MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
COFFEYVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 445

July 20, 2026 **Regular Meeting 9:00 a.m.** **District Office**

"Building on a culturally diverse community, USD 445 will prepare all students for life-long learning by providing resources for a comprehensive quality education in a safe environment that promotes high academic achievement and responsible citizenship in a global society." – Mission Statement

"Valuing individuals, Celebrating Learning, Improving Life! USD 445 will provide a happy, caring, hopeful environment that will empower children to achieve their greatest potential." – Vision Statement

The Board of Education of Coffeyville USD 445 met Monday, July 20, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office, 615 Ellis, Coffeyville, KS 67337.

President, Jason Barnett called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present	Others Present
Cindy Price	Dr. Craig Correll…Superintendent
Denise Gates	Michael Speer…Dep. Sup./Bus. Manager
Matt Jordan *(joined online)*	Lora Stalford…Asst. Sup/Curriculum Director
Delia Northup	Florrie Hurlbutt…citizen
Jason Barnett	Denise Tatman…citizen
Shanna Motl	Samantha Kudrick…CACF
LaKisha Johnson	Ryan Thompson…CACF

Adoption of Agenda:

Motion made by Cindy Price to adopt the agenda, second by Denise Gates. Motion carried 7-0.

Executive Session:

To Discuss Negotiations

Motion made by LaKisha Johnson to move into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss the latest proposal for increasing the base pay rate of teachers and to discuss the latest proposal of language changes in the Negotiated Agreement pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under the Kansas Open Meetings Act, and the open meeting will resume in this room at 9:31 a.m. Seconded by Denise Gates. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Craig Correll, Superintendent, was invited into the executive session.
Michael Speer, Deputy Superintendent/Business Manager, was invited into the executive session.

Reconvened to Open Session at 9:31 a.m. with no action taken.
Shanna Motl, Delia Northup, and LaKisha Johnson were absent.

Motion made by Jason Barnett to move into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss the latest proposal for increasing the base pay rate of teachers and to discuss the latest proposal of language changes in the Negotiated Agreement pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under the Kansas Open Meetings Act, and the open meeting will resume in this room at 10:01 a.m. Seconded by Matt Jordan. Motion carried 7-0.

Dr. Craig Correll, Superintendent, was invited into the executive session.

Michael Speer, Deputy Superintendent/Business Manager, was invited into the executive session.

Reconvened to Open Session at 10:01 a.m. with no action taken.
All members present.

Matt Jordan left the meeting at 10:01 a.m.

Discussion Item

1. Revenue Neutral Rate – Michael Speer, Business Manager
   - A. A review of the Budget timeline window for the start to the option of the budget was reviewed.

Matt Jordan returned to the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

   - B. A lengthy list of financial drivers for the budget especially the LOB budget was reviewed. Most significantly was the loss of state aid in the LOB fund. Last year, F26, state aid was 45.32% while this year, F27, state aid will be 43.65% This along with the collection percentage of 87% will force the district to increase mills 0.689 mills to maintain the same LOB budget as the previous year, not including Capital Outlay.
   - C. The district has the authority to go to 32.4% of the general fund. The general fund is based on the enrollment numbers and not necessarily on a published dollar amount. Historically, the district has hovered somewhere between 28% and 30% of the general fund for the LOB amount.
   - D. RNR combines LOB, capital outlay, and bond & interest into "All Other Funds." The district currently has no bond and interest.
   - E. Recreation Commission levies pass through the district but are not governed by USD 445 and are excluded from RNR and the district budget.
   - F. To make the budget work, the district has reduced/reallocated a little over $561,000 within the budget to cover new expenses such as special education. Special education normally has a 8-10% increase. This year, due to Tri-County finance error, the assessment has increased 15% or a little over $165,000.
   - G. The district has the authority to increase to the state average of 32.4% of the general fund budget if they so wish. The district has maintained an LOB budget that is under 30% of that authority in efforts to save the mill rate.
   - H. The final F26 capital outlay levy was 7.973 mills; maximizing to 8.0 mills would require an additional 0.027 mills that will affect exceeding RNR.

Delia Northup left the meeting at 10:49 a.m.
Matt Jordan left the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

   - I. Five different options were presented to the school board regarding RNR and the mill rate comparison to previous years. All options would have to include the additional 0.027 for Capital Outlay.
     - i. LOB Option 1: $561,000 in reductions, same LOB dollars as F26. Mill increase of .0689.
     - ii. LOB Option 2: $561,000 in reductions, covers negotiations. Mill increase of 0.899.
     - iii. LOB Option 3: $561,000 in reductions, covers negotiations, adds back in $80,000 for textbook expenses. Mill increase of 1.221.
     - iv. LOB Option 4: $561,000 in reductions, covers negotiations, adds back in $80,000 for textbook expenses and $65,000 to cover the Special Education increased assessment. Mill increase of 1.483.

v. LOB Option 5: $561,000 in reductions, maxes out the LOB at 32.4% of the predicted general fund. Mill increase of 3.065. This option was only included as an option as board members were asking what it would look like if we maxed the LOB.

Action Item:

Motion made by Jason Barnett to move the action item for Resolution 20260720-05 LOB percentage and the action item to exceed the revenue neutral rate to the end of the board meeting to allow times for the board to consider options. Second by Cindy Price. Motion carried 5-0.

Adoption of Consent Agenda:

Motion made by Cindy Price to adopt the consent agenda, second by Shanna Motl.
Motion carried 5-0.

