



AGENDA

for the

Regular Meeting

of the

Board of Trustees

**JIM PLYLER INSTRUCTIONAL COMPLEX
807 W. GLENWOOD
DR. JACK L. DAVIDSON CONFERENCE CENTER**

April 20, 2026

5:00 p.m.

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, April 20, 2026, the Board of Trustees of the Tyler Independent School District will hold a regular meeting at 5:00 p.m. at the Jim Plyler Instructional Complex, 807 W. Glenwood, Tyler, Texas. The subjects to be discussed are listed on the agenda which is attached to and made a part of this Notice.

Individuals with disabilities are entitled to have access to and participate in public meetings. An individual requiring an accommodation for access to the meeting must notify the Tyler Independent School District by informing the district's ADA coordinator, in writing 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting of the necessity of an accommodation. Upon receipt of this request, the district will furnish appropriate auxiliary aides and services when necessary to afford an individual with a disability an equal opportunity to participate in and enjoy the benefits of the board meeting as nonhandicapped individuals enjoy.

If, during the course of the meeting covered by this Notice, the Board of Trustees should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Board of Trustees is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq., will be held by the School Board at the date, hour, and place given in this Notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this Notice as the School Board may conveniently meet in such closed or executive meeting or session concerning any and all purposes permitted by the Act.

Texas Government Code Section:

551.071	Private consultation with the board's attorney.
551.072	Discussing purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
551.073	Discussing negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations.
551.074	Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel.
551.076	Considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices.
551.082	Considering discipline of a public school child, or complaint or charge against personnel.
551.083	Considering the standards, guidelines, terms, or conditions the board will follow, or will instruct its representatives to follow, in consultation with representatives of employee groups.
551.084	Excluding witnesses from a hearing.

Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the School Board with regard to any matter considered in such closed or executive meeting, then the final action, final decision, or final vote shall be either:

- (a) in the open meeting covered by the Notice upon the reconvening of the public meeting; or
- (b) at a subsequent public meeting of the School Board upon notice thereof; as the School Board shall determine.

**TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Monday, April 20, 2026

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
5:00 P.M.**

**JIM PLYLER INSTRUCTIONAL COMPLEX
807 W. GLENWOOD
DR. JACK L. DAVIDSON CONFERENCE CENTER**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. First Order of Business - Announcement by the Chairman as to the presence of a quorum, that the meeting has been duly called and that notice of the meeting has been posted in the time and manner required.
- III. Public Participation
- IV. Continuous Improvement/Student Outcomes
 - A. Cyber Security Update 5
 - B. Safety and Security Update 6
- V. Executive Session will be held for the purposes authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.071 et seq. concerning any and all purposes permitted by the Act.
 - A. Texas Government Code Section 551.071
 - I. When the governmental body seeks the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or a settlement offer or
 - II. On a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter.
 - III. Consider legal advice regarding personnel and related action items.
 - B. Texas Government Code Section 551.072
 - I. Discussing purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property
 - C. Texas Government Code Section 551.074
 - I. Consider hiring of professional personnel
 - II. Consider renewals, non-renewals, contract abandonments and terminations of contracts for professional personnel. (To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, and contracts of employees.)
 - a. Discussion concerning the termination of the Chapter 21 probationary employment contract of Monique Hawkins in the best interests of the district, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year
 - b. Discussion concerning the termination of the Chapter 21 probationary employment contract of Jerod Thomas in the best interests of the district, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year
 - III. Consider parental complaint under Texas Education Code Chapter 26 and District Policy FNG of Parent S. Bircher

D.	Texas Government Code Section 551.076	
I.	Considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices.	
VI.	Reconvene from Executive Session	
VII.	7:00 p.m. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance - Mrs. Atkins	
VIII.	Consider action on items discussed in Executive Session	
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	E. May 18, 2026 - Regular Board Meeting	
XVII.	Adjournment	

Subject: Cyber Security Update

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Texas law requires school districts to adopt a cyber-security policy, designate a cybersecurity coordinator and report cyber-attacks to TEA. It also requires state and local government employees to complete a certified cyber security training annually.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

The presentation will provide an overview of the steps taken to not only ensure compliance with these laws but also to ensure the safety and security of District IT systems and data.

ACTION REQUIRED

Discussion

CONTACT PERSONS

Ronald K. Jones
Joseph Jacks

04-20-26

Subject: Safety and Security Update

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The safety and security of our schools is a top priority for Tyler ISD. The district continuously strives to improve policies, procedures, communication, and facilities. Tyler ISD has enhanced its security measures including staffing, facility-planning, related equipment, and counseling resources.

ACTION REQUIRED

Discussion

CONTACT PERSONS

Marty Crawford, Ed.D.
Jeff Millslagle

04-20-26

Subject: Personnel Actions

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Personnel actions are as indicated.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

Personnel appointments recommended for confirmation have met the employment prerequisites of the Tyler Independent School District. The candidates either hold valid certificates or such alternatives as specified by the Board. Proposed contract renewals for one-year term contracts and one-year non-certified contracts for administrators are also considered.

Recommendations for new appointments are based on interviews, references, adequacy of preparation, performance records and the Superintendent's approval.

The appointments, non-renewals, contract abandonments and terminations are subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The confirmation of personnel actions as indicated.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board approval

CONTACT PERSON

Ronald K. Jones

04-20-26

Personnel

- I. The Administration recommends that the Board terminate the following employees under a Chapter 21 probationary contract in the best interests of the District, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year:

Monique Hawkins
Jerod Thomas

Peete Elementary School
Early College High School

04-20-26

Subject: Special Recognitions

The Tyler ISD Board Recognition Program's primary focus is to acknowledge accomplishments achieved by Tyler Independent School District students, employees, campuses, and departments.

STUDENTS

Tyler ISD would like to recognize the efforts of our two District students of the month for April. **Skylar Browning**, a second-grade student at **Dr. Bryan C. Jack Elementary School**, is the Elementary Student of the Month. The Secondary Student of the Month is **Robert Reed**, an eighth-grade student at **Moore Middle School**.

Congratulations to the following groups for making Sweepstakes at their Concert and Sightreading Contests:

- **Caldwell Arts Academy Middle School Varsity Orchestra**
- **Hubbard and Three Lakes Middle Schools Combined Non-Varsity Orchestra**
- **Moore Middle School Varsity Orchestra**
- **Tyler High School Treble Choir**
- **Tyler Legacy High School Varsity Orchestra**

STAFF

Congratulations to the **Elementary** Teacher of the Month, **Maria Riggs** from **Austin Elementary School**.

Congratulations to the **Secondary** Teacher of the Month, **Tia Johnson** from **Caldwell Arts Academy**.

04-20-26

Subject: Next is Now: Curriculum Update

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

For the 2026-2027 school year, Tyler ISD has recently contracted with a partner Texas school system to utilize the NES (New Educational System) curriculum to implement at the Boulter ACE campus and ESE (Evergreen Systems of Excellence) Aligned campuses.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

Tyler ISD will utilize the curriculum as a baseline to plan, design and support identified campuses with a Tyler ISD theory of action that deploys clear vision and rigorous accountability, simultaneously measuring instructional and learning proficiency in real time.

ACTION REQUIRED

Discussion

CONTACT PERSON

Bobby Markle, Ed.D.

04-20-26

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Trustees of the Tyler Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, March 23, 2026, at the Jim Plyler Instructional Complex. The president called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., announced the presence of a quorum and that the meeting had been posted in the time and manner required.

Members present were Yvonne Atkins, president; Andy Bergfeld, Cody Levrets, Eleno Licea, Aaron Martinez, and Artis Newsome. Lindsey Harrison was not present.

Administrators present were Dr. Marty Crawford, superintendent; Sheri Barberee-Taylor, Brady Beddingfield, Dr. Cassandra Chapa, Jan Coker, Dr. James Cureton, Jeannia Dykman, Dr. Julie Gilbreath, Dr. Lance Groppel, Jennifer Hines, Joseph Jacks, Ronald Jones, Tim Loper, Dr. Bobby Markle, Jeff Millslagle, Kasey Russell, Rachel Sherman, Destry Walsworth, and Dr. Johnita Ward.

