School Budget & Finance

Presented by:



Chief Financial Officer



Pre-Session Quiz Items

★What are the most important variables for public education funding?

- A. State and federal funding
- B. Attendance and enrollment
- C. Local property taxes
- D. None of these

★True or False

- The district receives more than 50 percent of its funding from the federal government
- The state funds almost all of the district's budget
- When property taxes go up, school districts receive a windfall

★What are some key areas where advocacy could most benefit the district?

- SPED is underfunded by \$36M; increase SPED funding
- There is competition for teacher; increase funding for staff raises
- Inflation has increased over 20% since 2019; increase the basic allotment to address inflation

Topics We'll Discuss

★ Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate

- How much does the state budget for public education
- How does Texas fund public education
- Property values and the tax rate
- Basic allotment and tiered funding

★ Income and Sinking Tax Rate

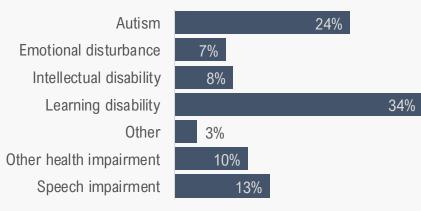
- How does the school district fund new schools and renovations
- Bond ratings

Fort Bend ISD Profile

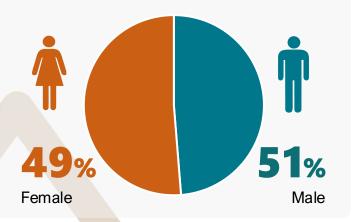
Student Information

79,643 Enrollment (Fall 2024)
95 Languages spoken
43% Bilingual/ESL
47% Economically disadvantaged
7% Gifted and talented
14% Special education

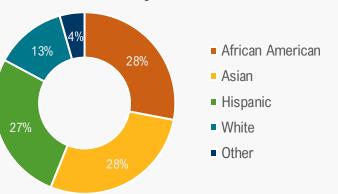
SPED Primary Disabilities



Student Gender Distribution



Race and Ethnicity



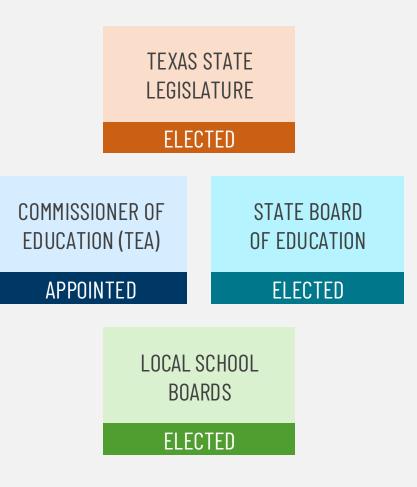
Key Facts and Figures

- ★ Sixth largest district in Texas
- ★ 170 square miles
- ★ 83 campuses and 22 other sites
- ★ Largest employer in Fort Bend County (13,980 employees)
- ★ 82 National Merit semifinalists
- ★ Number 1 ranked elementary school in Texas
- Number 1 ranked academic decathlon team in Texas
- ★ Recognized 17 years as a Best Communities for Music Education district
- ★ Buses circumnavigate the world every day (24,000+ miles driven)
- ★ AA+ bond ratings (Fitch and S&P)

Who oversees public education in Texas, and how much is spent?

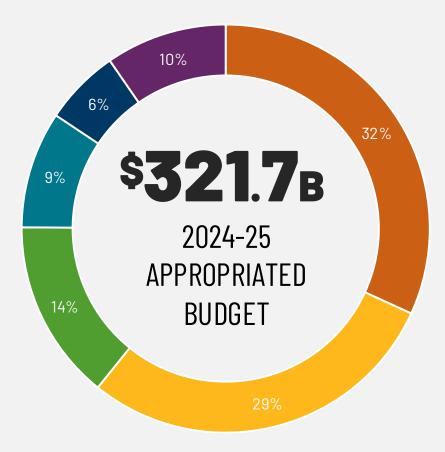
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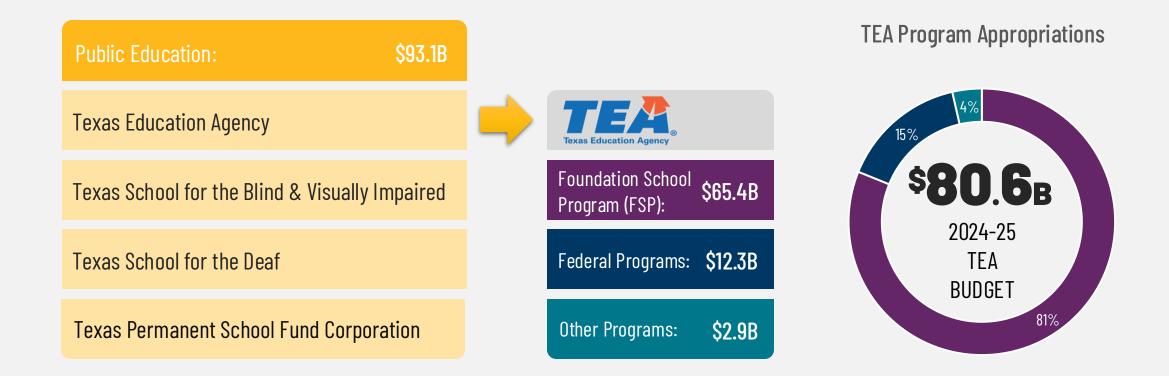


Texas Budget (2024-25 Biennium)

