local Other	393,592	361,099	269,090	(92,008)
State	29,632,202	29,986,544	28,274,264	(1,712,280)
Federal	736,680	687,447	486,297	(201,150)
	42,843,315	43,654,021	41,758,483	(1,895,538)
Expenditures & Other Uses				
Payroll Costs	34,939,053	34,857,128	34,754,685	(102,443)
Professional & Contracted Services	4,204,965	4,152,093	4,071,048	(81,045)
Supplies & Materials	1,840,517	2,002,226	1,892,747	(109,479)
Other Operating Costs	2,072,047	1,867,156	1,498,789	(368,367)
Debt Service	3,335,552	3,334,942	3,221,835	(113,107)
Capital Outlay	77,662	580	28,564	27,984
	46,469,796	46,214,125	45,467,668	(746,456)
Net Increase /(Decrease)	(3,626,481)	(2,560,104)	(3,709,186)	(1,149,082)
Other Resources	3,049,000	3,049,000	-	(3,049,000)
Other Uses	-	-		
Net Channge in Fund Balance	(577,481)	488,896	(3,709,186)	(4,198,082)

Budget Development Results

Description	Financial Impact
State and Local Revenue Reduction	($1.9 million)
Budget Reductions & Efficiencies Identified	$1.9 million
Net Impact on Budget Position	Approximately Neutral

What This Means

- The District began budget development facing approximately $1.9 million less revenue than the current year.
- Approximately $1.9 million in reductions and efficiencies were identified.
- Educational services were preserved.
- The budget position remained comparable to the current year despite reduced revenues.
- The reported deficit requires additional explanation.

Understanding the Proposed Budget Deficit

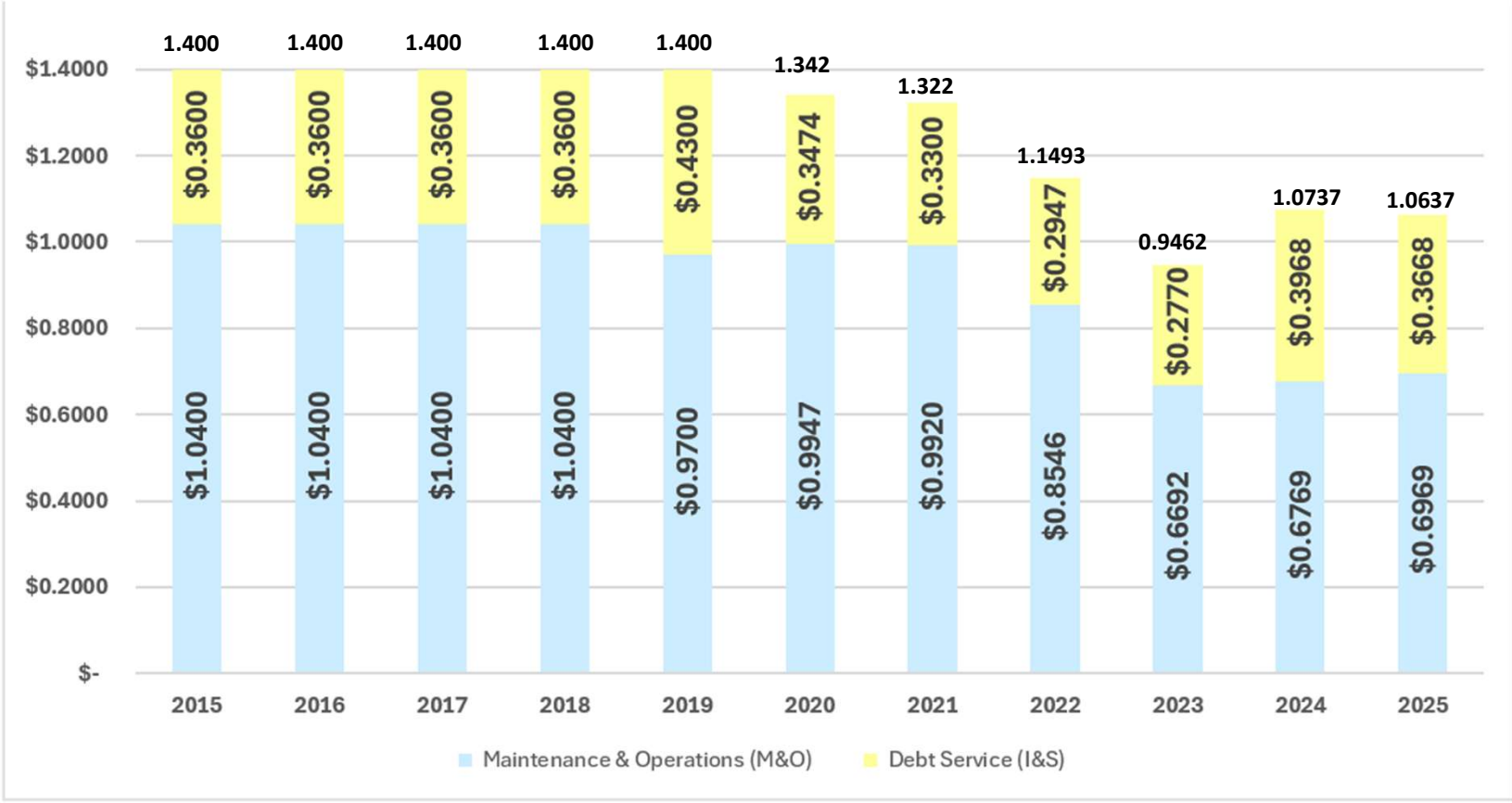
Description	Amount
Total Proposed Deficit	($3.7 million)
Repayment of Existing Tax Note	$3.2 million
Remaining Operating Budget Gap for 2026-2027	Approximately ($500,000)

