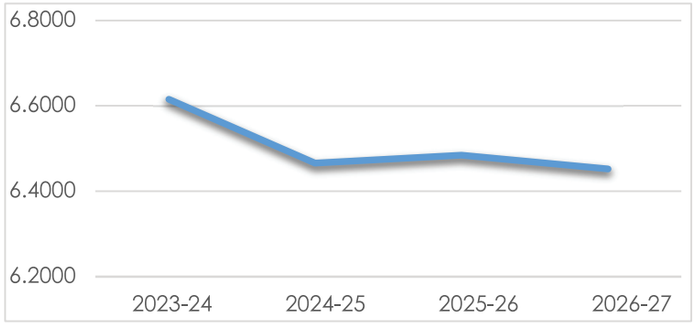
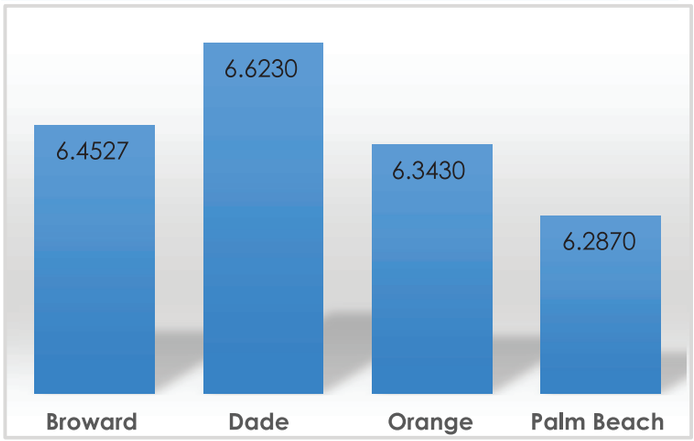
MILLAGE RATES OVER THE YEARS



2026-27 MILLAGE RATES



Note: Orange and Palm Beach counties also have voter- approved ½-cent school sales surtaxes, effective January 1, 2026.

HOW ARE MY TAXES COMPUTED?

CALCULATION ON $100,000 ASSESSED VALUE	
Assessed Value	$100,000
Homestead Exemption	(25,000)
Taxable Value	$75,000
Divided by 1,000	75
X Millage Rate	6.4527
School Board Property Taxes	**$484**

For homesteaded property assessed at 100,000, School Board taxes are approximately $484 after the $25,000 Homestead Exemption. The exemption is only applied once per property, regardless of the property's assessed value.

YOUR SCHOOL BOARD PROPERTY TAXES

- **Florida's Homestead Exemption** – This exemption reduces a property's **assessed value by $25,000**, creating a lower **taxable value**. Property taxes are calculated based on the taxable value, not the assessed value.
- **What a millage (mill) rate means** – One mill equals $1 in tax per $1,000 of taxable value. For a homesteaded property with a $100,000 assessed value, after the $25,000 school homestead exemption, 6.4527 mills equate to about **$484** in School Board taxes.
- **How are taxes calculated** – School Board taxes = **your property's taxable value × School Board millage rate.** For **2026 (calendar year)**, **the total School Board millage rate is 6.4527 mills.**
- **State-required local contribution (RLE)** – The State sets the **Required Local Effort (RLE)** each year. Broward's **2026–27 school funding** is roughly **half from local property taxes** and **half from State sources** (mainly sales tax).
- **Save Our Homes (SOH) Benefit** – Florida law limits annual increases in the assessed value of homesteaded properties to the lower of 3% or the rate of inflation (2.7% in 2026).
- **Why everyone pays** – **All property owners pay School Board taxes** under Florida law, **ensuring stable funding for public schools** that benefit **the entire community.**

For questions about your property's taxable value, visit the Broward County Property Appraiser at www.bcpa.net/phone.asp.

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2026-27 Citizens' Guide to the District Budget



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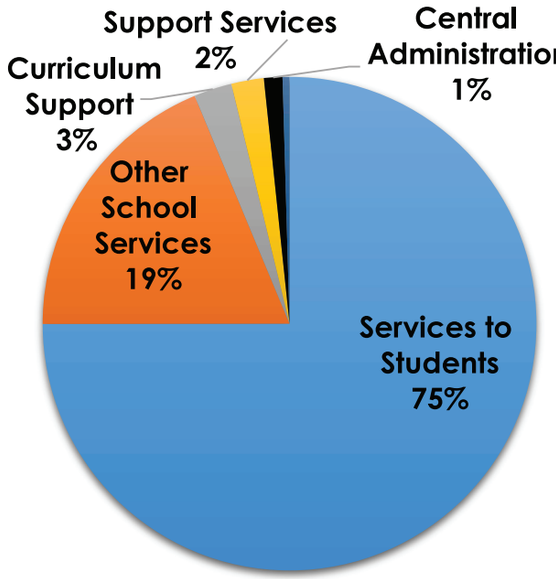
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Budget Adopted on September 8, 2026