John C. Hardy, school attorney, was present.

Mrs. Atkins stated that no one had requested to speak to the board during public participation.

Dr. Crawford introduced Margaux Sanders as the new coordinator of superintendent and board services. Ms. Gina Orr, board secretary, has announced her pending retirement in December. Ms. Sanders was chosen to replace her and comes to the district from the Tyler Chamber of Commerce. The board can look forward to a long and fruitful career working with Ms. Sanders as the board secretary.

Ms. Sheri Barberee-Taylor presented an update on the District of Innovation (DOI) Teacher Certifications and stated that there are currently 227 district level certificates that have been granted. She reminded the board that these individuals have college degrees or may be industry certified, but do not currently hold a teaching certificate. She stated that DOI has allowed the district to fill teacher vacancies with degreed professionals and that DOI is exempt from Chapter 21. She also stated that at the February 16, 2026 meeting, the board approved the administration's plan to implement conversion to full teacher certification as allowed by Texas Education Agency rule making. She then addressed questions from the board.

Ms. Sheri Barberee-Taylor provided the board with a T-TESS/Walkthrough Evaluation Update. The goal of T-TESS is to be a formative system that provides a framework for ongoing conversation and feedback to support teachers and students consisting of five components: classroom observations and walkthrough, goal-setting, and professional development plan, and student growth. She

reviewed the number of walkthroughs and T-TESS observations completed at the elementary and secondary level. She then answered questions from the board.

Mr. Tim Loper and Mr. Jeff Millslagle provided an update on Senate Bill 546 – Transportation Seatbelts on Buses. Senate Bill 546 requires all school buses operating in Texas to be equipped with three-point seat belts for every passenger, including the driver. By the conclusion of the 2025-2026 school year, school districts must report to the Texas Education Agency the number of buses requiring retrofitting, along with the estimated costs associated with installing the three-point seat belt systems. Currently, the number of buses not equipped with seat belts is zero (0), the number of buses equipped with two-point seat belts is 48, and the number of buses equipped with three-point seat belts is 73. The administration obtained quotes for this project totaling \$1,837,829.84 to retrofit/replace all seat belts with three-point seat belts. Mr. Loper stated that as budget allows school buses are purchased in accordance with the district's 15-year replacement cycle and all new buses purchased will be equipped with 3-point seat belts. They then addressed questions from the board. Dr. Crawford stated this will be brought back to the board for consideration at the regular meeting next month. Dr. Crawford stated that the district works hard to keep students safe but is not recommending the board approve the retrofit/replacement unless the legislature provides funding through increased basic allotment or grants as they have previously with legislative mandates.

Trustees adjourned to executive session at 5:30 p.m. Mrs. Atkins stated there would be action to follow.

Trustees reconvened in open session at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Bergfeld offered prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Regarding action from executive session, Mr. Bergfeld made a motion to approve the renewal of one-year term administrative/professional contracts for the 2026-2027 school year as listed in Personnel Item I. The motion was seconded by Mr. Newsome and passed by a vote of 6-0.

Mr. Bergfeld made a motion to approve the renewal of the noncertified administrative/professional contract for the 2026-2027 school year as listed in Personnel Item II. The motion was seconded by Mr. Newsome and passed by a vote of 6-0.

Mr. Bergfeld made a motion to approve the renewal of the non-certified administrative/professional contract for the 2026-2027 school year as listed in Personnel Item III. The motion was seconded by Mr. Levrets and passed by a vote of 6-0.

The board recognized the efforts of the two District students of the month for March. Shawn Dotson, a fifth-grade student at Orr Elementary School, is the Elementary Student of the Month. The Secondary Student of the Month is Atley Caldwell, a sixth-grade student at Hubbard Middle School. Congratulations to these students for their hard work and dedication.

The board recognized Madalyn Petty, a 10th grade student at Tyler Legacy High School, for being the UIL 6A State Champion for finishing first in the 500 freestyle and 7th in the 200 freestyle. She won back-to-back state titles in the 500.

The board congratulated Ryan Mock, a 10th grader at Tyler Legacy High School, who finished 24th in the State 100 Freestyle.

The board recognized Ryan Mock, Alex Zheng, Fischer Dunnihoo, and Tucker Martines, students at Tyler Legacy High School, that finished 24th in the State 200 Freestyle Relay.

Congratulations to Vera Banta, a senior at Tyler Legacy High School for earning the 2026 Texas All-State Choir Honor.

The board recognized Kayla Whiddon from Owens Elementary School for being selected as the Elementary Teacher of the Month and Rubye Freeman-Taylor from DAEP for being the Secondary Teacher of the Month.

Mrs. Atkins stated that one person had requested to speak to the board during public participation. Rev. Rodney Curry addressed the board.

Regarding Continuous Improvement/Student Outcomes, Dr. James Cureton and Rachel Sherman, provided a CLI Engage Update. They reviewed the areas of assessment, compared the beginning of the year data to the middle of the year data, and highlighted areas of progress. They then addressed questions from the board.

Regarding the Business/Legal/Finance/Consent agenda, the board pulled the Resolution Regarding Wage Payments during Emergency School Closing Due to Inclement Weather for individual consideration.

Mr. Licea made a motion, seconded by Mr. Newsome to approve the following:

- Approval of Minutes of February 16, 2006 Regular Meeting;
- Approval of 2025-2026 Amended Budget;
- Approval of Renewal of Membership for Legal Services in Retainer Program with Walsh Gallegos Kyle Robinson & De Los Santos P.C.;

- Approval of Certification of Unopposed Candidate for Single Member District 2;
- Approval of Order of Cancellation of Trustee Election and certify the election of Stephen Hubbard as Trustee for Single Member District 2 for a term of three years expiring in May 2029;
- Approval of Supplemental Order Approving an Amended List of Early Voting Locations, Dates and Times; and Approving Election Day Polling Places for the General Election for School Trustee to be held on May 2, 2026;
- Approval of Quote from Prescriptive Data Solutions in the amount of \$610,314.12 for Replacement of Network Attached Storage for Security Video;
- Approval of Purchase of Transportation Vehicles quotes from Thomas Built Buses including the TIPS contract fee for a total cost of \$1,275,700;
- Approval of the Master Subscription Service Agreement with Radio Engineering Industries, Inc. in the amount of \$500,422 for the purchase of Transportation Video Surveillance;
- Approval of 2026 Summer Painting Proposals from Braswell Paint Co. for Bonner Elementary School in the amount of \$143,000, Watson Commercial Paint for the Aquatic Center in the amount of \$39,000, Watson Commercial Paint for CHRISTUS Trinity Mother Frances Mike Carter field in the amount of \$114,350 for a total cost of \$296,350.

The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

Dr. Crawford stated that due to inclement weather the district was closed on January 26, 27, and 28, 2026 and most employees were instructed not to come to work. The students are not required to make up days due to the instructional minutes that were built into the calendar. The district did reserve two bad weather days to satisfy contractual days with employees so that January 26 and January 27 will be made up. However, the board has the option to bring the staff for an additional day to make up January 28 or can consider adopting the resolution to waive the additional day and not require it be made up.

Mr. Licea made a motion to approve the Resolution Regarding Wage Payments during Emergency School Closing Due to Inclement Weather. The motion was seconded by Mr. Levrets and passed by a vote of 6-0.

Regarding Curriculum/Instruction/Consent agenda, the board pulled the following for individual consideration:

- Approval of Additional Days School Year (ADSY) Calendar for the 2026-2027 School Year per the Texas Education Agency Funding Requirements for Select Campuses and Programs;
- Approval of Core Curriculum Content Agreement with Houston ISD.