Key Takeaways

- Most of the proposed deficit relates to the repayment of existing financing.
- Approximately $3.2 million is attributable to the scheduled repayment of the previously authorized tax note.
- The ongoing operating deficit is significantly smaller than the total reported deficit.
- The District continues working toward long-term financial stability.

Property Values & Tax Base Growth

Huffman ISD Historical Tax Rate



Notice of Public Meeting to Discuss Budget and Proposed Tax Rate

June 12, 2026

- Posted to Website

- Published in Houston Business Journal

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Huffman Independent School District will hold a public meeting at 6:00pm., June 22, 2026 in Board Room, Admin Building, 24302 FM 2100, Huffman, Texas 77336. **The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.**

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	$0.78690/$100 (proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters	$0.10600/$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories.

Maintenance and operations	-3.01 % decrease
Debt Service	14.38 % increase
Total Expenditures	-0.39 % decrease

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	$2,855,933,057	$3,011,069,956
Total appraised value* of new property**	$147,550,578	$154,791,149
Total taxable value*** of all property	$1,970,675,380	$2,077,724,271
Total taxable value*** of new property**	$101,814,113	$106,810,314

*Appraised value is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* $144,625,000

*Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	$0.69690	$0.36680	$1.06370	$5,501	$8,236
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	$0.72802	$0.42199	$1.15001	$6,837	$7,629
Proposed Rate	$0.78690	$0.10600	$1.19290	$7,008	$7,981

*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	$322,663	$321,459
Average Taxable Value of Residences	$201,585	$202,582
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per $100 Value	$1.06370	$1.19290
Taxes Due on Average Residence	$2,144.26	$2,416.60
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		$272.34

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is $1.07290. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of $1.07290.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment.

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	$6,670,007
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	$3,700,352

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

Visit Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

Maximum Rate Included for Discussion

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	$0.78690 / $100 (proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax Approved by Local Voters	$0.40600 / $100 (proposed rate to pay bond indebtedness)

***** The published rate represents the maximum rate the Board may consider under the current notice *****

Clarification About the Posted Rate

- The posted rate is the maximum rate the Board may consider under that notice.
- Posting the rate does not mean the Board has decided to adopt that rate.
- The Board may ultimately adopt a lower rate.
- A higher rate would require a revised notice and another public meeting.

Preserving Board Flexibility and Transparency

- Posting the maximum rate allows full discussion in public.
- It prevents the Board from being limited to a lower discussion ceiling.
- It allows the Board to compare options before final action.
- The final adopted rate may still be lower.