Health & Human Services:	\$102.4B
Public Education:	\$93.1B
Business & Economic Development:	\$46.0B
Higher Education:	\$29.8B
Public Safety & Criminal Justice:	\$19.4B
Everything Else:	\$40.0B



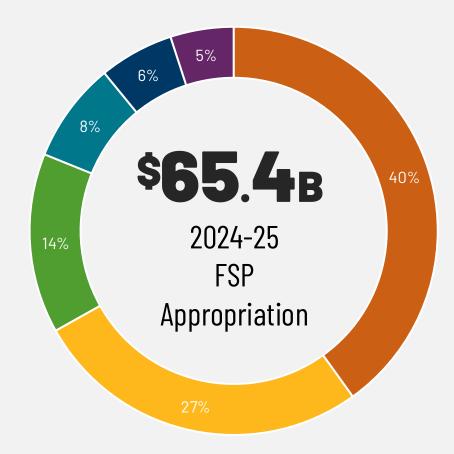
Public Education Breakdown



Foundation School Program Funding by Source

Foundation School Fund:	\$26.2B
Property Tax Relief Fund:	\$17.5B
Recapture Payments:	\$9.3B
Available School Fund:	\$5.2B
Lottery Proceeds:	\$3.9B
TREE ¹ Fund:	\$3.3B

¹Tax Reduction and Excellence in Education

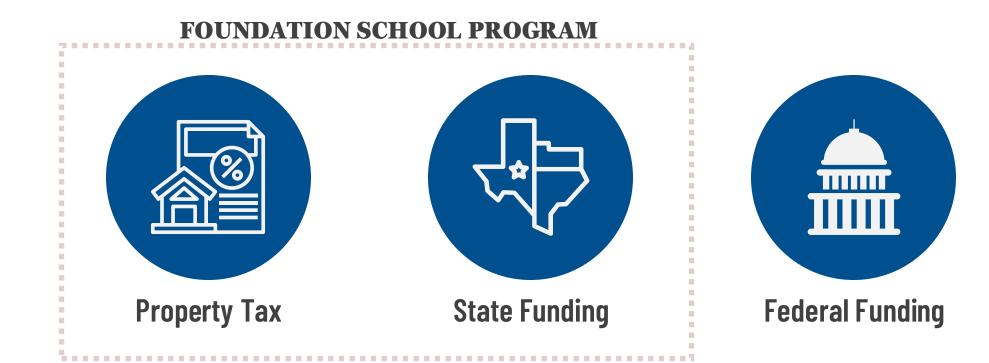




How are schools in Texas funded?



Primary Funding Sources for Public Education



Foundation School Program (FSP)

- Primary source of state funding for school districts and charter schools
- Designed so all districts receive "substantially equal access to similar revenue per student at similar tax effort"
- Shared funding model that is formula driven using both *local property taxes* and *state funding*
- ★ Formulas set the threshold for the maximum revenue a school district can receive based on enrollment, attendance, & special populations (SPED, CTE, Bilingual, etc.)

Key feature: as local property tax collections increase 1, state funding decreases

Property Value Pop Quiz:

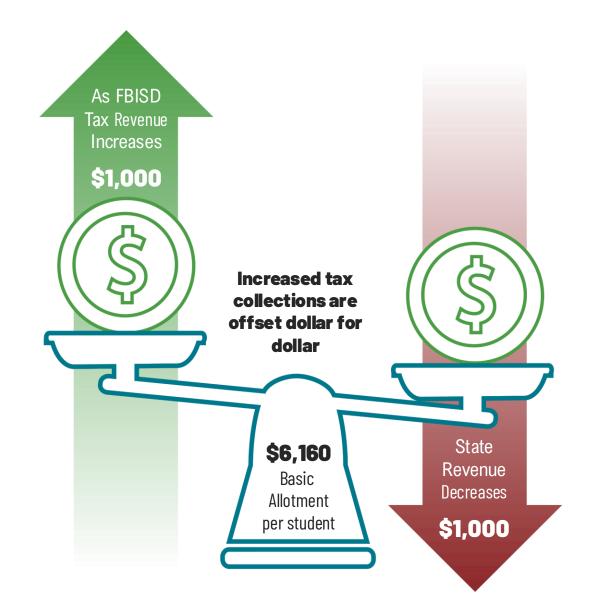
If your property values increase 10%, how much more money does FBISD receive in the General Fund?



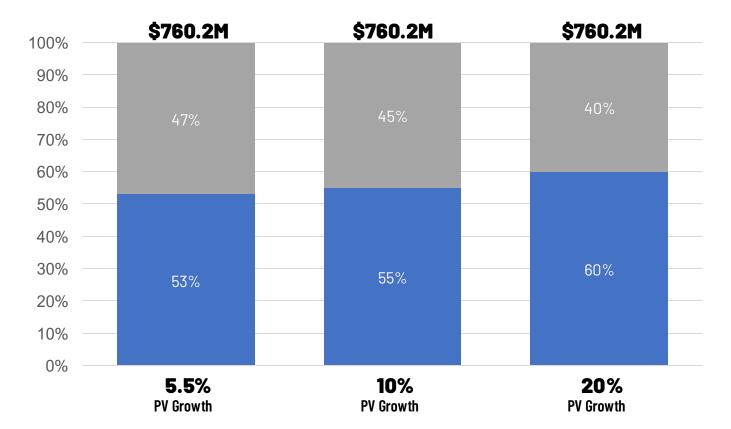


The state pays FBISD **less** when property taxes increase.

My property values increased; where's the money?