Mr. Bergfeld made a motion, seconded by Mr. Newsome to approve the following:

- Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Tarleton State University for the Tarleton Today Program – Dual Credit Teaching and Learning Courses for the 2026-2027 school year;
- Approval of District Partnership Memorandum of Understanding with 240 Certification through the end of the 2028-2029 academic year;
- Approval of iReady and mClass as the Foundational Early Literacy and Numeracy Instruments for the 2026-2027 school year;
- Approval of Instructional Allotment and TEKS Annual Certification for 2026-2027;
- Approval of the Library Materials List as listed in the agenda;
- Approval of Affiliation Agreement with The University of Texas at Tyler for Practicum Experiences for the Social Work Program through August 31, 2029.

The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0.

Dr. Crawford stated that the district annually adopts the calendar for the following year. The Texas Education Agency now allows the district to adopt an Additional Days School Year (ADSY) Calendar to allow districts to petition for and obtain funding for additional instructional days outside the school year, Saturday school, or summer school programming. He then reviewed the additional instructional days calendar for Boulter Middle School and addressed questions from the board.

Mr. Licea made a motion to approve the Additional Days School Year (ADSY) Calendar for the 2026-2027 school year per the Texas Education Agency Funding Requirements for Select Campuses and Programs. The motion was seconded by Mr. Newsome and passed by a vote of 6-0.

Mr. Licea made a motion to approve the Core Curriculum Content Agreement with Houston ISD and authorize the board president and superintendent to sign the agreement once it is received. The motion was seconded by Mr. Levrets and passed by a vote of 6-0.

Mr. Levrets requested that the consideration of approval of Next is Now: Agreement with The University of Texas at Tyler for 1882 Partnership with Select Campuses be tabled.

Dr. Crawford stated that the Quarterly Investment Report has been provided. He asked board members to review the report and to let him know if there are any questions. Ms. Kasey Russell, chief financial officer, stated that the investments are stable.

Regarding future business, Mrs. Atkins reminded the board about the upcoming meeting in April.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m. following a motion by Mr. Bergfeld, seconded by Mr. Newsome, and a vote of 6-0.

APPROVED: _____

/s/ Gina Orr
Gina Orr, Secretary

/s/ Yvonne Atkins
Yvonne Atkins, Board President

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

The Board of Trustees of the Tyler Independent School District held a special meeting on Monday, March 30, 2026, at the Jim Plyler Instructional Complex. The president called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., announced the presence of a quorum and that the meeting had been posted in the time and manner required.

Members present were Yvonne Atkins, president; Lindsey Harrison, vice president; Cody Levrets, Eleno Licea, and Artis Newsome. Andy Bergfeld and Aaron Martinez were not present.

Administrators present were Dr. Marty Crawford, superintendent; Kevin Bogue, Dr. Cassandra Chapa, Jennifer Hines, Ronald Jones, Dr. Bobby Markle, Jeff Millslagle, Kasey Russell, Margaux Sanders, Rachel Sherman, and Destry Walsworth.

John M. Hardy, school attorney, was present.

Mrs. Atkins stated that no one had requested to speak to the board during public participation.

Mr. Bobby Markle presented Next is Now: 1882 Partnership. He stated that the 1882 Partnership represents a “Redesigned and Forward – Looking” collaboration between Tyler ISD and The University of Texas at Tyler, rooted in a shared commitment to educational excellence, talent development, and regional impact. The programs are scheduled to begin at Clarkston, Peete, and Bonner elementary schools for the 2026-2027 school year. He then discussed the agreement with The University of Texas at Tyler and highlighted the agreement packet that includes addendums 1-8. He addressed questions from the board regarding the programs for each of the schools.

Mr. Licea made a motion to approve the Next is Now: Agreement with The University of Texas at Tyler for the 1882 Partnership. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Harrison and passed by a vote of 5-0.

Dr. Crawford thanked Dr. Julie Philley, MD, President of The University of Texas at Tyler for the collaborative partnership. Dr. Philley stated that the School of Education and partnerships like these are extremely impactful personally and she looks forward to working with Dr. Crawford and Dr. Markle. She stated that it puts a lot of responsibility on her office and she is ready.

Now with board approval, Dr. Crawford stated the district will submit the application to Texas Education Agency. There will be a two to three week window of negotiations. The 1882 initiative is one of the agency’s prize projects that TEA is promoting. He stated that the selected schools are not in a turnaround situation

and on a list or anywhere near that, so the district is excited about this from an innovative standpoint.

The meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m. following a motion by Mr. Levrets, seconded by Mr. Licea, and a vote of 5-0.

APPROVED: _____

/s/ Gina Orr
Gina Orr, Secretary

/s/ Yvonne Atkins
Yvonne Atkins, Board President

Subject: 2025-2026 Amended Budget

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Texas Education Agency requires that independent school districts file an amended budget, approved by the Board of Trustees, with the Agency.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

An amended 2025-2026 budget for the general fund has been prepared, and a copy is included in the agenda.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the Board approve the 2025-2026 amended budget for the general fund as presented in the agenda.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSON

Kasey Russell

04-20-26

**Tyler Independent School District
General Operating Fund
Amended Expenditure Budget
Summary of Significant Changes from Original and Current Budgets
2025-2026**

Changes to Budget:	Original	Current
Distribution Warehouse Renovations	1,129,213.18	
Master Plan Improvements	19,245.79	
Principal Incentive Allotment	180,581.00	
Organizational Health Program	49,985.00	
Encumbrances	605,791.12	
CTC Café & Go Center Storefront	34,982.00	
Safety & Security updates	56,171.00	
Regional Day School Program for the Deaf	2,096,575.66	165,861.57
Transportation	451,168.82	425,618.82
Cohesity	74,360.22	
Buses	525,700.00	525,700.00
Teacher Incentive Allotment Increase	122,500.00	122,500.00
Radio System for Buses	500,422.00	500,422.00
	<u>5,846,695.79</u>	<u>1,740,102.39</u>

**TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OPERATING FUND
AMENDED REVENUE BUDGET
2025-2026**

	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDED BUDGET
Taxes		
Current Year Levy	\$ 86,448,712.00	\$ 84,783,792.00
Prior Year Collections	1,100,000.00	800,000.00
Penalties and Interest	1,250,000.00	1,125,000.00
Total Taxes	<u>88,798,712.00</u>	<u>86,708,792.00</u>
Tuition and fees	1,460,126.09	1,471,612.09
Earnings from Temporary Investments	3,000,000.00	3,017,500.00
Rent	57,500.00	57,500.00
Miscellaneous Local Revenue	41,500.00	42,500.00
Athletic Activity	240,000.00	265,000.00
Total Local Revenue	<u>93,597,838.09</u>	<u>91,562,904.09</u>
Foundation and Per Capita Apportionment	91,338,919.79	98,281,304.79
TRS On-behalf Benefits	9,975,000.00	9,975,000.00
Total State Revenue	<u>101,313,919.79</u>	<u>108,256,304.79</u>
Federal Revenue	690,000.00	718,500.00
Transfers from Other Funds & Other Sources	710,000.00	882,380.57
TOTAL REVENUE	<u><u>\$ 196,311,757.88</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 201,420,089.45</u></u>

**TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OPERATING FUND
AMENDED EXPENDITURE BUDGET
2025-2026**

	ORIGINAL BUDGET	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDED BUDGET	CHANGE ORIGINAL BUDGET	CHANGE CURRENT BUDGET
Total Function 11 - Instruction	\$ 115,453,125.22	\$ 117,107,784.96	\$ 117,179,099.25	\$ 1,725,974.03	\$ 71,314.29
Total Function 12 - Instructional Resources and Media Services	2,617,801.97	2,618,687.91	2,616,691.47	(1,110.50)	(1,996.44)
Total Function 13 - Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	4,777,751.20	4,760,508.96	4,755,018.06	(22,733.14)	(5,490.90)
Total Function 21 - Instructional Development	2,533,309.26	2,797,965.82	2,798,468.12	265,158.86	502.30
Total Function 23 - School Administration	9,334,488.62	9,629,932.52	9,632,681.12	298,192.50	2,748.60
Total Function 31 - Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation Services	7,060,270.16	6,617,170.03	6,733,740.79	(326,529.37)	116,570.76
Total Function 32 - Social Work Services	300,632.52	305,078.52	305,078.52	4,446.00	
Total Function 33 - Health Services	2,389,003.65	2,397,587.14	2,397,587.14	8,583.49	
Total Function 34 - Student (Pupil Transportation)	5,675,839.08	6,086,946.25	7,098,068.25	1,422,229.17	1,011,122.00
Total Function 36 - Cocurricular/ Extracurricular Activities	6,837,368.65	7,063,051.37	7,085,920.64	248,551.99	22,869.27
Total Function 41 - General Administration	4,446,547.91	4,471,701.87	4,473,243.16	26,695.25	1,541.29
Total Function 51 - Plant Maintenance and Operations	16,322,726.51	16,428,766.43	16,361,850.67	39,124.16	(66,915.76)
Total Function 52 - Security and Monitoring Services	4,298,588.49	4,491,880.50	4,496,327.95	197,739.46	4,447.45
Total Function 53 - Data Processing Services	4,929,293.64	5,048,481.26	5,636,371.67	707,078.03	587,890.41
Total Function 61 - Community Service	97,223.99	98,838.45	98,037.62	813.63	(800.83)
Total Function 81 - Buildings and Improvements	130,000.00	1,373,144.28	1,369,444.23	1,239,444.23	(3,700.05)
Total Function 93 - Shared Svc Arrangement	418,936.13	418,936.13	418,936.13		
Total Function 99 - Intergovernmental Charges	1,718,750.00	1,718,750.00	1,718,750.00		
Transfer to Preventive Maintenance Account	3,782,983.00	3,782,983.00	3,782,983.00		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES-GENERAL OPERATING FUND	\$ 193,124,640.00	\$ 197,043,835.18	\$ 198,958,297.79	\$ 5,833,657.79	\$ 1,740,102.39

**TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
FOOD SERVICE FUND
AMENDED REVENUE & EXPENDITURE BUDGET
2025-2026**

<u>REVENUE:</u>	<u>CURRENT BUDGET</u>	<u>AMENDED BUDGET</u>
Meals and Other Miscellaneous	\$ 650,000.00	\$ 650,000.00
Interest Income	190,000.00	190,000.00
TOTAL LOCAL REVENUE	840,000.00	840,000.00
State Revenue from TEA	55,000.00	55,000.00
TOTAL STATE REVENUE	55,000.00	55,000.00
School Breakfast Program	2,788,000.00	2,788,000.00
School Lunch Program	8,425,000.00	8,425,000.00
Cash in Lieu of Commodities	850,000.00	850,000.00
TOTAL FEDERAL REVENUE	12,063,000.00	12,063,000.00
 TOTAL REVENUE	 \$ 12,958,000.00	 \$ 12,958,000.00
 <u>EXPENDITURES:</u>		
Function 35 - Food Services		
Total Function 35	11,726,316.88	11,722,821.77
Function 51-Plant Maintenance & Operations		
Total Function 51	599,183.12	602,678.23
Function 52- Security & Monitoring		
Total Function 52	7,500.00	7,500.00
Other Use		
Transfer to General Operating Fund	625,000.00	625,000.00
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 \$12,958,000.00	 \$12,958,000.00

**TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOND INTEREST AND SINKING FUND
AMENDED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE BUDGET
2025-2026**

<u>REVENUE:</u>	<u>CURRENT BUDGET</u>	<u>AMENDED BUDGET</u>
Tax Collections, Current	\$ 25,916,807.00	\$ 25,436,807.00
Tax Collections, Delinquent	295,000.00	255,000.00
Penalty and Interest	275,000.00	275,000.00
Earnings from Investments	450,000.00	450,000.00
Other State Revenue	3,731,857.00	4,821,519.00
TOTAL REVENUE	<u><u>\$ 30,668,664.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 31,238,326.00</u></u>
 <u>EXPENDITURES:</u>		
Function 71 - Debt Service		
Principal Retirement	\$15,635,000.00	\$15,635,000.00
Interest Expense	15,028,664.00	15,028,664.00
Other Debt Service Fees	5,000.00	5,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u><u>\$30,668,664.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$30,668,664.00</u></u>

Subject: Gifts and Donations

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Board policy (CDC Local) requires that all donations to the District must be reviewed by the Superintendent prior to formal acceptance. The Superintendent must approve all donations under \$5,000. The Board must approve all donations of \$5,000 or more.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

The following donation with a value of \$5,000 or more has been received:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
\$25,824	Tyler ISD Foundation	SPARK Tank Grants

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the Board accept the donation.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSON

Marty Crawford, Ed.D.

04-20-26

Subject: Consider approval of the Continuation of Purchasing Buses with the Required Three-Point Seat Belts in accordance with the Current Bus Replacement Cycle due to Legislative Funding Constraints

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Senate Bill 546, passed in the 89th Regular Legislative Session, amends Texas Transportation Code §547.701(f) and requires all school buses operating in Texas to be equipped with three-point seat belts for every passenger, including the driver. By the conclusion of the 2025–2026 school year, school districts must report to the Texas Education Agency the number of buses requiring retrofitting, along with the estimated costs associated with installing three-point seat belt systems.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

As reported at the March 23, 2026 meeting, the Transportation department has collected the required information and reported as:

- (A) The number of buses not equipped with seat belts: 0
- (B) The number of buses equipped with two-point seat belts: 48
- (C) The number of buses equipped with three-point seat belts: 73

The administration obtained quotes for this project totaling \$1,837,829.84.

The current budget does not allow for the cost to retrofit/replace all seat belts with three-point seat belts. However, as budget allows, school buses are purchased in accordance with the district's 15-year replacement cycle. New buses purchased will be equipped with 3-point seat belts.

The district will consider further purchasing ahead of schedule as the Legislature provides funding through increased basic allotment or grants as they have previously with legislative mandates. However, without an increase to the basic allotment, the district will proceed as usual.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the Board approve the continuation of purchasing buses with the required three-point seat belts in accordance with the current bus replacement cycle due to legislative funding constraints.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSON

Brady Beddingfield

Subject: License and Services Agreement with Reading Horizons

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

In May of 2021, Tyler ISD purchased Reading Horizons to meet House Bill 3 requirements that ensures all students in kindergarten – 3rd grade obtain necessary early literacy skills through a systematic and direct instruction phonics curriculum. Additionally, 19 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §74.2001 outlines specific criteria that phonics materials must do to be in compliance. Reading Horizons is an approved curriculum on the Commissioner's phonics list.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

The cost of Reading Horizons is based on student count and campus software licenses outlined in a 1-year contract agreement with an estimated total cost of \$224,058.30.

Funding will be provided using Instructional Materials Allotment (IMA) funds. Additional funding from the SBOE-Approved Instructional Materials Entitlement will be available at approximately \$40 a student ($4,477 \times 40 = 179,080$)

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the Board approve the License and Services Agreement with Reading Horizons in the estimated total cost of \$224,058.30 for the 2026-2027 school year.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSONS

Lance Groppel, Ed.D.
Johnita Ward, Ed.D.

04-20-26

Subject: Dual Credit Partnership Agreement and Dual Credit Sponsorship Payment Agreement with Texas State Technical College for Building Construction Technology Workforce Dual Credit Program

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Texas State Technical College (TSTC) would like to partner with the district to allow Tyler ISD students the opportunity to simultaneously earn both high school and college credit by enrolling in and successfully completing dual credit courses for the junior and senior level Building Construction Technology courses. The courses are taught by certified dual credit workforce instructors at the Tyler ISD Career and Technology Center.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

The Dual Credit Partnership Agreement defines the roles and responsibilities of TSTC and Tyler ISD within the scope of the Building Construction Technology Workforce Dual Credit Program and outlines the expectations for Tyler ISD staff who teach the Workforce Dual Credit courses.

