

AGENDA

BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE MANCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT SAU #37

**Monday, September 14, 2026
Mayor and all School Board Members
Student Member Taegan White (MST)**

**6:30 p.m.
Aldermanic Chambers
City Hall (3rd Floor)**

1. Mayor Ruais calls the meeting to order.
2. Mayor Ruais calls for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bakersville Elementary School – Principal Bryan Watson

Jailah Santiago – Grade 4
Jayden Ward – Grade 4

Emilio Betancur D’Amore – Grade 2
Mia Garcia – Grade 2

3. A moment of silence is observed.
4. The Clerk calls the roll.
5. **RECOGNITIONS**

PUBLIC FORUM

6. The purpose of the public forum is to give the residents of Manchester the opportunity to address the board. All people wishing to speak will have up to three (3) minutes to do so, and any comments must be directed to the chair. Any resident wishing to speak will come forward to the nearest microphone, clearly state their name and address when recognized and give their comments.

Speakers may offer comments on school operations and programs that concern them. In public session, however, the Board shall not hear personal complaints of school personnel or complaints against any person connected with the District. Other channels are provided for Board consideration and disposition of legitimate complaints involving school district employees, which should be referred to the Superintendent. Speakers are requested to refrain from providing confidential information during this comment period. Any comments that are given regarding personnel matters, will not be responded to by the Board or Administration during the public meeting, as these items should be discussed in non-public session.

Per the Strategic Plan, our Mission objective is to provide a transformational learning experience and ensure that every MSD learner has high quality postsecondary options to attain a technical certificate, gainful employment, and/or a two-year or four-year degree.

- a. If there is no one else present wishing to speak, a motion is in order to take all comments under advisement and further to receive and file any written documentation presented and to table the remaining minutes for public comment to the end of the meeting for those that have not already spoken.
7. Response to Public Comment
(Note: Motions limited to sending items to Committees only.)
8. **PRESENTATIONS**
9. **ACTION AGENDA**
10. **CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS 10 – 17)**
 - a. Mayor Ruais advises if you desire to remove any of the following items from the Consent Agenda, please so indicate. If none of the items are to be removed, only one motion will be taken at the conclusion of the presentation.
 - b. Approval of minutes from the Board of School Committee meetings on: August 24, 2026.
 - c. Report(s) of the Committee on Policy, if available.
 - d. Report(s) of the Committee of Teaching and Learning, if available. **1 – 12**
 1. Tango Flight Curriculum Funds
 2. Manchester School District 2026-2027 Assessment Calendar
 - e. Report(s) of the Committee of Finance and Facilities, if available. **13 – 73**
 1. Treasurer's Report **13 – 18**
 2. Grants, Gifts & Donations Report (\$122,962.62) **19 – 22**
 3. City Service Invoices (\$438,731.76) **23 – 25**
 4. Manifest of Authorized Expenditures – September 2026 (\$32,767,444.28) **26 – 28**
 5. Indemnification Contract Language **29 – 43**
 6. Vestibules at Smyth, Gossler, and Jewett **44 – 50**
 7. Cookson Communications Contract **51 – 52**
 8. Financial Reports **53 – 73**
 - f. Report(s) of the Committee of Student Conduct, if available.

- g.** Report(s) of the Committee on Education Legislation, if available. **74 – 76**
 - 1. Legislative Advocacy Priorities
- h.** Report(s) of the Joint School Buildings Committee (City Committee).
- i.** Special Committees, if applicable:
 - Report from the Special Committee on Athletics, if available.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, HAVING DULY READ THE CONSENT AGENDA, A MOTION WOULD BE IN ORDER THAT THE CONSENT AGENDA BE APPROVED.

COMMUNICATIONS

11. Superintendent’s Communications.

- a) Superintendent Updates:
 - 1. Students
 - i. Start of the year
 - ii. Class size
 - iii. Athletics
 - iv. Enrollment
 - v. Assessment Update **77 – 79**
 - 2. Staffing
 - i. Hiring Updates
 - 3. Systems
 - i. Transportation Update

12. Board of School Committee Members’ Communications.

- a. Job Openings List **80 – 81**
(Note: This item is for informational purposes only and no action is required.)
- b. Board Goals 2026/2027 School Year - by Vice Chair O’Connell **82 – 83**
Ladies and Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?
- c. Strategic Plan Ad Hoc Committee Assignment – by Vice Chair O’Connell

13. Personnel Report.

Ladies and Gentlemen, what is your pleasure?

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14. TABLED ITEMS

(A motion would be in order to remove any item from the table.)

15. NEW BUSINESS

16. NON-PUBLIC SESSION

A motion is in order to go into non-public session under the provisions of RSA 91-A:3 II
RSA 91-A:3 II (a) The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted; (b) The hiring of any person as a public employee; (c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting; (i) Consideration of matters relating to the preparation for and the carrying out of emergency functions, including training to carry out such functions; (j) Consideration of confidential, commercial, or financial information that is exempt from public disclosure under RSA 91-A:5, IV in an adjudicative proceeding pursuant to RSA 541 or RSA 541-A; (k) Consideration by a school board of entering into a student or pupil tuition contract authorized by RSA 194 or RSA 195-A and RSA 91-A:2, I (a) Strategy or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining; and, (b) consultation with legal counsel.

A roll call is required on the motion.

17. A motion is in order to call the meeting back to order.

ADJOURNMENT

18. If there is no further business, a motion is in order to adjourn.

***Statement of nondiscrimination:** It is the policy of the Manchester Board of School Committee, in its actions, and those of its employees, that there shall be no discrimination on the basis of age, sex, race, color, marital status, physical or mental disability, religious creed, national origin or sexual orientation for employment in, or operation and administration of any program or activity in the Manchester School District. The Title IX Coordinator is Dr. Kelly Espinola for staff and students.*

Per the Strategic Plan, our Mission objective is to provide a transformational learning experience and ensure that every MSD learner has high quality postsecondary options to attain a technical certificate, gainful employment, and/or a two-year or four-year degree.

TO: Board of School Committee

FROM: Committee on Teaching and Learning
Committee Members Parr, Turner, Stewart, Georges and Smith

DATE: September 14, 2026

RE: Tango Flight Curriculum Funds

At the August 25, 2026, Committee on Teaching and Learning meeting, it was moved to approve to approve the utilization of \$14,873 from the Teaching and Learning Trust to support the Manchester School of Technology aviation program, and forward this item to the full Board of School Committee for approval.

Committee Members Parr, Stewart and Smith were in favor.
Committee Members Turner and Georges were absent.

Respectfully submitted,

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Angela Carey

Clerk of the Board of School Committee

MANCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: Tango Flight Curriculum Funds

COMMITTEE ON TEACHING AND LEARNING MEETING OF: August 25, 2026

ACTION: X **CONSENT:** **INFORMATION:**

BACKGROUND:

At the Manchester School of Technology, the Tango Flight Curriculum offers students a unique opportunity to gain hands-on aviation experience through an innovative, student-centered, team-based learning model. The program combines academic learning with real-world applications, allowing students to develop both the technical knowledge and practical skills needed to explore careers in aviation and engineering.

Through the curriculum, students learn the fundamentals and mechanics of aircraft and avionics systems, aviation maintenance and inspection, and aircraft structure and assembly. The program also introduces students to a variety of career pathways, including aerospace, electrical, mechanical, manufacturing, and design engineering. Students benefit from hands-on learning, collaboration, and mentorship from experienced industry professionals.

Historically, the aviation program has been supported by funds that were repurposed following changes to the Early Childhood program. The annual costs associated with Tango Flight include curriculum and program fees, training, logistics management, site visits, and FAA certification requirements. Continued funding will allow Manchester School of Technology to maintain this specialized program and provide students with access to meaningful college and career pathways in aviation and engineering.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Total cost of program: \$14,873.00

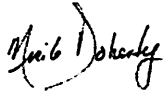
Funding Source: Teaching and Learning Trust

FISCAL VERIFICATION: 

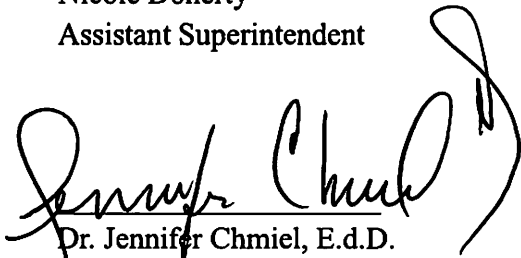
RECOMMENDATION:

That the Committee on Teaching and Learning moves to approve \$14,873 from the Teaching and Learning Trust to support the Manchester School of Technology aviation program and forward this item to the full Board of School Committee for approval.

Prepared by:



Nicole Doherty
Assistant Superintendent



Dr. Jennifer Chmiel, E.d.D.
Superintendent

Presented by:



Keith Puglisi
Principal of Manchester School of
Technology



Dr. Sean Parr
Committee Chair

TO: Board of School Committee

FROM: Committee on Teaching and Learning
Committee Members Parr, Turner, Stewart, Georges and Smith

DATE: September 14, 2026

RE: Manchester School District 2026/2027 Assessment Calendar

At the August 25, 2026, Committee on Teaching and Learning meeting, it was moved to approve the 2026/2027 Assessment Calendar, including required assessments and parent notification timelines, as presented, and forward this item to the full Board of School Committee for approval.

Committee Members Parr, Stewart and Smith were in favor.
Committee Members Turner and Georges were absent.

Respectfully submitted,

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Angela Carey

Clerk of the Board of School Committee

MANCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: Manchester School District 2026 - 2027 Assessment Calendar

COMMITTEE ON TEACHING AND LEARNING MEETING OF: August 25, 2026

ACTION: X CONSENT: INFORMATION:

BACKGROUND:

The 2026–2027 Assessment Calendar provides a clear, coordinated timeline for required district and state assessments. The calendar aligns assessment windows with instructional priorities, professional learning schedules, and state requirements to support effective planning, minimize disruption to instruction, and promote consistent assessment practices.

Provided for the Board's review is the 2026–2027 Assessment Calendar, including required assessments and parent notification timelines.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

FISCAL VERIFICATION:

RECOMMENDATION:

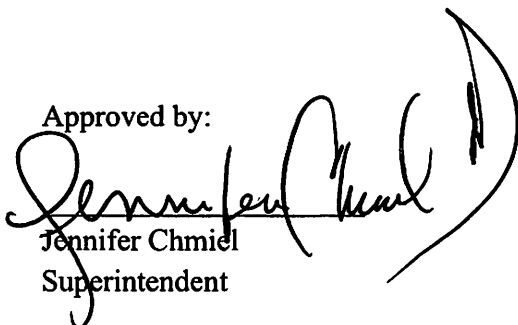
That the Committee on Teaching and Learning moves to approve the 2026/2027 Assessment Calendar, including required assessments and parent notification timelines, as presented, and forwards this item to the full Board of School Committee for approval. - amc

Leslie Whitney

Leslie Whitney

Executive Director of Teaching and Learning

Approved by:


Jennifer Chmiel
Superintendent

Dr. Sean Parr

Dr. Sean Parr
Committee Chair

**DRAFT Manchester School District
2026-2027 District and State Assessment Calendar**

Fall Schedule

Assessment	Assessment Date
First - Fourth Grade mCLASS • Multilingual Learners with L1 Spanish also take mCLASS Lectura, excluding DLI students • DLI students also take Evaluación del nivel independiente de lectura® (ENIL) for Reading	September 14 - October 9
Grades 1-4 i-Ready Diagnostic Reading and Math (including DLI French/English) Dual Language Immersion (DLI): Spanish/English • iReady for Math (Spanish or English) • i-Ready Reading in English (Grade 2 only) • In lieu of iReady Diagnostic Reading, DLI students will take Evaluación del nivel independiente de lectura® (ENIL) for Reading	September 21 - October 9
Grades 5-8 i-Ready Diagnostic Reading and Math	September 8 - September 18
Kindergarten mCLASS • Multilingual Learners with L1 Spanish also take mCLASS Lectura, excluding DLI students • DLI students also take Evaluación del nivel independiente de lectura® (ENIL) for Reading	October 13 - October 29
Grade 11 PSAT/NMSQT Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test	October 13-16 makeup October 19-23
Seal of Biliteracy Exams for grade 12	November 16-20

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Winter Schedule

Assessment	Assessment Date
K-3 mCLASS • Multilingual Learners with L1 Spanish also take mCLASS Lectura, excluding DLI students • DLI students also take Evaluación del nivel independiente de lectura® (ENIL) for Reading (Students in red/yellow from the beginning of the year DIBELS)	January 5-27
NAEP Testing (<i>specific schools</i>)	January-March (exact dates TBD)
Kindergarten, Grade 1, 2 iReady Diagnostic Reading and Math, including identified Multilingual Learners (MLs). Newcomer students in their first year in the U.S. are exempt (“N1” status in Aspen). Dual Language Immersion (DLI): Spanish/English • iReady in Spanish for Math • In lieu of iReady Diagnostic Reading, Dual Language Immersion students will take Evaluación del nivel independiente de lectura® (ENIL) for Reading	January 5 - January 29
Grade 3–8 NH SAS interim Considerations for Multilingual Learners: • Spanish available for Mathematics & Science • Newcomer students in their first year (“N1” status in Aspen) are exempt from whole test. ◦ ELD educator determines if MLs in N1 status with an L1 Spanish take Science & Math in Spanish	January 11 - Feb 5* (Make-ups up to Feb 5)
Civics Exam in TIDE	January 4 <i>Special Considerations only</i>
ACCESS/Alternate ACCESS for English Learners	January 25 - March 19
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) (for selected schools) school is selected Grade 4 (ELA & Math), Grade 8 (ELA, Math and Civics/US History)	TBD if Applicable

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Spring Schedule

Assessment	Assessment Date
NH SAS Summative (ELA/Math Grades 3 - 8) Science Grades 5, 8, and <i>Second</i> Year of High School) - Considerations for Multilingual Learners: - Spanish available for Mathematics & Science - Review NHED Newcomer Exemption***	April 12- May 28
*Dynamic Learning Maps® (DLM®) Instructionally Embedded Assessments: English Language Arts (ELA), Math (Grades 3-8) Science grades 5, 8, 11	<i>April 7, 2026**</i>
Kindergarten - Fourth Grade mCLASS. - Multilingual Learners with L1 Spanish also take mCLASS Lectura, excluding DLI students - DLI students also take Evaluación del nivel independiente de lectura® (ENIL) for Reading	May 10- May 31, 2026
K-4 i-Ready Diagnostic Reading and Math Dual Language Immersion (DLI): Spanish/English - i-Ready in English <u>and</u> Spanish for Math - i-Ready Reading in English (Grade 2 only) - In lieu of iReady Diagnostic Reading, Dual Language Immersion students will take Evaluación del nivel independiente de lectura® (ENIL) for Reading	May 10- June 4, 2026
5-8 i-Ready Diagnostic Reading and Math	May 17 - June 4, 2026
PSAT 8/9 for grade 9 PSAT 10 for grade 10 Considerations for Multilingual Learners: Newcomers (in “N1” status in Aspen) exempt from whole exam	Mar (Dates TBD)
SAT for <i>Third</i> Year of High School Multilingual Learners: Review NHED Newcomer Exemption***	March 22-April 23 <i>More specifics to follow for testing days.</i>
Civics Exam in TIDE	May 3 -28, 2026
Seal of Biliteracy Exams for grade 11 & 12	Mar 22-Apr 23

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*Students with severe cognitive disabilities participate in the DLM Alternate Assessment, as outlined in their active individualized education program (IEP).

**Tentative Dates

***Newcomer Exemption (see below)

When Reports Are Sent Home to Parents:

- Fall and winter reports will be sent home to parents 30 days after assessment completion. This can be done at parent conferences, through progress reports, through report cards or other means necessary.
- Spring assessment reports will be sent home in the final report card.

Resources:

Diagnostic at home: <https://i-readycentral.com/familycenter>

The [2026–2027 New Hampshire Statewide Assessment Schedule](#) is available. This schedule outlines all state-required **assessments** for the upcoming school year to help schools plan and prepare for testing. For more information on state assessments, visit the [Office of Assessment webpage](#)

Performance Driven Model of Assessment

Schools will define purpose and goals of assessments:

Teachers and administrators will clearly communicate the purpose of assessments to students and caregivers, explaining how results will be used to support student growth.