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April 30, 2026

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Re: 2026 Certified Estimates

Dear Ms. Alaniz:

As required by Texas Tax Code Sec. 26.01(e), we have prepared an estimate of taxable value for the above taxing jurisdiction for 2026. While this estimate is based on information currently available to us, some of the data needed for accuracy is not yet available. For example, in the area of business and industrial personal property, the extended date for property owners to file their annual renditions is May 15, and some will delay their filing an additional 15 days for good cause.

While we have taken our best estimate of potential hearing loss into account, protests for 2026 are in the process of being received and reductions made in the ARB protest hearing process during the next several months could cause a further reduction in value. Also, if fewer protests are filed, your value could possibly be higher.

Your final taxable value will also be impacted by late-filed exemption applications, late applications for productivity valuation, correction motions under Tax Code Sec. 25.25, and possible post-ARB appeals through binding arbitration, appeals to district court, or appeals to the State Office of Administrative Hearings.

Given these limitations, the estimated 2026 taxable value for the taxing unit identified above is:

$2,077,724,271

The enclosed summary report gives a breakdown of this estimate by property category.

Please do not hesitate to contact your HCAD jurisdiction coordinator or my office if you have questions regarding this estimate or other matters affecting appraisal district operations.

Sincerely,

Adam Bogard
Chief Appraiser

Preliminary Property Value Information

PRELIMINARY CERTIFIED ESTIMATES

Huffman ISD
2026 Certified Estimate of Taxable Value

Major Property Category	2025 Taxable Value	Percent Change	Projected 2026 Taxable Value
Residential & Rural Improved	1,404,845,336	7.27%	1,507,005,689
Apartments	17,750,410	3.21%	18,319,792
Commercial	160,684,640	8.77%	174,771,615
Vacant Land	242,070,065	1.83%	246,497,681
Industrial	745,590	0.25%	747,454
Utility	69,818,687	1.95%	71,180,151
Commercial Personal	29,294,783	-52.46%	13,926,439
Industrial Personal	21,009,825	-4.41%	20,083,230
All Other Property	24,456,044	3.01%	25,192,220
Projected 2026 Taxable Value	**1,970,675,380**	**5.43%**	**2,077,724,271**

Projected 2026 Taxable Value Range

Accuracy +/- 5%	**1,973,838,057**	**To**	**2,181,610,484**

Why Property Value Doesn't Equal More Revenue

Many Assume:

- Property values increase = District revenue increase

However:

- State aid is reduced as property wealth grows
- School finance formulas offset local value increases

