

Notice of Hearing 2026-2027 Budget

The governing body of Unified School District 259 will meet on the 14th day of September 2026 at 6:00 PM at Alvin E. Morris Administrative Center, 903 S. Edgemore, Wichita, KS 67218 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds and the amount of tax to be levied. Detailed budget information, including budget profile, building needs assessment and Board state assessments review is available at Alvin E. Morris Administrative Center, on the district website and will be available at this hearing.

The Amount of 2026 Tax to be Levied and Expenditures (published below) establish the maximum limits of the 2026-2027 Budget. The 'Est. Tax Rate' (column 7), shown for comparative purposes, is subject to slight change depending on final assessed valuation.

	Code 99 Line	2024-2025 Actual		2025-2026 Actual		2026-2027 Proposed Budget	
		Actual Expenditures (1)	Actual Tax Rate* (2)	Actual Expenditures (3)	Actual Tax Rate* (4)	Budgeted Expenditures (5)	Est. Tax Rate* (7)
OPERATING							
General	06	441,018,751	20.000	456,416,695	20.000	462,628,514	20.000
Supplemental General (LOB)	08	146,129,330	15.776	151,166,959	17.629	153,360,112	17.100
SPECIAL REVENUE							
Federal Funds	07	40,609,659		42,808,359		48,968,200	
Adult Education	10	85,000	0.000	0	0.000	0	0.000
Preschool-Aged At-Risk	11	8,115,218		6,076,698		9,583,538	
Adult Supplemental Education	12	0		0		0	
At-Risk Education Fund	13	134,370,983		130,361,231		134,756,035	
Bilingual Education	14	15,037,720		15,516,269		19,412,130	
Virtual Education	15	2,778,026		3,818,633		3,838,937	
Capital Outlay	16	76,797,354	8.000	70,082,160	8.000	143,822,715	8.000
Driver Training	18	0		0		0	
Declining Enrollment	19	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0.000
Extraordinary School Program	22	2,946,496		3,498,446		7,324,266	
Food Service	24	37,913,139		35,584,933		38,684,216	
Professional Development	26	1,455,410		1,451,890		7,236,934	
Parent Education Program	28	584,456		679,804		937,940	
Summer School	29	85,435		129,696		360,905	
Special Education	30	146,336,478		159,381,380		177,454,821	
Cost of Living	33	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0.000
Career and Postsecondary Education	34	12,506,053		12,184,425		14,172,301	
Gifts and Grants	35	5,505,336		6,188,983		14,150,136	
Special Liability Expense Fund	42	1,162,539	0.100	907,909	0.269	1,070,000	0.100
Extraordinary Growth Facilities	45	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0.000
Special Reserve Fund	47	85,197,207		93,068,705			
KPERS Special Retirement Contribution	51	52,567,537		55,349,617		58,719,024	
Contingency Reserve	53	3,181,016		0			
Textbook & Student Material Revolving	55	9,730,494		10,099,623			
Activity Fund	56	393,419		349,368			
DEBT SERVICE							
Bond and Interest #1	62	46,807,851	7.511	47,654,028	5.504	53,580,160	6.200
Bond and Interest #2	63	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0.000
No-Fund Warrant	66	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0.000
Special Assessment	67	0	0.000	0	0.000	11	0.000
Temporary Note	68	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0.000
COOPERATIVES*							
Special Education	78	0		0		0	
TOTAL USD EXPENDITURES	100	1,271,229,907	51.387	1,302,775,811	51.402	1,350,050,895	51.400
Less: Transfers	105	410,065,061		426,626,874		309,750,598	
NET USD EXPENDITURES	110	861,164,846		876,148,937		1,040,300,297	
TOTAL USD TAXES LEVIED	115	181,340,095		196,978,271		213,210,612	

* Tax Rates are expressed in Mills

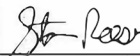
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OTHER							
Historical Museum	80	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0.000
Public Library Board/District	82	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0.000
Public Library Board Employee Benefits	83	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0.000
Recreation Commission	84	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0.000
Rec Comm Emp Benefits & Spec Liab	86	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0.000
TOTAL OTHER	120	0	0.000	0	0.000	0	0.000
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED	125	\$181,340,095		\$196,978,271		\$213,210,612	
Assessed Valuation - General Fund	128	\$2,986,633,145		\$3,276,246,693		\$3,578,722,551	
Assessed Valuation - All Other Funds	130	\$3,855,851,731		\$4,163,715,139		\$4,487,344,540	
Assessed Valuation - Capital Outlay	129	\$3,859,544,329		\$4,176,133,728		\$4,578,993,169	
Outstanding Indebtedness, July 1		2024		2025		2026	
General Obligation Bonds	135	194,025,000		157,305,000		118,150,000	
Capital Outlay Bonds	140	0		0		0	
Temporary Note	145	0		0		0	
No-Fund Warrant	150	0		0		0	
Lease Purchase Principal	153	0		0		0	
TOTAL USD DEBT	155	194,025,000		157,305,000		118,150,000	

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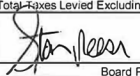

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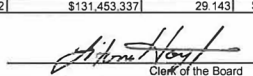
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Exceeding Revenue Neutral for the 2026-2027 School Year

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Revenue Neutral						
	2025-2026			2026-2027		
	Actual Taxes Levied (1)	Actual Tax Rate (2)	Revenue Neutral Taxes (3)	Revenue Neutral Tax Rate (4)	Proposed Taxes to be Levied (5)	Proposed Tax Rate (6)
General	\$65,525,005	20.000	\$65,525,005	18.310	\$71,574,451	20.000
ALL OTHER FUNDS						
Supplemental General (LOB)	\$73,402,197	17.629	\$73,402,197	16.358	\$76,733,223	17.100
Adult Education	\$0	0.000	\$0		\$0	0.000
Capital Outlay	\$34,013,992	8.000	\$34,013,992	7.428	\$36,631,945	8.000
Cost of Living	\$0	0.000	\$0		\$0	0.000
Special Liability Expense Fund	\$1,120,040	0.269	\$1,120,040	0.250	\$447,297	0.100
Extraordinary Growth Facilities	\$0	0.000	\$0		\$0	0.000
Bond and Interest #1	\$22,917,108	5.504	\$22,917,108	5.107	\$27,823,696	6.200
Bond and Interest #2	\$0	0.000	\$0		\$0	0.000
No-Fund Warrant	\$0	0.000	\$0		\$0	0.000
Special Assessment	\$0	0.000	\$0		\$0	0.000
Temporary Note	\$0	0.000	\$0		\$0	0.000
Historical Museum	\$0	0.000	\$0		\$0	0.000
Public Library Board/District	\$0	0.000	\$0		\$0	0.000
Public Library Board Employee Benefits	\$0	0.000	\$0		\$0	0.000
Revenue Neutral Calculation						
Total Taxes Levied Including General Fund	\$196,978,342	51.402	\$196,978,342	47.453	\$213,210,612	51.400
Total Taxes Levied Excluding General Fund	\$131,453,337	31.402	\$131,453,337	29.143	\$141,636,161	31.400


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