- **M-Class** will be conducted three times annually. See the schedule above. **Progress monitoring** with M-Class will occur every two weeks for students scoring in the red. While benchmarking is conducted only at grade level, progress monitoring can and should be done below grade level to tailor instruction effectively.
 - M-Class is the district approved universal screening. A train-the-trainer model will begin in early September. All reading supervisors will take this training and then train teachers during PLC's.
- **i-Ready Benchmarking** will take place in the fall (BOY) for grades 1-8.
 - Winter (MOY) i-Ready will take place for grades K-2.
 - Spring (EOY) i-Ready will be conducted for grades K-8.
 - i-Ready Assessments in high school have changed to the SAT Suite of Assessments.
- **The NHSAS Interim Assessment** will continue in the winter (MOY) for students in grades 3-8 and 11, including Multilingual Learners. However, newcomers in their first year in a U.S. school are exempt from NHSAS interim (i.e., all students with “N1” status in Aspen newcomer field are exempt).
- **The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)** testing is a common measure of student achievement. This assessment helps to inform decisions across all subject areas.
- **Civics Exam:** Students must pass a competency assessment in civics and pass the naturalization examination with at least a 70 percent in order to graduate high school.
- **ACCESS Testing:** An annual measure of English learners' progress toward acquiring academic English across the four language domains: Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing.

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- **Evaluación del nivel independiente de lectura® (ENIL) for Reading:** for our Spanish Dual Language program
- **PSAT 8/9 (grade 9) & PSAT 10** The SAT Suite of Assessments prepares students for the School Day SAT. SAT scores are used for state accountability and can be used for college admission, scholarship, or community college exemption for placement exams. Skills measured on the SAT are transferable to skills tested on the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery).
- **Focus on Actionable Feedback and Development:**
Prioritize delivering specific, constructive, and practical feedback that highlights students' strengths and identifies growth opportunities, fostering a culture of continuous learning and development.
- **Seal of Biliteracy:** The Seal of Biliteracy is an optional World Language exam for multilingual students who have studied and attained proficiency in two or more languages by high school graduation. Students who demonstrate proficiency by meeting state benchmarks will receive the National Seal of Biliteracy award at graduation.
- **Newcomer Exemption:** Students enrolled in a U.S. school for less than 12 months and identified as active English Learners/Multilingual Learners, based on WIDA Screener, are exempt for one administration of the ELA statewide assessment (NH SAS or NH SAT ~~ss~~ School Day with ~~e~~ Essay). Students are still required to take the mathematics portion and science portion, if applicable, of the statewide assessments, but their scores will not be included for accountability. First year status is indicated in the i4see system[†] ; therefore, a special exemption form is not required. **NH SAS provides Spanish option for Mathematics & Science.**

Approved BOSC date here

New Hampshire State Assessment Schedule 2026-2027

Statewide Summative Assessments

Required Assessment	Grade Level	Content Area	Testing Window
Standard Assessment			
New Hampshire Statewide Assessment System (NH SAS)	3–8	ELA, Math	April 12 – May 28, 2027
	5, 8, and Second Year of High School	Science	April 12 – May 28, 2027
New Hampshire SAT School Day	Third Year of High School	ELA, Math	March 22 – April 23, 2027
<i>* Note, there is no separate make-up window for NH SAS and SAT School Day. Make-up testing can be done at any time during the assessment windows. We recommend reserving at least the last 2-3 days of the window for make-up testing.</i>			
Alternate Assessment			
<i>Students with the most significant cognitive disabilities participate in the Dynamic Learning Maps® (DLM®) Alternate Assessment, as indicated in their active individualized education program (IEP).</i>			
Dynamic Learning Maps® (DLM®) Alternate Assessment	3–8 and Third Year of High School	ELA, Math	March 8 – June 11, 2027
	5, 8, and Third Year of High School	Science	March 8 – June 11, 2027
Action Required: The First Contact Survey should be completed by the beginning of the summative testing window but <u>no later than Friday, May 7, 2027</u> to allow adequate time to administer all testlets to students.			
<i>* Note, there is no separate make-up window for DLM®. Make-up testing can be done at any time during the assessment window. We recommend reserving at least the last 5 days of the window for make-up testing.</i>			

English Language Proficiency Assessment

Required Assessment for English Learners	Grade Level	Domains	Testing Window
WIDA ACCESS	K-12	Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking	January 25 – March 19, 2027
WIDA Alternate ACCESS	K-12	Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking	January 25 – March 19, 2027
<i>Students with the most significant cognitive disabilities who are English Learners participate in the WIDA Alternate ACCESS, as indicated in their active individualized education program (IEP).</i>			
<i>*Note, there is no separate make-up window for ACCESS/Alt ACCESS. Make-up testing can be done at any time during the assessment window. We recommend reserving at least the last 5 days of the window for make-up testing.</i>			

New Hampshire State Assessment Schedule 2026-2027 continued

National Assessment of Educational Program (NAEP)

The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) is conducting a grade 8 pilot assessment. Selected districts and schools have already been notified. The assessment window is January 25 – March 19, 2027.

Results from the 2026 administration of main NAEP are expected to be released in late winter 2027.

USCIS Civics Assessment for High School Graduation

USCIS Civics Assessment

September 1 – December 23, 2026 *

January 25 – July 16, 2027

* The civics assessment will be temporarily unavailable in the NH SAS test delivery system while responses are updated to reflect the results of the November 2026 election.

Please refer to the [USCIS Civics Test Administration Guidance](#) for instructions on administering the civics assessment in the NH SAS test delivery system.

Optional Assessments

Formative/Interim Assessment	Grade Level	Content Area	Testing Window
SAS Modular Assessments			
New Hampshire Statewide Assessment System (NH SAS) Modulators/Benchmarks	3–8	ELA, Math	September 1, 2026 – April 9, 2027
	3–11	Science Interims	September 1, 2026 – April 9, 2027
SAS Interim Assessments			
New Hampshire Statewide Assessment System (NH SAS) Interims	3–8	ELA, Math	September 15, 2026 – April 9, 2027
College Board Assessments			
PSAT 10	Second Year of High School	ELA, Math	March 22 – April 23, 2027
Instructionally Embedded Alternate Assessments			
Dynamic Learning Maps® (DLM®) Instructionally Embedded Assessments	3–12	ELA, Math	September 14, 2026 – February 19, 2027
	3–12	Science	September 14, 2026 – February 19, 2027

TO: Board of School Committee

FROM: Committee on Finance and Facilities
Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Turner and Hamer

DATE: September 14, 2026

RE: Treasurer's Report

At the September 9, 2026, Committee on Finance and Facilities meeting, it was moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as submitted and forward this item to the full Board of School Committee for approval.

Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Potter and Hamer were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Angela Carey

Clerk of the Board of School Committee

MANCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: Treasurer's Report

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE& FACILITIES MEETING OF: September 09, 2026

ACTION: _____ CONSENT: X INFORMATION: _____

BACKGROUND:

Freda Hawkinson will be present at the meeting to review the Treasurer's Report

See information attached.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

FISCAL VERIFICATION: _____

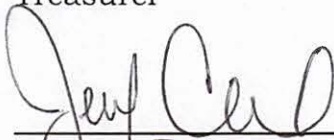
RECOMMENDATION:

That the committee on Finance & Facilities move to approve the Treasurer's Report and forward this item to the Board of School Committee for approval.

Prepared by:

Freda Hawkinson

Freda Hawkinson
Treasurer

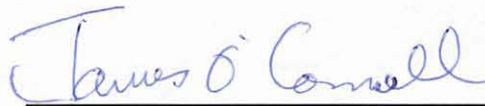


Jennifer Chmiel, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Presented by:

Freda Hawkinson

Freda Hawkinson
Treasurer



Jim O'Connell, Chair
Finance & Facilities Committee

Manchester School District					
Treasurer's cash projection					
For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027					
	February	March	April	May	June
Beginning balance per treasurer cash flow	\$44,212,807.37	\$25,044,308.36	\$32,892,998.18	\$45,096,035.57	\$18,999,478.09
Cash receipts					
Adequacy grant			31,726,208.70		
Taxes		27,021,355.50			
Kindergarten					
Tuition					
Special Education Aid					
Building aid					
Vocational					
Differential Aid for Charter Schools					
Impact fees					
Grant reimbursements					
Trust fund					
Bond Proceeds					
Other (SFNS, Medicaid etc.)	735,000.00	730,833.33	757,083.33	730,833.33	1,107,083.33
Total cash receipts	735,000.00	27,752,188.83	32,483,292.03	730,833.33	1,107,083.33
Disbursements -					
Payroll	9,289,284.09	9,289,284.09	9,432,199.00	9,289,284.09	9,289,284.09
City services/transfer to City	794,813.17	794,813.17	794,813.17	794,813.17	794,813.17
Transfer to City for trust funds					
Bond payment			233,840.63	6,923,891.80	2,764,738.50
Phase I - Long-term facilities plan					
Disbursements	9,819,401.75	9,819,401.75	9,819,401.84	9,819,401.75	10,735,689.23
Total disbursements	19,903,499.01	19,903,499.01	20,280,254.64	26,827,390.81	23,584,524.99
Cash balance per Treasures cashbook	\$25,044,308.36	\$32,892,998.18	\$45,096,035.57	\$18,999,478.09	(\$3,477,963.57)
Balance per bank statement - Citizens					
Balance per bank statement - TD					
Due from expendable trust					5,807,439.09

Manchester School District
Actual interest earned and estimated
Fiscal year 2027

	Projected Interest Earned	Projected Interest Rate	<i>Revised</i> Projected Interest Earned	Actual Interest Rate	Actual Interest Earned
July 2026	35,000.00	2.12%		2.12%	25,583.06
August 2026	51,000.00	2.12%	37,000.00		
September 2026	52,000.00	2.12%	37,000.00		
October 2026	38,000.00	2.12%	22,000.00		
November 2026	77,000.00	2.12%	62,000.00		
December 2026	47,000.00	2.12%	31,000.00		
January 2027	68,000.00	2.12%	52,000.00		
February 2027	73,000.00	2.12%	58,000.00		
March 2027	44,000.00	2.12%	28,000.00		
April 2027	112,000.00	2.12%	97,000.00		
May 2027	77,000.00	2.12%	61,000.00		
June 2027	22,000.00	2.12%	7,600.00		
	<u>\$696,000.00</u>		<u>\$492,600.00</u>		<u>\$25,583.06</u>

Manchester School District
Schedule of requests for tax collections from City for fiscal year 2026

June 30, 2026	10,000,000.00	received
July 28, 2026	30,000,000.00	received
October 21, 2026	30,000,000.00	
January 29, 2027	27,021,355.50	
March 3, 2027	<u>27,021,355.50</u>	
Total to be raised from property taxes	<u><u>124,042,711.00</u></u>	

TO: Board of School Committee

FROM: Committee on Finance and Facilities
Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Turner and Hamer

DATE: September 14, 2026

RE: Grants, Gifts & Donations Report (\$122,962.62)

At the September 9, 2026, Committee on Finance and Facilities meeting, it was moved to approve the Grants, Gifts and Donations report, in the amount of \$\$122,962.62, and forward this item to the full Board of School Committee for approval.

Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Potter and Hamer were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Angela Carey". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Angela Carey

Clerk of the Board of School Committee

MANCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: Grants, Gifts, and Donations Report

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & FACILITIES MEETING OF: September 9, 2026

ACTION: _____ CONSENT: X INFORMATION: _____

BACKGROUND:

Polly Golden will be at the meeting to review the Grants, Gifts, and Donations Report.

FISCAL IMPACT:

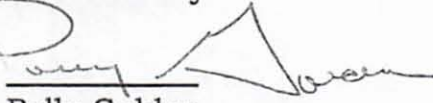
\$122,962.62 (Revenue)

(Fiscal Verification: AD)

RECOMMENDATION:

The Committee on Finance & Facilities moves to approve The Grants, Gifts, and Donations Report and forward this item to the Board of School Committee for approval.

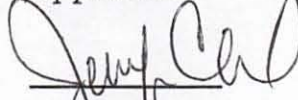
Presented by:


Polly Golden
Grant Manager

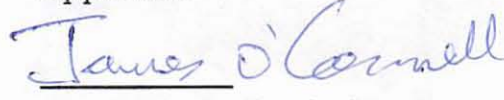
Prepared by:


Polly Golden
Grant Manager

Approval:


Jennifer Chmiel, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Approval:


Jim O'Connell, Chair
Finance & Facilities Committee

**Manchester School District
Finance Committee Meeting - September 9, 2026
Grants, Gifts and Donations**

Adult Diploma Program (Grant)

Amount: \$15,847.62

Purpose: To support the Adult Diploma program.

Discovery Education Program (Grants)

Amount: \$60,000

Purpose: Each of the 20 schools in Manchester was awarded a \$3,000 Discovery Education grant for the k-12 digital education platform. The personalized learning programs and time-saving instructional tools enhance teaching and learning across all K-12 subject areas. The digital components are also specifically aligned with our core Manchester content of Amplify and Mystery Science.

Robotics Education Development Program (Grant)

Amount: \$5,700

Purpose: To support the Robotics program at McLaughlin Middle School.

Robotics Education Development Program (Grant)

Amount: \$5,700

Purpose: To support the Robotics program at Southside Middle School.

Robotics Education Development Program (Grant)

Amount: \$3,615

Purpose: To support the Robotics program at Middle School at Parkside.

Robotics Education Development Program (Grant)

Amount: \$5,700

Purpose: To support the Robotics program at Central High School.

Robotics Education Development Program (Grant)

Amount: \$5,700

Purpose: To support the Robotics program at Memorial High School.

Robotics Education Development Program (Grant)

Amount: \$5,700

Purpose: To support the Robotics program at West High School.

T-Mobile \$5K Fridays (Donation)

Amount: \$5,000

Purpose: To support West High School's football program.

T-Mobile \$5K Fridays (Donation)

Amount: \$5,000

Purpose: To support Central High School's football program.

T-Mobile \$5K Fridays (Donation)

Amount: \$5,000

Purpose: To support Memorial High School's football program.

TO: Board of School Committee

FROM: Committee on Finance and Facilities
Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Turner and Hamer

DATE: September 14, 2026

RE: City Services Invoices (\$438,731.76)

At the September 9, 2026, Committee on Finance and Facilities meeting, it was moved to approve the City Services Invoices, in the amount of \$438,731.76, and forward this item to the Board of School Committee for approval.

Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Potter and Hamer were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Angela Carey". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Angela Carey

Clerk of the Board of School Committee

MANCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: City Services Invoices

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE& FACILITIES MEETING OF: September 09, 2026

ACTION: _____ **CONSENT:** X **INFORMATION:** _____

BACKGROUND:

Karen DeFrancis will be present at the meeting to review the city services invoices as of this date, which are shown on the attached spreadsheet.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$438,731.76 (Expenditure)

FISCAL VERIFICATION: PD

RECOMMENDATION:

That the committee on Finance & Facilities move to approve these City Services Invoices and forward this item to the Board of School Committee for approval.

Prepared by:

Karen DeFrancis

Karen DeFrancis
Executive Director of Finance

Jennifer Chmiel
Jennifer Chmiel, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Presented by:

Karen DeFrancis

Karen DeFrancis
Executive Director of Finance

James O'Connell

Jim O'Connell, Chair
Finance & Facilities Committee

CITY SERVICES SPREADSHEET - September 09, 2026

DEPARTMENT	DESCRIPTION	INVOICE #	AMOUNT
Finance Department	Bank of NY Fees	1103501	\$ 1,875.00
Fire Department	School Nurses - April 2026	1126	\$ 7,131.08
Fire Department	School Nurses - May 2026	1130	\$ 8,429.45
Fire Department	School Nurses - June 2026	1132	\$ 5,513.10
Facilities	May 2026 Credit	1102978	\$ (17,063.57)
Parks & Recreation	Winter Maintenance - January 14 through Winter	1101558	\$ 205,812.16
Parks & Recreation	Grounds Maintenance - December 2025	1101521	\$ 10,301.81
Parks & Recreation	JFK Electric - July 2026	1556	\$ 7,495.74
Police Department	Police SRO - April to June 2026	1103641	\$ 209,236.99
Total Amount Due:			<u><u>\$ 438,731.76</u></u>

TO: Board of School Committee

FROM: Committee on Finance and Facilities
Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Turner and Hamer

DATE: September 14, 2026

RE: Manifest of Authorized Expenditures September 2026 (\$32,767,444.28)

At the September 9, 2026, Committee on Finance and Facilities meeting, it was moved to approve the Manifest of Expenditures for September 2026, in the amount of \$32,767,444.28, and forward this item to the Board of School Committee for approval.

Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Potter and Hamer were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Angela Carey

Clerk of the Board of School Committee

MANCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: Manifest of Authorized Expenditures - August 2026

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & FACILITIES MEETING OF: September 09, 2026

ACTION: _____ CONSENT: X INFORMATION: _____

BACKGROUND:

Karen DeFrancis will be present at the meeting to review the Manifest of Authorized Expenditures.

See information attached.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$32,767,444.28 (Expenditure)

FISCAL VERIFICATION: ED

RECOMMENDATION:

That the committee on Finance & Facilities move to approve the Manifest of Authorized Expenditures and forward this item to the Board of School Committee for approval.

Prepared by:

Karen DeFrancis

Karen DeFrancis
Executive Director of Finance

Jennifer Chmiel
Jennifer Chmiel, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Presented by:

Karen DeFrancis

Karen DeFrancis
Executive Director of Finance

James O'Connell
Jim O'Connell, Chair
Finance & Facilities Committee

**Manchester School District
Warrant Log
August 2026**

Warrant	Date	Check Number	Amount
072026	7/24/2026	14923-14929	138,297.99
072026	7/24/2026	ACH Funds Transfer	2,122,506.94
072726	7/31/2026	14930-14934	51,995.02
072726	7/31/2026	ACH Funds Transfer	2,968,869.84
080126	8/4/2026	14935	3,500.00
080126	8/4/2026	ACH Funds Transfer	57,812.00
080326	8/7/2026	14936-14941	21,062.33
080326	8/7/2026	ACH Funds Transfer	1,275,104.16
081326CP	8/14/2026	14942-14951	7,283,867.94
081326CP	8/14/2026	ACH Funds Transfer	8,869,271.21
081326SF	8/14/2026	14952-14956	15,056.46
081326SF	8/14/2026	ACH Funds Transfer	6,172.63
081326FF	8/14/2026	14957-15012	153,344.74
081326FF	8/14/2026	ACH Funds Transfer	6,667.13
081326GF	8/14/2026	15013-15109	1,664,517.58
081326GF	8/14/2026	ACH Funds Transfer	283,108.68
Total Accounts Payable			\$ 24,921,154.65
August Payroll			7,846,289.63
Grand Total			\$ 32,767,444.28

TO: Board of School Committee

FROM: Committee on Finance and Facilities
Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Turner and Hamer

DATE: September 14, 2026

RE: Indemnification Contract Language

At the September 9, 2026, Committee on Finance and Facilities meeting, it was moved to approve the indemnification contract for the University of New Hampshire's College of Professional Studies; Ready Set Connect; City Year, Inc.; STARBASE New Hampshire; and, the University System of New Hampshire Affiliation Agreement, and forward this item to the Board of School Committee for approval.

Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Potter and Hamer were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Angela Carey

Clerk of the Board of School Committee

MANCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: Indemnification Contract Language

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE& FACILITIES MEETING OF: September 09, 2026

ACTION: _____ **CONSENT:** X **INFORMATION:** _____

BACKGROUND:

Attached, please find the following contracts for approval of the indemnification language contained therein:

- a. University of New Hampshire's College of Professional Studies
- b. Ready Set Connect
- c. City Year, Inc.
- d. STARBASE New Hampshire
- e. University System of New Hampshire Affiliation Agreement

By way of background, these contracts are on the agenda for approval of indemnification contract language only, not for approval of spending. The contract listed has been reviewed by the legal department.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

FISCAL VERIFICATION: ____

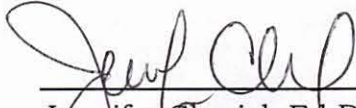
RECOMMENDATION:

That the committee on Finance & Facilities move to approve the proposed indemnification contract language for the above listed contracts and forward them to the Board of School Committee for approval.

Prepared by:



Karen DeFrancis
Executive Director of Finance



Jennifer Chmiel, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Presented by:



Karen DeFrancis
Executive Director of Finance



Jim O'Connell, Chair
Finance & Facilities Committee

THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT is made and entered into for the term stipulated below, by and between the University of New Hampshire's College of Professional Studies (hereafter referred to as "the University") and _____ (hereafter referred to as "the Facility").

I. Purpose of Acknowledgment

This acknowledgment provides the terms under which the Facility will provide to designated University of New Hampshire College of Professional Studies (CPS) students ("Students") a practical, credit-bearing experiential learning opportunity (the "Experiential Learning"). The goal of this acknowledgment is to provide an opportunity for Students to gain supervised experience in a field related to their academic studies and career interests. The UNH CPS programs are nonprofit educational programs, and the parties will not pay fees to each other for Student's participation in the Experiential Learning.

II. Term

The term of this Acknowledgment will abide by the stipulated dates in the submitted learning agreement that has been verified between direct site supervisor, Student, their faculty/staff, and the University. Termination of the acknowledgment must be submitted in writing to the University Career and Professional Success, Experiential Learning Coordinator and/or Director.

III. Contact Persons and Notices

University Contact	Facility Contact
<i>UNH College of Professional Studies</i> 88 Commercial St. Manchester, NH 03101 Name: Maggie Wells Title: Career and Professional Success Director Ph: (603) 641-4331 Email: Maggie.wells@unh.edu	<i>Company Name</i> Address: Name: Title: Ph: Email:

Copy of notices shall also be provided to:

USNH Procurement Services
5 Chenell Drive
Suite 301
Concord, NH 03301

UNH College of Professional Studies Dean's Office
88 Commercial Street
Suite 465
Manchester, NH 03101

IV. University Program Responsibilities

4.1 Designate a faculty and/or staff member who will be responsible for coordinating all aspects of the Experiential Learning with the Facility.

4.2 Approve as participants in the Experiential Learning only those Students that are in good academic standing and receiving academic credit for their Experiential Learning.

4.3 Require the Students and any faculty and/or staff members to abide by all policies of the Facility, while maintaining as confidential all the Facility's records and/or other data to which they have access, and to not disclose or copy the same without express permission of the Facility.

4.4 Review and approve all Student learning agreements.

4.5 Communicate to Students that they are responsible to i.) follow the University's policies and procedures and procedures of the Facility ii.) abide by all privacy and confidentiality practices iii.) provide their own transportation to and from the Facility iv.) provide to the Facility and financially cover all required documentation such as medical records, criminal/conduct background checks, and/or drug screenings.

4.6 Provide Students with information about reporting any Experiential Learning health and safety concerns to the UNH program Experiential Learning Coordinator and UNH/GSC's legal obligations to further reporting.

V. Facility Responsibilities

5.1 Work with Students to develop and define an appropriate learning agreement and sign-off on learning agreement.

5.2 Provide supervised learning experiences that include regular supervision check ins.

5.3 Provide appropriate facilities, equipment and supplies for completion of the Experiential Learning for both remote based and in person experiences.

5.4 Provide appropriate orientation to the Facility and training to the students on all aspects of the Facility's policies and procedures.

5.5 Treat Students in a fair, equitable, and professional manner.

5.6 Ensure Students are not used to replace regularly scheduled employees.

5.7 Abide by all Federal and State Department of Labor Laws.

5.8 Participate in the evaluation of Students by completing mid-term and end of term evaluations.

5.9 Provide Students with information about reporting any health and safety concerns to the Facility. In the event a Student reports such concern to Facility personnel, the Facility will contact the UNH program Experiential Learning Coordinator and/or Director to provide notice of the concern and coordinate a response.

VI. Indemnification and Insurance

6.1 Each party agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the other party, its trustees, officers, directors, agents, employees and students from and against any and all liabilities, claims, damages, awards, judgments, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) to the extent arising out of its breach of its responsibilities under the terms of the acknowledgment agreement, or its negligent acts of omission or the negligent acts or omission of its trustees, officers, directors, agents, employees and students in performance of those responsibilities. The indemnified party shall notify the indemnifying part promptly of a claim which might result in a request for indemnification under this acknowledgment agreement. This section shall survive termination of the acknowledgment agreement.

6.2 UNH faculty and staff associated with the Experiential Learning are covered by the University liability insurance and the University's liability insurance extends to its students while at a host institution for the duration of the credit-bearing Experiential Learning.

6.3 Facility will not request Students to sign any agreements to indemnify or release Facility or its representatives from their own negligent, intentional, or deliberate acts or omission.

6.4 Facility either: is a State or Federal government entity that is self-insured or shall have comprehensive general liability insurance in amounts of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit and \$3,000,000 annual aggregate combined single limit. Facility will provide certificates evidencing such insurance (or verification of self-insured status) to the University upon reasonable request.

6.5 University shall have comprehensive general liability insurance in amounts of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit and \$3,000,000 annual aggregate combined single limit. University will provide certificates evidencing such insurance to the Facility upon reasonable request.



57 Regional Drive
Concord, NH 03301
Phone: 603-945-3836
<https://readyssetconnect.org>

Contract for Educational Services Between

Manchester School District
20 Hecker Street
Manchester, NH 03102
(hereinafter "**District**")

And

Ready Set Connect
57 Regional Drive
Concord, NH 03301
(hereinafter "**Non-Public School**" or "**Ready Set Connect**")

In consideration of the promises and conditions contained herein, the District and Ready Set Connect mutually agree as follows:

I. PURPOSE OF THIS AGREEMENT

The purpose of this Agreement is to provide educational services for [REDACTED] (hereinafter "Student"), a resident student of District and a District-placed student with a disability, where it has been determined by the Student's Individualized Educational Program ("IEP") Team that placement at Ready Set Connect beginning on August 31, 2026, and ending on August 31, 2027 represents the appropriate and least restrictive environment for this Student.

II. RESPONSIBILITIES OF NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL

1. In order to fulfill its obligations under this Agreement, Ready Set Connect shall perform the following specific duties:

- a. Develop and/or modify an IEP for the Student in consultation with District representatives and design a program curriculum with appropriate resources for the Student to meet IEP goals.
- b. Deliver periodic progress reports, quarterly report cards, and yearly transcripts, if applicable, to the District.



READY SET CONNECT
POWERED BY GERSH AUTISM

57 Regional Drive
Concord, NH 03301
Phone: 603-945-3836
<https://readyssetconnect.org>

Enrollment Period and Payment Policy

I ATTENDANCE

Ready Set Connect shall determine the Student's start and end dates. Ready Set Connect shall not make-up holidays or non-attendance days as established by the District. In the event the Student does not attend Ready Set Connect when scheduled, Ready Set Connect shall not provide make-up appointments.

II PAYMENT

Services provided during the prior month will be invoiced at the beginning of each month. Invoices are due and payable by School District within thirty (30) days of the invoice date. Tuition is considered late if not received in full by the due date. If payment is not received in full by the due date, Ready Set Connect may suspend services without notice. If services are suspended for non-payment, services will be resumed one day after Ready Set Connect receives payment in full.

School District agrees to immediately pay a 3.00% Billing Fee each month for accounts not paid in full by the due date. Past due accounts will be charged interest of 1.49% per month or the highest amount permitted by law. If Ready Set Connect is required to initiate collection activity for unpaid accounts, School District agrees to immediately pay all billing fees, interest, reasonable collection costs, reasonable attorney's fees, and court costs.

There is a \$35.00 reasonable handling fee for each dishonored check returned.

IV INDEMNIFICATION

School District and Ready Set Connect agree to indemnify each other, and their respective officers, directors, employees, and agents, for any injury or claim, arising out of any act or omission by their own officers, directors, employees, or agents, related to this Agreement. This indemnity includes the duty to defend. Furthermore, both parties agree to hold each other harmless as to any claims between them or their officers, directors, employees, or agents, related to this Agreement, except for claims based on the sole gross negligence of one party.

Signature - School District Representative

Date

Print - Name and Title



DISTRICT SERVICE AGREEMENT
By and Between
MANCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT
And CITY YEAR, INC.
2026-2027

RECITALS

THIS DISTRICT SERVICE AGREEMENT is made as of this August 18, 2026, by and between Manchester School District (hereinafter, the “District”) with an address of 20 Hecker Street, Manchester, NH 03102, and City Year, Inc. (hereinafter, “City Year”), a not for profit organized for educational and charitable purposes under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts with an address of 287 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02116.

- A. **WHEREAS**, the District, is a local education agency located in Manchester, NH.
- B. **WHEREAS**, City Year is a 501(c)(3) organization providing youth development and education support services.
- C. **WHEREAS**, City Year provides school districts with a scalable, centrally managed model that delivers a holistic set of whole-school and focused supports to ensure students stay engaged in learning and on track to graduate. As one of the nation’s largest AmeriCorps programs with established sites across the United States, City Year annually recruits, trains, and deploys thousands of young adults for a year of full-time service to support school districts in their efforts to improve our nation’s schools.
- D. **WHEREAS**, City Year is committed to supporting the District’s goal to improve the academic achievement and behavior development of its pupils. City Year’s Whole School Whole Child™ (“WSWC”) model leverages the unique assets of near-peer AmeriCorps members to deliver research-based whole school supports and student interventions targeting the early warning indicators of poor attendance, unsatisfactory behavior, and course failure in English and math.
- E. **WHEREAS**, City Year’s services support quality, data-driven instruction, deepen family and community engagement, and contribute to a culture of empowerment, achievement, and service.
- F. **WHEREAS**, AmeriCorps members deliver services to provide a continuous, supportive presence throughout the day to build mutually supportive connections between students’ classroom learning and their before and after school experiences. .
- G. **WHEREAS**, the collaboration between City Year and the District will accelerate student achievement in schools, support the District acceleration and improvement efforts and attract new federal and private resources to the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises hereinafter set forth and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties do hereby mutually agree as follows:

1. **Term of Agreement.** The term of this Agreement shall commence on September 1, 2026 and conclude on June 30, 2027 (the “Term”).

If as a result of an Event of Force Majeure a school serviced under this Agreement is closed and that closure lasts for a period of forty-five (45) calendar days or longer, City Year and the District shall meet and in good faith negotiate mutually acceptable modifications to the Agreement. If after one hundred eight (180) days from the Notice of an Event of Force Majeure, the parties are unable to agree on modified terms of this Agreement, either the District or City Year may give to the other a Notice of an Event of Force Majeure delivered in accordance with Section 10.

11. **Termination.** This Agreement shall terminate upon any one of the following events:
- Mutual written agreement of the parties (such termination to be effective as specified in such written agreement), but in no event earlier than thirty (30) days' prior written Notice to the other party;
 - Notice delivered in accordance with Section 10;
 - The District declining to appropriate funds for subsequent fiscal years consistent with the terms of this Agreement;
 - City Year does not receive adequate funding commitment from AmeriCorps to support the level of service set forth in Section 2 of this Agreement; or
 - If either party commits a material breach of this Agreement, the other party may terminate by sending notice of intent to terminate in writing to the other party with reasonable specificity of the breach; such termination to be effective if such material breach has not been cured within 30 days of the delivery of such notice.

In the event of termination under this Section 11, City Year shall be entitled to payment for services performed prior to the event giving rise to the termination. Payment for services after an invoice date shall be pro-rated based on the number of business days that have elapsed.

12. **Hold Harmless and Mutual Indemnity.** City Year agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the District, its officers, directors, agents, and employees, from and against any and all third party claims, demands, obligations, causes of action and lawsuits and all damages, liabilities, fines, judgments, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, which may be incurred or sustained by reason of the failure of City Year to fully comply with the terms and obligations of this Agreement, or for City Year's errors or omissions or intentional wrongs. To the extent permitted by law and to the extent funds are appropriated or coverage is available for this obligation, the District agrees to indemnify and hold harmless City Year, its officers, directors, agents, and employees, from and against any and all third party claims, demands, obligations, causes of action and lawsuits and all damages, liabilities, fines, judgments, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, which may be incurred or sustained by reason of the failure of the District to fully comply with the terms and obligations of this Agreement, or for the District's errors or omissions or intentional wrongs.

13. **Criminal Record Check.** City Year shall not assign or place any person in a position where they have contact with students of the District if that person is required to be registered as a sex offender. City Year will ensure that criminal record background checks are performed on all City Year AmeriCorps members and any employees who will have access to or contact with District students. State checks may be conducted based on location. City Year agrees that it will supply the District with full and complete copies of National Sex Offender and applicable state check reports upon request. Additionally, a Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) check or a national level search will be run. The FBI report is adjudicated by an external vendor therefore a clearance is available upon request. City Year agrees that the District may in its sole discretion exclude any City Year AmeriCorps member or employee from working with the District students based on the results of a criminal record background check. If the District deems additional background checks necessary, the District assumes the burden of conducting and adjudicating these additional checks.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Between
**STARBASE New Hampshire,
the N.H. National Guard**
And
Manchester School District
Hereinafter referred to as “Parties”

MOU - 2605

This is a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between STARBASE New Hampshire and Manchester School District – 20 Hecker Street – Manchester, NH 03102.