Students who desire to continue their college careers can graduate from high school with college credit and have the opportunity to complete the Building Construction Technology A.A.S. with TSTC, saving the student (family) time and money.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the board approve the Dual Credit Partnership Agreement and Dual Credit Sponsorship Payment Agreement with Texas State Technical College for Building Construction Technology Workforce Dual Credit Program for the 2026-2027 school year.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSONS

Ronald K. Jones
Kristen Walls, D.C.

04-20-26

Subject: Continuing Education and Training Clearinghouse Professional Development Plan for 2026-2027

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Senate Bill 1267 requires the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) to establish a clearinghouse advisory group to review and provide input on best practices and industry recommendations related to continuing education and training requirements for educators and other school personnel. The legislation further requires school district boards of trustees to adopt a professional development policy addressing these requirements. Per DMA (Legal), the local board shall annually review the SBEC continuing education and training clearinghouse published under Texas Education Code §21.4514 and adopt a professional development policy guided by the clearinghouse recommendations.

In addition, Senate Bill 11 added Texas Education Code §38.254, which requires the Texas Education Agency to develop and maintain a statewide plan to ensure students have access to adequate mental health resources. While the statute does not directly mandate professional learning for school districts, it establishes the statewide framework that informs guidance and resources supporting training for school personnel related to student mental health and school safety practices.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

The Continuing Education and Training Clearinghouse Professional Development Plan for 2026–2027 has been prepared in alignment with Texas Education Code requirements and is included in the agenda.

The plan reflects Tyler ISD's commitment to providing high-quality professional learning that supports effective instruction, strong leadership, and successful student outcomes.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the Board approve the Continuing Education and Training Clearinghouse Professional Development Plan for 2026-2027.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSONS

Lance Groppel, Ed.D.
Johnita Ward, Ed.D.

Clearinghouse Professional Development Plan 2026-2027

ALL TYLER ISD EMPLOYEES				
Topic & Completion Date	Title & Format	Statutes	Required Personnel	Frequency
Increasing awareness of issues regarding sexual abuse, sex trafficking, and other maltreatment of children 9/30/2026	Texas Human Trafficking Awareness and Child Abuse Reporting Requirements (Vector Training)	38.0041(c)(1)(A) for the frequency and (B) population. (2) for the program/content 38.0041(a) requires each district and charter school to adopt a policy to be included in the district improvement plan and (b)(1) requires that policy to include methods using resources developed by the agency under 38.004 38.004 states that the agency shall develop and update a child abuse training program	All Tyler ISD Employees	Annually
Increasing awareness and implementation of trauma-informed care 9/30/2026	Tyler ISD: Trauma Informed Care & Grief Training v2 (Vector Training)	38.036(c)(1)(B) and (C) for frequency, and 38.036(d) for population 38.036(c)(1) and 38.351 state that training programs are to be developed by the agency in coordination with the Health and Human Services Commission and Education Service Centers	All Tyler ISD Employees	Annually

ALL TYLER ISD EMPLOYEES				
Topic & Completion Date	Title & Format	Statutes	Required Personnel	Frequency
Administration of an epinephrine auto-injector 9/30/2026	Health Emergencies: Overview (Vector Training) Medication Administration: Epinephrine Auto-Injectors (Vector Training)	• 38.210(b)(1) and (2) for program and format and (3) for frequency • states that if a district or charter school or private school adopts a policy under 38.208(a), they are responsible for the training, and points to (c) which states that the Health and Human Services Commission, with advice from the Texas Dept of State Health Services appointed committee in 38.207 (38.202 role and composition of the committee) which states that they advise on the training required, must develop rules regarding maintenance and administration of epinephrine injectors, and that the rules must state the amount of training required for school personnel.	All Tyler ISD Employees	Annually

CAMPUS PROFESSIONALS, CAMPUS PARAPROFESSIONALS, ALL DISTRICT STAFF WHO REGULARLY INTERACT WITH STUDENTS				
Topic & Completion Date	Title & Format	Statutes	Required Personnel	Frequency
Suicide Prevention 9/30/2026	Youth Suicide: Awareness, Prevention, and Postvention (Vector Training)	21.451(d)(3)(A) and (d-1)(A) for the frequency and population, and (d-2) for the program/content 21.451(d-1)(B) and 38.351 states that training programs are to be developed by the agency in coordination with the Health and Human Services Commission and Education Service Centers 38.351(h) states school districts to provide suicide prevention training (minus elementary campuses if sufficient funding not available) 21.451(d-1)(2) states that the training may include two or more topics listed together	Campus paraprofessional, professional campus staff, and all district administrators who regularly interact with students	Annually
Preventing, identifying, responding to, and reporting incidents of bullying 9/30/2026	Bullying: Recognition and Response (Vector Training)	21.451(d)(3)(C) and (d-1)(A) for the frequency and population and (B) for the program/content 38.351 states that training programs are to be developed by the agency in coordination with the Health and Human Services Commission and Education Service Centers 21.451(d-1)(2) states that the training may include two or more topics listed together	Campus paraprofessional, professional campus staff, and all district administrators who regularly interact with students	Annually

CAMPUS PROFESSIONALS, CAMPUS PARAPROFESSIONALS, ALL DISTRICT STAFF WHO REGULARLY INTERACT WITH STUDENTS				
Topic & Completion Date	Title & Format	Statutes	Required Personnel	Frequency
Student Mental Health* 9/30/2026	Student Mental Health: Awareness, Intervention, and Referral (Face-to-Face)	• Texas Education Code 38.254 (Senate Bill 11, 86R)	Campus paraprofessional, professional campus staff, and all district administrators who regularly interact with students	One Time Training TEA grants 4 years to complete initial training; training at least 25% of staff each year.

**Note: New legislation requires training for all district staff who regularly interact with students. This professional learning requirement will be added to the district professional learning plan until full compliance is reached, in accordance with the four year model granted through TEA.*

PROFESSIONAL CAMPUS STAFF				
Topic & Completion Date	Title & Format	Statutes	Required Personnel	Frequency
Strategies for establishing and maintaining positive relationships among students, including conflict resolution 9/30/2026	Fostering Belonging in K-12 Classrooms (Vector Training)	21.451(d)(3)(B) and (d-1)(A) for the frequency and population and (B) for the program/content 38.351 states that training programs are to be developed by the agency in coordination with the Health and Human Services Commission and Education Service Centers 21.451(d-1)(2) states that the training may include two or more topics listed together	Professional campus staff	Annually

COACHES, TRAINERS, SPONSORS FOR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, DIRECTOR RESPONSIBLE FOR SCHOOL MARCHING BAND				
Topic & Completion Date	Title & Format	Statutes	Required Personnel	Frequency
Safety training program 9/30/2026	UIL Safety & Compliance Training (UIL Portal)	33.202(b) for the frequency and population and (c) for the certification of participants and the content (a) requires the UIL to develop the program	Coaches, trainers, sponsors for athletic events, marching band director	Annually

Subject: Educational Experience Affiliation Agreement between The University of Texas at Tyler

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The University of Texas at Tyler (University) would like to partner with Tyler ISD (Facility) to enter into an educational experience affiliation agreement to provide supervised clinical learning experiences for undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in the University.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

The University of Texas at Tyler and the Tyler ISD will work collaboratively to support the advancement of the students who are pursuing degrees. The partnership will establish professional relationships and on-site collaboration as well as increase the applicant pool with highly qualified candidates.

This agreement defines the roles and responsibilities of the Facility and University. Along with this master educational experience affiliation agreement governing such partnerships, the University will also seek approval to enter into a Program Agreement specific to each program.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the board approve the three-year Educational Experience Affiliation Agreement with The University of Texas at Tyler through April 19, 2029.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSONS

Ronald K. Jones
Lance Groppe, Ed.D.
Julie Gilbreath, Ph.D.
Rachel Fox

04-20-26

Subject: Program Agreement with The University of Texas at Tyler for the Speech-Language Pathology Student Clinical Education Program

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The University of Texas at Tyler and Tyler ISD are presenting for Board consideration an Educational Experience Affiliation Agreement, which establishes a framework to provide supervised clinical learning experiences for undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in the University and serves as the master services agreement governing such partnerships.

