

Notice of Hearing 2026-2027 Budget

The governing body of Unified School District 203 will meet on the 8th day of September 2026 at 5:50 PM at 4410 N 107th Street, Kansas City, KS 66109 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied. Detailed budget information, including budget profile, building needs assessment and Board state assessments review is available at Piper District Office or on the district website and will be available at this hearing.

The Amount of 2026 Tax to be Levied and Expenditures (published below) establish the maximum limits of the 2026-2027 Budget. The 'Est. Tax Rate' (column 7), shown for comparative purposes, is subject to slight change depending on final assessed valuation.

	Code 99 Line	2024-2025 Actual		2025-2026 Actual		2026-2027 Proposed Budget		
		Actual Expenditures (1)	Actual Tax Rate* (2)	Actual Expenditures (3)	Actual Tax Rate* (4)	Budgeted Expenditures (5)	Amount of 2026 Tax to be Levied (6)	Est. Tax Rate* (7)
OPERATING								
General	06	24,635,085	20.000	24,630,520	20.000	24,647,121	6,818,814	20.000
Supplemental General (LOB)	08	8,045,050	14.905	8,308,980	14.418	8,192,012	6,151,594	16.048
SPECIAL REVENUE								
Federal Funds	07	345,765		295,264		277,887		
Adult Education	10	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Preschool-Aged At-Risk	11	212,093		230,001		234,087		
Adult Supplemental Education	12	0		0		0		
At-Risk Education Fund	13	2,529,917		2,426,045		2,531,230		
Bilingual Education	14	306,350		317,771		333,835		
Virtual Education	15	44,000		66,322		75,000		
Capital Outlay	16	3,163,758	8.000	3,413,505	8.000	3,817,773	3,317,125	8.000
Driver Training	18	0		0		0		
Declining Enrollment	19	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Extraordinary School Program	22	0		0		0		
Food Service	24	1,289,042		1,481,004		2,194,075		
Professional Development	26	97,500		98,603		100,000		
Parent Education Program	28	44,000		46,000		46,000		
Summer School	29	0		26,009		0		
Special Education	30	7,362,800		7,383,633		7,678,050		
Cost of Living	33	1,211,720	3.470	1,102,730	2.578	1,041,021	1,052,251	2.745
Career and Postsecondary Education	34	989,158		1,088,867		1,132,713		
Gifts and Grants	35	778,329		652,068		714,500		
Special Liability Expense Fund	42	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
School Retirement	44	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Extraordinary Growth Facilities	45	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Special Reserve Fund	47	0		0				
KPERS Special Retirement Contribution	51	2,523,858		2,763,572		3,115,927		
Contingency Reserve	53	0		0				
Textbook & Student Material Revolving	55	682,557		232,497				
Activity Fund	56	1,145,716		988,632				
DEBT SERVICE								
Bond and Interest #1	62	7,072,644	19.900	7,160,116	21.528	7,281,893	7,559,446	19.721
Bond and Interest #2	63	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
No-Fund Warrant	66	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Special Assessment	67	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Temporary Note	68	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
COOPERATIVES1								
Special Education	78	0		0		0		
TOTAL USD EXPENDITURES	100	62,479,342	66.275	62,712,139	66.524	63,413,124	24,899,230	66.514
Less: Transfers	105	12,433,991		11,490,225		11,924,765		
NET USD EXPENDITURES	110	50,045,351		51,221,914		51,488,359		
TOTAL USD TAXES LEVIED	115	22,255,738		23,795,251		24,899,230		

1. Sponsoring District Only

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OTHER								
Historical Museum	80	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Public Library Board/District	82	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Public Library Board Employee Benefits	83	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Recreation Commission	84	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
Rec Comm Emp Benefits & Spec Liab	86	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
TOTAL OTHER	120	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0	0.000
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED	125	\$22,255,738		\$23,795,251		\$24,899,230		
Assessed Valuation - General Fund	128	\$306,701,312		\$327,038,858		\$340,940,701		
Assessed Valuation - All Other Funds	130	\$348,367,474		\$368,961,779		\$383,314,256		
Assessed Valuation - Capital Outlay	129	\$348,367,474		\$380,073,833		\$414,640,644		
Outstanding Indebtedness, July 1		2024		2025		2026		
General Obligation Bonds	135	110,875,000		108,810,000		106,605,000		
Capital Outlay Bonds	140	0		0		0		
Temporary Note	145	0		0		0		
No-Fund Warrant	150	0		0		0		
Lease Purchase Principal	153	2,065,000		2,205,000		2,375,000		
TOTAL USD DEBT	155	112,940,000		111,015,000		108,980,000		

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Exceeding Revenue Neutral for the 2026-2027 School Year

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Revenue Neutral

	2025-2026				2026-2027	
	Actual Taxes	Actual	Revenue	Revenue	Proposed	Proposed
General	\$6,540,777	20.000	\$6,818,814	20.000	\$6,818,814	20.000
ALL OTHER FUNDS						
Supplemental General (LOB)	\$5,319,691	14.418	\$5,319,691	13.879	\$6,151,594	16.048
Adult Education	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000
Capital Outlay	\$3,040,591	8.000	\$3,040,591	7.334	\$3,317,125	8.000
Cost of Living	\$951,183	2.578	\$951,183	2.481	\$1,052,251	2.745
Special Liability Expense Fund	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000
Extraordinary Growth Facilities	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000
Bond and Interest #1	\$7,943,009	21.528	\$7,943,009	20.723	\$7,559,446	19.721
Bond and Interest #2	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000
No-Fund Warrant	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000
Special Assessment	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000
Temporary Note	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000
Historical Museum	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000
Public Library Board/District	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000
Public Library Board Employee Benefits	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000	\$0	0.000

Revenue Neutral Calculation

Total Taxes Levied Including General Fund	\$23,795,251	66.524	\$24,073,288	64.417	\$24,899,230	66.514
Total Taxes Levied Excluding General Fund	\$17,254,474	46.524	\$17,254,474	44.417	\$18,080,416	46.514

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