1. **Background:** Established in 2023, STARBASE New Hampshire (hereinafter “STARBASE”) is a United States Department of Defense (DoD) educational program for fifth grade students operated by New Hampshire Army National Guard. STARBASE offers a five-day, 25-hour curriculum that emphasizes the application of science, technology, engineering, and math in a real world, hands-on setting, all designed to build on the premise that learning can be both fun and rewarding. The mission of STARBASE is to expose our nation’s youth to the technological environments and positive civilian/military role models found on military bases and installations, to nurture a winning network of collaborators, and to build mutual loyalty within the communities, by providing instruction and hands-on activities.
2. **AUTHORITIES:** Nothing in this agreement is intended to limit the responsibilities of the Parties in reference to other applicable guidance.
 - 2.1. The following references apply to this MOU:
 - 2.1.1. U.S.C. Title 10, Section 2193
 - 2.1.2. DoD Instruction 1025.7, *DoD STARBASE Program*
3. **Purpose:** This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets forth the terms and understanding between STARBASE and the Partner to provide STARBASE Academy outreach science, technology, engineering and mathematics curriculum to local fifth grade classrooms.
4. **Understanding of the Parties:**
 - 4.1. STARBASE will provide:
 - 4.1.1. A five-hour day, for five-weeks, one day per week curriculum from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM Eastern time for a maximum of 35 students, provided at no cost. With an approved waiver by the DoD OASD RA, Parties may agree to an alternative schedule, including, but not limited to, one-week, five days per week or reduced class size.
 - 4.1.2. Hands-on enrichment lessons that focus on math, chemistry, physics, engineering and technology activities that meet national and state standards; and

4.1.3. Each student will receive a "Certificate of Achievement" upon successful completion of the STARBASE Academy program.

4.2. The Partner:

4.2.1. Will transport participants to and from the STARBASE location and N.H. Army National Guard Edward Cross Training Center for any visits to units/facilities related to the curriculum.

4.2.2. Will ensure at least two Partner administrators, teachers, employees, and any other Partner-provided personnel who accompany the students to STARBASE New Hampshire will provide supervision of students and engage in the program during instructional times.

4.2.3. Ensure that any students with medical or health needs will come with necessary medications and/or personnel trained to provide appropriate health services that may be needed.

4.2.4. Ensure each participant brings a bag lunch each day they attend STARBASE New Hampshire.

4.2.6. Provide parents/guardians with information on the dress code for STARBASE; participants will wear closed toe shoes and be dressed appropriately to safely conduct scientific experiments as part of the curriculum.

4.2.6. Will ensure that Partner administrators, teachers, employees, volunteers, and any other Partner-provided personnel who accompany students to STARBASE New Hampshire complete a program evaluation or questionnaire to evaluate their experiences and the effectiveness of the program. This data will be collected after each class has completed its 25-hour session and will be used to measure the effectiveness of the curriculum and instructional delivery model.

4.3. Student Record Confidentiality: STARBASE Academy employees, volunteers, and all partner staff, aides, and subcontractors or sub-consultants should be aware that sensitive student records shall not be shared. In accordance with 20 U.S.C. §1232g, Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, school officials and others acting on behalf of the School or School District shall not share information gleaned from student records with anyone except within the context of School District educational efforts.

5. PERSONNEL: Each Party is responsible for all costs of its personnel, including pay and benefits, support, and travel. Each Party is responsible for supervision and management of its personnel.

6. GENERAL PROVISIONS:

6.1. POINTS OF CONTACT (POCs). The following POCs will be used by the Parties to communicate matters concerning this MOU. Each Party may change its POC upon reasonable notice to the other Party.

6.1.1. For STARBASE —

6.1.1.1 Primary: Mark Campbell -- Director of STARBASE New Hampshire
E-mail: mark.campbell@theASTAGroup.com
Phone: (603) 370-0583

6.1.1.2. Alternate: Jennifer Kelsall -- Office Administrator
E-mail: jennifer.kelsall@theASTAGroup.com
Phone: (603) 227-1405

6.1.2. For the partner —

6.1.2.1 Primary: Jennifer Chmiel -- Superintendent – Manchester School District
E-mail: jchmiel@mansd.org
Phone: (603) 624-6300

6.1.2.2. Alternate: Leslie Whitney – Executive Director of Teaching and Learning
E-mail: lwhitney@mansd.org
Phone: (603) 624-6300

6.2. CORRESPONDENCE: All correspondence to be sent and notices to be given pursuant to this MOU will be addressed, if to STARBASE New Hampshire, to --

6.2.1. Mark Campbell
Director - STARBASE New Hampshire
N.H. National Guard Edward Cross Training Complex
722 Riverwood Drive
Pembroke, NH 03275

and, if to the Partner, to --

6.2.2. Jennifer Chmiel
Superintendent – Manchester School District
20 Hecker Street
Manchester, NH 03102

6.3. FUNDS AND MANPOWER. This MOU may only be modified by the written agreement of the Parties, duly signed by their authorized representatives. This MOU will be reviewed no less often than at the mid-point of its term and around the anniversary of its effective date in its entirety.

6.4. MODIFICATION OF MOU. This MOU may only be modified by the written agreement of the Parties, duly signed by their authorized representatives. This MOU will be reviewed no less often than at the mid-point of its term and around the anniversary of its effective date in its entirety.

6.5. DISPUTES. Any disputes relating to this MOU will, subject to any applicable law, Executive order, or DoD issuances, be resolved by consultation between the Parties.

6.6. TERMINATION OF UNDERSTANDING. This MOU may be terminated in writing at will by either Party.

6.7. TRANSFERABILITY. This MOU is not transferable except with the written consent of the Parties.

6.8. LIABILITY. The Partner agrees to indemnify and hold the United States Government, its officers, agents, and employees harmless from any liability, loss or damage they or their employees, students, volunteers, or other agents may suffer as a result of claims, demands, costs or judgments against them arising out of the activities to be carried out pursuant to the obligations of this MOU to the fullest extent permitted under federal law.

6.9. ENTIRE UNDERSTANDING. It is expressly understood and agreed that this MOU embodies the entire understanding between the Parties regarding the MOU's subject matter, thereby superseding all prior understandings of the Parties with respect to such subject matter.

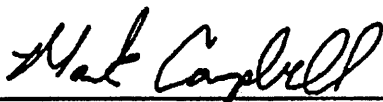
6.10. EFFECTIVE DATE. This MOU takes effect beginning on the day after the last Party signs.

6.11. EXPIRATION DATE. This MOU expires on 06/30/2027.

APPROVED:

FOR THE - STARBASE New Hampshire
N.H. Army National Guard
Edward Cross Training Center

FOR THE – Manchester School District
20 Hecker Street
Manchester, NH 03102



STARBASE N.H. Director's Signature

Superintendent's Signature

Mark Campbell
STARBASE New Hampshire Director

Jennifer Chmiel
Superintendent's Name

6/10/2026
(Date)

(Date)

University System of New Hampshire Affiliation Agreement

This Student Experiential Learning Agreement ("Agreement") is between the University of New Hampshire (the "University") and Manchester School District ("Business Partner"). The intent of this Agreement is to allow designated University students ("Students") the opportunity to participate in experiential learning with the Business Partner ("Program") for academic credit, Honors Units, or the satisfaction of program requirements, in accordance with the terms detailed herein.

[FOR BUSINESS PARTNERS WHO ALSO HOST CLINICALS: The University and the Business Partner have also entered into an Affiliation Agreement – Clinical Placements, copy of which is attached hereto. Except as expressly set forth in Sections 14–16 of the Affiliation Agreement – Clinical Placements (and except for the substitution of the term "Facility" for "Business Partner") the terms of this Agreement are intended to be identical to the Affiliation Agreement – Clinical Placements.]

General Terms and Conditions:

1. **Term:** The term of this Agreement shall commence on 09/02/2026 and shall continue for one calendar year until 09/01/2027; this Agreement will thereafter automatically renew for additional terms of one year unless a party provides written notice of termination in accordance with paragraph 2.
2. **Termination:** Either party may terminate this Agreement (a) without cause upon six (6) months written notice to the other party and (b) for cause upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party, after which no further Students may begin work in a Program. Notwithstanding the termination of the Agreement, those Students then working with the Business Partner may complete participation in their Program pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. Termination under this paragraph 2 will not waive rights that would otherwise survive termination of this Agreement.
3. **Contact Persons and Notices:** Notifications allowed or required under this Agreement will be sent to the following contacts.

University Contacts	Business Partner Contact(s)
Program Contact Name: Lee Pozzi Rush Address: Pettee Hall, 55 College Road, Durham NH 03824 Title: MSW Internship Director Phone: 603-862-5025 Email: lee.rush@unh.edu With a copy to: Designated University Contact Name: Jasmine Huffman Title: Assistant Director for Experiential Learning Phone: (603) 862-2248 Email: Jasmine.Huffman@unh.edu	Program Contact Name: Kathleen Wheeler Address: 333 Beech St, Manchester NH 03103 Phone: 603-792-5509 Title: LICSW Email: kwheeler@mansd.org

4. **Liability and Insurance:** Each party shall be responsible for its own negligence and that of its trustees, officers, directors, agents, and employees. To the extent permitted by law, each party agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the other party, its trustees, officers, directors, agents, and employees from and against any and all liabilities, claims, damages, awards, judgments, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) to the extent arising out of its breach of its responsibilities under this Agreement, or its intentional malfeasance or the intentional malfeasance of its trustees, officers, directors, agents, or employees in performance of those responsibilities. The indemnified party shall notify the indemnifying party promptly of a claim which might result in a request for indemnification under this Agreement. This section

shall survive termination of the Agreement. Neither party will request that Students sign any agreements to indemnify or release that party or its representatives from their own intentional malfeasance, or negligent acts or omissions in connection with the Program. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as requiring a federal agency, state agency, or other governmental entity to indemnify, defend, or hold harmless another party beyond the authority granted by applicable law.

Business Partner and the University will maintain comprehensive general liability insurance in amounts of at least \$1,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit and \$3,000,000 annual aggregate combined single limit, and the University's insurance will include Internships and Professional Services Liability coverage. Each party will provide the other with certificates evidencing such insurance upon reasonable request.

5. **Governing Law:** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire.
6. **Amendment:** No alteration or variation of the terms of this Agreement shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by the parties, and no oral understanding or agreement not incorporated herein shall be binding on any of the parties.
7. **Severability:** If any provision of this Agreement is held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect in accordance with its terms disregarding such unenforceable or invalid provision.
8. **Non-Discrimination:** Business Partner and University agree there shall be no discrimination against Students in connection with the Program on the basis of race, sex, religion, color, national origin, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, veteran's status, military status, disability status or any other impermissible criterion which could be considered for the purpose of unlawful discrimination. The parties will cooperate with each other in any inquiry into allegations of such discrimination against a Student.
9. **Use of Name:** Either party may refer to the other as an academic affiliate with respect to the specific academic activities conducted pursuant to this Agreement, but neither will use the other's name, marks or other identifiers in any other manner which reasonably could be understood to associate it with any other activities or entities without the prior written consent of the other party.
10. **Student Dismissal:** Business Partner may dismiss from participation in the Program any student whose work performance or conduct it determines in its sole discretion is unsatisfactory or detrimental to its operations. In the event of such a dismissal, the Business Partner will promptly notify the University, and the University will take whatever steps are necessary to remove the student from the Program. The Business Partner will use its best efforts to consult with the University prior to terminating a student; however, the Business Partner reserves the right to terminate a student without first consulting the University. In the case where the Business Partner terminates a student without first discussing the situation with a University representative, within one week of such removal, appropriate representatives of the Business Partner and the University shall meet with the student to discuss the reason for removal and to reinstate the student if the problem is resolved to the satisfaction of the Business Partner.
11. **Responsible Party:** University and Business Partner agree that all services, operations, supervision, and guidance provided by the Business Partner are the responsibility of the Business Partner and will be determined by an appropriate member of Business Partner's staff. University and Business Partner also agree that the University retains full responsibility for its educational and training programs. The Parties are independent entities, and nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to create a partnership, joint venture, or employment relationship.
12. In the event that a Student is an employee or independent contractor of the Business Partner, the Business Partner and University acknowledge and agree that the Business Partner (a) alone employs its employees and contracts with its independent contractors and is responsible for any compensation paid, regardless of

TO: Board of School Committee

FROM: Committee on Finance and Facilities
Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Turner and Hamer

DATE: September 14, 2026

RE: Vestibules at Smyth, Gossler and Jewett Street Schools

At the September 9, 2026, Committee on Finance and Facilities meeting, it was moved to authorize the District to proceed with the competitive bidding process for the security vestibule projects at Smyth Road School, Gossler Park, and Jewett Street School and forwards this item to the full Board of School Committee and that the Administration will come back the committee upon receipt of the bids to determine the source of the funding.

Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Potter and Hamer were in favor.
Committee Member O'Connell stated that he would agree with reservations.

Respectfully submitted,



Angela Carey

Clerk of the Board of School Committee

MANCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: Vestibules at Smyth, Gossler, and Jewett

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & FACILITIES MEETING OF: September 9, 2026

ACTION: X **CONSENT:** **INFORMATION:**

BACKGROUND:

As part of the District's ongoing work to strengthen school safety and building security, plans have been developed for the construction of security vestibules at Smyth Road School, Gossler Park School, and Jewett Street School. The permit drawing set, dated June 30, 2026, has been completed, and the accompanying project specifications have now been received, allowing the projects to move forward to the competitive bidding phase once funding is identified. The drawings include individual plans for each of the three schools as well as common building sections and construction details.

The proposed work creates a more controlled entrance configuration at each school. The plans include new storefront and glazing systems, secured entrance doors with electric latch retraction, transaction windows, associated walls and structural components, lighting, concrete and pavement work, and modifications to existing entrance areas. The projects represent new security improvements to the buildings rather than repairs or replacement of deteriorated existing systems.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Final project costs will be established through the competitive bidding process. At this time, however, a funding source must be identified before the District can proceed with issuing the projects for bid.

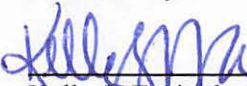
While the use of deferred maintenance funding has previously been discussed, these projects constitute new capital improvements and therefore do not appropriately fall within the scope of deferred maintenance. Administration is seeking direction from the Board regarding an appropriate funding source for the three security vestibule projects.

(Fiscal Verification: JD)

RECOMMENDATION:

Administration requests that the Board authorize the District to proceed with the competitive bidding process for the security vestibule projects at Smyth Road School, Gossler Park School, and Jewett Street School and provide direction regarding the funding source to be used for the projects.

Presented by:



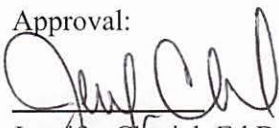
Kelly S. Espinola, Ed.D.
Assistant Superintendent

Prepared by:



Kelly S. Espinola, Ed.D.
Assistant Superintendent

Approval:



Jennifer C. Miel, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

Approval:



Jim O'Connell, Chair
Finance & Facilities Committee

CITY OF MANCHESTER

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Foley Buhl Roberts & Associates, Inc.
500 N. Commercial St., Suite 403
Manchester, NH 03101
(603) 622-4578

1. PATCHING AND REPAIRING TO BE DONE IN SUCH A FASHION TO BLEND FAIRLY WITH SURROUNDING SURFACES.

CONTRACTOR SHALL VERIFY ALL DIMENSIONAL DISCREPANCIES WITH THE ARCHITECT PRIOR TO BEGINNING CONSTRUCTION.

1. IT IS THE INTENT OF THESE DRAWINGS TO ILLUSTRATE A COMPLETE PROJECT TO SHOW EVERY DETAIL WILL BE ACCOUNTED FOR IN THE FINAL CONSTRUCTION. OMISSION OF AN OBVIOUSLY NECESSARY ITEM OR SYSTEM COMPONENT FROM THE DRAWINGS SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED AS THE RIGHT TO CLAIM AN EXTRA. SYSTEM COMPONENTS NORMALLY OR OBVIOUSLY NEEDED SHALL BE PRICED AND INSTALLED BY THE CONTRACTOR AS PART OF THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT.

CODES FOR 161-HAZARDOUS WASTES, UPDATING THE HAZARDOUS BUILDING CODE (ISA 160-1.1) AND EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2018 AND APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR ON AUGUST 1, 2018.