Harris Central Appraisal District
Truth in Taxation Data

Jur: Huffman ISD

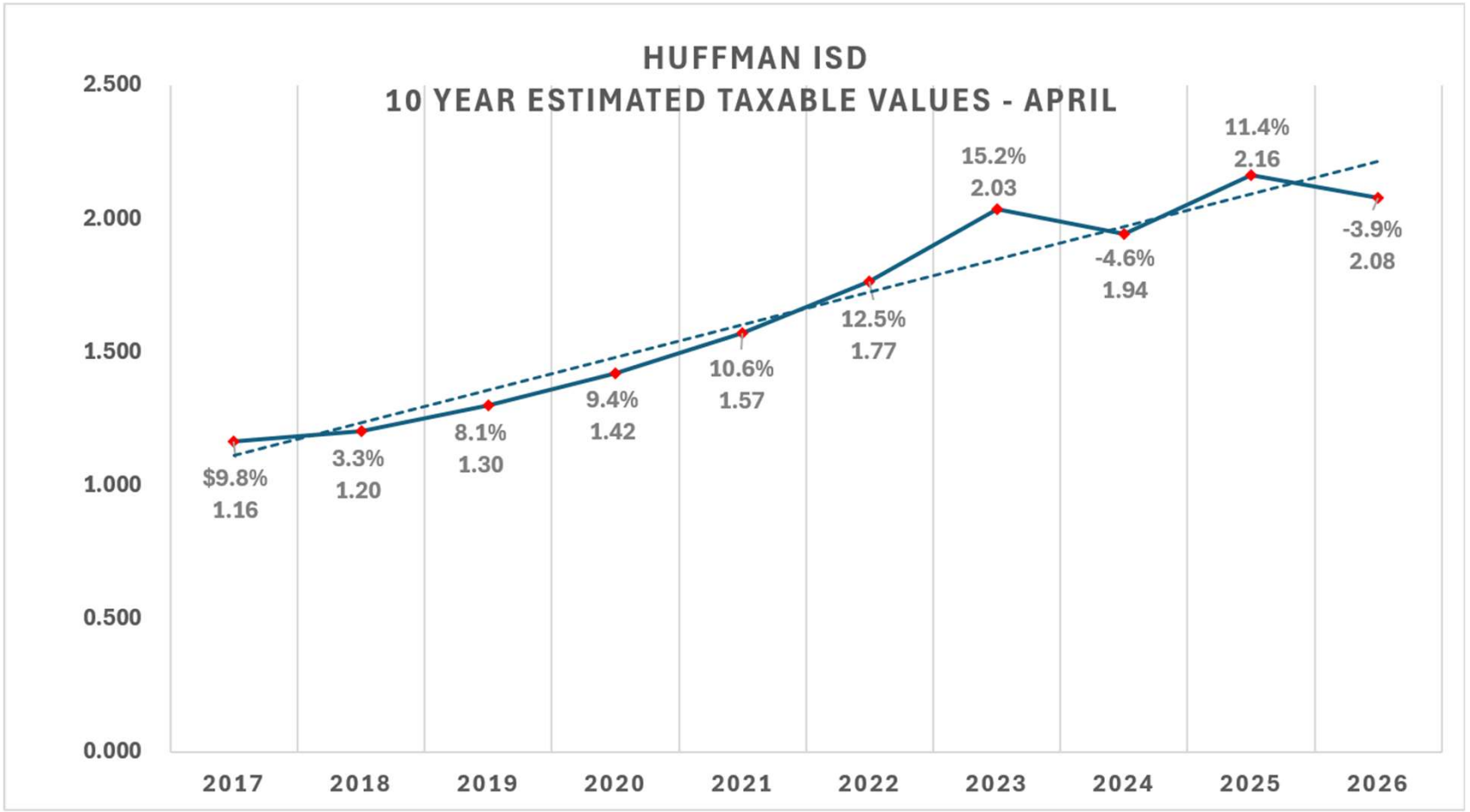
	2025	2026
Average Market Value of Residences:	$322,663	$321,459
Average Taxable Value of Residences:	$201,585	$202,582

