



# St. Joseph County ISD

*Building Better Futures for Children and Communities*

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## **Board of Education Regular Meeting**

June 16, 2025

5:00 p.m.

St. Joseph County Intermediate School District Office, 62445 Shimmel Road, Centreville, MI

## **AGENDA**

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Introduction of Visitors and Guests

Public Participation - *Per Board Policy #2504, this portion of the agenda is limited to 3 minutes per participant.*

Introduction of new staff

## **PUBLIC TAX HEARING FOR 25-26 BUDGETS**

This hearing is an opportunity for the public to provide input and/or ask questions for the Board to consider regarding the 2025-26 ISD Budgets.

### Current St. Joseph Count ISD tax levy:

General Fund	0.2240
Special Education	2.4099
Special Education, extra voted	0.2891 (100% distributed to the local school districts)
Career & Technical Education, voted	0.9917
Total:	3.9047

General Fund Budget: As required in Section 624 of the Revised School Code, all local districts of education in St. Joseph County have reviewed the proposed 2025-26 ISD General Fund Budget. All nine boards passed a resolution in support of the budget in their May meetings.

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

The administration recommends the Board approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

1. Approval of Minutes of May 19, 2025 Regular Meeting
2. Approval of Financial Report as of May 31, 2025
3. Approval of Monthly Expenditures:
  - a. General Fund in the amount of \$1,016,153.82
  - b. Career-Technical Education in the amount of \$365,805.80
  - c. Information Services in the amount of \$93,987.96
  - d. Special Education in the amount of \$1,573,268.96

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4. Approve the hire and contract with the following staff, contingent upon successful return of criminal records check, misconduct form, and recipient of credentials:
  - a. Jessica Konkle, SLP, effective 8/11/25
  - b. Lindsey Cox, Special Education Supervisor, effective 7/1/25
  - c. Sara Baker, School Nurse RN, effective 6/16/25
5. Approve the resignation, termination and/or retirement of the following staff:
  - a. Elisha Morales, School Nurse, effective 8/8/25
  - b. Ben Cunningham, Teacher Consultant - ASD, effective 5/30/25
  - c. Bradley Prater, Special Education Supervisor, effective 6/30/25
6. Recommend approval of cabinet level contracts 2025-2026 for:
  - a. Teresa Belote, Superintendent
  - b. James Berry, Director of CTE
  - c. Ginelle Boyle, Director of Early Childhood Services
  - d. Lindsey Cox, Special Education Supervisor
  - e. Ben Daugherty, Director of Information Services
  - f. Kelli Dechnik, Assistant Superintendent of Finance, Operations, and Human Resources
  - g. Stacy Jancasz, Special Education Assistant Principal
  - h. Jennifer Leosh-Stahl, Special Education Monitor for Accountability & Program Improvement
  - i. Amanda Miller, Director of Instructional Leadership and Social Emotional Learning
  - j. Pam Panozzo-Jones, Executive Director of Special Education
  - k. Sandra Spicher, Special Education Principal
  - l. Alexander Stieve, Early Childhood/K-12 Special Education Supervisor

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Action Items**

1. Recommend approval of the following Early Head-Start Child Care Partnership (EHS-CCP) information:
  - a. Program Report
  - b. Average Daily Attendance
  - c. Purchase Card Statements
  - d. PC Personnel Report
  - e. Non-Federal Share Waiver Requested Grant #05HP000520-01 & Letter  
Information Only:
  - f. May 12, 2025 Policy Council Minutes
2. Recommend approval of the 2024-25 Budget Revisions and approval of 2025-26 Proposals for General Fund, Career & Technical Education, Information Services, and Special Education.
3. Recommend approval of 25-26 Conditions of Employment for Non-Union Employees.
4. Recommend approval of the 2025-26 Parent-Student Handbook for Pathfinder Educational Center and Off-Site Programs.

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5. Recommend approval of a new position of Language Facilitator. (Attachment #1)
6. Recommend approval of one additional IS Support Specialist. (Attachment #2)
7. Recommend approval of on-going agreement with the local districts for 2025-2026 as follows:
  - a. Nottawa Community School - Fiscal (Business Manager, Payroll, Accounts Payable/Receivable)
  - b. Nottawa Community School - Maintenance Services
8. Recommend approval of 3% increased based on 24-25 hourly/salary amount for the 25-26 school year for all non-union employees and administration, including the superintendent.

### **Informational & Communication Items**

1. Welcome to our additional new employees, contingent upon successful return of criminal records check, misconduct form, and receipt of credentials:
  - a. Danielle Puorro, part time IS Intern, effective 5/27/25
  - b. Isaiah Lawson, part time IS Intern, effective 6/9/25
2. Other Personnel Updates (Attachment #3)
3. Superintendent's Report
4. Special Recognition of Board Member Michele Bush.
5. Reminder of next meeting: July 25, 2025, 11:00 am - Organizational/Regular Meeting, immediately followed by the Planning Session.

### **Other**

### **Adjournment**