Contingent upon Board approval of the Educational Experience Affiliation Agreement, the University of Texas at Tyler and Tyler ISD is seeking approval to enter into a Program Agreement specific to the Speech-Language Pathology Student Clinical Education Program.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

The Program Agreement allows students from The University of Texas at Tyler Speech Language Pathology Student Clinical Education Program to gain hands on experience in the educational setting as part of the program requirements to obtain a degree.

This partnership will allow the district to provide general training to build knowledge of how students in Tyler ISD can be served through Speech-Language Pathology services. This agreement will continue until April 19, 2029.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the Board approve the Program Agreement with The University of Tyler at Texas for the Speech-Language Pathology Student Clinical Education Program through April 19, 2029.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSONS

Lance Groppel, Ed.D.
Julie Gilbreath

04-20-26

Subject: Program Agreement with The University of Texas at Tyler for the Nursing Program

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The University of Texas at Tyler and Tyler ISD are presenting for Board consideration an Educational Experience Affiliation Agreement, which establishes a framework to provide supervised clinical learning experiences for undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in the University and serves as the master services agreement governing such partnerships.

Contingent upon Board approval of the Educational Experience Affiliation Agreement, the University of Texas at Tyler and Tyler ISD is seeking approval to enter into a Program Agreement specific to the Nursing Program.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

The Program Agreement allows students from The University of Texas at Tyler Nursing Program to gain hands on experience in the educational setting as part of the program requirements to obtain a Bachelor's degree in Nursing.

This partnership will allow the district to provide general training to build knowledge of how students in Tyler ISD can be served through nursing services. This agreement will continue until April 19, 2029.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the Board approve the Program Agreement with The University of Tyler at Texas for the Nursing Program through April 19, 2029.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSONS

Ronald K. Jones
Rachel Fox

04-20-26

Subject: Memorandum of Understanding with Cenikor Foundation Youth Recovery Community Program for Substance Abuse Counseling

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Cenikor Foundation is committed to partnering with communities and school districts to take a proactive approach to counter drug and alcohol abuse among adolescents. The Cenikor Foundation's Youth Recovery Program will provide treatment and education to adolescents and their families whose lives have been impacted by substance use.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

Cenikor Foundation will provide individual and group substance abuse treatment sessions, specifically for students at DAEP and/or who test positive for illegal substance use at no cost to the district. This agreement will be in effect from September 1, 2026, through July 31, 2027

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Cenikor Foundation Youth Recovery Community Program for Substance Abuse Counseling through July 31, 2027.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSONS

Lance Groppel, Ed.D.
Lauri Anderson

04-20-26

Subject: Memorandum of Understanding with Region 7 Education Service Center for Reading Academies

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

House Bill 3 requires every K-3 teacher to complete the state-adopted Reading Academy. Texas Education Agency approved providers must facilitate the Reading Academy training. Region 7 Education Service Center is an approved provider.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

Tyler ISD will have two cohort leaders that have passed the Texas Education Agency screening process. Each of these cohort leaders must participate in state training. Once trained, the cohort leaders will collaborate with other Region 7 cohort leaders to train and coach elementary teachers in the Science of Teaching Reading.

In the 2026-2027 school year, teachers who still need to complete Reading Academy will participate in the comprehensive cohort. Two cohort leaders from Tyler ISD will facilitate this training for a total cohort fee of \$12,000. Funding will be provided using local funds.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Region 7 Education Service Center in the amount of \$12,000 for 2026-2027 school year.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSONS

Lance Groppe, Ed.D.
Johnita Ward, Ed.D.

04-20-26

Subject: Memorandum of Understanding with PATH for A PATH Home From School

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

PATH is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization in Smith County. PATH is a locally founded, funded, and governed social service agency with a wide range of programs and services. PATH received grant funding to address school mobility rates for the 2026-2027 school year. This program will seek to lower student mobility by addressing housing instability.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

PATH will offer case management, financial literacy, and rent assistance to 20 volunteer families of 1st graders at Clarkston Elementary School. This program is designed to prevent unexpected moves and ensure safe housing for children and is offered at no cost to Tyler Independent School District. At 32%, Clarkston Elementary School has the highest mobility rates of all elementary schools in the district. The overall goals are to stabilize housing for struggling families and increase student learning for one full academic year.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the board approve the Memorandum of Understanding with PATH for A PATH Home From School Program for the 2026-2027 school year.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSONS

Lance Groppel, Ed.D.
Lauri Anderson

04-20-26

Subject: Clinical Affiliation Agreement with Tyler Junior College for Nursing and Health Sciences

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Tyler Junior College is seeking a partnership opportunity with Tyler ISD for students pursuing a degree plan in the fields of Associate Degree of Nursing, Vocational Nursing, Occupational Therapy Assistant or Physical Therapy Assistant. Students within these programs would have opportunities to complete their clinical fieldwork and observational phases towards their chosen degree plan under the mentorship of nurses and certified therapists employed by Tyler ISD. The opportunity to establish professional relationships and on-site collaboration will foster a positive perception of Tyler ISD as well as increase the applicant pool with highly qualified candidates.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

Tyler ISD and Tyler Junior College will work collaboratively to support the needs of our students as well as provide an environment conducive to professional growth for students participating in the Associate Degree of Nursing, Vocational Nursing, Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy Assistant programs at Tyler Junior College. This agreement will be in effect September 1, 2026, through August 31, 2029.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the board approve the Clinical Affiliation Agreement with Tyler Junior College for the Nursing and Health Sciences through August 31, 2029.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSONS

Ronald K. Jones
Rachel Fox

04-20-26

Subject: Ratification of Amended District Improvement Plan for the 2025-2026 School Year

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

At the August 25, 2025 meeting, the Board approved the District Improvement Plan for the 2025-2026 School Year. Board ratification is required to formally incorporate additional state-mandated components into the District Improvement Plan to ensure full compliance.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

The District Improvement Plan has been amended to include two additional performance objectives required by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) to ensure compliance with state law. These objectives address:

1. The adoption, implementation, and annual review of a comprehensive dating violence policy in alignment with Texas Family Code 71.0021 and applicable Texas Education Code requirements, and
2. The clear definition, communication, and monitoring of the role of School Law Enforcement Officers in accordance with Texas Education Code 37.081(d)(1).

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the board approve the amended 2025-2026 District Improvement Plan.

ACTION REQUIRED

Board Approval

CONTACT PERSON

Lance Groppe, Ed.D.
Johnita Ward, Ed.D.

04-20-26

Subject: Quarterly Financial Executive Summary

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This report is submitted to the Board on the current financial condition of the district for 2025-2026.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION

To compile this report, the financial information was extracted from the general ledger for the quarter ended February 28, 2026.