A. Acceptance of Resignations/Retirement
   1. Resignation – Samantha Thorne, Child Nutrition
B. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting, June 8 and June 29, 2026
C. Approval of Bills and Treasurer's Report

06-General	$	233,465.03	44-JOM	$	641.27	86-Rec. Benefits	$	21,325.67
08-LOB	$	98,059.48	48-MEICHV	$	1,184.12	89-FKHS Pool	$	-
11-PK-AR	$	805.90	49-MEICHV	$	-	90-Title VI-B	$	-
13-AR	$	-	51-KPERS	$	-	91-Title V	$	-
14-Bilingual	$	-	53-Contingency	$	-	92-21st- CES	$	-
15-Virtual	$	27,950.00	55-Textbook	$	98,427.00	93-Title I-C	$	-
16-Cap Outlay	$	445,359.79	56-Activity	$	6,124.63	94-Title III	$	1,393.00
18-Drivers Ed.	$	250.00	62-Bond & Int.	$	-	95-Title I	$	-
24-Child Nutritio	$	181,369.78	71-KU Com. Heal	$	90.52	96-Title II-A	$	865.00
26-Inservice	$	2,947.10	72-KU-SIT Cord	$	-	97-Title IV	$	2,834.60
28- PAT	$	369.90	73-ECBG Grant	$	3,996.27			
29-Summer Scho	$	-	77-Afterschool	$	3,000.00			
30-Special Ed.	$	289,358.21	78-ESSER III	$	-			
34-CTE	$	1,963.50	79-KDHE-COVII	$	-	02-HS Activity	$	15,763.78
35-Gifts/Grants	$	11,604.45	80-21st- ELC	$	1,117.31	03-MS Activity	$	-
40-Indian Ed.	$	1,173.33	81-Title II-D	$	-	04-CES. Activity	$	-
43-ARE-HCY-II	$	-	84-Rec. Comm.	$	113,227.24	Payroll	$	1,571,861.71

D. Designation of Bank for Active Accounts for 2026-2027
E. Designation of Depository Banks for 2026-2027
F. Designation of Official Newspaper for 2026-2027
G. Designation of Official Radio Station for 2026-2027
H. Appointment of Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer for 2026-2027
I. Appointment of Clerk and Deputy Clerk for 2026-2027
J. Designation of KPERS Authorized Representative for 2026-2027
K. Renewal of Agreements with Federal Government and State of Kansas to Continue Child Nutrition Programs and Appointments of Hearing Officer for Free and Reduced-Priced Meal Application Appeals for 2026-2027
L. Designation of Title I Authorized Representative for 2026-2027
M. Designation of official custodian of district records for 2026-2027
N. Designation of official custodian of all board and district office records for 2026-2027
O. Designation(s) of official custodian of all records maintained at the building level for 2026-2027

P. Designation of Title IX Authorized Representative for 2026-2027
Q. Designation of 504 Coordinator for 2026-2027
R. Designation of Student Foster Care Liaison for 2026-2027
S. Designation of Freedom of Information Officer for 2026-2027
T. Designation of Homeless Coordinator for 2026-2027
U. Designation of Health and Wellness Committee President for 2026-2027
V. Designation of Hazardous Waste Inspection and Disposal for 2026-2027
W. Adoption of 1,116 Hour Calendar
X. Approval of Participation in Federal Programs for 2026-2027 and Authorization to Sign Grant Applications
Y. Approval of 2026-2027 school year section 125 Flex Benefits Administrators: NueSynergy
Z. Designation of School Attendance Officers for 2026-2027
AA. Designation of School Board Meeting Dates for 2026-2027
BB. Approval of Adoption Rates and Fees for 2026-2027
CC. Child Nutrition Report – June, 2026

Miscellaneous Reports and Discussion:

Positive Comments:

- Cindy Price commented on the roofing project at Community Elementary School and what a great job Wray Roofing is doing with the work. Mrs. Price stated that from the street you cannot even tell the project is taking place.
- LaKisha Johnson thanked Michael Speer for all the behind the scenes work that is done, although not always seen, it is greatly appreciated.

Central Office Reports:

1. Curriculum Director
   A. 95% Group Program Expansion
   B. Following LETRS training and the shift to structured literacy and the science of reading, 95% was implemented with Into Reading for foundational skills in K–2 last year.
   C. District staff learned from LETRS there were two gaps: insufficient time dedicated to reading, and the absence of foundational skills instruction in 3rd grade.
   D. The expansion puts foundational skills (phonics, phonemic awareness, blending) into 3rd grade Tier 1 instruction at roughly 30% of the reading block, compared to the almost 50% appropriate in kindergarten. The consistency of language being used is of great importance. Using different words and vocabulary to introduce the same skills actively harms students, especially those who struggle, students who speak other languages, and students with special needs.
   E. A decision on 4th and 5th grade will come after this year, and will likely look different
   F. There is also a deliberate K–5 effort to reduce device time and put physical books in students' hands, particularly in reading.
2. Business Manager/Clerk of the Board
   A. Current Testing Results FKHS Pool
      i. Waters Edge (pool engineering and design, Missouri) developed the test protocol.
      ii. The district's maintenance crew and Thomas Rex of CRI Plumbing are in the process of working through it. Standard is for the pipes to hold 15 psi for one hour without leaking.
      iii. Currently the pumps, valves, supply, return, filters have all checked out.
      iv. Supply chamber (gutter) is not able to be tested under current efforts as the plugs are leaking. Maintenance is working to try a different approach and test again.

v. The pool will definitely need to be regrouted which is estimated at around $15,000. There are many places, especially next to the gutter when the grout is missing. This will need to be investigated as to why and dealt with before water may be added all the way to the top. There are places were the gutter is ¼" away from the tile and other places it is tight. Continued work with Water's Edge will be needed to determine best course of action.

vi. Filling of the pool has begun to check for leakage and evaporation.

