

The Board Brief

June 25, 2026



Budget Brief: Planning for Fiscal Year 2027

The Budget Brief is an extension of the Board Brief newsletter, a summary of the information presented and actions taken at Bibb County Board of Education meetings for the Bibb County School District in Macon, Ga. The Budget Brief is intended to provide background information for staff, parents, and community members as the District prepares the Budget for Fiscal Year 2027, also identified as the 2026-2027 school year.

Board Reviews FY 2027 Budget

Bibb County Board of Education members met for a second Public Hearing and a Called Meeting on Thursday, June 25, 2026, regarding the FY 2027 General Fund Budget for the 2026-2027 school year.

The District's strategic priorities have been recruitment and retention of qualified staff, efficient staffing aligned to state funding, expanded student pathways and dual enrollment, and continued investment in teacher and school leader quality. Throughout the FY27 Budget planning season, the District has worked continuously to evaluate deeper cuts to account for declining revenue while still meeting the needs of the students in Bibb County.

[To view the PowerPoint presentation, which was presented during the Public Hearing, click here.](#)

[To view the action item presented during the Called Meeting, click here.](#)

Board Approves Final FY 2027 Budget

The Bibb County Board of Education approved the FY 2027 Recommended Budget as presented on Thursday, June 25, 2026. Proposed millage rate options will be presented during future meetings as more information related to tax digest data becomes available. **The FY 2027 Recommended Budget approved June 25, 2026, did not include a millage rate increase.**

Key Highlights of the FY 2027 Budget:

- Maintain all staff salary at current salary step (no salary-step increases for FY 2027)
- Addition of 21 state-mandated literacy coaches for grades K-3
- Increase in state health cost of \$600 per member and TRS expense of 1.87%
- Reduction of 77 instructional positions K-12
- Reduction in operational expenditures of \$1.5 million
- Increase in state equalization grant of \$10.1 million

The Numbers:

Total revenues and transfers in for FY 2027 All Funds Budget total \$411.5 million and total expenditures and transfers out total \$445.3 million. Projected ending fund balance for all funds being budgeted total \$81.4 million. The FY 2027 General Fund portion of this budget projects total revenues and transfers in of \$287.4 million and total expenditures and transfers out of \$302.4 million, an operating deficit of \$15 million. Projected ending fund balance for the General Fund is \$33.2 million

Board members approved the tentative FY 2027 Budget on June 2, 2026. Public Hearings were held June 17, 2026, and June 25, 2026, before the Board's final FY 2027 Budget adoption on June 25.

Identifying Medium-term and Long-term Budget Solutions

The District has historically - for about a decade - rolled back the millage rate, which limits the ability to capture growth in local tax revenue to sustain operations. As the District works to align resources with strategic priorities and ensure long-term sustainability, the District is considering a range of options to optimize efficiency and maximize impact for students, including medium- and long-term strategies. To review these solutions, which were presented on June 2, 2026, [click here](#).

Helpful Links and Resources

- To review meeting agendas, District policies, Board member contact information and more on Simbli, visit <https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/Index.aspx?S=4013>.
- To review previous issues of The Board Brief, visit <https://www.bcsdk12.net/departments/communications/the-board-brief-boe-newsletter>.
- [February 10, 2026](#): Budget Planning for 2026-2027 School Year Under Way with FY 2027 Preliminary Budget Priorities
- [March 4, 2026](#): Board Engages with Consultant on Enrollment Trends and Facility Utilization
- [March 12, 2026](#): Budget Brief Update, Budget Work Session #1
- [March 19, 2026](#): Board Brief Update, Monthly Board Meeting
- [March 27, 2026](#): Board Retreat
- [April 9, 2026](#): Budget Brief Update, Budget Work Session #2
- [April 16, 2026](#): Board Brief Update, Monthly Board Meeting and Redistricting Update
- [May 4, 2026](#): Board Brief Update, Budget Work Session #3
- [May 14, 2026](#): Board Brief Update, Monthly Board Meeting
- [May 21, 2026](#): Budget Brief Update, Called Board Meeting
- [June 2, 2026](#): Budget Brief Update, Called Board Meeting
- [June 18, 2026](#): Board Brief Update, Monthly Board Meeting

Board Members

The following Board Members were present at this meeting:

Mr. Daryl J. Morton, At-Large, Post 7 - President

Dr. Sundra M. Woodford, District 5 - Vice President

Mrs. Kristin C. Hanlon, District 3 - Treasurer

Ms. Myrtice C. Johnson, District 1

Dr. Henry C. Ficklin, District 2

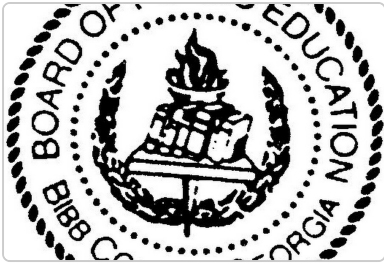
Mr. Barney T. Hester, District 4

Mr. James M. Freeman, District 6 - Present Virtually

Dr. Lisa W. Boyd, At-Large, Post 8

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