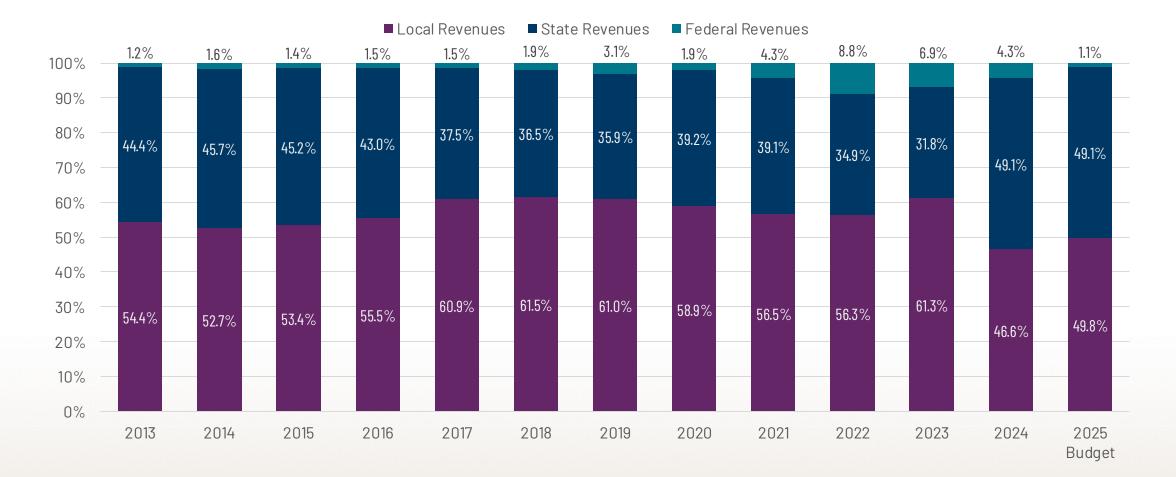


Maximum revenues FBISD can receive in 2024-25 under FSP without a tax rate increase: \$760.2m



■ Local Property Tax Collections ■ State Aid

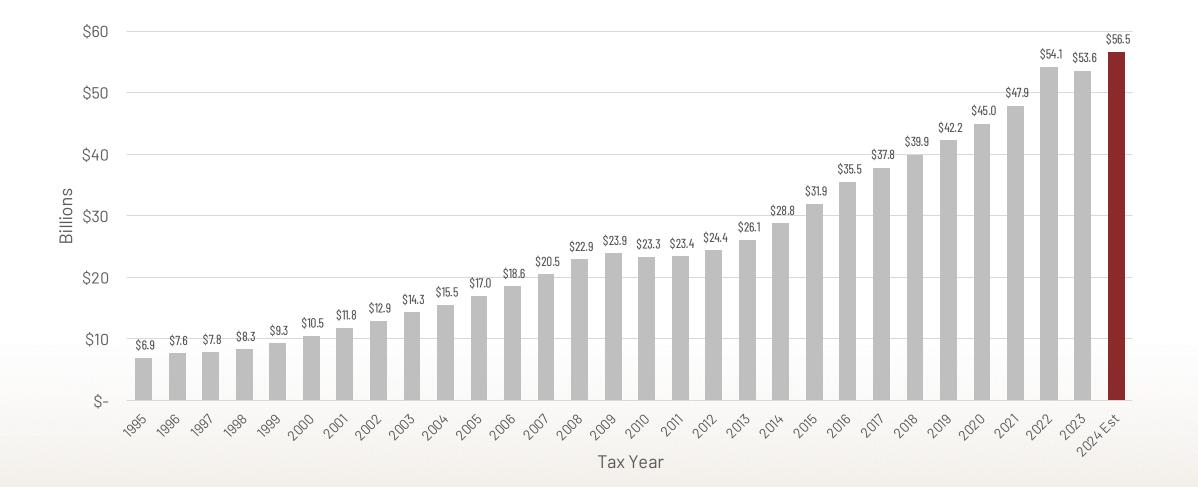
FBISD General Fund Revenue Sources



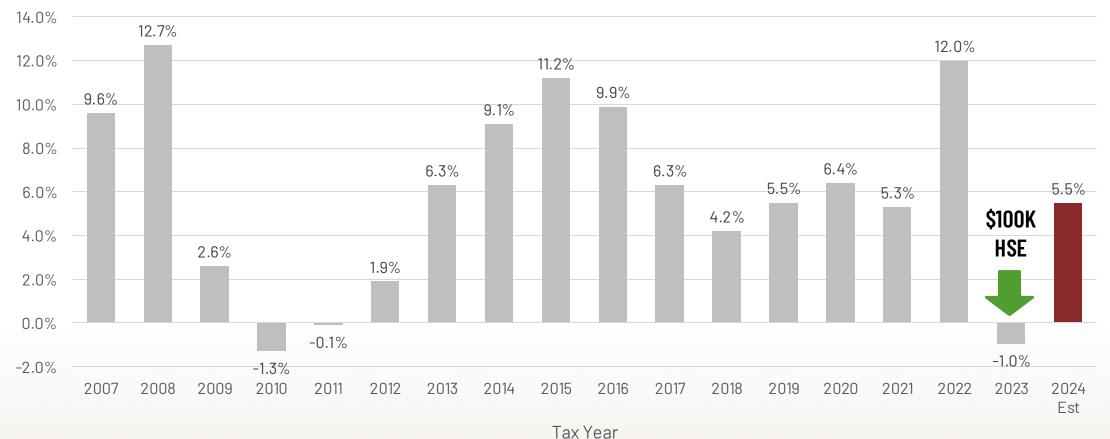
Source: FBISD Business & Finance



FBISD Property Value by Tax Year



Change in Certified Net Taxable Value



Local Property Tax Revenues

Property taxes are the largest funding source for the Texas public school system School property taxes are made up of two rates:

Maintenance & Operations (M&O)

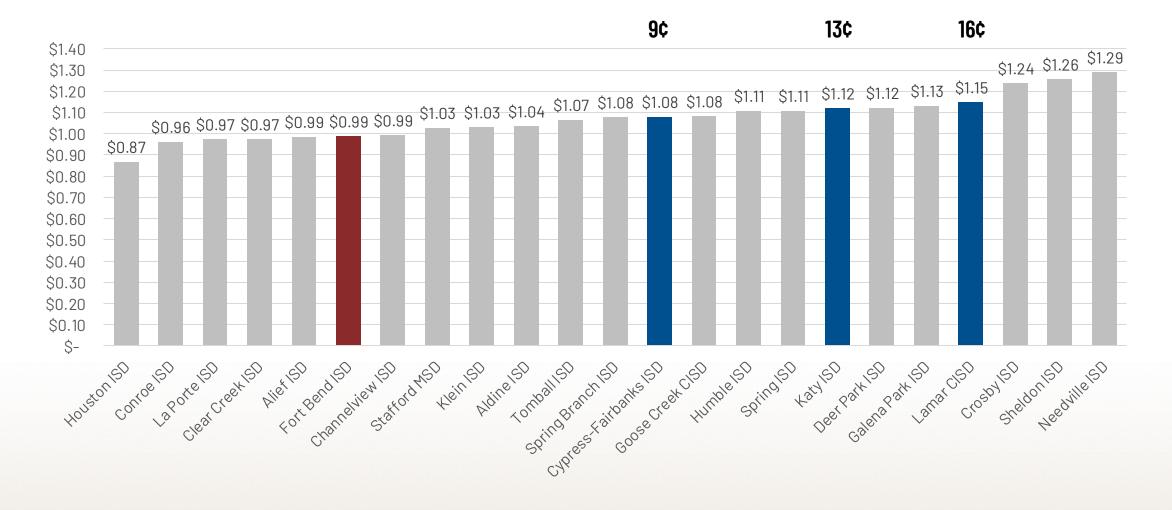
M&O tax rate pays for day-to-day operations teacher and staff salaries and benefits, materials, utilities, maintenance, fuel, etc.

Interest & Sinking (I&S)

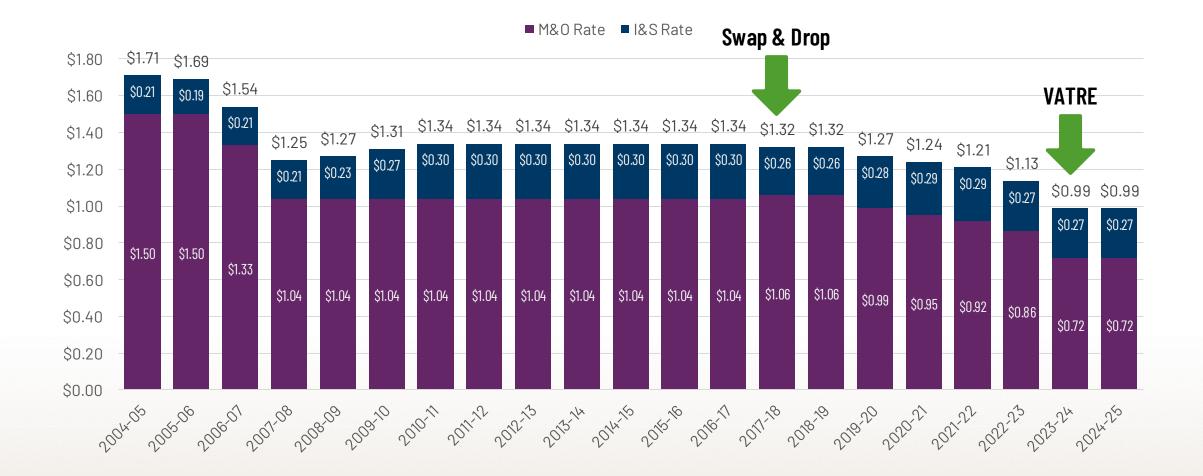
I&S tax rate pays principal and interest on debt issued by the district. It cannot be used for operational costs.



Local Tax Rate Comparison (Tax Year 2023)



FBISD Historic Tax Rate



Tax Rate and Collections

	M&0		I&S		Total
Property Value	\$56.5B		\$56.5B		\$56.5B
Tax Rate per \$100	\$0.7169	+	\$0.2700	=	\$0.9869
Collection Percentage	98.7%		98.7%		98.7%
Total Current Collections	\$399.1M	+	\$150.3M	=	\$549.4M
Delinquent Taxes	\$1.2M	+	\$0.5M	=	\$1.7M
Total Tax Collections	\$400.3M	+	\$150.8M	=	\$551.1M
Property Tax Formula:	(Property Value ÷ 100)		× Tax Rate		× Collection Rate
Formula with FBISD Variables:	(56,543,407,834÷100)		× 0.9869		× 0.987

2024 YEAR TAX STATEMENT

CARMEN P. TURNER, MPA, PCC, CTOP FORT BEND COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR/ COLLECTOR 1317 EUGENE HEIMANN CIRCLE RICHMOND, TEXAS 77469-3623 PHONE NO. (281) 341-3710

Mail To:

DOE JOHN 1234 MAIN ST SUGAR LAND, TX 77479 Legal Description: FBC SUBDIVISION SEC 2, BLOCK 3, LOT 5