B. Bid Results for FKHS Natatorium Remodel

i. Bids from Crossland Construciton and Decker Construciton were received and explained thoroughly to the board.

ii. Bid Packages:

a. Base Bid – steel, roof, paint, lights, doors, etc. All things to get the facility back up and running.

b. Alternate #1 – Restrooms and changing rooms. Community request

c. Alternate #2 – Entrance vestibule. Community and District request

d. Alternate #3 – glass railing instead of a metal railing. District request.

e. Alternate #4 – sound system. District request

f. Alternate #5 – replace electrical panels. District Request.

iii. There was a considerable difference in bid results from Crossland and Decker, with Decker coming in as the lowest bidder in all areas.

a. Base Bid - $1,779,000

b. Alternate #1 - $280,000

c. Alternate #2 - $98,500

d. Alternate #3 – no bid

e. Alternate #4 - $8,800

f. Alternate #5 - $73,000

iv. Financial Commitment

a. Original bid cost estimate was $2,200,000. With the various delays that occurred over time, it was estimated to be $2,400,000.

b. Board requested information regarding demolition of the facility. The estimated demolition cost was between $750,000–$800,000

c. Board committed $800,000 "for the future of the FKHS Natatorium facility" at the December 1, 2025 special meeting. If the renovation project proceeded forward, then $2,400,000 – $800,000 = $1,600,000 would still need to be covered.

d. Actual demo bid came in at $595,800 (lowest bidder January 29, 2026)

e. Coffeyville Area Community Foundation provided a notarized letter dated January 16, 2026 verifying $1.6 million available to Friends of the Charlesworth Pool, LLC for the renovation project.

f. Notarized agreement signed by the Friends fo the Charlesworth Pool, LLC and the district dated February 3, 2026. The agreement states the district $800,000 commitment and the LLC committing "an amount up to, but not exceeding $1.6 million towards the FKHS Renovation project"

v. District expenses so far include the design costs and the projected Dynamic Controls cost. That leave $602,555 available from the district's committed $800,000. The LLC would need to provide the remaining cost of $1,176,445 to cover the base bid.

vi. Any additional alternates chosen by either the district or the LLC could be added on to the project.

vii. Email verification received by the district from the LLC that the $1,176,445 amount is available and further discussion on alternates would take place.

viii. Delay in awarding the bid occurred when there were some questions regarding the commitment amount to the base bid. A two-week delay was approved, pushing the project timeline another two weeks that jeopardizes the opening date of the natatorium facility.

ix. A special board meeting will need to take place on August 3rd to determine what action is being taken on the natatorium and/or what alternates are being selected.

Tri-County Special Education Report

Tri-County Special Education Report was made verbally by Cindy Price

- The local assessment increased $165,000 which is more than a full mill. Total district cost this year is approximately $1.3 million. This drove the $561,115 in reductions and delayed negotiations; the increase was built into the IBB process.
- At the Tri-County Board meeting, a 19.5% increase was proposed but failed, with only 3 of 7 districts approving. A 15.5% increase was then moved and passed. Board members reported being told by the director that if 19.5% weren't approved this year, next year would be 30%. Cindy noted he had met with Craig before that meeting, that the 19.5% figure was a surprise, and that she was able to move immediately to the 15.5% motion.
- This is the third consecutive year of ~15% increases. Compounding at that rate, the district's cost goes from $1.3M annually to $5.4 million annually within ten years. All seven member districts have categorized this as unsustainable. There is no cap, meaning, the interlocal could assess 30% next year. Board observation: at that rate the district hits the 32.4% LOB ceiling quickly, after which the only way to pay the assessment is further cuts. $165,000 equals roughly 2.5 to 3 teaching positions. A Tri-County board representative stated that districts should fund whatever is asked and go home and raise their mill rates.
- The accounting problem apparently occurred when carryover was counted as revenue twice, for two or three years, reportedly because the prior business manager had been taught to build the budget that way. Audits came back clean, which proves only that dollars were accounted for, not that the budget was sound.
- Tri-County's current reductions were largely unfilled positions. They changed health insurance carriers after projecting a 16% increase. A consultant has been hired, a former superintendent from a smaller district that ran its own special education.
- Tri-County Interlocal was formed in 1971. Statute governs formation, dissolution, joining, and withdrawal. Changes require 5 of 7 districts to agree; exit likely requires all seven, then State Board of Education approval.
- Alternatives: a district going it alone (risky), or a cooperative with a host district employing the staff and superintendents cooperating for services — no separate governing entity.
- State statute requires the state to cover 92% of excess costs; Kansas currently funds special education under 70%.
- One Tri-County board representative reportedly stated that districts should fund whatever is asked and go home and raise their mill rates.

All remaining reports as printed on the agenda and in the Board Booklet

Delia Northup returned to the meeting at 12:09 p.m.