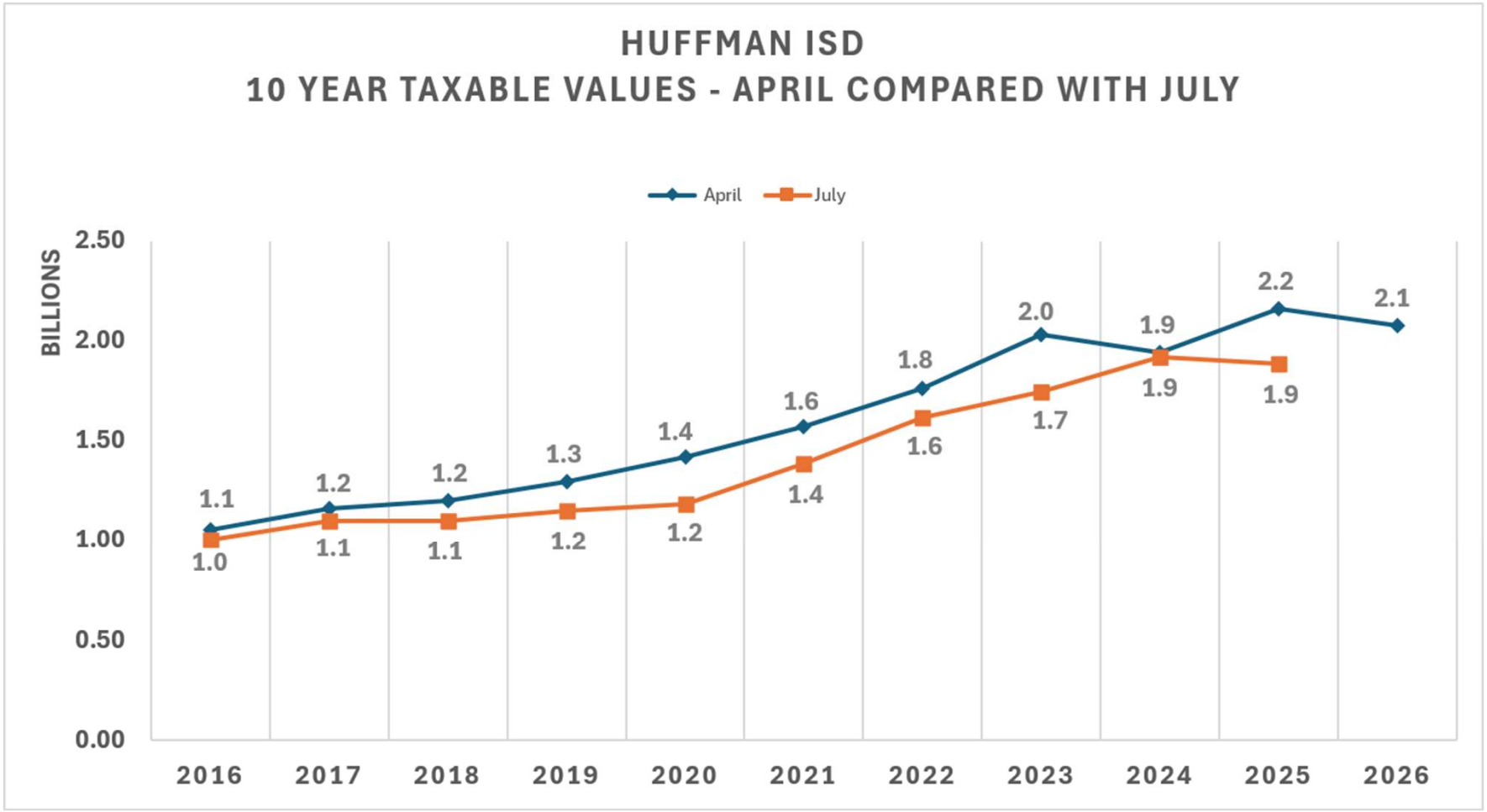
Total Appraised Value of All Property:	$2,855,933,057	$3,011,069,956
Total Appraised Value of New Property:	$147,550,578	$154,791,149
Total Taxable Value of All Property:	$1,970,675,380	$2,077,724,271
Total Taxable Value of New Property:	$101,814,113	$106,810,314

Total Market Value of All Property:	$3,097,114,387	$3,265,352,476

Last Year Losses Due To Substantial Error Corrections	$544,240

Data as of April 28, 2026


HUFFMAN ISD
10 YEAR ESTIMATED TAXABLE VALUES - APRIL
2.500
2.000
1.500
1.000
0.500
0.000
$9.8%
1.16
3.3%
1.20
8.1%
1.30
9.4%
1.42
10.6%
1.57
12.5%
1.77
15.2%
2.03
-4.6%
1.94
11.4%
2.16
-3.9%
2.08
2017
2018
2019
2020
2021
2022
2023
2024
2025
2026


HUFFMAN ISD
10 YEAR TAXABLE VALUES - APRIL COMPARED WITH JULY
April
July
BILLIONS
2.50
2.00
1.50
1.00
0.50
0.00
1.1
1.2
1.2
1.3
1.4
1.6
1.8
2.0
1.9
2.2
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1.0
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1.1
1.2
1.2
1.4
1.6
1.7
1.9
1.9
2016
2017
2018
2019
2020
2021
2022
2023
2024
2025
2026

