PLAINWELL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
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F O R E W A R D

Each year each school district is confronted with the task of achieving numerous educational objectives within available financial resources. The accomplishment of this task is more probable if the district prepares a documented plan of action outlining the financial resources to be utilized to achieve specific objectives. The process of developing a budget has other managerial advantages:

- Costs relative to importance of programs and activities are periodically reevaluated for present and future educational advantages.
- Internal operations are systematically reexamined for efficiency and economy so that improvements might be made.
- Data concerning specific areas of responsibility are made readily available for evaluative purposes.

The Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, Act 621 of Public Acts of 1978, mandates the formulation and establishment of a uniform chart of accounts and reports for school districts. The purpose of the Act is to provide the structure necessary for a close relationship between the administration and the local school board with regard to the establishment of budgets and appropriations. The Plainwell Community School District's General Fund Budget has in the past and continues to meet these guidelines. The budget and other financial reports have contained comparative figures and year-end financial information.

The 2025-2026 General Fund Budget is presented as one page. Supplementary data, (line items), are provided as required by the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act. Additional material is provided as a resource and to assist in analyzing budget material.

The 2025-2026 budget represents a financial outline for providing the best possible educational plan for students with available funds. It has been developed after discussion with Board Members, administrators, teachers and other interested persons in the Plainwell Community School District. Goals which were adopted by the Board of Education serve as the for budget development and it represents in monetary terms thousands of hours of student instruction, transportation, custodial services, building maintenance and things which together combine to make a successful school program.

The budget must make assumptions in certain areas, including, but not limited to, enrollment, state aid assistance and Taxable Values on non-homestead property. It will be brought to the Board of Education for revision as is required by State and Board guidelines.

(General Appropriation Resolution)

RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY THE

BOARD OF EDUCATION

OF THE

PLAINWELL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the General Appropriations of the Plainwell Community School District for the fiscal year 2026: A resolution to make appropriations; and to provide for the expenditures of the appropriations; and to provide for the disposition of all income received by the Plainwell Community School District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no Board of Education member or employee of the school district shall expend funds or obligate the expenditure of any funds pursuant to appropriations made by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board. Changes in the amount appropriated by the Board shall require approval of the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools is hereby charged with the general supervision of the execution of the budget adopted by the Board and shall hold the department heads responsible for performance of their responsibilities within the amounts appropriated by the Board of Education and in keeping with the budgetary policy statement hitherto adopted by the Board.

This appropriation resolution is to take effect on June 15, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total revenues and unappropriated fund balance estimated to be available for appropriations in the **General Fund** of the school district for fiscal year 2026 is as follows:

REVENUES	
Local	$5,533,092
State	32,231,955
Federal	743,170
Incoming Transfers and Other Transactions	0
TOTAL REVENUE	$38,508,217
Fund Balance, July 1, 2025	7,222,435
TOTAL AVAILABLE TO APPROPRIATE	$45,730,652
TOTAL APPROPRIATED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026	$39,327,499
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30, 2026	$6,403,153

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that $39,327,499 of the total available to appropriate in the General Fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purposes set forth below:

EXPENDITURES	
INSTRUCTION:	
Basic Programs	$17,686,878
Added Needs	4,796,049
Adult/Continuing	289,006
SUPPORT SERVICES:	
Pupil	2,250,353
Instructional Staff	988,821
General Administration	700,381
School Administration	2,218,679
Business	572,481
Operating Building Services	4,329,904
Pupil Transportation	1,316,022
Pupil Activities-Central	1,025,305
Athletic Activites	1,226,963
Community Services	875,839
Facilities Improvements	1,050,818
Outgoing Transfers & Other Transactions	0
TOTAL APPROPRIATED	$39,327,499

PLAINWELL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

GENERAL FUND
OPERATING BUDGET
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026

	SECOND AMEND 2025-2026	FINAL AMEND 2025-2026
REVENUES		
Local Sources	$5,369,008	$5,533,092
State Sources	$31,205,976	$32,231,955
Federal Sources	$638,083	$743,170
SUB-TOTAL REVENUE	$37,213,067	$38,508,217
Incoming Transfers & Other Transactions	0	0
TOTAL REVENUES, TRANSFERS & OTHER TRANSACTIONS	**$37,213,067**	**$38,508,217**
EXPENDITURES		
INSTRUCTION EXPENSE		
Basic Programs	$18,174,191	$17,686,878
Added Needs	$4,414,492	$4,796,049
Adult/Continuing	$267,496	$289,006
Sub-Totals	$22,856,179	$22,771,933
SUPPORT SERVICES		
Pupil	$2,155,648	$2,250,353
Instructional Staff	$1,124,325	$988,821
General Administration	$719,774	$700,381
School Administration	$2,252,327	$2,218,679
Business	$559,342	$572,481
Operating Building Services	$4,467,575	$4,329,904
Pupil Transportation	$1,399,311	$1,316,022
Pupil Activities-Central	$1,020,865	$1,025,305
Athletic Activites	$1,150,361	$1,226,963
Sub-Totals	14,849,528	14,628,909
Community Services	$890,859	$875,839
Facilities Improvements	$300,000	$1,050,818
Outgoing Transfers & Other Transactions	$0	$0
TOTAL APPROPRIATED	**$38,896,566**	**$39,327,499**
EXCESS REVENUE (APPROPRIATIONS)	**-1,683,499**	**-819,282**
FUND BALANCE, JULY 1	**7,222,435**	**7,222,435**
FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30	**$5,538,936**	**$6,403,153**