.0000 Legal Acres: Parcel Address: 1234 MAIN ST

Account No: 9999-99-999-9999-999

CAD No: R999				1	s of Date: 11/20/2			-	ted By: ACT IN	
Mark	et Value		Appraised		Assessed	Capped	Homesite			Non-Qualifying
Land	Improvem	ent	Value		Value	Value	Value	M	arket Value	Value
\$57,330	\$288	3,065	\$345	,395	\$345,395	\$0	\$345,3	95	\$0	\$0
Taxing			Assessed		Exempti	ons	Taxab	le	Tax	
Unit		Va	lue (100%)	Code	e	Valu	ue Valu	e	Rate	Tax
FORT BEND ISD			\$345,395	HOM		\$100,0	00 \$	245,395	0.986900	\$2,421.80
CITY OF SUGAR L	AND		\$345,395	HOM		\$51,8	\$09 \$	293,586	0.353210	\$1,036.98
WITHOUT A CI	Y SALES TAX, Y	OUR (CITY TAX WOUL	D INC	REASE BY \$241.60					
FORT BEND CO DI	RAINAGE		\$345,395	HOM		\$69,0)79 \$3	276,316	0.010000	\$27.63
FORT BEND CO GI	EN FND		\$345,395	HOM		\$69,0)79 \$:	276,316	0.412000	\$1,138.42
FORT BEND COUN	TY LID #2		\$345,395	HOM			\$0 \$	345.395	0.118000	\$407.57

Total 2024 Tax:	\$5,032.40
Total 2024 Levy Paid To Date:	\$0.00
2024 Levy Due:	\$5,032.40
Total 2024 Due:	\$5,032.40

Exemptions: HOM HOMESTEAD

AMOUNT DUE IF PAID	BY THE END OF:	Taxes become deling	uent on February 01, 202	5.	
11/30/2024 0%	12/31/2024 0%	01/31/2025 0%	02/28/2025 7%	03/31/2025 9%	04/30/2025 11%
\$5,032.40	\$5,032.40	\$5,032.40	\$5,384.67	\$5,485.32	\$5,585.97

IF YOU ARE 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER OR ARE DISABLED AND THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS DOCUMENT IS YOUR RESIDENCE HOMESTEAD, YOU SHOULD CONTACT THE APPRAISAL DISTRICT REGARDING ANY ENTITLEMENT YOU MAY HAVE TO A POSTPONEMENT IN THE PAYMENT OF THESE TAXES.

School Information :

FORT BEND ISD 2024 M&O .71690000 I&S .27000000 Total .98690000 2023 M&O .71920000 I&S .27000000 Total .98920000

TO PAY BY CREDIT CARD VISIT WWW.FORTBENDCOUNTYTX.GOV/TAXOFFICE

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS ARE CHARGED 2.09% CONVENIENCE FEE PER ACCOUNT BY GRANT STREET. NO FEE CHARGED FOR E-CHECK.

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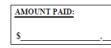
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FBISD Tax Rate Breakdown

FBISD Tax Bill

Tax Bill Quick Facts



How the Foundation School Program Works

Key Factors Impacting State Aide



Basic allotment (Tier 1)



Student demographic and Average Daily Attendance (Tier 1)



Comptroller Property Tax Division (CPTD) estimate of local values (Tier 1 & 2)

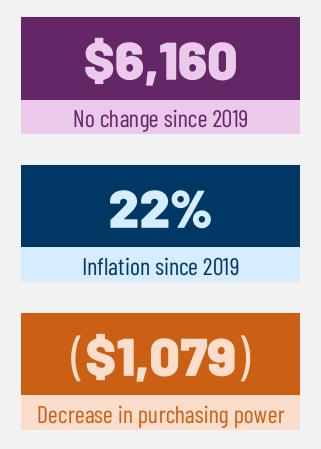


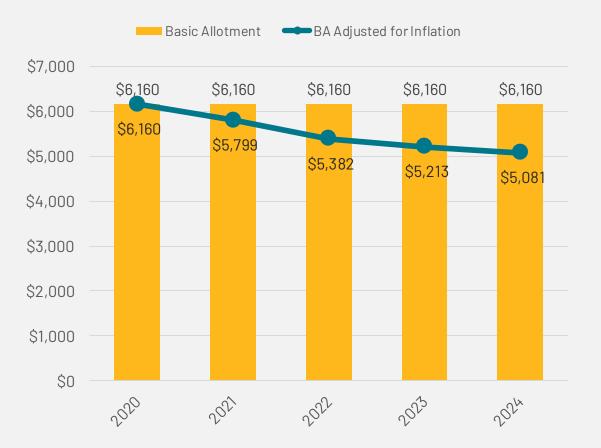
Guaranteed yield (Tier 2)



Weighted Average Daily Attendance (WADA) (Tier 1& 2)

Basic Allotment





Maintenance & Operations Tax Rate

Texas school districts levy a maintenance and operations property tax rate comprised of two tiers and two levels

TIER 1



TIER 2: 17¢

LEVEL ONE 8 Golden Pennies NOT subject to recapture LEVEL TWO 9 Copper Pennies Subject to recapture

Tier 1: Maintenance & Operations Tax Rate

TIER 1



- Tier 1 portion of the tax rate is subject to compression due to HB3 (2019).
- Prior to HB3, District's Tier 1 rate was \$1
- After HB3, Tier 1 rate determined by formula that depends on estimated statewide property value growth and local property value growth
- TEA notifies District of the maximum Tier 1 rate that can be adopted each summer