Debt Service and Bond Obligations

Bond Issues	2025-26 Payments	2026-27 Payments
Series 2013 Refunding Bond	194,775	$ 220,100
Series 2014 Refunding Bond	640,788	642,438
Series 2015 Refunding Bond	447,731	444,031
Series 2016 Bond	589,700	576,400
Series 2017A Bond	1,547,169	1,410,919
Series 2017B Refunding Bond	-	-
Series 2018 Bond	690,755	681,255
Series 2019 Refunding Bond	748,300	1,084,300
Series 2024 Bond	1,986,688	1,987,488
Series 2025 Bond	1,134,597	2,357,813
Continuing Disclosures - SEC 15c2-12	2,000	2,000
Transparency Report - HB1378	250	250
Total Debt Service Requirement	$ 8,224,003	$ 9,406,993

Debt Service Requirements

Bond Issues	2025-26 Payments	2026-27 Payments
Total Debt Service Requirement	$ 8,224,003	$ 9,406,993
Less Amounts from Following Sources:		
Est. Add'l State Aid for Homestead Exemption (ASAHE)	1,025,788	980,520 [1]
Total Estimated State Aid	$ 1,025,788	$ 980,520
Interest Earnings, estimated	100,000	100,000
Delinquent Collections, estimated	300,000	300,000
I & S Tax Collections needed to repay debt	$ 6,798,215	$ 8,026,473

[1] *75% of Current Estimate*

Debt Service Requirements

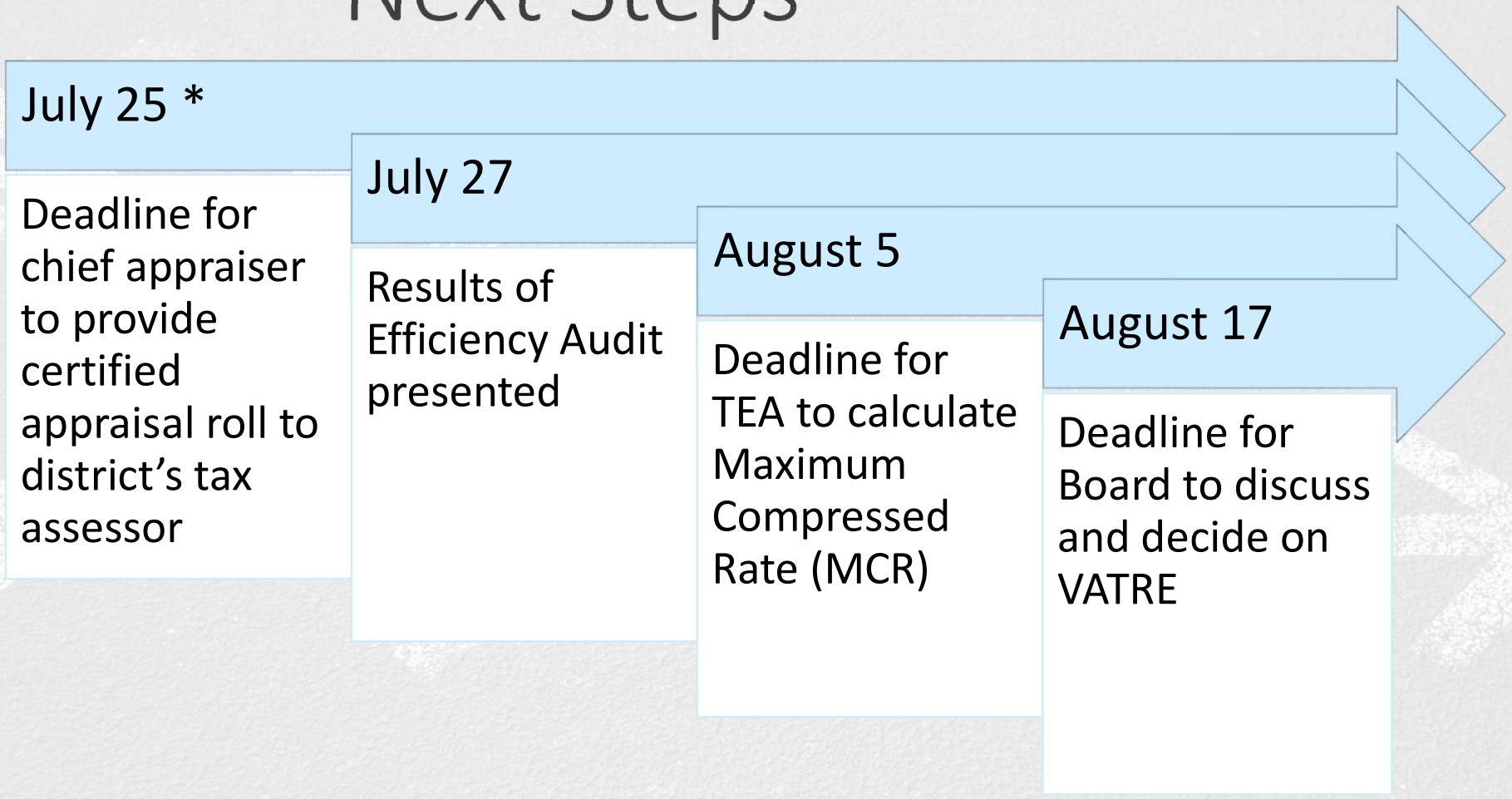
	2025-26	2026-27	
I & S Tax Collections needed to repay debt	$ 6,798,215	$ 8,026,473	
Determination of Tax Rate:			
Certified Taxable Property Values	1,943,873,308	2,077,724,271	[2]
Per $100.00, 100% Collection Rate	19,438,733	20,777,243	
Tax rate necessary to collect at 100%	$ 0.34973	$ 0.38631	
Prior Year Tax Rate	0.39680	0.36680	
Increase/(Decrease) from prior year	(0.03000)	0.03920	
Total Debt Rate	**0.36680**	**0.40600**	[3]
Total to be collected at at 95%	6,987,525	8,013,783	
Beginning Fund Balance, July 1, 2026	3,364,949	3,700,552	[4]
Amount Transferred to (from) Fund Balance	$ 189,310	$ (12,690)	
Estimated Fund Balance, June 30, 2027	3,554,259	3,687,862	

