



2026–2027 Public Hearing to Discuss The Proposed Budget & Tax Rate

August 25, 2026

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Grand Prairie ISD will hold a public meeting at 5:30 pm, August 25, 2026 in 2002 South Belt Line, Grand Prairie, TX 75052. 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 \$0.732900/\$100 (proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax \$0.270219/\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)
Approved by Local Voters

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	-7.07 % decrease			
Debt Service	8.17 % increase			
Total Expenditures	-5.94 % 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	\$18,887,083.630	\$21,006,382.000		
Total appraised value** of new property**	\$270,424,184	\$317,992,735		
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$13,393,789.439	\$15,044,052.090		
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$277,428,889	\$319,940,190		
*Appraised value is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.0408, Tax Code. **"New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code. ***"Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04106, Tax Code.				
Bonded Indebtedness				
Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$207,105,000				
*Outstanding principal.				
Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates				
	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$0.786900	\$0.275787	\$1.062687	\$5.974
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$0.791000	\$0.259410	\$1.050500	\$7.024
Proposed Rate	\$0.732900	\$0.270219	\$1.003119	\$6.341
*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	\$298,753	\$299,629		
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$142,188	\$150,574		
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.062687	\$1.003119		
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$1,511.01	\$1,510.44		
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes				
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 turns 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 \$1.003119. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of \$1.003119.				
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)	\$31,946,615			
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$43,843,337			
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 our local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding our 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.				

2026-2027 NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED BUDGET & TAX RATE WAS PUBLISHED ON AUGUST 14, 2026



Proposed Tax Rate & Tax Rate History

Tax Rate History

2026 Proposed Tax Rate

Maintenance & Operations	\$0.732900
Interest & Sinking	\$0.270219
Total Proposed Rate	\$1.003119*

Tax Year	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking	Total Tax Rate
2018	1.170000	0.425000	1.595000
2019	1.068350	0.470000	1.538350
2020	1.054700	0.455000	1.509700
2021	0.960300	0.416000	1.376300
2022	0.942900	0.364100	1.307000
2023	0.757500	0.337550	1.095050
2024	0.755200	0.302500	1.057700
2025	0.786900	0.275787	1.062687
2026	0.732900	0.270219	1.003119

*Includes 0.0317 disaster pennies



2026-2027 Budget
Funds Requiring Adoption by the Board of Trustees
General Fund, Child Nutrition Fund, Debt Service Fund
August 25, 2026

	General Fund	Child Nutrition Fund	Debt Service Fund
REVENUES:			
5700 Local revenues	\$ 111,489,730	\$ 2,415,402	\$ 40,186,875
5800 State revenues	175,897,500	72,197	4,000,000
5900 Federal revenues	1,240,000	16,055,638	-
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 288,627,230	\$ 18,543,237	\$ 44,186,875
EXPENDITURES:			
11 Instruction	\$ 186,932,566	\$ -	\$ -
12 Inst. Resources/Media	3,264,657	-	-
13 Curr & Staff Develop	2,628,446	-	-
21 Inst Leadership	7,003,293	-	-
23 School Leadership	19,573,328	-	-
31 Guidance/Counseling	12,442,350	-	-
32 Social Services	961,063	-	-
33 Health Services	3,686,322	-	-
34 Transportation	7,571,226	-	-
35 Food Service	28,001	17,121,169	-
36 Extra-Curricular	5,678,612	-	-
41 General Admin.	7,632,753	-	-
51 Maint & Operations	32,381,862	-	-
52 Security	5,780,961	-	-
53 Data Processing	8,201,149	-	-
61 Community Services	3,804,187	-	-
71 Debt Service	1,199,350	-	44,186,875
81 Facilities Acq/Constr.	47,180	-	-
95 Juvenile Justice Prgm	17,736	-	-
99 Intergovernmental Chgs	498,617	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 309,133,659	\$ 17,121,169	\$ 44,186,875
OTHER SOURCES:			
7912 Sale of Property		\$ -	\$ -
7913 Proceeds from Capital Leases	-	-	\$ -
7915 Operating Transfer In	2,204,220	-	-
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES	\$ 2,204,220	\$ -	\$ -
OTHER USES:			
8911 Operating Transfer Out		\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL OTHER USES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
BUDGETED CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	\$ (18,302,209)	\$ 1,422,068	\$ -

2026-2027 PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR ADOPTION

General Fund
Food Service Fund
Debt Service Fund



Public Hearing Comments

Thank you for your leadership.