2019 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE (IBC) WITH NH AMENDMENTS

2019 INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE (IECC) WITH NH AMENDMENTS

2019 INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE (IMC) WITH NH AMENDMENTS

2019 INTERNATIONAL PLUMBING CODE (FOR FIRST-JURY COUNT) (IPC) WITH NH AMENDMENTS

2019 NFPA 70 NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE 2019 AMENDMENTS

2019 NFPA 1 FIRE CODE (EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2018) AS AMENDED BY SAF-200-308

2019 NFPA 101 LIFE SAFETY CODE, AS AMENDED BY SAF-200-308

2019 NFPA 13, STANDARD FOR INSTALLATION OF SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

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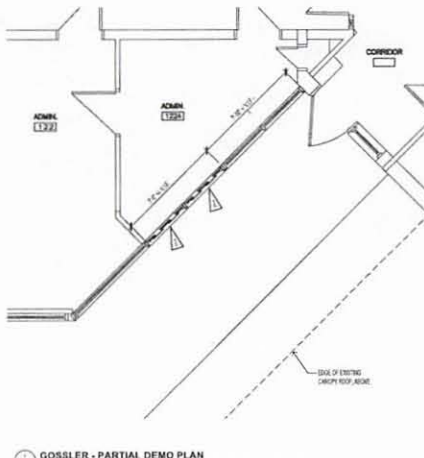


PROJECT: SMYTH, GOSSLER, JEWETT VESTIBULES
for
CITY OF MANCHESTER
MANCHESTER, NH

DATE	06/30/2026
SCALE	AS NOTED
PROJECT NO.	25.09

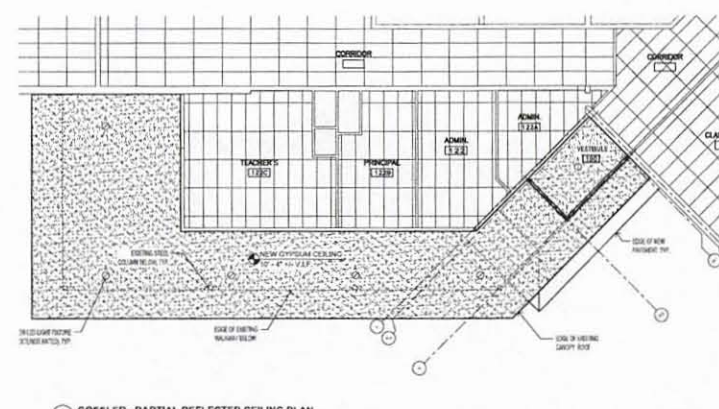
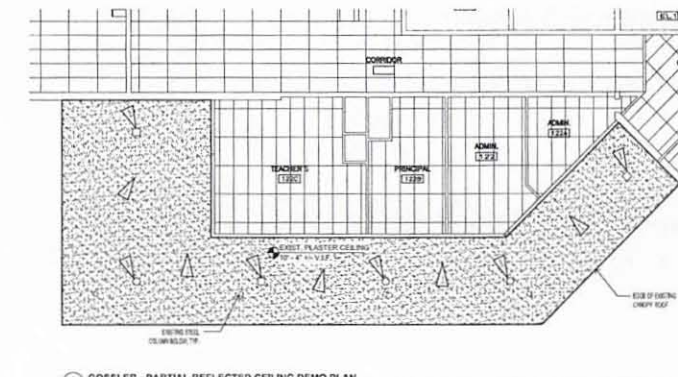
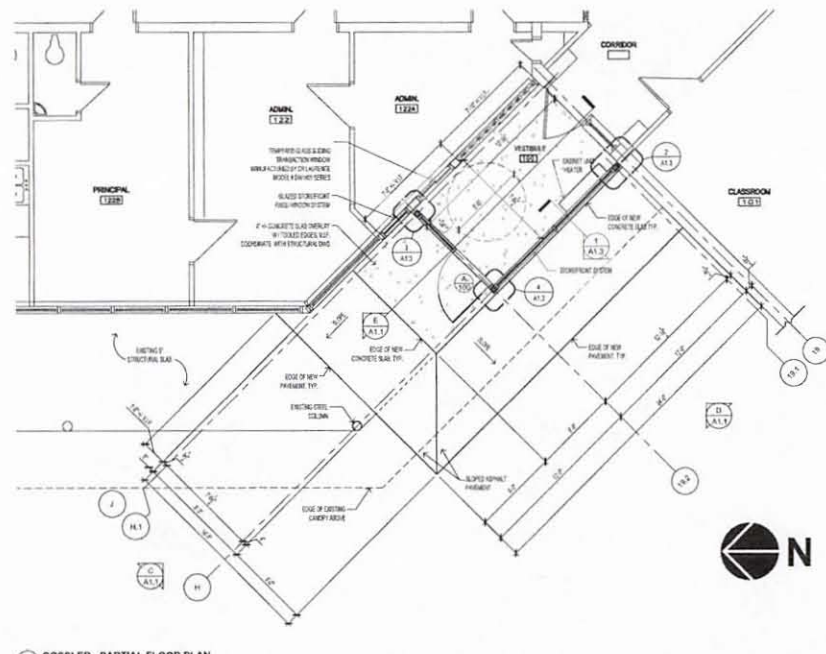
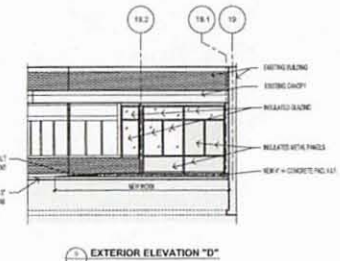
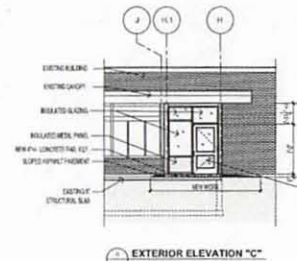
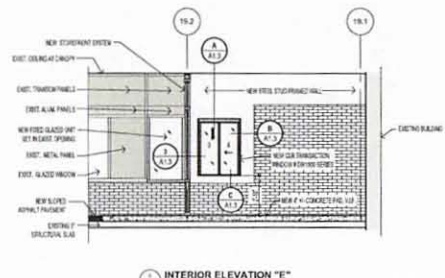
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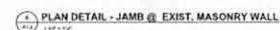
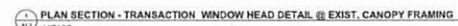
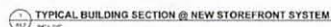
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3. EXISTING & EXTERIOR EXTERIOR LIGHT FIXTURES, BACK RIGGS & ASSOCIATED WIRING AT UNDERSIDE OF CHIMNEY ROOF AREA.





DRAWING NO.



TO: Board of School Committee

FROM: Committee on Finance and Facilities
Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Turner and Hamer

DATE: September 14, 2026

RE: Cookson Communications Contract

At the September 9, 2026, Committee on Finance and Facilities meeting, it was moved to approve the Cookson Contract for year four (4) of Project AWARE (10/1/2026-9/30/2027) with the amended budget change from \$108,000 to \$118,000, and forward this item to the Board of School Committee for approval.

Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Potter and Hamer were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

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Angela Carey

Clerk of the Board of School Committee

MANCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: Cookson Communications Contract

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND FACILITIES MEETING OF: September 9, 2026

ACTION: X **CONSENT:** _____ **INFORMATION:** _____

BACKGROUND:

As part of the Federal Project AWARE grant, Cookson Communications was awarded a contract through the proposal and bid process to build a mental health and safe schools campaign. On 11/28/23 The Board approved a 5 year contract in the amount of \$610,000, with a Year 4 budget of \$108,000. After 3 years of planning and implementation activities, additional needs were identified for Year 4 of this project as the work is folding under the Safe & Supportive Schools branding. The adjustment to the Year 4 budget now includes repositioning and re-aligning all communications and marketing efforts under this overarching brand given that it is gaining traction and recognition with both external and internal target audiences.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Original Approved Year 4 Budget: \$108,000

Requested Revised Year 4 Budget: \$118,000

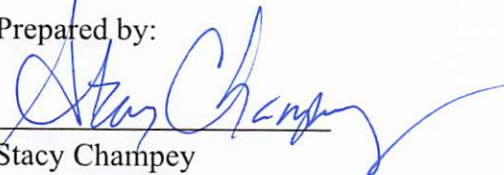
Increase of Year 4 Budget of \$10,000 (Expenditure) to be paid through the Project AWARE Grant

FISCAL VERIFICATION: AD

RECOMMENDATION:

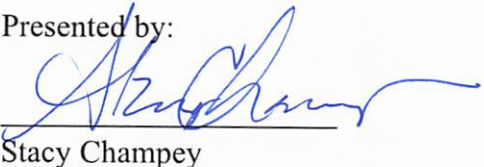
That the Committee on Finance and Facilities moves to approve the Cookson Contract for Year 4 of Project AWARE (10/1/26 - 9/30/27) with the amended budget change from \$108,000 to \$118,000 and forward this item to the full Board of School Committee for approval.

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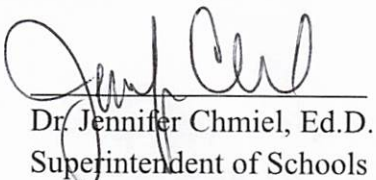

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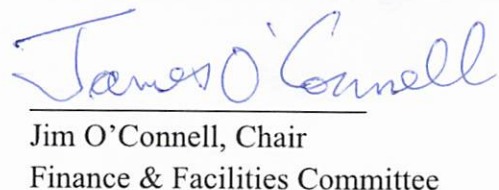
Exec. Director Safe & Supportive Schools

Presented by:


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Exec. Director Safe & Supportive Schools


Dr. Jennifer Chmiel, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools


Jim O'Connell, Chair
Finance & Facilities Committee

TO: Board of School Committee

FROM: Committee on Finance and Facilities
Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Turner and Hamer

DATE: September 14, 2026

RE: Financial Reports

At the September 9, 2026, Committee on Finance and Facilities meeting, it was moved to approve the Financial Reports as presented and forward this item to the full Board of School Committee for approval.

Committee Members O'Connell, Turner, Parr, Potter and Hamer were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Angela Carey". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Angela Carey

Clerk of the Board of School Committee

MANCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: Financial Reports

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE& FACILITIES MEETING OF: September 09, 2026

ACTION: X CONSENT: INFORMATION:

BACKGROUND:

Karen DeFrancis will be present at the meeting to review the Financial Reports.

See information attached.

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

FISCAL VERIFICATION:

RECOMMENDATION:

That the committee on Finance & Facilities move to approve the Financial Reports and forward this item to the Board of School Committee for approval.

Prepared by:

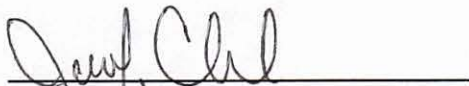


Karen DeFrancis
Executive Director of Finance

Presented by:



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Executive Director of Finance



Jennifer Chmiel, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools



Jim O'Connell, Chair
Finance & Facilities Committee

General Fund Expenditures – FY26

Our salary line has a balance of \$1.4 mil at year end. The balance represents lower than budgeted bus driver costs, special education staff shortages hired with contracted services, and vacant positions throughout the year.

Our claims paid and projections for final year end entries show our Health Insurance is over budget by \$2 mil, which will need to come from the health trust. Note that the line item reflects a \$4 mil shortfall. That is because \$2 mil was approved during the budget process to use from the trust. The additional \$2 mil is due to higher than budgeted costs.

Our Special Education Contracted Services and Tuition lines are over budget by \$2.5 mil. The Board of Mayor and Aldermen approved our request on 6/2/26 to utilize approximately \$1mil of the Teaching and Learning trust towards this overage as well as applying approximately \$1mil of our revenue surplus toward the Special Education trust to cover costs.

As approved by the Board of School Committee, we will utilize \$886k of the Teaching and Learning trust funds to support the curriculum purchases and \$400k for chromebooks.

Transportation – FY26

We have seen a reduction in Specialized Transportation costs from last year's spending. Our Assistant Superintendent's will be at the meeting to discuss the projections.

General Fund Revenues – FY26

We have received the Special Education Aid from the State and the amount is \$667k higher than budgeted. We received \$273k more in Interest than budgeted, \$464k more in Medicaid revenue and \$632k more in tuition. In total our revenues are reflecting a surplus of \$2.3 mil. As noted above, \$1 mil of this will be transferred to the Special Education Trust to help offset the overage in Contracted Services and Tuition. The additional \$1.3 mil will result in a fund balance and will be used to offset the FY27 Adequacy Aid reduction.

Food Service – FY26

The transfer expected from the General Fund is \$650k, due to rising food costs and lower revenues. We have accounted for this transfer on the General Fund expenditure statement. In FY24 we transferred \$825k and in FY25 we transferred \$600k to balance the shortfall in the program. In addition, the General Fund will need to write off \$383k of unpaid meal debt from FY25.

Athletics – FY26

The program ended with a positive balance. We were not able to pre-purchase FY27 supplies and equipment as we normally do with the balance as other General Fund line items were over budget.

Grant Report – FY26

We spent the majority of our grant funds in FY26, with a portion covering the summer pays in July and August of 2026. The majority of the balance will be carried over to FY27.

Special Revenue Fund Report – FY26

The balances in these funds represent our donations and other miscellaneous grants.

Expendable Trust Funds – FY26

- We ended FY25 with \$23mil in our six trusts.
- As approved during the budget process, we will utilize \$4.5mil of the trust funds to support our revenues and \$3.7mil to support our expenditures.
- In addition, the BOSC approved utilizing the Teaching and Learning Trust in the amount of \$1.5mil to purchase curriculum and classroom technology. That has been reduced by the support of grant funds for curriculum, and we expect to use \$1.3mil.
- We also are projecting a transfer of \$2mil from the health trust to cover the health shortfall.
- The remaining Special Education shortfall will be balanced by utilizing the remaining special education trust and \$1mil from the Teaching & Learning Trust as approved by the BMA.
- The trust balances are projected at \$9.7mil at 6/30/26, plus any interest earnings.

FY27 Budget

We will start to report on FY27 activity at the October meeting.

Other Matters

- Plodzick and Sanderson, our external auditors, were here on site in August to start the Student Activity Fund review. Their field work on other funds starts on September 8th and will continue into October.
- At the October meeting we will bring forward the DOE-25 with final results for FY26.



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Jennifer Chmiel, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Manchester Schools

To: Finance Committee
From: Karen DeFrancis, Executive Director or Finance
Date: September 9, 2026
Subject: Executive Summary FY26 - June 2026

Karen

GENERAL FUND

	6/30/26 FY26	6/30/25 FY25	Inc (Dec)
Salaries	\$ 109,080	\$ 104,339	\$ 4,741
Benefits	58,132	53,820	4,312
Professional & Tech	11,451	13,503	(2,052)
Debt Service	11,728	11,407	321
City Services	9,338	9,419	(81)
Tuition	8,027	6,911	1,116
Transportation	13,177	15,456	(2,279)
Utilities	3,420	3,376	44
Subtotal	224,353	218,231	6,122
Textbooks	1,199	2,000	(801)
Supplies	703	1,447	(744)
Equipment	451	143	308
Facilities Phase I	17,700	17,700	-
Other	3,411	1,047	2,364
Total Spent	247,817	240,568	7,249
Encumbrances	1,615	1,620	(5)
Total	\$ 249,432	\$ 242,188	\$ 7,244

Statement of nondiscrimination: It is the policy of the Manchester Board of School Committee, in its actions, and those of its employees, that there shall be no discrimination on the basis of age, sex, race, color, marital status, physical or mental disability, religious creed, national origin or sexual orientation for employment in, or operation and administration of any program or activity in the Manchester School District. The Title IX Coordinator is Kelly Espinola for staff and students.