Action Items:

Board action to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and adopt Resolution No. 20260720-01, Authorizing Petty Cash Fund Accounts

Motion made by Cindy Price to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and adopt Resolution No. 20260720-01, Authorizing Petty Cash Fund Accounts. Seconded by LaKisha Johnson. Motion carried 6-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and adopt Resolution No. 20260720-02, Authorizing Early Payment of Claims

Motion made by Cindy Price to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and adopt Resolution No. 20260720-02, Authorizing Early Payment of Claims Seconded by LaKisha Johnson. Motion carried 6-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to and adopt Resolution No. 20260720-03, Waiving the Annual Requirement of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and Fixed Asset Accounting

Motion made by Cindy Price to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and adopt Resolution No. 20260720-03, Waiving the Annual Requirement of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and Fixed Asset Accounting Seconded by LaKisha Johnson. Motion carried 6-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to and adopt Resolution No. 20260720-04, Rescinding Policy Statements and the Board of Education Adopt the Policy Manual as Presented

Motion made by Cindy Price to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and adopt Resolution No. 20260720-04, Rescinding Policy Statements and the Board of Education Adopt the Policy Manual as Presented Seconded by LaKisha Johnson. Motion carried 6-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent's recommendation of continued phone/fax services from VERGE Network Solutions for the 2026-2027 school year for $29,321.49.

Motion made by Delia Northup to approve the Superintendent's recommendation of continued phone/fax services from VERGE Network Solutions for the 2026-2027 school year for $29,321.49. Seconded by Denise Gates. Motion carried 6-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to for instructional materials for grades K-3 from 95 Percent Group for $20,371.90.

Motion made by Delia Northup to approve the Superintendent's recommendation for instructional materials for grades K-3 from 95 Percent Group for $20,371.90. Seconded by Denise Gates. Motion carried 6-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and adopt Resolution No. 20260720-05 Local Option Budget Percentage

Motion made by Denise Gates to approve the Superintendent's recommendation and adopt Resolution No. 20260720-05 Local Option Budget Percentage. Seconded by Delia Northup. Motion carried 6-0.

Board action to approve exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate for the 2026-2027 school district budget year and inform the County Clerk.

Motion made by Delia Northup to approve exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate for the 2026-2027 school district budget year and increase the mills by 1.8 mills from last year, including option 3 presented and adding 0.52 mills to cover a 2.5% average salary increase for all staff and to maximize Capital Outlay at 8 mills. Seconded by Shanna Motl. Motion carried 6-0.

Action Items Personnel:

Board action to approve the Superintendent's recommendation of employment

Motion made by LaKisha Johnson to approve the Superintendent's recommendation for the following district employment positions:

Jessica Vanderpool, Building Secretary, FKHS

Seconded by Cindy Price. Motion carried 6-0.

Board action to approve the Superintendent's recommendation of employee transfers:

Motion made by LaKisha Johnson to approve the Superintendent's recommendation of the employee transfers within the district:

Danielle Logan, Elementary Teacher, CES to English Teacher, FKHS

Seconded by Cindy Price. Motion carried 6-0.

Adjournment:

Motion made by LaKisha Johnson to adjourn the USD 445 Board of Education meeting. Seconded by Shanna Motl. Motion carried 6-0.

At 12:26 p.m., President, Jason Barnett adjourned this July 20, 2026 regular session of the governing Board of Education for Coffeyville Unified Schools District 445.

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Clerk of the Board

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REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE

BUDGET PREPARATION

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2026-2027 TIMELINE OF BUDGET EVENTS

- July 20 – Board action to adopt the resolution for the local option budget percentage amount.
- July 20 – Deliver Revenue Neutral intention to County Clerk
- Aug 10 – Budget presentation to the board.
  - Board action to publish the "Notice of Hearing" to exceed RNR for the 2026-2027 budget year
  - Board action to publish the "Notice of Hearing" for the district budget for 2026-2027 budget year
    - Must have a clear 10 days between publication and budget hearing date.
    - Must post budget information on the district's website a minimum of 10 days prior to budget hearing
- Sep 14 – Hearing: Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate (4:00 pm)
- Sep 14 – Board action adopting Resolution to "Exceed the RNR" for the 2026-2027 budget year
  - Adopt the resolution by Roll Call vote recorded in the minutes
  - No other district business may be done during this time
- Sep 14 – Hearing: 2026-2027 Budget Hearing (4:15 pm)
- Sep 14 – Board action to adopt the 2026-2027 Budget information as published
- Sep 20 – Deadline to Submit budget to KSDE
- Oct 1 – Deadline to certify adopted mill levy and budget to County Clerk

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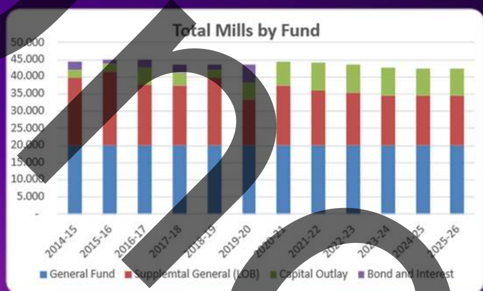
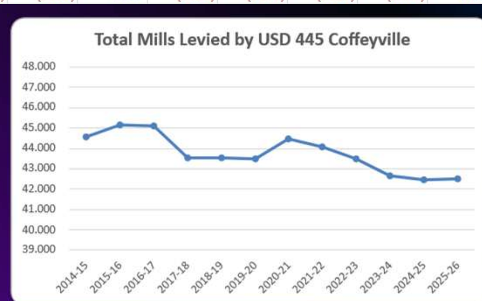
MILL RATE HISTORY USD 445

Mill Rates for USD 445 - Breakdown by Fund

Fund	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
General Fund	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000	20.000
Supplemtal General (LOB)	19.685	21.568	17.642	17.512	19.834	13.422	17.377	16.117	15.517	14.668	14.463	14.554
Capital Outlay	2.389	2.378	4.992	3.649	2.206	4.988	7.104	7.969	7.958	7.983	7.997	7.973
Bond and Interest	2.485	1.195	2.468	2.392	1.499	5.063	-	-	-	-	-	-
USD 445 Coffeyville	44.559	45.141	45.102	43.553	43.539	43.473	44.481	44.086	43.475	42.651	42.460	42.527
Mill Inc/Dec USD	(0.047)	0.582	(0.039)	(1.549)	(0.014)	(0.066)	1.008	(0.395)	(0.611)	(0.824)	(0.191)	0.067





UPDATE: Table and charts were updated from original presentation with correct year labels.