Tier 1 components

- Regular program allotment
- Special purpose allotments
 - » Special education
 - » Compensatory education
 - » Bilingual education
 - » Career and technology education
 - » Transportation
 - » New instructional facility allotment
 - » Public education grant
 - » Early education
 - » College and career readiness
 - » Dyslexia

FBISD Tier 1: 2024-25 Estimated Funding

	Current Weights	ADA/FTEs	Tier I Revenue
Regular Program AA	1	74,978	\$ 415,600,106
Special Education	1.15-5.0	7,313	92,825,491
Career & Tech	1.10-1.47	4,503	37,247,065
State Comp Ed	0.230-0.280	40,219	58,881,530
Bilingual	0.05-0.15	15,646	9,957,948
Dyslexia	0.1	3,881	2,390,696
Early Education	0.1	15,792	9,727,872
College, Career & Military Readiness	\$2,000-\$5,000	1,440	5,045,000
Fast Growth Allotment	N/A	3,834	5,927,596
Other Allotments (Transportation, School Safety, GT, Homeless, College Prep Exams)	N/A	N/A	10,319,794
Total Cost of Tier I			\$ 647,923,098

Tier 2: Maintenance & Operations Tax Rate

TIER 2: 17¢

• Tier 2, Level 1 Golden Pennies:

- » First eight pennies above the compressed rate
- » Called golden because of high funding level
- » Not subject to recapture
- Tier 2, Level 2 Copper Pennies:
 - » Nine pennies copper pennies available after Level 1
 - » Called copper because funding level is lower
 - » Subject to recapture



LEVEL ONE Golden Pennies: 8¢ NOT subject to recapture LEVEL TWO Copper Pennies: 9¢ Subject to recapture

- Districts can levy up to 17¢ in Tier 2 (Level 1 of Tier 2 includes 8¢ in golden pennies; Level 2 of Tier 2 includes 9¢ in copper pennies)
- FBISD has taken eight golden pennies (8¢) and two copper pennies (2¢)
- FBISD has 7¢ remaining that can be accessed by voter authorization (copper pennies: 7¢)

FBISD Tier 2: 2024-25 Estimated Funding

Proposed M&O Tax Rate	\$	0.7169	Tax Rate
Net M&O Collections attributed to MCR	\$	344,429,395	Total M&O Collections
Yield Per Penny	\$	5,583,229	M&O Collections per penny of Adopted Tax Rate
Golden & Copper Pennies	\$	0.10	8 Golden pennies and 2 Copper pennies
M&O Collections Level 1 of Tier 2	\$	55,832,290	Total M&O Collections for all Golden and Cooper Pennies
Current Year CPTD T2	\$ 5	6,543,407,834	Comptroller's Property Value Estimate for Current Year
District Tax Rate (DTR) Golden Pennies (A)	\$	0.08	Ratio of M&O Collections for Golden
District Tax Rate (DTR) Cooper Pennies (A)	\$	0.02	& Copper Pennies to CPTD T2
Weight Averge Daily Attendance (WADA) (B)	\$	104,130	
Guaranteed Yield - Golden Pennies (C)	\$	129.52	Value of Each Golden Penny/WADA
Guaranteed Yield - Copper Pennies (C)	\$	49.28	Value of Each Copper Penny/WADA
Total Level of Tier 2 Entitlement (D)	\$	116,655,756	A × B × C × 100 for Golden & Copper penny

Local Assignments & State Allocation

State Funding Elements	Adopted 2024-25 Budget		
Total Cost of Tier 1	\$ 647,923,098		
Less: Local Fund Assignment	(348,816,283)		
State Share of Tier 1		\$ 299,106,815	
Total Tier 2 Entitlement	\$ 116,655,763		
Less: Local Share of Tier 2	(55,832,426)		
State Share of Tier 2		60,823,337	
Total 2024-25 Foundation School Program Revo	\$ 359,930,152		

FBISD Total 2024-25 FSP Funding

Adopted 2024-25 Budget					
Local 0&M Tax Collections		\$400.3M			
State Share of Tier 1 Collections	\$299.1M				
State Share of Tier 2 Collections	\$60.8M				
Total State Revenues		\$359.9M			
Total FSP Funding		\$760.2M			

Recapture: Chapters 48 & 49 Districts

- Ch. 48: Because value of a penny can vary, provides a guaranteed yield on each penny of M&O tax effort levied by property-poor districts
- Property wealthy districts whose wealth per student exceeds an established wealth level subject to recapture
- FBISD is subject to recapture (\$1.01M for 2024-25 school year)



10 minute Brain Break





How does FBISD spend the money?