**SCHOOL FOOD & NUTRITION SERVICES
FINANCIAL COMPARISON**

	<u>YTD FY26</u>	<u>YTD FY25</u>	<u>INC (DEC)</u>
REVENUES			
Federal/State Reimb	\$ 3,885	\$ 3,947	\$ (62)
Lunch Sales	1,145	1,106	39
A La Carte	357	360	(3)
Other-net	362	525	(163)
Total Revenues	<u>5,749</u>	<u>5,938</u>	<u>(189)</u>
EXPENSES			
Salaries & Benefits	3,693	3,718	(25)
Food	2,145	2,170	(25)
Supplies	103	102	1
Other-net	465	539	(74)
Total Expenses	<u>6,406</u>	<u>6,529</u>	<u>(123)</u>
OVERAGE (SHORTFALL) TO DATE	<u><u>\$ (657)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (591)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (66)</u></u>

Manchester School District
General Fund Expenditure Report FY2026
June 30, 2026
Unaudited

	Account Name	Adjusted Budget	Spent as of June 30th	Encumbered	Projected Expense	Total Estimated Costs	Remaining Balance	Expendable Trust Transfer	Revised Remaining Balance
100	Salaries	\$ 110,515,512	\$ 109,079,993		\$ -	\$ 109,079,993	\$ 1,435,519		\$ 1,435,519
200	Employee Benefits	53,528,128	58,132,402		-	58,132,402	(4,604,274)	(4,000,000)	(604,274)
240	Tuition and Staff Development	397,000	183,188		10,000	193,188	203,812		203,812
300	Professional and Technical Services	8,951,795	10,637,216	745,769	-	11,382,986	(2,431,191)	(3,432,575)	1,001,384
332	Legal Services	75,000	68,410		-	68,410	6,590		6,590
430	Repairs and Maintenance	1,140,307	927,780	3,185	-	930,965	209,342		209,342
442	Rental of Land & Building & Equipment	15,100	62,499	2,392	-	64,891	(49,791)		(49,791)
510	Transportation • Regular Education	703,000	204,786	7,711	-	212,497	490,503		490,503
513	Transportation • Student Services	11,318,976	12,952,437	12,413	-	12,964,850	(1,645,874)	-	(1,645,874)
520	Insurance	738,583	742,648		-	742,648	(4,065)		(4,065)
531	Telephone	98,743	107,996	6,689	-	114,685	(15,942)		(15,942)
534	Postage	50,000	27,708	-	-	27,708	22,292		22,292
540	Advertising	6,000	5,340	-	-	5,340	660		660
550	Printing & Binding	32,300	14,036	-	-	14,036	18,264		18,264
560	Tuition	6,200,000	7,673,984	353,420	-	8,027,404	(1,827,404)	(1,000,000)	(827,404)
580	Travel	24,000	15,474		-	15,474	8,526		8,526
610	General Supplies	971,045	659,059	44,048	-	703,107	267,938		267,938
620	Utilities	3,400,000	3,403,611	-	16,780	3,420,392	(20,392)		(20,392)
640	Books and Information Resources	586,298	1,182,999	15,864	-	1,198,863	(612,565)	(886,015)	273,450
730	Equipment	233,054	443,699	7,214	-	450,913	(217,859)	(399,957)	182,098
733	Furniture & Fixtures	10,000	1,550	543	-	2,093	7,907		7,907
810	Dues and Fees	96,670	119,146	2,220	-	121,366	(24,696)		(24,696)
850	City Services	9,338,357	6,925,551		2,412,806	9,338,357	-		-
892	Graduation	6,900	8,519	-	-	8,519	(1,619)		(1,619)
893	Community Partnerships	135,000	135,000		-	135,000	-		-
910	Debt Service	11,728,157	11,728,157	-	-	11,728,157	0		0
990	Long-Term Facilities Plan	17,700,000	17,700,000	-	-	17,700,000	(0)		(0)
995	School Food & Nutrition Transfer	-	-		650,000	650,000	(650,000)		(650,000)
999	Meal Debt Write-off FY25	-	-		382,788	382,788	(382,788)		(382,788)
	Subtotal	\$ 237,999,925	\$ 243,143,189	\$ 1,201,469	\$ 3,472,374	\$ 247,817,032	\$ (9,817,107)	\$ (9,718,547)	\$ (98,560)
	FY25 Encumbrances	1,714,043	1,615,483	-	-	1,615,483	98,560		98,560
	General Fund Total	\$ 239,713,968	\$ 244,758,672	\$ 1,201,469	\$ 3,472,374	\$ 249,432,515	\$ (9,718,547)	\$ (9,718,547)	\$ (0)

Manchester School District
Budget by Object FY26 Report
June 30, 2026
Unaudited

Object	Account Name	FY26 Budget	FY26 Transfers	FY25 Encumbrances	FY26 Adjusted Budget
100	Salaries	\$ 110,515,512			\$ 110,515,512
200	Employee Benefits	53,528,128			53,528,128
240	Tuition and Staff Development	397,000			397,000
300	Professional and Technical Services	8,951,795			8,951,795
332	Legal Services	75,000			75,000
430	Repairs and Maintenance	1,140,307			1,140,307
442	Rental of Equipment	15,100			15,100
510	Transportation • Regular Education	703,000			703,000
513	Transportation • Student Services	11,318,976			11,318,976
520	Insurance	738,583			738,583
531	Telephone	98,743			98,743
534	Postage	50,000			50,000
540	Advertising	6,000			6,000
550	Printing & Binding	32,300			32,300
560	Tuition	6,200,000			6,200,000
580	Travel	24,000			24,000
610	General Supplies	971,045			971,045
620	Utilities	3,400,000			3,400,000
640	Books and Information Resources	586,298			586,298
730	Equipment	233,054			233,054
733	Furniture & Fixtures	10,000			10,000
810	Dues and Fees	96,670			96,670
850	City Services	9,338,357			9,338,357
892	Graduation	6,900			6,900
893	Community Partnerships	135,000			135,000
910	Debt Service	11,728,157			11,728,157
990	Long-Term Facilities Plan	17,700,000			17,700,000
Subtotal		\$ 237,999,925	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 237,999,925
FY25 Encumbrances		-		1,714,043	1,714,043
GENERAL FUND TOTAL		\$ 237,999,925	\$ -	\$ 1,714,043	\$ 239,713,968

TRANSPORTATION OPERATING STATEMENT - FY2026

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Total Paid</u>	<u>Open PO</u>	<u>Projections</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>(Over) Under Budget</u>
Transportation Supervision						
Salaries & Benefits	637,051	582,953	-	-	582,953	54,098
Professional Services & Employee Training		1,300	-	-	1,300	(1,300)
Telephone		251	-	-	251	(251)
Mileage		101	-	-	101	(101)
General Supplies/Software/Dues & Fees	96,017	73,942	970	-	74,912	21,105
Vehicle Service & Maintenance						
Repair & Maintenance	300,000	303,905	-	-	303,905	(3,905)
Fuel	500,000	168,387	-	-	168,387	331,613
Insurance	365,170	323,755	-	-	323,755	41,416
Regular Transportation						
Salaries & Benefits	2,300,064	1,943,739	-	-	1,943,739	356,325
Athletics	190,000	169,869	-	-	169,869	20,131
Music, ALF & Field Trips	13,000	1,330	5,000	-	6,330	6,670
Specialized Transportation						
Specialized Transportation	12,818,976	13,530,334	15,124	-	13,545,457	(726,481)
Billings for Cost Share (Specialized, Athletics)	(750,000)	(336,491)	-	-	(336,491)	(413,509)
Pre-School, Homeless, Foster Billings to Grants	(250,000)	(250,000)	-	-	(250,000)	-
Total General Fund Budget	<u>16,220,278</u>	<u>16,513,373</u>	<u>21,094</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,534,467</u>	<u>(314,189)</u>

TRANSPORTATION OPERATING STATEMENT - FY2026

	Budget	Paid											
		July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Transportation Supervision													
Salaries & Benefits	637,051	73,310	48,392	42,322	48,747	53,129	74,657	46,261	46,261	36,229	36,862	37,095	39,690
Professional Services & Employee Training		1,200	-	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Telephone		-	13	27	-	27	13	88	28	13	13	13	13
Mileage		-	-	-	-	-	101	-	-	-	-	-	-
General Supplies/Software/Dues & Fees	96,017	15	145	2,236	1,430	7,221	800	732	3,492	56,590	1,025	124	134
Vehicle Service & Maintenance													
Repair & Maintenance	300,000	-	30,084	43,506	28,594	31,818	18,628	18,453	(12,171)	67,044	37,219	(20,869)	61,600
Fuel	500,000	-	3,321	2,654	17,512	18,667	14,804	16,321	16,859	14,567	18,548	16,829	28,305
Insurance	365,170	122,107	207,890	-	-	-	-	-	(12,753)	-	-	-	6,511
Regular Transportation													
Salaries & Benefits	2,300,064	46,533	45,961	127,293	246,202	188,438	213,804	162,530	171,431	148,741	251,051	156,714	185,041
Athletics	190,000	-	-	-	3,511	35,660	24,223	7,868	10,395	22,101	10,131	29,971	26,010
Music, ALF & Field Trips	13,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,330
Specialized Transportation													
Specialized Transportation	12,818,976	-	814,787	4,690	1,431,609	1,354,426	1,050,819	1,192,417	1,221,245	1,035,020	1,507,161	1,391,747	2,526,413
Billings for Cost Share (Specialized, Athletics)	(750,000)	-	-	-	-	-	(5,412)	-	(12,365)	(39,627)	-	(240)	(278,847)
Pre-School, Homeless, Foster Billings to Grants	(250,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(250,000)
Total General Fund Budget	16,220,278	243,164	1,150,595	222,827	1,777,604	1,689,384	1,392,437	1,444,670	1,432,422	1,340,678	1,862,010	1,611,383	2,346,199

Manchester School District
General Fund Revenue Report FY2026
30-Jun-26

Revenues	Budget	Received	Anticipated	Total	Budget Variance
School Building Aid	2,958,418	2,958,418	-	2,958,418	0
Area Vocational School	650,000	689,311	-	689,311	39,311
Special Education Aid	1,500,000	2,166,597	-	2,166,597	666,597
Other State Aid	476,844	501,578	-	501,578	24,734
Total State Revenues	5,585,262	6,315,904	-	6,315,904	730,642
ROTC	105,000	94,749	-	94,749	(10,251)
Medicaid	500,000	964,254	-	964,254	464,254
Total Federal Revenues	605,000	1,059,002	-	1,059,002	454,002
Tuition	700,000	1,331,326	-	1,331,326	631,326
Transportation Fees	-	45,829	-	45,829	45,829
Impact Fees	277,000	277,000	-	277,000	-
Pupil Activities (Athletics)	25,000	17,365	-	17,365	(7,635)
Interest Income	300,000	572,617	-	572,617	272,617
Refund of Prior Year	-	50,983	-	50,983	50,983
Indirect Cost	250,000	291,100	-	291,100	41,100
Misc. Other Sources	10,000	26,439	-	26,439	16,439
Sale of Fixed Assets	-	30,680	-	30,680	30,680
Transfer from Expendable Trust	4,500,000	4,500,000	-	4,500,000	-
Fund Balance	577,840	577,840	-	577,840	-
Total Local Revenues	6,639,840	7,721,179	-	7,721,179	1,081,339
Subtotal	12,830,102	15,096,086	-	15,096,086	2,265,984
Adequate Education Grant	107,638,112	107,709,860	-	107,709,860	71,748
District Assessment	97,905,599	97,905,599	-	97,905,599	-
Statewide Education Property Tax (SWEPT)	19,626,112	19,626,112	-	19,626,112	-
Total Taxes	117,531,711	117,531,711	-	117,531,711	-
Total General Fund Revenues	237,999,925	240,337,657	-	240,337,657	2,337,732

**Manchester School District
SFNS Expense Report - FY26
30-Jun-26**

Object	Expenses	FY26 Budget	FY26 Expended	% of Budget	FY26 Encumbered	FY6 Projection	Total Costs	Balance
50110	Salaries	2,279,677	2,170,664	95.2%	-		2,170,664	109,013
50200	Employee Benefits	1,541,634	1,521,938	98.7%	-		1,521,938	19,696
50322	Professional and Technical Services	34,189	5,711	16.7%	-		5,711	28,478
50430	Repairs and Maint	40,000	65,835	164.6%	-	-	65,835	(25,835)
50534	Postage	28,200	5,048	17.9%		-	5,048	23,152
50535	Freight	50,000	44,702	89.4%	-	-	44,702	5,298
50540	Advertising	300	480	159.8%	-	-	480	(180)
50550	Printing	1,000	-	0.0%	-	-	-	1,000
50610	General Supplies	110,000	103,250	93.9%	-	-	103,250	6,750
50616	Food	1,657,000	2,144,771	129.4%		-	2,144,771	(487,771)
50622	Electricity	50,000	-	0.0%	-	-	-	50,000
50626	Gasoline	8,000	4,219	52.7%	-	-	4,219	3,781
50630	USDA Commodities-Food	350,000	343,003	98.0%			343,003	6,997
50731	Equipment	100,000	63,952	64.0%	-	(67,725)	(3,773)	103,773
50850	City Services	50,000	-	0.0%	-	-	-	50,000
	Total Expenses	\$ 6,300,000	\$ 6,473,575	102.8%	\$ -	\$ (67,725)	\$ 6,405,849	(105,849)

CERA balance	938,130
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Inventory balance	50,684
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Manchester School District
SFNS Revenue Report - FY26
30-Jun-26

Object	Revenues	FY26 Budget	Received to Date	Accounts Receivable	% of Budget	FY26 Anticipated	Total Projection	Budget Variance
43260	State Reimbursement	80,000	82,404.97		103.0%		82,405	2,405
44560	Federal Reimbursement	4,290,000	3,801,542.53		88.6%		3,801,543	(488,457)
44910	USDA Commodities	350,000	343,003.35	-	98.0%		343,003	(6,997)
	Total Federal Revenues	4,640,000	4,144,545.88	-	89.3%	-	4,144,546	(495,454)
41611-13	Lunch, Breakfast, Milk Sales	1,210,000	1,144,797.85	-	94.6%		1,144,798	(65,202)
41620	Snack Bars & Misc Revenues	350,000	357,830.66		102.2%		357,831	7,831
41512	Interest Income	20,000	18,925.58	-	0.0%		18,926	(1,074)
	SFNS Fund Balance	-	-	-		-	-	-
	Total Local Revenues	1,580,000	1,521,554.09	-	96.3%	-	1,521,554	(58,446)
	Total Revenues	6,300,000	5,748,504.94	-	91.2%	-	5,748,505	(551,495)

Manchester School District
Athletics Operating Statement - FY26
As of June 30th, 2026

Object	Account Name	Budget	District	Central	Memorial	West	McLaughlin	Hillside	Parkside	Southside	Total	Encumb	Projection	Balance
Expenses														
50100	Salaries	937,083	228,099	173,567	202,405	152,361	25,906	25,767	23,102	23,102	854,308	-		82,775
50141	Athletic Int Official	4,160	263	-	162	-	150	-	-	-	575	-		3,586
50143	Athletic Int Worker	20,800	360	6,870	4,550	4,990	1,825	1,955	1,920	1,445	23,915	-		(3,115)
50200	Benefits	241,720	80,967	29,453	31,900	70,528	6,440	6,029	5,431	4,453	235,200	-		6,520
50340	Contracted Services	42,744	14,898	1,039	867	-	-	-	-	-	16,803	11		25,929
50341	Officials	172,722	-	36,427	35,681	17,392	7,606	6,879	7,022	8,040	119,046	-		53,676
50342	Police	21,743	-	10,600	9,800	8,640	765	765	765	765	32,100	-		(10,357)
50430	Mach/Equip Maint & Repair	57,520	6,525	7,321	9,923	9,226	-	-	-	-	32,995	24,930		(405)
50441	Rental Expense(412)	13,100	4,210	-	8,200	-	-	-	-	-	12,410	2,392		(1,702)
50515	Transportation	190,000	-	42,405	58,210	30,491	8,793	10,072	11,895	8,004	169,869	-		20,131
50520	Insurance (Other than Emp Benefits)	13,000	11,078	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,078	-		1,922
50531	Telephone	400	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		400
50540	Advertising	200	103	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	103	-		97
50585	Gas/Mileage Allowance	1,000	810	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	810	-		190
50610	Supplies	93,993	35,319	13,808	2,460	567	140	1,006	-	-	53,299	70,625		(29,932)
50615	Uniforms	84,500	16,800	15,933	11,443	3,693	377	122	-	-	48,368	54,560		(18,428)
50621	Natural Gas	36,000	-	-	10,473	1,033	-	-	-	-	11,506	-		24,494
50622	Electricity	60,000	-	8,503	25,278	20,839	-	-	-	-	54,620	-		5,380
50623	Bottled Gas	4,000	-	9,441	-	140	-	-	-	-	9,581	-		(5,581)
50731	Equipment	114,914	-	3,700	4,349	300	-	-	-	-	8,349	39,486		67,079.23
50810	Due/Membership	45,760	2,818	16,355	17,774	8,532	1,300	1,300	1,200	1,200	50,478	720		(5,438)
50851	Interdepartmental Chg Backs	222,131	108,109	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	108,109	-	114,022	0
		2,377,490	510,357	375,421	433,475	328,730	53,302	53,895	51,334	47,008	1,853,522	192,725	114,022	217,221
Revenue Received														
41710	Admissions - Revenue	25,000	-	5,552	6,566	5,247	-	-	-	-	17,365	-		(7,635)