2026-2027 LOCAL OPTION BUDGET PERCENTAGE

- Resolution 20260720-05
- LOB is a percentage of the enrollment numbers, not a dollar amount.
- Statewide maximum amount is 32.4%
- Does not mean we will reach the 32.4% but the board has the authority to do so.
- The school board may always adopt an amount lower than the 32.4% which is what USD 445 has done the past several years.

RESOLUTION No. 20260720-05
Local Option Budget Percentage

Unified School District No. 445, Montgomery County, Kansas,

Be It Resolved that:

The above-named school board shall be authorized to make a Local Option Percentage in an amount of 32.4 percent for the 2026-2027 school year.

CERTIFICATE

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the board of education of Unified School District No. 445, Montgomery County, Kansas, on the 20th day of July, 2026.

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
NO. 445, MONTGOMERY COUNTY,
STATE OF KANSAS

CERTIFIED LETTER TO THE COUNTY CLERK: NOTICE OF REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE INTENT

COFFEYVILLE

<u>Notice of Revenue Neutral Rate Intent</u>

THE GOVERNING BODY OF Unified School District No. 445**, HEREBY NOTIFIES THE** Montgomery **COUNTY CLERK OF INTENT TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;**

☑ Yes, we intend to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate and our proposed mill levy rate is ______. The date of our hearing is Sept. 14 at 4:00 AM/PM and will be held at 615 Ellis St. in Coffeyville, Kansas.

☐ No, we do not plan to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate and will submit our budget to the County Clerk on or before August 25, 2026.

WITNESS my hand and official seal on July 20, 2026.

(Seal)

Clerk or Officer of Governing Body

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NOTICE OF HEARING TO EXCEED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE

The governing body of
<u>Unified School District No. 445 Coffeyville</u>
ll meet on September 14, 2026 at 4:00 pm at the District Office at 615 Ellis, Coffeyville, KS 67337 for the purpose of hearing ; answering objections of taxpayers relating to revenue neutral rate and proposed tax rate, as required by KSA 79-2988.

<u>SUPPORTING COUNTIES</u>
Montgomery County

Revenue Neutral Rate*	21.867	Proposed Tax Rate	

Tax Rates are expressed in mills
* Revenue Netural Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

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Michael W. Speer
USD 445 Board Clerk/Business Manager

2026-2027 BUDGET ITEMS AFFECTING THE RNR BUDGET FIGURES

COFFEYVILLE

- F26 Assessed Valuation 162,337,534
- F27 Assessed Valuation 167,232,777
  - Increase Amount: 4,895,243
  - Currently on Appeal: 184,539
- State Aid Comparisons
  - LOB: F26: 45.32% F27: 43.65%
  - CO: F26: 38.0% F27: 38.0%
    - State aid is always a year behind
- RNR includes LOB, Capital Outlay and Bond & Interest funds into “All ‘Other’ Funds”
- Recreation Commission is not governed by USD 445 and has its own board.
  - The levied tax flows through the district to the Recreation Commission
- Capital Outlay Assessed Valuation
  - F26 Assessed Valuation 162,401,924
  - F27 Assessed Valuation 167,298,285

2025-2026 BUDGET
INTENT TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE

- RNR Rates
  - General: 19.245
  - All “Other” Funds: 21.681
- Proposed Rates
  - General: 20.00
  - All “Other” Funds: 22.597

Exceeds RNR by 0.137 mills

- RNR Revenue
  - General: 2,488,638
  - All “Other” Funds: 3,509,492
- Proposed Revenue
  - General: 2,586,227
  - All “Other” Funds: 3,657,604
- Exceeds RNR by $148,112

F26 Proposed	RNR mills	PrYr mills
General Fund	0.755	0
All “Other” Funds	0.916	0.137

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2026-2027 BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

- Collection Percentages
  - F27: 87.5%
  - F26: 89.645% actual 89.950%
  - F25: 89.540% actual 93.735%
  - F24: 89.765% actual 94.342%
- Delinquent Rates
  - F27: 4.61%
  - F26: 3.20%
  - F25: 4.51% actual 2.51%
  - F24: 4.65% actual 2.76%
- LOB Cash Balance
  - F27: 126,139
  - F26: 222,148
  - F25: 178,815
  - F24: 223,777
- LOB Percentage
  - F27: max 32.4%
  - F26: max 32.3% actual 29.33%
  - F25: max 32.0% actual 28.70%
  - F24: max 31.6% actual 29.87%

General Fund = state aid
LOB = Local Tax + state aid

General Fund and the LOB are based on enrollment numbers

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2026-2027 RNR BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

- RNR "All Other Funds" mill rate: 21.867
- F27 Capital Outlay max authorized mills: 8.0
  - F26 actual mill rate: 7.973
  - To maximize mill rate will require an additional 0.027 mills
- F27 LOB options:
  - Decrease LOB dollar amount
  - Maintain same LOB dollar amount
  - Increase LOB dollar amount

- To maintain RNR at the 21.867 total mills…
  - Capital Outlay Mill Rate: 8.0
  - LOB mill rate: 13.867
    - F26 LOB: $4,630,000
    - To achieve a 13.867 mill rate F27 LOB budget would be $4,288,000 (342,000)
    - That would be a (0.689) mills

With lowered state aid, the mill rate for LOB will have to increase to maintain the same budget dollar amount.