State Budget Requirements

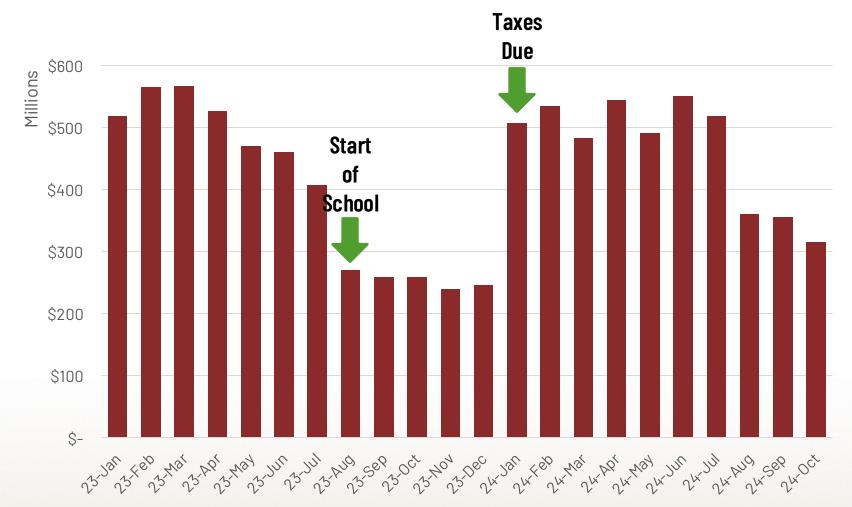
- Established by Sections 44.002 through 44.006 of the Texas Education Code
 - Superintendent must prepare budget by June 19
 - Must be adopted by June 30 by majority vote of the governing body
 - Must post public notice in local paper 10 days prior to public hearing on proposed budget and tax rate
 - Budget must be posted to district's website
 - Budget must be adopted before adoption of tax rate
 - Budget must include General, Food Service, and Debt Service Funds

Local Budget Requirements



BALANCED BUDGET 90-DAY RESERVE

Why have a 90-day operating reserve?



Cash management Working capital One-time purchases

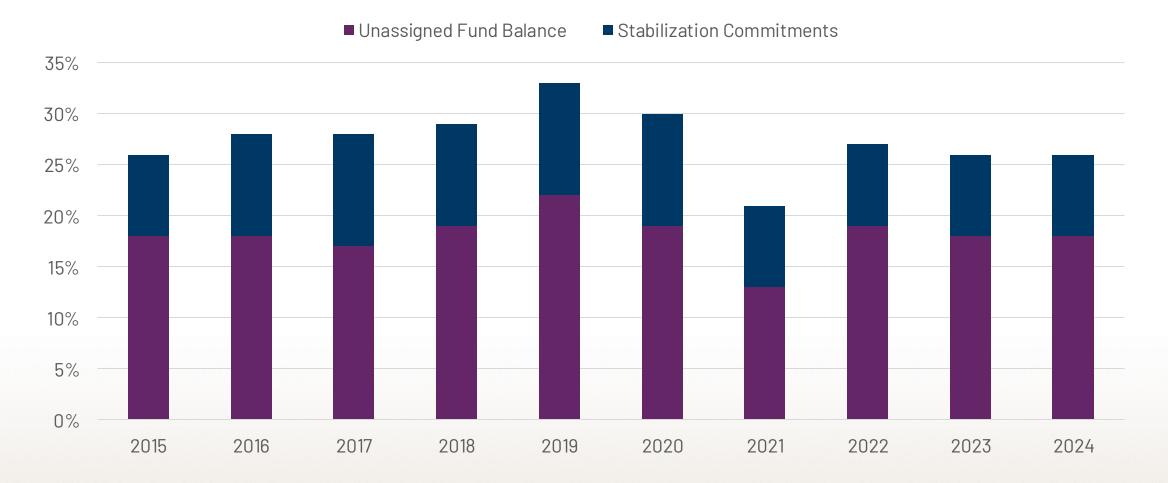


Bond ratings



Natural disasters Loss of state revenue

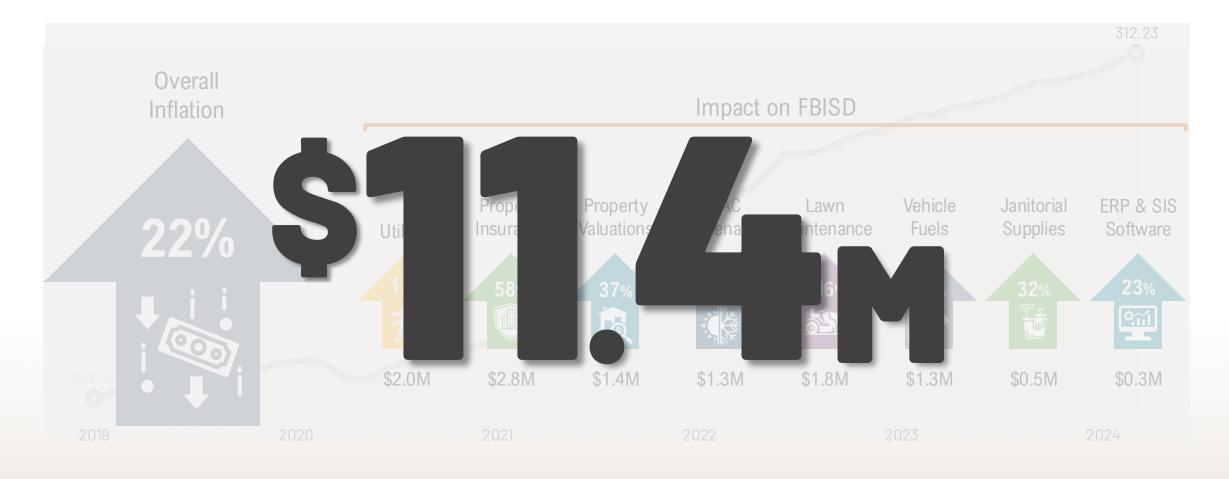
Fund Balance as a Percentage of Expenditures