[2] *Preliminary Values, as of 4/30/2026*

[3] *Maximum estimated I&S tax rate*

[4] *June 30, 2026 Projected Fund Balance, Unaudited*

Next Steps


July 25 *
Deadline for chief appraiser to provide certified appraisal roll to district's tax assessor
July 27
Results of Efficiency Audit presented
August 5
Deadline for TEA to calculate Maximum Compressed Rate (MCR)
August 17
Deadline for Board to discuss and decide on VATRE



- ✓ Budget adoption scheduled tonight
- ✓ Approximately $1.9 million in reductions and efficiencies identified
- ✓ Educational services preserved
- ✓ Approximately $3.2 million of the proposed deficit relates to the repayment of the previously authorized tax note
- ✓ Tax rate adoption will occur at a later meeting.

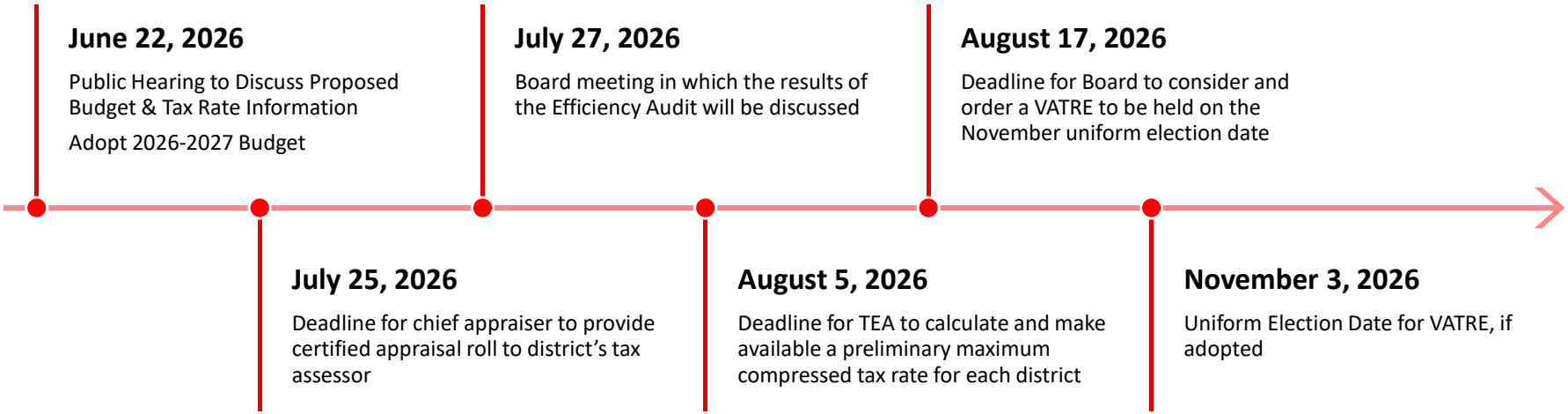
Questions?