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2026-2027 LOB BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

SINCE THE DISTRICT IS NOT MAXED ON THE PERCENTAGE OF LOB…

- LOB Option 1 – Same LOB dollars as F26
  - LOB Budget: $4,630,000
  - LOB mill increase: 0.689
  - Budget reductions: $561,115
  - Projected percent of general: 28.74%
  - With planned reductions, negotiations will need to be redone or further reductions within the budget will have to take place.

- Impact to taxpayers
  - Capital Outlay increase: 0.027
  - LOB increase: 0.689
  - Total mill increase: 0.716
- Homeowner example:
  - $140,000 home
  - Last year's tax: 512.18
  - Proposed tax: 523.71 11.53 increase

LOB currently has 43.65% state aid. For every dollar in the LOB, 43.65¢ comes from the state.

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2026-2027 LOB BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

SINCE THE DISTRICT IS NOT MAXED ON THE PERCENTAGE OF LOB…

- LOB Option 2 – Increased LOB amount
  - LOB Budget: $4,682,000
  - LOB mill increase: 0.899
  - Budget reductions: $561,115
  - Projected percent of general: 29.06%
  - Along with planned reductions, this is needed to covers negotiations
- Impact to taxpayers
  - Capital Outlay increase: 0.027
  - LOB increase: 0.899
  - Total mill increase: 0.926
- Homeowner example:
  - $140,000 home
  - Last year's tax: 512.18
  - Proposed tax: 527.09 14.91 increase

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2026-2027 LOB BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

SINCE THE DISTRICT IS NOT MAXED ON THE PERCENTAGE OF LOB…

- LOB Option 3 – Increased LOB amount
  - LOB Budget: $4,762,000
  - LOB mill increase: 1.221
  - Budget reductions: $561,115
  - Projected percent of general: 29.56%
  - With current reductions, this covers negotiations and adds back in $80,000 that was reduced for textbooks
- Impact to taxpayers
  - Capital Outlay increase: 0.027
  - LOB increase: 1.221
  - Total mill increase: 1.248
- Homeowner example:
  - $140,000 home
  - Last year's tax: 512.18
  - Proposed tax: 532.28 20.09 increase

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2026-2027 LOB BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS
SINCE THE DISTRICT IS NOT MAXED ON THE PERCENTAGE OF LOB…

- LOB Option 4 – Increased LOB amount
  - LOB Budget: $4,827,000
  - LOB mill increase: 1.483
  - Budget reductions: $561,115
  - Projected percent of general: 29.96%
  - With current reductions, this covers negotiations and adds back in $80,000 that was reduced for textbooks and $65,000 due to SPED/Grant salary.
- Impact to taxpayers
  - Capital Outlay increase: 0.027
  - LOB increase: 1.483
  - Total mill increase: 1.510
- Homeowner example:
  - $140,000 home
  - Last year's tax: 512.18
  - Proposed tax: 536.50 24.31 increase

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2026-2027 LOB BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS
SINCE THE DISTRICT IS NOT MAXED ON THE PERCENTAGE OF LOB…

- LOB Option 5 – Maxed LOB amount
  - Note budget amount will fluctuate depending on the enrollment numbers
  - LOB Budget: $5,219,743
  - LOB mill increase: 3.065
  - Budget reductions: $561,115
  - Projected percent of general: 32.4%
  - Maxed amount $589,743 over previous year.
- Impact to taxpayers
  - Capital Outlay increase: 0.027
  - LOB increase: 3.065
  - Total mill increase: 3.092
- Homeowner example:
  - $140,000 home
  - Last year's tax: 512.18
  - Proposed tax: 561.97 49.78 increase

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2026-2027 LOB BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

SUMMARY AND REMINDERS

- LOB Option 1: 0.689 mills, $4,630,000
- LOB Option 2: 0.899 mills, $4,682,000
- LOB Option 3: 1.221 mills, $4,762,000
- LOB Option 4: 1.483 mills, $4,827,000
- LOB Option 5: 3.065 mills, $5,219,743

- Remember Capital Outlay if approved at 8 mills would require 0.027 mills

- The district is below the max LOB, the board could increase/decrease each of these that would affect the overall mill rate.
- The closer to the max percentage, the more you must maintain that percentage unless you reduce expenses someplace.
- New funding formula next year
- Legislation introduced (S. Sub. For HB 2745) that would possibly prevent increases in the future.