ACTION REQUIRED

Discussion

CONTACT PERSON

Kasey Russell

04-20-26

TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2026

	<u>AMENDED BUDGET</u>	<u>REALIZED TO DATE</u>	<u>PERCENT REALIZED</u>	<u>AVAILABLE BALANCE</u>
<u>General Operating Fund</u>				
Total Revenues	<u>\$196,311,757.88</u>	<u>\$132,416,694.02</u>	<u>67.45%</u>	<u>\$63,895,063.86</u>
<i>Balance February 28, 2025</i>	<u><i>\$179,553,098.00</i></u>	<u><i>\$121,134,023.70</i></u>	<u><i>67.46%</i></u>	<u><i>\$58,419,074.30</i></u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 197,043,835.18</u>	<u>\$ 107,263,160.08</u>	<u>54.44%</u>	<u>\$89,780,675.10</u>
<i>Balance February 28, 2025</i>	<u><i>\$185,114,061.72</i></u>	<u><i>\$104,369,159.84</i></u>	<u><i>56.38%</i></u>	<u><i>\$80,744,901.88</i></u>
<u>Food Service Fund</u>				
Total Revenues	<u>\$12,958,000.00</u>	<u>\$7,518,761.39</u>	<u>58.02%</u>	<u>\$5,439,238.61</u>
<i>Balance February 28, 2025</i>	<u><i>\$12,480,000.00</i></u>	<u><i>\$ 7,750,315.52</i></u>	<u><i>62.10%</i></u>	<u><i>\$4,729,684.48</i></u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$12,958,000.00</u>	<u>\$7,310,267.32</u>	<u>56.42%</u>	<u>\$5,647,732.68</u>
<i>Balance February 28, 2025</i>	<u><i>\$ 12,480,000.00</i></u>	<u><i>\$ 7,677,598.72</i></u>	<u><i>61.52%</i></u>	<u><i>\$4,802,401.28</i></u>
<u>Debt Service Fund</u>				
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 30,668,664.00</u>	<u>\$ 27,348,880.45</u>	<u>89.18%</u>	<u>\$3,319,783.55</u>
<i>Balance February 28, 2025</i>	<u><i>\$36,439,099.00</i></u>	<u><i>\$33,813,179.76</i></u>	<u><i>92.79%</i></u>	<u><i>\$2,625,919.24</i></u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$30,668,664.00</u>	<u>\$ 23,348,569.68</u>	<u>76.13%</u>	<u>\$7,320,094.32</u>
<i>Balance February 28, 2025</i>	<u><i>\$36,439,099.00</i></u>	<u><i>\$24,329,394.68</i></u>	<u><i>66.77%</i></u>	<u><i>\$12,109,704.32</i></u>
<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>				
Revenues and Expenditures	<u>\$ 25,374,840.91</u>	<u>\$ 11,834,470.68</u>	<u>46.64%</u>	<u>\$13,540,370.23</u>
<i>Balance February 28, 2025</i>	<u><i>\$20,798,525.66</i></u>	<u><i>\$12,156,728.19</i></u>	<u><i>58.45%</i></u>	<u><i>\$8,641,797.47</i></u>

**TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OPERATING FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES FOR THE MONTH ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2026**

	AMENDED BUDGET	REVENUE REALIZED TO DATE	PERCENT COLLECTED	UNCOLLECTED BALANCE
Taxes				
Current Year Levy	\$ 86,448,712.00	\$ 77,343,075.40	89.47%	\$9,105,636.60
Prior Year Collections	1,100,000.00	333,964.52	30.36%	766,035.48
Penalties and Interest	1,250,000.00	481,282.64	38.50%	768,717.36
Total Taxes	<u>88,798,712.00</u>	<u>78,158,322.56</u>	<u>88.02%</u>	<u>10,640,389.44</u>
Tuition and fees	1,460,126.09	274,739.20	18.82%	1,185,386.89
Earnings from Temporary Investments	3,000,000.00	1,713,073.94	57.10%	1,286,926.06
Rent	57,500.00	17,350.00	30.17%	40,150.00
Miscellaneous Local Revenue	41,500.00	18,537.43	44.67%	22,962.57
Athletic Activity	240,000.00	292,407.08	121.84%	(52,407.08)
Total Local Revenue	<u>93,597,838.09</u>	<u>80,474,430.21</u>	<u>85.98%</u>	<u>13,123,407.88</u>
Foundation and Per Capita Apportionment	91,338,919.79	46,378,625.66	50.78%	44,960,294.13
TRS On-behalf Benefits	9,975,000.00	4,466,659.12	44.78%	5,508,340.88
Total State Revenue	<u>101,313,919.79</u>	<u>50,845,284.78</u>	<u>50.19%</u>	<u>50,468,635.01</u>
Federal Revenue	690,000.00	744,284.83	107.87%	(54,284.83)
Operating Transfers In and Other Resources	710,000.00	352,694.20	49.68%	357,305.80
TOTAL REVENUE-GENERAL OPERATING FUND	<u>\$ 196,311,757.88</u>	<u>\$132,416,694.02</u>	<u>67.45%</u>	<u>\$ 63,895,063.86</u>
Balance February 28, 2025	<u>\$179,553,098.00</u>	<u>\$121,134,023.70</u>	<u>67.46%</u>	<u>\$58,419,074.30</u>

**TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL OPERATING FUND
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2026**

	AMENDED BUDGET	FUNDS COMMITTED TO DATE	PERCENT COMMITTED	BUDGET BALANCE
Total Function 11 - Instruction	\$ 117,157,591.93	\$ 62,599,992.18	53.43%	\$ 54,557,599.75
Total Function 12 - Instructional Resources and Media Services	2,619,595.38	1,508,189.22	57.57%	1,111,406.16
Total Function 13 - Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	4,714,808.59	2,510,246.25	53.24%	2,204,562.34
Total Function 21 - Instructional Development	2,797,597.46	1,418,044.02	50.69%	1,379,553.44
Total Function 23 - School Administration	9,628,538.28	4,806,352.40	49.92%	4,822,185.88
Total Function 31 - Guidance, Counseling & Evaluation Services	6,616,071.09	3,610,559.07	54.57%	3,005,512.02
Total Function 32 - Social Work Services	305,078.52	172,106.26	56.41%	132,972.26
Total Function 33 - Health Services	2,395,883.86	1,354,676.08	56.54%	1,041,207.78
Total Function 34 - Student (Pupil Transportation)	6,082,292.68	3,445,244.51	56.64%	2,637,048.17
Total Function 36 - Cocurricular/ Extracurricular Activities	7,046,977.01	3,988,981.25	56.61%	3,057,995.76
Total Function 41 - General Administration	4,474,111.58	2,220,883.95	49.64%	2,253,227.63
Total Function 51 - Plant Maintenance and Operations	16,475,103.85	7,563,069.47	45.91%	8,912,034.38
Total Function 52 - Security and Monitoring Services	4,459,873.86	2,486,467.80	55.75%	1,973,406.06
Total Function 53 - Data Processing Services	4,871,114.63	3,753,699.59	77.06%	1,117,415.04
Total Function 61 - Community Service	97,873.99	78,544.56	80.25%	19,329.43
Total Function 81 - Buildings and Other Improvements	1,380,653.34	1,086,215.78	78.67%	294,437.56
Total Function 93 - Shared Svc Arrangement	418,936.13	26,090.19	6.23%	392,845.94
Total Function 99 - Intergovernmental Charges	1,718,750.00	850,814.50	49.50%	867,935.50
Transfer to Preventive Maintenance Account	3,782,983.00	3,782,983.00	100%	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES-GENERAL OPERATING FUND	<u><u>\$ 197,043,835.18</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 107,263,160.08</u></u>	<u><u>54.44%</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 89,780,675.10</u></u>
Balance February 28, 2025	<u><u>\$185,114,061.72</u></u>	<u><u>\$104,369,159.84</u></u>	<u><u>56.38%</u></u>	<u><u>\$80,744,901.88</u></u>

**TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
FOOD SERVICE FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2026**

	AMENDED BUDGET	REALIZED TO DATE	PERCENT COLLECTED	BALANCE
<u>REVENUE:</u>				
Meals and Other Miscellaneous	650,000.00	413,031.42	63.54%	\$236,968.58
Interest Income	190,000.00	90,788.17	47.78%	99,211.83
State Revenue from TEA	55,000.00	6,253.50	11.37%	48,746.50
School Breakfast Program	2,788,000.00	1,708,472.14	61.28%	1,079,527.86
School Lunch Program	8,425,000.00	5,075,422.16	60.24%	3,349,577.84
Cash in Lieu of Commodities/TDA	850,000.00	224,794.00	26.45%	625,206.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$12,958,000.00	\$7,518,761.39	58.02%	\$5,439,238.61
Balance February 28, 2025	\$ 12,480,000.00	\$ 7,750,315.52	62.10%	\$ 4,729,684.48
<u>EXPENDITURES:</u>				
Function 35 - Food Services				
Total Function 35	\$ 11,726,316.88	\$ 6,747,158.81	57.54%	\$ 4,979,158.07
Function 51-Plant Maintenance & Operations				
Total Function 51	599,183.12	265,260.51	44.27%	333,922.61
Function 52- Security & Monitoring				
Total Function 52	7,500.00	3,848.00	51.31%	3,652.00
Other Use				
Transfer to General Operating Fund	625,000.00	294,000.00	47.04%	331,000.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 12,958,000.00	\$ 7,310,267.32	56.42%	\$ 5,647,732.68
Balance February 28, 2025	\$ 12,480,000.00	\$ 7,677,598.72	61.52%	\$ 4,802,401.28

**TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
DEBT SERVICE FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2026**

	AMENDED BUDGET	REALIZED TO DATE	PERCENT COLLECTED	BALANCE
<u>REVENUE:</u>				
Tax Collections, Current	\$ 25,916,807.00	\$ 23,202,352.58	89.53%	\$ 2,714,454.42
Tax Collections, Delinquent	295,000.00	118,052.20	40.02%	176,947.80
Penalty and Interest	275,000.00	101,558.07	36.93%	173,441.93
Earnings from Investments	450,000.00	204,885.60	45.53%	245,114.40
Other State Revenue	3,731,857.00	3,722,032.00	99.74%	9,825.00
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>\$ 30,668,664.00</u>	<u>\$ 27,348,880.45</u>	<u>89.18%</u>	<u>\$ 3,319,783.55</u>
Balance February 28, 2025	<u>\$36,439,099.00</u>	<u>\$33,813,179.76</u>	<u>92.79%</u>	<u>\$2,625,919.24</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES:</u>				
Function 71 - Debt Service				
Principal Retirement	\$15,635,000.00	\$ 15,635,000.00	100.00%	\$ -
Interest Expense	15,028,664.00	7,709,769.68	51.30%	7,318,894.32
Other Debt Service Fees	5,000.00	3,800.00	76.00%	1,200.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$30,668,664.00</u>	<u>\$ 23,348,569.68</u>	<u>76.13%</u>	<u>\$ 7,320,094.32</u>
Balance February 28, 2025	<u>\$36,439,099.00</u>	<u>\$24,329,394.68</u>	<u>66.77%</u>	<u>\$12,109,704.32</u>

**TYLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
SCHEDULE OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE MONTH ENDED FEBRUARY, 2026**

	FUND	CURRENT GRANT AMOUNT	CURRENT YEAR EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES IN PRIOR YEAR	EXPENDITURES TO DATE	PERCENT REALIZED	REMAINING BALANCE
Head Start	205	1,747,222.00	1,019,200.07	-	1,019,200.07	58.33%	728,021.93
Title I, Part A	211	5,807,045.00	2,872,786.14	474,589.34	3,347,375.48	57.64%	2,459,669.52
School Action Fund - Implementation	213	2,887,280.00	555,890.51	1,494,890.32	2,050,780.83	71.03%	836,499.17
Title I, 1003 ESF Focused Support	214	332,416.00	7,578.89	185,467.19	193,046.08	58.07%	139,369.92
School Action Fund - Planning (Ramey)	216	248,142.30	124,012.34	35,481.23	159,493.57	64.28%	88,648.73
IDEA-B Formula	224	5,755,688.00	2,104,790.67	344,971.05	2,449,761.72	42.56%	3,305,926.28
IDEA-B Preschool	225	87,425.00	36,217.92	6,493.88	42,711.80	48.86%	44,713.20
Perkins Career & Technology	244	316,340.00	167,370.72	14,354.34	181,725.06	57.45%	134,614.94
Title II, Part A, Teacher & Principal Training	255	856,273.00	645,006.02	36,970.82	681,976.84	79.64%	174,296.16
Title III, LEP	263	375,627.00	185,547.51	15,989.42	201,536.93	53.65%	174,090.07
Title IV, Part A	289	432,405.00	319,347.28	-	319,347.28	73.85%	113,057.72
Shared Services - IDEA B, Discretionary (Deaf)	315	118,481.00	29,514.10	9,721.23	39,235.33	33.12%	79,245.67
Instructional Materials Allotment	410	4,063,568.61	651,643.59	-	651,643.59	16.04%	3,411,925.02
Safety and Facilities Enhancement (SAFE)	426	527,933.00	22,807.28	351,947.31	374,754.59	70.99%	153,178.41
State Deaf	436	1,718,118.00	63,156.80	-	63,156.80	3.68%	1,654,961.20
Smith County JJAEP - SSA	458	100,877.00	58,724.71	-	58,724.71	58.21%	42,152.29
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE		\$ 25,374,840.91	\$ 8,863,594.55	\$ 2,970,876.13	\$ 11,834,470.68	46.64%	\$ 13,540,370.23
Prior Year Report at 2/28/25.		\$ 20,798,525.66	\$ 10,346,839.24	\$ 1,809,888.95	\$ 12,156,728.19	58.45%	\$ 8,641,797.47

NOTE: Program Year funds for 2025 that ended on September 30, 2025 are not presented above.

Subject: School Board Continuing Education Report

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Texas Education Code requires board members to complete ongoing continuing education in accordance with the State Board of Education (SBOE), Texas Education Code § 11.159(b); 19 Tex. Admin. Code § 61.1. Under the SBOE rule, Board members must receive continuing education training in the following eight areas, including:

1. Local District Orientation
2. Introduction to the Texas Education Code
3. School Safety
4. Evaluating and Improving Student Outcomes
5. Post-Legislative Update to the Texas Education Code
6. Child Abuse Prevention
7. Team Building Session
8. Additional Continuing Education (based on the framework for governance leadership)

Each year at the board's last regular meeting before an election of trustees, the board must announce publicly whether each board member has met their training requirements.

ACTION REQUIRED

Discussion

CONTACT PERSON

Yvonne Atkins

04-20-26

Annual Announcement on Continuing Education of Board Members

Tyler ISD

May 2025 through April 2026 - Report run on 4/13/2026



NEW / EXPERIENCED TRUSTEES	Local District Orientation (3 hours for new Trustees, within 1st 120 days)	Introduction to Texas Education Code (3 hours for new Trustees, within 1st 120 days)	School Safety (2 hour every 2 years for all trustees) (Within 1st 120 days for new trustees)	Evaluating & Improving Student Outcomes (3 hours every 2 years for all trustees) (Within 1st 120 days for new trustees)	Post Legislative Update to TEC (2 hours for experienced Trustees after each Legislative Session) (New Trustees - N/A)	Child Abuse Prevention (1 hour every 2 years) (Within 1st 120 days for new trustees)	Team Building Session (3 hours for all Trustees)	Continuing Education (10 hours for new trustees; 5 hours for experienced Trustees)	Completed Exceeded Incomplete
Eleno Licea (N)	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	N/A	Complete	Complete	23 hrs	Exceeds
Aaron Martinez	N/A	N/A	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	10 hrs	Exceeds
Andy Bergfeld	N/A	N/A	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	10 hrs	Exceeds
Artis Newsome	N/A	N/A	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	20 hrs	Exceeds
Cody Levrets	N/A	N/A	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	10 hrs	Exceeds
Lindsey Harrison	N/A	N/A	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	10 hrs	Exceeds
Yvonne Atkins	N/A	N/A	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete	17 hrs	Exceeds

(N) = New Trustee

School board members are required to complete continuing education as outlined by the State Board of Education (SBOE). The board president must annually announce whether each trustee has met these requirements in accordance with Tex. Educ. Code §11.159 and 19 Tex. Admin. Code §§61.1 and 61.3. The areas of required training are reflected in the accompanying table.

Please note, this annual announcement does not include open government or cybersecurity training required under other laws. Tex. Gov't Code §§551.005, 552.012, and 2054.5191 mandate that:

- Open Meetings Act (OMA) and Public Information Act (PIA) training be completed by all elected officials within 90 days of election or appointment (PIA training may be delegated by district policy), and
- Cybersecurity training be completed by all school board members on an annual basis.

This report was generated in alignment with Texas Education Code §61.1 and reflects trainings provided by TEA-registered providers, based on data available at the time of reporting. The district is the official record keeper for trustee continuing education. Any discrepancies regarding provider status, training hours, or reporting should be resolved at the district level.