Appendix

FUTURE TAX RATE OPTIONS AND VATRE INFORMATION

Voter-Approval Tax Rate Election (VATRE)

- Required when the adopted rate exceeds the voter-approval rate.
- The Board may discuss options before deciding whether to call an election
- Voters decide whether to approve the adopted rate.



How M&O Funding Works – Tier 1

- Tier 1 funding is set by the state to support basic educational services.
- As property values rise, the local share increases and the state share decreases, so total funding does not automatically increase.
- Tier 1 is also affected by ongoing tax compression, which may reduce the future tax rate.



TIER 1 ENTITLEMENT
$6,215 /Student
(Adjusted for Student Weights)

Increase in Taxable Values = Increase in Local Funds / Decrease in State Funds = **SAME ENTITLEMENT $6,215/Student**

Rising property values do not automatically create more spendable revenue for the district.

REGION 4 EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER

How M&O Funding Works – Tier 2

- Tier 2 allows school districts to generate enrichment funding by taxing up to **17** cents above the MCR.
- The first five cents may be adopted by board action.
- Additional cents require voter approval through a VATRE.
- Golden pennies generate the highest level of state equalized funding.
- Copper pennies generate additional funding but are subject to tax compression.



Guaranteed Yield per penny

Golden

$129.52





Copper

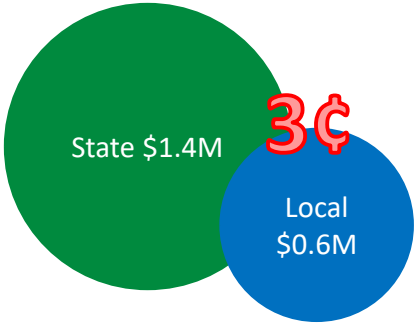
$49.72

Each Penny*	Golden	Copper
Local Revenue	$199,668	$199,668
State Revenue	472,225	57,635
Total	$671,893	$257,303

* 26-27 Preliminary - Based on revised WADA through 5th-6 weeks and estimated certified values

Estimated Funding Impact of VATRE

Number of Tier 2 Cents	5	8	10	14	17
Tier 1 State	$ 21,817,051	$21,817,051	$21,817,051	$21,817,051	$21,817,051
Tier 2 State	2,424,490	3,841,166	3,956,371	4,187,367	4,359,883
Local Share	12,457,276	13,056,280	13,455,616	14,254,287	14,853,291
Total State/Local Revenue	**$ 36,698,817**	**$ 38,714,497**	**$ 39,229,038**	**$ 40,258,705**	**$ 41,030,225**



$2,015,680
+ 3¢

$2,530,221
+ 5¢

$3,559,888
+ 9¢

$4,331,408
+ 12¢

Annual Community Tax Impact

M & O Tax Rate	Δ from Prior Year	
MCR + 5 cents	↓ $54	(5 Golden pennies)
MCR + 8 cents	↑ $7	(8 Golden pennies)
MCR + 10 cents	↑ $47	(8 Golden pennies + 2 Copper pennies)
MCR + 14 cents	↑ $128	(8 Golden pennies + 3 Copper pennies)
MCR + 17 cents	↑ $189	(8 Golden pennies + 9 Copper pennies)

Tax impact is calculated using only the Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate.

The MCR assumes no compression at this time.

Estimated homeowner impact is based on an average taxable home value of $202,582.

Tax ceilings for homeowners age 65 and older or disabled homeowners may limit the impact on qualifying homesteads.