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CONSENT AGENDA

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CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting
- Approval of Bills and Treasurer's Report
- Designation of Bank for Active Accounts for 2026-2027
- Designation of Depository Banks for 2026-2027
- Designation of Official Newspaper for 2026-2027
- Designation of Official Radio Station for 2026-2027
- Appointment of Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer for 2026-2027
- Appointment of Clerk and Deputy Clerk for 2026-2027
- Designation of KPERS Authorized Representative for 2026-2027
- Renewal of Agreements with Federal Government and State of Kansas to Continue Child Nutrition Programs and Appointments of Hearing Officer for Free and Reduced-Priced Meal Application Appeals
- Designation of Title I Authorized Representative for 2026-2027
- Designation of official custodian of district records for 2026-2027
- Designation of official custodian of all board and district office records for 2026-2027
- Designation(s) of official custodian of all records maintained at the building level for 2026-2027
- Designation of Title IX Authorized Representative for 2026-2027
- Designation of 504 Authorized Coordinator for 2026-2027
- Designation of Freedom of Information Officer for 2026-2027
- Designation of Homeless Coordinator for 2026-2027
- Adoption of 1,116 Hour Calendar
- Approval of Participation in Federal Programs for 2026-2027 and Authorization to Sign Grant Applications
- Approval of 2026-2027 Section 125 Flex Benefits Administrators: NueSynergy
- Designation of School Attendance Officers for 2026-2027
- Designation of School Board Meeting Dates for 2026-2027
- Approval of Adoption Rates and Fees for 2026-2027
- Child Nutrition Report

Not all consent agenda items are listed here

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2026-2027 USD 445 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

4:00 P.M.	July 20, 2026	District Office
4:00 P.M.	August 10, 2026	District Office
4:00 P.M.	September 14, 2026	District Office
4:00 P.M.	October 12, 2026	District Office
4:00 P.M.	November 9, 2026	District Office
4:00 P.M.	December 14, 2026	District Office
4:00 P.M.	January 11, 2027	District Office
4:00 P.M.	February 8, 2027	District Office
4:00 P.M.	March 8, 2027	District Office
4:00 P.M.	April 12, 2027	District Office
4:00 P.M.	May 10, 2027	District Office
4:00 P.M.	June 14, 2027	District Office

The Board of Education reserves the right to adjourn any regular scheduled meeting to another time and/or place.

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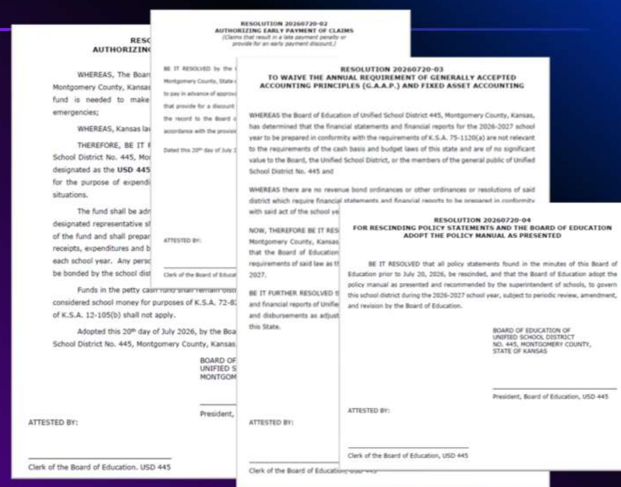
2026-2027
USD 445 RESOLUTIONS (ACTION ITEMS)

- 20260720-01 – Petty Cash Fund Accounts
- 20260720-02 – Early Payment Claims
- 20260720-03 – Waiving G.A.A.P
- 20260720-04 – Rescind Policy Statements and Adopt the Policy Manual



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NATATORIUM BID RESULTS AND UPDATE

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FKHS CHARLESWORTH POOL TESTING WATER'S EDGE, ENGINEERING FIRM

- Maintenance crew and Thomas Rex (CRI Plumbing) performed the pressure tests.
- Pressure tests were if the unit held 15 psi for an hour without leaking
  - PASSED: Pumps, Main valve, various other valves, return and supply lines. Filters, etc.
  - Return chamber (gutter) – currently unable to do a full test as the plugs that fill in the holes where water comes out give out and drip under pressure (both original, new and ones created by the crew)
- Grout – several places along the bottom edge of the gutter, the ground is completely missing with holes exposed. The pool will certainly have to be regrouted and sealed along this edge.
- Gutter – There are spots where the gutter is up tight and close to the tile, while in other places it is ¼" away from the tile and needs sealed.
- Have begun filling the pool with water.

FKHS NATATORIUM PROJECT BID INFORMATION

- Bid Date: July 15, 2026
- Bid Time: 2:00 pm
- Bid Submission: Delivered, mailed, no email
- General Contractors:
  - Originally had 4 interested at the Pre-Bid Meeting with lots of sub-contractors present
  - Ultimately only received 2 general contractor bids
    - Crossland Construction, Columbus
    - Decker Construction, Coffeyville
  - Both bids were complete with everything included
- Notice to Proceed July 21, 2026 after board approval

FKHS NATATORIUM RENOVATION PROJECT (BASE BID) AND ALTERNATE PACKAGES

- FKHS Natatorium Renovation Project (Base Bid)
  - Included items to bring the Natatorium back up to operational use.
  - Steel, Roof, HVAC installation, painting, railing, lights, doors,
- Alternate #1 – community request
  - Included restrooms and changing rooms
    - Located in the current commons area
- Alternate #2 – community/district request
  - Included vestibule entrance
    - Located on the north side
- Alternate #3 – district request
  - Included glass railing instead of metal railing
- Alternate #4 – district request
  - Included a sound system for the natatorium
- Alternate #5 – district request
  - Included replacing the electrical panels that are in the mechanical room

BID DATE: July 15, 2026
BID TIME: 2:00 PM

BID TABULATION
Coffeyville HS Natatorium Roof Replacement Renovations

COFFEYVILLE USD 445

Bidders	Bid Security	Contractor's Qualification Statement	Addenda No.1	Base Bid	Alternate #1 ADD	Alternate #2 ADD	Alternate #3 ADD	Alternate #4 ADD	Alternate #5 ADD	Grand Total
Crossland	X	X	X	$3,082,000.00	$408,000.00	$104,000.00	$16,000.00	$96,000.00	$106,000.00	$3,812,000.00
Decker Construction	X	X	X	$1,779,000.00	$280,000.00	$98,500.00	$0.00	$8,800.00	$73,000.00	$2,239,300.00
Difference (Crossland Higher on All Bids)				$1,303,000.00	$128,000.00	$5,500.00	$16,000.00	$87,200.00	$33,000.00	$1,572,700.00

Bid amounts have been verified with the lowest bidder and are complete.