Manchester School District
Grant Expenditure Analysis - FY26
As of June 30, 2026

Grant Name	Project	Total Allocation	Expended at 6/30/2025	Remaining Allocation	Fiscal Year 2026			FY27 Projections	Total Expenditures	Projected Balance
					Expended	Encumbered	Projection			
Stronger Connections	23114	1,863,535.38	1,234,130	629,405	571,687				1,805,817	57,718.32
Community Oriented Policing (DOJ)	23800	2,401,000.00	2,058,899	342,101	251,350				2,310,249	90,751.14
CSI Beech FY24	24010	786,017.52	621,422	164,595	161,029				782,452	3,565.83
CSI McDonough FY24	24017	229,396.23	214,953	14,443	14,443				229,396	-
CSI Parker Varney FY24	24018	231,842.64	153,583	78,260	76,776				230,359	1,483.23
Title IIA - FY24	24102	1,311,067.47	1,198,452	112,616	81,594				1,280,046	31,021.55
Title III - FY24	24103	418,563.32	333,655	84,908	68,288				401,944	16,619.73
Title IV - FY24	24104	765,435.40	535,810	229,625	179,849				715,659	49,776.69
McKinney Homeless FY24	24110	81,527.57	72,491	9,037	9,036				81,527	0.73
Community Schools	24201	956,009.00	670,772	285,237	281,904				952,676	3,333.37
CSI Beech FY25	25010	240,315.74	-	240,316	178,078			62,238	240,316	-
CSI Parker Varney FY25	25018	122,866.70	-	122,867	121,647	1,220			122,867	-
IDEA FY25	25100	4,490,986.94	3,462,890	1,028,097	986,463			41,634	4,490,987	-
Title I FY25	25101	8,984,749.01	6,907,074	2,077,675	1,405,977				8,313,051	671,698.18
Title II FY25	25102	1,223,795.06	912,480	311,316	285,398	12,500		13,417	1,223,795	-
Title III FY25	25103	390,041.09	243,799	146,242	131,564			14,678	390,041	-
Title IV FY25	25104	1,129,046.40	589,761	539,285	519,925	753		18,608	1,129,046	-
McKinney Homeless FY25	25110	61,914.20	50,399	11,515	11,110				61,510	404.52
Congressionally Funded Comm	25112	105,000.00	56,000	49,000	49,000				105,000	-
Preschool - FY25	25119	129,500.54	65,938	63,562	59,262			4,300	129,501	-
Perkins VocEd FY25	25120	677,791.04	627,897	49,894	3,415				631,312	46,479.24
Perkins Redistribution 2	25122	86,494.63	35,634	50,861	49,449				85,083	1,411.78
21st Century - 5 Site	25131	966,260.00	927,304	38,956	1,331				928,635	37,624.94
Project AWARE - FY25	25200	1,587,820.74	883,896	703,925	491,720				1,375,616	212,205.02
OJJDP	25202	1,000,000.00	124,434	875,566	538,471	2,754		334,342	1,000,000	-
Spec-Ed Co-Curricular	25403	7,391.90	7,286	106	106				7,392	-
21st C - Bakersville	25432	120,345.00	110,132	10,213	171				110,303	10,041.65
21c - Gossler	25433	104,576.00	92,745	11,831	625				93,370	11,206.35
21c - McLaughlin	25434	95,270.00	86,832	8,438	(17)				86,815	8,455.49
21c - Hillside	25435	83,326.00	43,102	40,224	2,196				45,298	38,027.64
21c - McDonough	25436	118,938.00	112,997	5,941	144				113,140	5,797.66
21c - Parkside	25437	98,391.00	89,834	8,557	(0)				89,834	8,556.91
21c - Parker Varney	25438	122,866.70	102,954	19,913	190				103,143	19,723.48
Byrne Discretionary Grant	25801	48,000.00	31,545	16,455	12,821			3,634	48,000	-
Robotics - Memorial	26032	11,075.00	-	11,075	9,116				9,116	1,958.62
Robotics - West	26033	11,075.00	-	11,075	9,494				9,494	1,580.88
FY26 CSI Grant	26050	857,757.80	-	857,758	159,457	8,091		690,210	857,758	-
IDEA FY26	26100	4,491,712.50	-	4,491,713	3,723,373			768,340	4,491,713	-
Title I - FY26	26101	8,166,054.92	-	8,166,055	6,513,970	50,034		1,602,050	8,166,055	-

Manchester School District
Grant Expenditure Analysis - FY26
As of June 30, 2026

Grant Name	Project	Total Allocation	Expended at 6/30/2025	Remaining Allocation	Fiscal Year 2026			FY27 Projections	Total Expenditures	Projected Balance
					Expended	Encumbered	Projection			
Title II - FY26	26102	1,296,190.47	-	1,296,190	968,248	27,587		300,355	1,296,190	-
Title III - FY26	26103	334,793.18	-	334,793	168,662	16,985		149,146	334,793	-
Title IV - FY26	26104	1,066,143.97	-	1,066,144	635,297	1,069		429,779	1,066,144	-
Adult Diploma FY26	26111-113	14,946.87	-	14,947	14,764				14,764	182.50
Preschool FY26	26119	129,512.65	-	129,513	99,451			30,062	129,513	-
Perkins VocEd FY26	26120	706,208.27	-	706,208	601,236	1,561		103,411	706,208	-
21st Century - 5 Site FY26	26131	954,384.94	-	954,385	844,472	3,601		106,312	954,385	-
21st Century 5 Site - Summer Steam	26132	65,415.09	-	65,415	61,616				61,616	3,798.69
Project Aware - Year 3	26200	1,698,136.28	-	1,698,136	1,079,112	267,172		351,852	1,698,136	-
Community Schools - Year 3	26201	859,603.37	-	859,603	250,495	160,994		448,114	859,603	-
SASS Grant	26203	365,000.00	-	365,000	224,014				224,014	140,986.44
Bridging the Gap	26204	8,000.00	-	8,000	4,220			3,780	8,000	-
SASS Grant 2.0	26205	490,986.44	-	490,986	84,930			406,056	490,986	-
Farm to School 2.0	26209	5,374.95	-	5,375	5,375				5,375	-
Robotics - McLaughlin	26325	11,075.00	-	11,075	11,006				11,006	68.87
Robotics - Parkside	26327	4,415.00	-	4,415	4,184				4,184	230.67
Robotics - Southside	26328	11,075.00	-	11,075	11,047				11,047	27.91
Robotics - Cental	26331	11,075.00	-	11,075	11,054				11,054	20.94
21c Bakersville - Summer Steam	26332	15,095.79	-	15,096	13,878				13,878	1,217.49
21c Gossler - Summer Steam	26333	10,063.86	-	10,064	9,233				9,233	830.88
21c McLaughlin - Summer Steam	26334	6,689.58	-	6,690	5,719				5,719	970.38
21c Hillside - Summer Steam	26335	6,689.57	-	6,690	5,699				5,699	990.11
21c McDonough - Summer Steam	26336	15,095.79	-	15,096	13,821				13,821	1,275.19
21c Parkside - Summer Steam	26337	6,689.57	-	6,690	6,047				6,047	642.98
21c Parker Varney - Summer Steam	26338	15,095.79	-	15,096	13,778				13,778	1,317.42
21c Southside - Summer Steam	26339	6,689.57	-	6,690	6,566				6,566	123.57
21c - Bakersville	26432	130,386.65	-	130,387	106,574	957		22,855	130,387	-
21c - Gossler	26433	115,782.35	-	115,782	108,772	20		6,990	115,782	-
21c - McLaughlin	26434	103,725.49	-	103,725	101,049	780		1,896	103,725	-
21c - Hillside	26435	95,824.90	-	95,825	88,451	112		7,262	95,825	-
21c - McDonough	26436	124,735.66	-	124,736	117,819	198		6,718	124,736	-
21c - Parkside	26437	106,947.91	-	106,948	98,478	1,632		6,838	106,948	-
21c - Parker Varney	26438	118,846.78	-	118,847	103,765	61		15,020	118,847	-
21c - Southside	26439	106,296.72	-	106,297	99,145	120		7,032	106,297	-
Discovery Ed Grants	26701-26735	60,000.00	-	60,000	60,000				60,000	-
TOTAL GRANTS		\$79,673,016.50	\$48,677,366.92	\$30,995,649.58	\$22,998,391.40	\$558,200.35	\$0.00	\$5,956,930.84	\$78,190,889.51	\$1,482,126.99
									Carryover Balance	\$1,028,223.01

Manchester School District
Special Revenue Funds Report FY26
Munis Fund #2300-2356, 5200-5290, 7400-7488
As of June 30, 2026

Fund	Proj	Name	Beginning Balance	Revenues	Expenses	Encumbered	Projection	Balance
2311		Summer School	189.10	-	-	-	-	189.10
2315		Adult and Community Learning	2,290.00	1,370.00	-	-	-	3,660.00
2320		Athletics	19,178.99	13,758.85	8,887.56	-	-	24,050.28
2354		21st Century	30,646.82	3,139.07	19,593.96	-	-	14,191.93
2355		Apprenticeship Program	54,699.21	198,778.39	187,377.00	-	-	66,100.60
5200		MST Program Funds	47,722.82	21,940.87	36,124.22	-	-	33,539.47
7402	08505	Misc. Donations	9,306.01		1,315.10	-	-	7,990.91
7402	13616	High School IT VLACS	8,320.51	-	8,317.59	-	-	2.92
7402	15602	Bean STEAM Ahead in NH	582.09	-	-	-	-	582.09
7402	15605	BOSCH Project Lead the Way STEAM	260.31	-	-	-	-	260.31
7402	15607	NH Charitable STEAM	12,500.00	-	-	-	-	12,500.00
7402	15609	Great School Ptnrshp Next Gen.	750.54	-	-	-	-	750.54
7402	15619	STEAM Scholarships	16,510.02	-	9,600.00	-	-	6,910.02
7402	16608	I Am College Bound Drive	2,437.00	-	2,400.00	-	-	37.00
7402	16609	Lowes Grant - MST	-	-	-	-	-	-
7402	16610	Advertising	471.08	-	-	-	-	471.08
7402	16611	Bean Foundation - ELO Stipend	2,695.85	-	-	-	-	2,695.85
7402	16612	Opiod Curriculum	921.41	-	-	-	-	921.41
7402	16613	DCU Adult Ed*	9,697.63		238.00	-	-	9,459.63
7402	16616	Parker Varney Café Services	452.96	-	-	-	-	452.96
7402	17603	First Jr Steam Ahead Program	4,897.13	-	-	-	-	4,897.13
7402	17611	Estate of D. Patryn CHS	3,197.42	-	-	-	-	3,197.42
7402	18602	Bookmobile (Booked for Summer)*	1,856.53	-	249.00	-	-	1,607.53
7402	18607	HUSSC Award	3,500.00	-	-	-	-	3,500.00
7402	18610	Bean Foundation - Webster-Tech	750.00	-	-	-	-	750.00
7402	18613	Barr Foundation	5,253.72	-	-	-	-	5,253.72
7402	19604	Parkside Food Pantry	0.11	-	-	-	-	0.11
7402	19606	Buck Institute	5,856.64	-	-	-	-	5,856.64

Fund	Proj	Name	Beginning	Revenues	Expenses	Encumbered	Projection	Balance
			Balance					
7402	20607	Nellie Mae Foundation	(0.66)	-	(0.66)	-	-	-
7402	20610	Bean Foundation - Central	456.33	-	-	-	-	456.33
7402	21601	Bean Foundation Parker Varney	575.00	-	-	-	-	575.00
7402	21602	Bean Foundation Comcast	1,651.41	-	1,471.50	179.91	-	0.00
7402	21605	Kiwanis Foundation*	77.48	1,470.29	1,468.82	-	-	78.95
7402	22601	Manchester Proud - Equity Officer*	-	-	-	-	-	-
7402	22602	Manchester Proud Celebration*	1,579.27	10,000.00	6,998.96	2,994.73	-	1,585.58
7402	22603	Museum of Science - McDonough	6,978.00	-	-	-	-	6,978.00
7402	22606	Out of School Time Career Pathways*	8,499.84	50,000.00	52,779.93	1,717.74	-	4,002.17
7402	22610	Costello Food System Grant - MST	125.11	-	(500.00)	-	-	625.11
7402	22611	Bean Ed Enhancement Fund - Southside	537.66	-	413.38	-	-	124.28
7402	22616	Schoolyard Action Grant - Northwest	0.95	-	-	-	-	0.95
7402	23602	Jersey Mike CBE Incentive - Hillside	2,586.19	-	2,316.00	-	-	270.19
7402	23603	Bean Ed Enhancement Fund - Jewett	29.87	-	-	-	-	29.87
7402	23608	Bean Ed Enhancement Fund - Bakersville	90.86	-	-	-	-	90.86
7402	23610	Great NH Restaurants	5,100.74	-	2,596.42	-	-	2,504.32
7402	23611	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - Webster	23.04	-	-	-	-	23.04
7402	23612	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - Webster	15.79	-	-	-	-	15.79
7402	23614	Preschool Development Grant	938.81	-	-	-	-	938.81
7402	23615	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - Hillside	750.00	-	-	-	-	750.00
7402	24601	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - McDonough	54.49	-	-	-	-	54.49
7402	24602	Manchester Rotary Club - Adult Ed	93.00	-	-	-	-	93.00
7402	24606	CMF Kids - Playground Upgrandes	76,837.56	100,000.00	130,663.22	40,784.58	-	5,389.76
7402	24607	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - MST	11.85	-	-	-	-	11.85
7402	24608	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - Highland	14.23	-	-	-	-	14.23
7402	24609	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - West	31.44	-	-	-	-	31.44
7402	24612	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - Jewett	18.58	-	-	-	-	18.58
7402	24613	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - Smyth	4.08	-	-	-	-	4.08
7402	24614	Outdoors Club - West	4.16	-	-	-	-	4.16
7402	24615	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - Hillside	232.03	-	-	-	-	232.03
7402	24616	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - Hillside	497.30	-	-	-	-	497.30
7402	24617	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - MST	0.13	-	-	-	-	0.13
7402	24618	Bean Grant - Hillside	-	-	-	-	-	-

Fund	Proj	Name	Beginning Balance	Revenues	Expenses	Encumbered	Projection	Balance
7402	24619	David Brooks Music Grant	-	157,500.00	58,204.02	6,116.44	-	93,179.54
7402	24620	Tanger Lending Bins - Hillside	347.02			-	-	347.02
7402	24621	Artists in Residence - Southside	2,425.67			-	-	2,425.67
7402	24622	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - Webster	270.00			-	-	270.00
7402	24623	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - West	750.00			-	-	750.00
7402	24627	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - Webster	2.40			-	-	2.40
7402	24628	Bean Education Enhancement Fund - MST	50.00			-	-	50.00
7402	25600	Welcome Center	-	53,584.07	53,584.07	-		-
7402	25601	Dual Language French Immersion	7,958.53	6,000.01	10,726.69	2,600.00		631.85
7402	25606	School Safety Facilitator	-	44,016.53	44,016.53			-
7402	25626	Christmas Giving - Hillside	500.00					500.00
7402	25630	Bean Grant - OGAP Training	650.00		650.00			-
7402	25632	Bean Grant - Roller Rink	750.00		750.00			-
7402	25633	Adult Ed - Food Bank	412.65					412.65
7402	25634	Welcome Center - Food Bank	1,000.00			1,000.00		-
7402	25635	Bean Grant - Math Field Trip	750.00		750.00			-
7402	25636	Bean Grant - Memorial Freshman Academy	705.00		705.00			-
7402	25637	Bean Grant - Smyth Rd Zach's Contraptions	750.00			750.00		-
7402	25638	Bean Grant - Webster Rd Zach's Contraptions	750.00		700.00			50.00
7402	25639	Bean Grant - Weston Rd Zach's Contraptions	750.00		700.00			50.00
7402	25640	Bean Grant - GA Zach's Contraptions	-	750.00		700.00		50.00
7402	25641	Bean Grant - Jewett Zach's Contraptions	-	750.00				750.00
7402	25642	Bean Grant - Gossler Zach's Contraptions	-	750.00	750.00			-
7402	25643	Bean Grant - McDonough Zach's Contraptions	-	750.00				750.00
7402	25644	Bean Grant - Northwest Zach's Contraptions	-	750.00				750.00
7402	25804	Red Sox Foundation	10,104.50		1,920.00			8,184.50
7402	26601	Manchester Proud - Comcast Internet	-	1,000.00		1,000.00		-
7402	26602	Bean Grant - Humanities MST	-	750.00				750.00
7402	26603	Mockingbird Foundation - Memorial	-	2,000.00	1,863.72	134.00		2.28
7402	26604	Bean Grant - Hillside 8th Grade Bio	-	700.00	608.77			91.23
7402	26605	Bean Grant - Bakersville Zach's Contraptions	-	750.00	750.00			-
7402	26606	Anita Diamond Trust Fund	-	14,889.28	14,889.28			-
7402	26607	Nellie Mae Foundation	-	95,000.00	40,881.69	12,370.77		41,747.54
7402	26608	Bean Grant - Parkside Race Car	-	750.00	539.44	210.56		(0.00)
7402	26609	Bean Grant - PV Zach's Contraptions	-	750.00	700.00	50.00		-