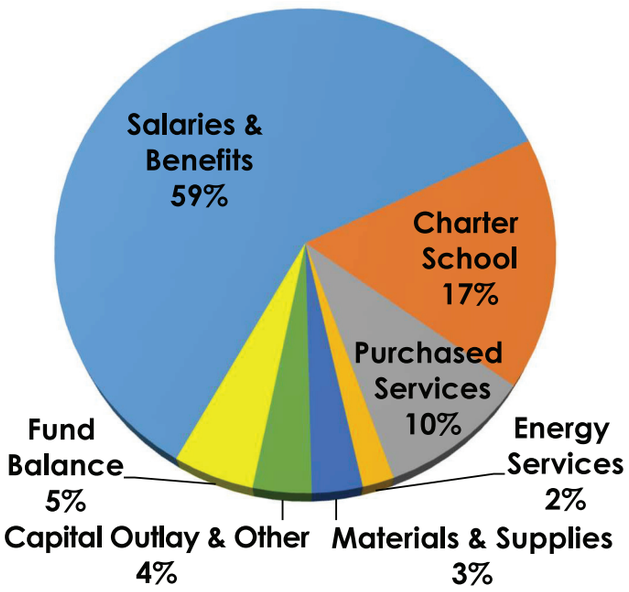
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WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

Appropriations by Function



Appropriations by Object



Note: Appropriations by Function and by Object above exclude $376.6 million in Family Empowerment Scholarship (FES) funding.

2026-27 BUDGET AT A GLANCE

General Fund (in millions)	
District-Operated Schools & Operations	$2,077.9
Charter Schools	568.0
Family Empowerment Scholarships (FES)	376.6
Transfers to Other Funds	293.4
Ending Fund Balance	156.6
Total General Fund	$3,472.5
Other Funds (in millions)	
Special Revenue	$346.6
Debt Service	274.5
Capital Projects	1,287.0
Internal Service	125.8
All Funds Subtotal	$5,506.4
Less: Interfund Transfers	(466.0)
Grand Total	**$5,040.4**

BCPS QUICK FACTS



Demographics

White 112,499 or 50.2%
Black 92,614 or 41.3%
Asian 8,896 or 4.0%
Other 10,315 or 4.5%

Personnel

Instructional Staff 12,338
Clerical/Support Staff 9,840
Administrators 1,593
Substitutes/Temporary 2,378





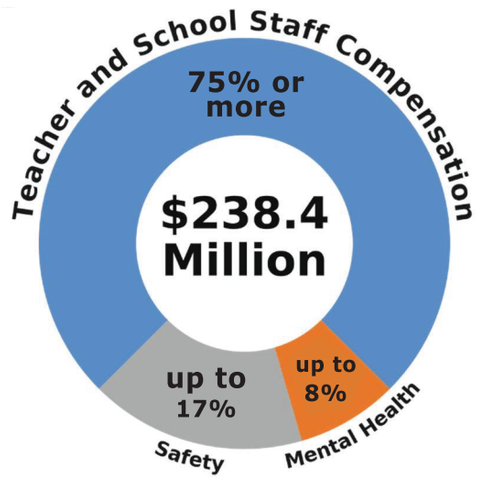
Other Facts

of District Schools 231
# of Charter Schools 82
# of Languages Spoken 163
# of Countries Represented 195

REFERENDUM FUNDS

The Secure the Next Generation Referendum renewal was approved by voters in 2022. This funding supports Broward County Public Schools and charter schools by helping retain high-quality teachers, strengthen school safety, and enhance mental health services. For 2026-27, the referendum is projected to generate $238.4 million for public schools, $73.7 million for charter schools, and $25.4 million pursuant to the 2018 Charter Schools settlement.

Appropriations by Program



A DECADE IN THE MAKING

	2016-17	2026-27
FEFP $ per student	$7,186	$9,302
Total enrollment inc. charters	271,105	224,324
Charter School enrollment	45,365	46,749
Total revenue (all funds)*	$3.7 billion	$4.7 billion
Total millage	6.9063	6.4527
Federal Graduation rate**	81.0%	91.4%

* Total revenue excludes $376.6 million in FES funding.
** The latest available graduation data is from the 2024-25 school year.

2026-27 ENROLLMENT (BENCHMARK DAY)

	District	Charters	Total
Pre-Kindergarten	5,248	-	5,248
Grades K-5	70,752	23,805	94,557
Grades 6-8	36,599	13,647	50,246
Grades 9-12	61,752	9,297	71,049
Centers	3,224	-	3,224
Total Enrollment	**177,575**	**46,749**	**224,324**

Note: Enrollment data excludes FES scholarship information.