Recorded by:
Aaron Ledesma, Project Manager
Low Bidder

FKHS NATATORIUM RENOVATION PROJECT COMMITMENT REVIEW

- Original bid cost: $2,200,000
- Due to delays, estimated cost: $2,400,000
- Estimated demolition costs: $750,000-$800,000
- USD 445 Board of Education committed the amount of $800,000 “for the future of the FKHS Natatorium facility.”
  - December 1, 2025 special board meeting
  - $2,400,000 - $800,000 = $1,600,000
- Demo bid cost: $595,800
  - Lowest bidder January 29, 2026
- Coffeyville Area Community Foundation provided verification to the district of the $1.6 million available to the Friends of the Charlesworth Pool, LLC
  - Notarized letter dated January 16, 2026
- Signed Agreement with the Friends of the Charlesworth Pool, LLC
  - Committing “an amount up to, but not exceeding $1.6 million towards the FKHS Renovation project.”
  - Notarized Agreement, February 3, 2026

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FKHS NATATORIUM RENOVATION PROJECT CURRENT COMMITMENT

- District commitment: $800,000
- HVAC Purchase*: $332,144
- Testing and water: $33,000
- New scoreboard/Timer: $32,000

USD Current Total: $1,197,144

- Original amount $800,000
  - Design Expense: - $171,000
  - Dynamic Control: - $26,445

Amount Available: $602,555

- Base Bid: $1,779,000
  - Less district remaining: $602,555
  - Community LLC amount: $1,176,445

Commitment LLC: $1,176,445
Commitment USD: $1,197,144
Total Commitment to project: $2,373,589

$601,344 above the demolition bid
- ¼ high school & middle school roof estimate
- 20 classroom remodels

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FKHS NATATORIUM RENOVATION PROJECT CURRENT COMMITMENT

- Notice to Proceed Delayed
- Some indecision on options and commitment levels in the past week.
- After visiting with architect and lowest bidder (Decker Construction) a 2-week delay was approved.
- Decision to approve bid was removed from the July 20, 2026 agenda
- Current email from the LLC indicated they have the $1,176,445 for the base bid.
- USD commitment funds were already encumbered out of the 2025-2026 school year budget and accounted for.
- Delay gives 2 weeks for LLC to discuss if they would like any other alternates for the project.
- FKHS Natatorium Decision
  Special Meeting August 3rd for approval and notice to proceed to contractor.

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Bidders	Bid Security	Contractor Qualification	Addendum 1	Base Bid	Alternate #1 Changing Rooms Restrooms	Alternate #2 Exterior Entry Vestibule	Alternate #3 Glass Railing	Alternate #4 Audio System	Alternate #5 Electrical Panel Replacement	Total Bid Base+ Alternates
Crossland Construction	x	x	x	3,082,000.00	408,000.00	104,000.00	16,000.00	96,000.00	106,000.00	3,812,000.00
Decker Construction	x	x	x	1,779,000.00	280,000.00	98,500.00	-	8,800.00	73,000.00	2,239,300.00
Selected Options				x						

Project Bid Totals

Total Expenses (Group):	1,779,000.00		**District Current Exp:**	-	Selected Bid Expense
District Amount Remaining:	602,555.00	-		332,144.00	HVAC Purchase
Community Amount Needed:	1,176,445.00			33,000.00	Testing
				32,000.00	Scoreboard/Timing
Current USD Expenses:	800,000.00	Original Commitment		-	
	171,000.00	Design Expense		397,144.00	Total
	26,445.00	Dynamic Controls			
	-		**Total District Commitment:**	1,197,144.00	
	-		**Total Community Commitment:**	1,176,445.00	

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Selected Options				x	x					

	Project Bid Totals				
Total Expenses (Group):	2,059,000.00		**District Current Exp:**	-	Selected Bid Expense
District Amount Remaining:	602,555.00	-		332,144.00	HVAC Purchase
Community Amount Needed:	1,456,445.00			33,000.00	Testing
				32,000.00	Scoreboard/Timing
Current USD Expenses:	800,000.00	Original Commitment		-	
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Selected Options				x	x	D				

	Project Bid Totals				
Total Expenses (Group):	2,157,500.00		**District Current Exp:**	98,500.00	Selected Bid Expense
District Amount Remaining:	602,555.00	98,500.00		332,144.00	HVAC Purchase
Community Amount Needed:	1,456,445.00			33,000.00	Testing
				32,000.00	Scoreboard/Timing
Current USD Expenses:	800,000.00	Original Commitment		-	
	171,000.00	Design Expense		495,644.00	Total
	26,445.00	Dynamic Controls			
	-		**Total District Commitment:**	1,295,644.00	
	-		**Total Community Commitment:**	1,456,445.00	

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