Fund	Proj	Name	Beginning		Expenses	Encumbered	Projection	Balance
			Balance	Revenues				
7402	26610	Bean Grant - HGF Lakeshore Phonics	-	706.56	706.56			-
7402	26611	Bean Grant - Bakersville Drama Play	-	624.00	616.80	2.00		5.20
7402	26612	Bean Grant - McLaughlin Podcast Equip	-	929.99	929.99			-
7402	26613	SAP - FY26	-	137,639.97	137,639.97			-
7402	26614	Clif Literacy - Bakersville	-	1,000.00	1,000.00			-
7402	26615	Beech Bobcat Food Pantry	-	250.00	250.00			-
7402	26616	Manchester Proud Cares - Bakersville	-	1,000.00				1,000.00
7402	26617	Highland Literacy Fund	-	16,919.50		5,596.71		11,322.79
7402	26618	Bean Grant - Weston Early Lit	-	550.00		550.00		-
7402	26619	Bean Grant - Beech Zach's Contraptions	-	750.00	750.00			-
7402	26620	MTSS-B Asst Director	-	14,583.94	14,583.94			-
7402	26621	Bean Grant - Webster Miss Julieann	-	750.00	750.00			-
7403		Fruit and Veggie Program*	-	299,181.15	299,181.15	-	-	0.00
7406		Local Food Schools Grant*	20,000.00		15,201.24	-	-	4,798.76
7410		MUSAC*	2,637.82	5,000.00	3,709.93	-	-	3,927.89
7484		Bus Bond	-	391,908.00	391,908.00			-
7485		Tech Bond	-	214,447.16	29,701.60	184,745.56		-
7488		Misc Bonds	-			-	-	-
			404,322.03	1,868,137.63	1,602,928.39	261,503.00	-	408,028.27

*Multi-year donation/grant

MANCHESTER SCHOOL DIST
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS

FY26							
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>		<u>Curriculum</u>	<u>Additional</u>	<u>Additional</u>	<u>Estimated</u>
	<u>FY25</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Notes</u>	<u>& Classroom</u>	<u>Estimated</u>	<u>Year End</u>	<u>Estimated</u>
				<u>Technology</u>	<u>Year End</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Year End</u>
				<u>Purchase</u>	<u>Transfers</u>	<u>Surplus</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Health Care	4,349,830	(2,000,000)	To balance FY26 budget reduction		(2,000,000)		349,830
Special Education	2,224,675	(1,733,522)	To balance FY26 budget reduction		(1,699,053)	1,000,000	(207,900)
Maintenance & Repairs	457,627	-					457,627
Capital Projects	5,216	-					5,216
Athletics	179,007	-					179,007
Teaching & Learning	15,752,010	(4,500,000)	Revenue in FY26	(1,285,972)	(1,000,000)		8,966,038
	<u>22,968,366</u>	<u>(8,233,522)</u>		<u>(1,285,972)</u>	<u>(4,699,053)</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>9,749,819</u>
**							
**Does not include interest earn							-
			Curriculum approved by BOSC 8/2026	886,015			
			Technology request to Finance 11/2026	399,957			
				<u>1,285,972</u>			

TO: Board of School Committee

FROM: Committee on Education Legislation
Committee Members O'Connell, Parr, Smith, Representative Chretien and Dr.
Chmiel or her representative

DATE: September 14, 2026

RE: Board of School Committee Legislative Advocacy Priorities

At the September 9, 2026, Committee on Teaching and Learning meeting, it was moved to approve the Board of School Committee Legislative Advocacy Priorities, and forward this item to the full Board of School Committee for approval.

Committee Members O'Connell, Parr, Smith, Representative Chretien and Attorney Upton were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Angela Carey

Clerk of the Board of School Committee

List of Manchester Board of School Committee Legislative Advocacy Priorities

To call the Manchester District Office and connect via phone, call: 603-624-6300

BOSC Contact: Sean Parr, Chair Education Legislation Committee, sparr@mansd.org, cell: 212-923-6612

EDUCATION FUNDING

- advocate for fully funding education in NH
- oppose bills that diminish District's funding
- Manchester District Staff contacts: Karen DeFrancis, Chief Financial Officer (kdefrancis@mansd.org) and Dr. Jennifer Chmiel, Superintendent (jchmiel@mansd.org)

RETIREMENT FUNDING

- advocate for increasing state portion of retirement funding for teachers
- Manchester District Staff contacts: Karen DeFrancis, Chief Financial Officer (kdefrancis@mansd.org) and Michelle Evans, HR Benefits Coordinator (hrbenefits@mansd.org)

PANDEMIC-RELATED FUNDING

- advocate for additional state funding to address potential shortfalls due to reductions in student population counts used in adequacy aid formulas and in food and nutrition service formulas resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Manchester District Staff contacts: Karen DeFrancis, Chief Financial Officer (kdefrancis@mansd.org), Dr. Jennifer Chmiel, Superintendent (jchmiel@mansd.org), and Nicole Doherty, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning (ndoherty@mansd.org)

TARGETED FUNDING

- advocate for additional support to individual schools and districts with higher proportions of students in poverty, English language learners, and students receiving special education services
- Manchester District Staff contacts: Karen DeFrancis, Chief Financial Officer (kdefrancis@mansd.org), Nicole Doherty, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning (ndoherty@mansd.org), Wendy Perron, Executive Director of English Learner Instruction & Equity (wperron@mansd.org), and Aisha Weaver, Chief Student Services & Wellness Officer (aweaver@mansd.org)

INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT (IDEA) FUNDING

- advocate mandatory funding for special education to fully meet the federal commitment to fund 40 percent of the "excess costs" of special education as promised since the 1975 adoption of federal special education laws (known as IDEA).
- Manchester District Staff contacts: Aisha Weaver, Chief Student Services & Wellness Officer (aweaver@mansd.org)

ADDITIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT

- advocate for additional funding that supports student mental health, as well as behavioral supports, such as MTSS-B
- advocate for additional funding for professional, trade, technical, and other alternative education programs
- Manchester District Staff contacts: Nicole Doherty, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning (ndoherty@mansd.org), Ryan Roth, Assistant Superintendent for Middle Level Learning and Student Services (rroth@mansd.org) and Aisha Weaver, Chief Student Services & Wellness Officer (aweaver@mansd.org)

FOOD INSECURITY and MEDICAID

- advocate that Medicaid be used as primary calculator for free and reduced Lunch numbers for NH school districts; advocate that Medicaid to Schools (MTS) be revised to allow greater flexibility in sign off (guidance counselors, e.g.); reduce administrative burden on localities; and fund an increase in per service fees.
- advocate for greater access and a more simplified form for applying for the Free and Reduced Meals program
- Manchester District Staff contacts: Aisha Weaver, Chief Student Services & Wellness Officer (aweaver@mansd.org), Nick D'Agostino, Medicaid to Schools Program Coordinator (ndagostino@mansd.org), and Jim Connors, Director School Food & Services (jconnors@mansd.org)

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

- advocate for funding for universal Pre-K; Pre-K programming; and related facilities costs.
- Manchester District Staff contacts: Nicole Doherty, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning (ndoherty@mansd.org) and Aisha Weaver, Chief Student Services & Wellness Officer (aweaver@mansd.org)

RENEWABLE ENERGY, ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

- advocate for state incentives, opportunities, and targeted goals for energy efficiency and the expansion of renewable energy; resources for electric school buses; and capital funding dedicated to sustainability-related building construction, renovation, and infrastructure
- Manchester District Staff contacts: Karen DeFrancis, Chief Financial Officer (kdefrancis@mansd.org) and Dr. Kelly Espinola, Assistant Superintendent of High Schools and Operations (kеспinola@mansd.org)

ASSESSMENT REFORM

- advocate for a reduction in the number and impact of mandated standardized assessments of students, teachers, and schools, moving toward a balanced system including performance-based assessments informing instruction
- Manchester District Staff contacts: Nicole Doherty, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning (ndoherty@mansd.org)

STUDENT DISCIPLINE ALTERNATIVES

- advocate for availability of state funding resources for local school boards to implement alternatives to suspension and/or expulsion, such as restorative justice initiatives
- Manchester District Staff contacts: Dr. Kelly Espinola, Assistant Superintendent of High Schools and Operations (kеспinola@mansd.org)

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

- advocate the development and funding of adequate and equitable state and federal programs to assist localities with public school construction, renovation, and major maintenance projects.
- Manchester District Staff contacts: Dr. Jennifer Chmiel, Superintendent of Schools, jchmiel@mansd.org and Dr. Kelly Espinola, Assistant Superintendent of High Schools and Operations (kеспinola@mansd.org)

LOCAL AUTHORITY

- oppose bills that diminish school districts' local control
- oppose bills that limit local authority of teachers' academic freedom
- oppose bills that have unfunded mandates
- oppose bills that diminish students' right to public education and safety in schools



Jennifer Chmiel, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Manchester Schools

September 3, 2026

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Manchester School District Sees Academic Gains in 2026 State Assessment Results

MANCHESTER, N.H.- The Manchester School District is seeing encouraging improvement in its 2026 New Hampshire Student Assessment System (NHSAS) results, with districtwide proficiency increasing in reading and writing, mathematics, and science.

From 2025 to 2026, districtwide proficiency increased from 28% to 31% in reading and writing, 18% to 20% in mathematics, and 14% to 17% in science.

While we know there is still significant work ahead of us, we are encouraged by the gains we are seeing across the District, particularly in several of our elementary grades.

Some of our strongest gains can be seen in elementary literacy. Third-grade reading and writing proficiency increased from 25% to 32% (7% increase), fourth grade increased from 30% to 34% (4% increase), and fifth grade increased from 24% to 32% (8% increase).

We are also seeing positive movement in mathematics. Third-grade mathematics proficiency increased from 26% to 32% (6% increase), while fourth grade increased from 28% to 30%. Districtwide mathematics proficiency increased two percentage points overall.

Science also showed improvement, with districtwide proficiency increasing from 14% to 17%. Fifth-grade science increased from 12% to 17%.

These results are encouraging, but they represent just one measure of student learning in our continued work to improve outcomes for Manchester students. State assessment

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results provide us with important information about where students are demonstrating proficiency, where we are seeing improvement, and where additional work and support are needed.

Over the past several years, the District has remained focused on strengthening core instruction, implementing consistent high-quality curriculum, providing teachers with professional learning and collaborative time, and using data throughout the year to identify where students need additional support.

"We are pleased to see movement in the right direction, particularly the gains we are seeing with some of our youngest learners," said Dr. Chmiel, Superintendent of Schools. "At the same time, we know our work is not done. Our focus is on building on this progress and making sure we continue to see improvement across grades, schools, and student groups."

The District will continue to use state assessment results alongside local assessments, attendance, graduation, and other student data to guide its work during the 2026–2027 school year.

For us, this work is about much more than improving a percentage on a state assessment. "Behind every number is a student," said Assistant Superintendent of Teaching, Learning, and Leading Nicole Doherty. "When we see improvement in our results, it means more of our students are demonstrating the skills and knowledge we want them to have. We need to understand what is working, continue to build on it, and remain focused on the areas where our students need us to do more. This is about continued improvement over time and making sure every student has the opportunity to be successful."

The District will provide a deeper dive into the 2026 assessment results at an upcoming Teaching and Learning Committee meeting. The presentation will look more closely at grade-level and school-level results, student groups, trends over time, and the instructional strategies and next steps that will guide the District's work this school year.

"We have been very intentional about using data to drive our decisions," Doherty said. "The state assessment is an important part of that picture, but it is not the entire picture. The deeper work is understanding what the data is telling us about our students and then using that information to strengthen teaching and learning across the District."

The Manchester School District will continue to monitor student progress throughout the year and provide updates on its academic goals and key measures of student success.

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For more information:

<https://www.education.nh.gov/news-and-media/nhed-announces-2026-student-assessment-results>



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Jobs	Job Location	
ESOL Teacher	Beech Street School	
Special Ed Teacher (2)	Central High School	
Elementary DHH ASL Interpreter	Green Acres Elementary	Contract Service and Retiree Sub in place
Long Term Sub – Special Ed	Hillside Middle School	
Long Term Sub – Social Worker	Hillside Middle School	
Long Term Sub – Science	Hillside Middle School	
Special Ed Teacher	Hillside Middle School	Contract Service in Place until a Direct hire can be found
Self Contained Special Ed Teacher	HGF	
Self Contained Special Ed Teacher	McDonough Elementary	RBT in place waiting for Test Results
Special Ed Teacher (2)	Memorial High School	
Health Teacher	Memorial High School	LTS in place until a Direct Hire can be found
Special Ed Teacher – Self contained Classroom	Northwest	Contract Service in Place until a Direct hire can be found
Horticulture CTE	MST	LTS in place until a Direct Hire can be found
High School Math Teacher (1)	MST	
High School English Teacher	MST	LTS in place until a Direct Hire can be found
Special Ed Teacher	MST	
Special Ed Teacher	Parkside Middle School	
ELA Teacher 6th Grade	Parkside Middle School	Interviewing Candidates this week
SAP Councilor	Parkside Middle School	
Social Studies/Language Arts Teacher Grade 5	Southside Middle School	LTS in place until a Direct Hire can be found
Social Studies/Language Arts Teacher Grade 7	Southside Middle School	
Technology/Woodshop Teacher	Southside Middle School	
Special Ed – Life Skills Teacher	West High School	

NURSES – Open Positions School Nurses

FT School Nurse	Parker Varney
FT School Nurse	McDonough
FT School Nurse	Beech
FT Second School Nurse	Central

CROSSING GUARDS – Open Positions

Ten (10) Vacant Positions
Bakersville 3

Beech 3
Green Acres 1
McDonough 1
Northwest 1
Weston 1

MANCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT

TITLE: 2026/2027 Board Goals

BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING OF: September 14, 2026

ACTION: X CONSENT: _____ INFORMATION: _____

BACKGROUND:

The goals as discussed on August 31st are below.

1. *Data-Informed Governance and Oversight:* The Board will strengthen its use of district data to inform policy, budget, oversight, and other governance decisions. Development and implementation of the district dashboard will be an important action step, along with strengthened engagement between Board members, schools, and city partners.

Timeline for Dashboard was discussed.

- The Board Clerk will distribute a survey to Board members requesting feedback regarding the information and metrics they would like included on the dashboard.
- Board members will identify desired dashboard data and metrics.
- Administration will review the requests and determine what data can reasonably be provided.
- A draft is anticipated for review in approximately November.
- The goal is to have a more finalized dashboard available by the January Board retreat.

2. *Board Development and Training:* The Board will strengthen its effectiveness through professional development, including contract-negotiation training to happen this fall with District Attorney Matt Upton and a Board development retreat with the superintendent in January. The retreat will focus on Board governance, Board operations, the Board/superintendent relationship, and opportunities to improve the Board's effectiveness.

3. *Strategic Plan Update:* The Board will begin updating the district strategic plan through the creation of an ad hoc committee. The committee will review the existing plan, assess progress, identify areas requiring updates, determine the appropriate process for community participation, and make recommendations to the full Board.

The Board Clerk will contact all Board members, including those not in attendance, to determine who is interested in serving on the ad hoc committee. The membership of the committee will then be announced at a subsequent full Board meeting.

The committee would initially:

- Review the current strategic plan;

- Examine which goals and strategies have been completed or implemented;
- Identify portions of the plan requiring clarification, updating, or further examination;
- Consider whether outside facilitation or professional assistance is necessary;
- Establish a timeline and process for completing the work; and
- Bring recommendations back to the full Board.

The Administration indicated that it already maintains information showing the current status of strategic-plan goals and will make that information available to the committee.

The Board discussed the significant community involvement that occurred during development of the existing plan and expressed interest in incorporating community input into the update process.

FISCAL IMPACT:

n/a

FISCAL VERIFICATION: _____

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of School Committee moves to approve the 2026/2027 Board Goals as outlined above.

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