

Emmett School District #221

Superintendent Report, October 2026

Budget

State funding is flat for 2026-27, and with no local levy, the revenue is dependent almost entirely on Average Daily Attendance.

- General fund: expenditures to date estimated to be \$300,000; enrollment and ADA against the budget estimate modest increase in Support Units will offset the added expenses.
- State funding: K-12 funding is [flat for 2026-27](#). In March, I reported about \$500,000 of inflation pressure and about \$2.5 million in local cost for unfunded special education mandates ([March guide](#)).
- HB 292 property tax relief: about \$1.2 million in 2024 and \$1.9 million in 2025 ([October 2025 report](#)); 2026 amount: 2.1 must all be used on facilities and maintenance
- Projects: EMS HVAC is closing out at about \$5.457 million, about \$386,000 under the \$5.8 million budget. Butte View gym has a design-build contractor (Wright Brothers), with about \$3.5 million in HB 521 funds earmarked.

Celebrations and Recognitions

- Homecoming week (Sept. 21-26) brought our schools, alumni, and community together
- Homecoming: parade Sept. 25, football, volleyball and soccer against Fruitland, and the dance Sept. 26. Results and standout moments.
- EHS students are displaying Artwork in the building from the new Art Teacher, Michelle Ogle.
- EHS National Honor Society spent time painting and cleaning up the E on Old Freeze Out; shout-out to their crew and advisor
- Community: Emmett Public School Foundation is partnering with ESD to create a Hall of Fame Foundation.
- Grants: the 21st Century and GEAR UP updates went to the Board in September;

Safety

This month's safety priority is [Input: top priority]. Nothing in this report identifies a student.

- Drills: fire drills completed [Input]; lockdown and safety drills [Input]; items to fix from the drills [Input].
- Security review: the State Board of Education walked the Board through Idaho's triennial vulnerability assessment in September. Building-specific findings stay confidential. Next steps: Governance

The biggest governance work ahead is the domes committee, the PR2TA charter update and a new state planning requirement; the Board's October agenda also includes.

- Domes: the Board created the Dome Assessment and Community Outreach Committee on Sept. 10 ([September board guide](#)). Membership and first meeting: [Input]. A bond for repairs or a new facility could come to the Board as early as May 2027, with needs and options first and cost after ([September report](#)).
- Elementary configuration work group: a parent, staff, and community survey is in development. No recommendation has been made. Survey timeline.
- Senate Bill 1339 replaces the Continuous Improvement Plan with a four-year Strategic Performance Plan, first due Oct. 1, 2027. No plan is due this fall (per ISBA's Sept. 22 update).

ISBA

The ISBA Annual Convention runs Nov. 4-6 and delegates vote on eight proposed resolutions at the Business Session on Nov. 6.

Enrollment

October 1 enrollment is [Input: district total] students, [Input: up/down and by how many] from this date last year.

School	Oct. 1 enrollment	Original Budget	Change	Note
Butte View Elementary	204	185	19	No Pre-K
Kenneth J Carberry Elementary	386	374	12	
Shadow Butte Elementary	392	379	18	
Sweet-Montour and Ola Elementary	41	30	11	
Emmett Middle School	522	495	27	
Emmett High School	663	639	24	
True North Prep/PC	105	96	9	
Virtual Prep Academy of Idaho	140	135	5	Students are continuing to enroll
District total	2460	2337	125	

- Movement in and out of the district (open enrollment, charter and virtual options, kindergarten entry): We are seeing growth in pockets across the district and our online school.
- Any staffing or scheduling response to the numbers: Increased Staffing with our Online School. SPED and teacher-of-record support from content area teachers at the secondary level.

Strategic Plan

This month's work moves [Input: pillar names] forward in [The Emmett Way](#), our 2022-2027 strategic plan.

Pillar	What the plan commits us to	October update
Empowerment: The Emmett Way	Student voice, a growth mindset, and a Student Advisory Council	Currently meeting with each building's Student Council Team to discuss student concerns or ideas.
Huskies Plan	A guaranteed and viable curriculum, and a Professional Learning Community with shared values and vision	Bridges math implementation continues in elementary schools; PLC vision, framework, and rollout timeline are in development. Regional Math Center Support will be here on October 23 rd for training.
Huskies Teach	Standards-based, engaging instruction, timely assessment data, and technology access	Emphasis on hands-on learning and less unnecessary screen time; currently, the reduction in student screen time is significant across the district.
Huskies Reflect & Adjust	Data-informed continuous improvement and stronger systems of support	Curriculum, instruction and achievement data under review through the year; EHS is working on improving their Professional Learning Teams and support.
Huskies Graduate	An ESD Graduate Profile and readiness for college, trades and career	Spotlight: Hailey Minton and Amanda Keene are two of many EHS Graduates now teaching in the Emmett School District.
Community & Relationships	Ongoing communication and community partnerships	Community meeting on the EHS domes held Sept. 8; Board formed the Dome committee Sept. 10; Nov 17 th Huskies and Heroes Dodgeball at 6:00 pm. I have also been selected to sit on the Gem County Recreation District Board.

Pillar	What the plan commits us to	October update
Resources & Facilities	Fiscal responsibility, safe and modern facilities, recruitment and retention	EMS HVAC closing out about \$386,000 under budget; Butte View gym contractor selected; EHS domes planning continues