State of School Budgets

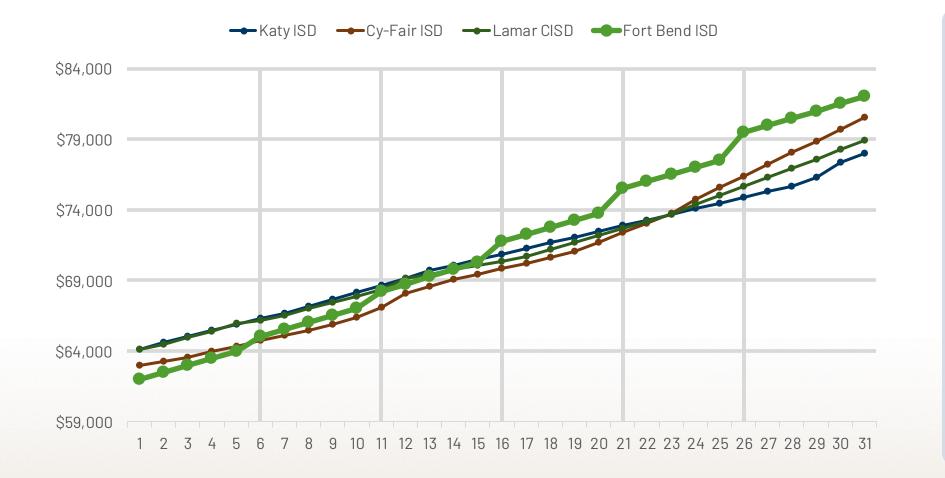


Impact of Inflation Since 2019



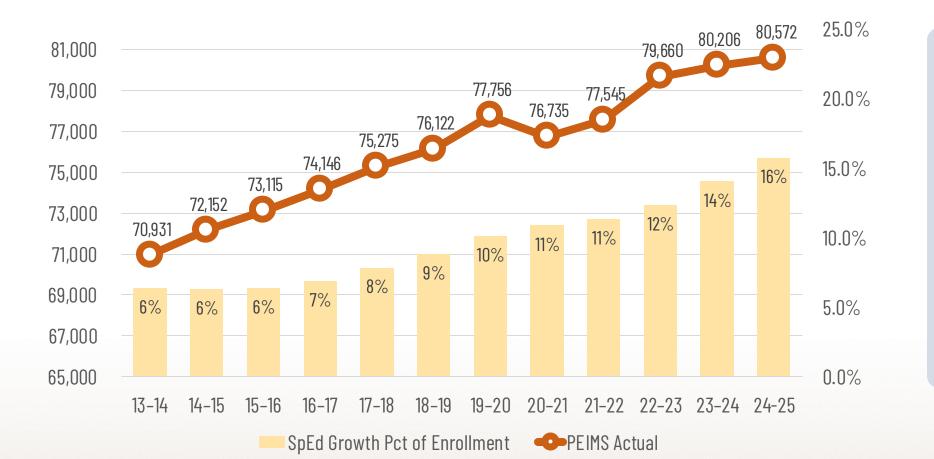
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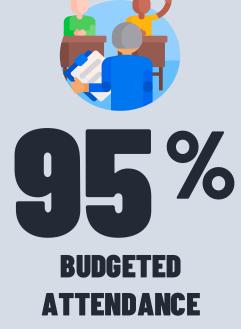
Teacher Compensation Comparison



- No teacher raises
 in 2024-25
- ★ \$62,000 = starting teacher pay
- FBISD has a differentiated teacher step
- Teachers at years
 10 and beyond
 meet or exceed
 peer districts

FBISD Enrollment & Attendance





Special Education Funding Shortfall

\$36.3M



Non-FSP Revenues



Local Revenues \$10.0M

Interest income

Penalties and interest on delinquent taxes

Tuition-based activities

Athletic ticket sales



State Revenues \$40.5M

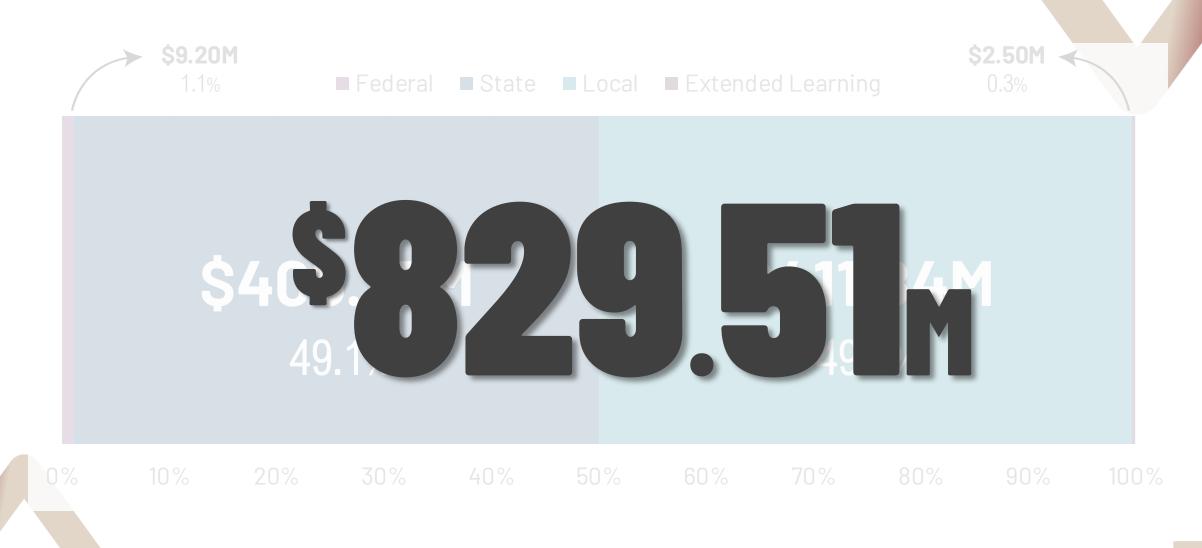
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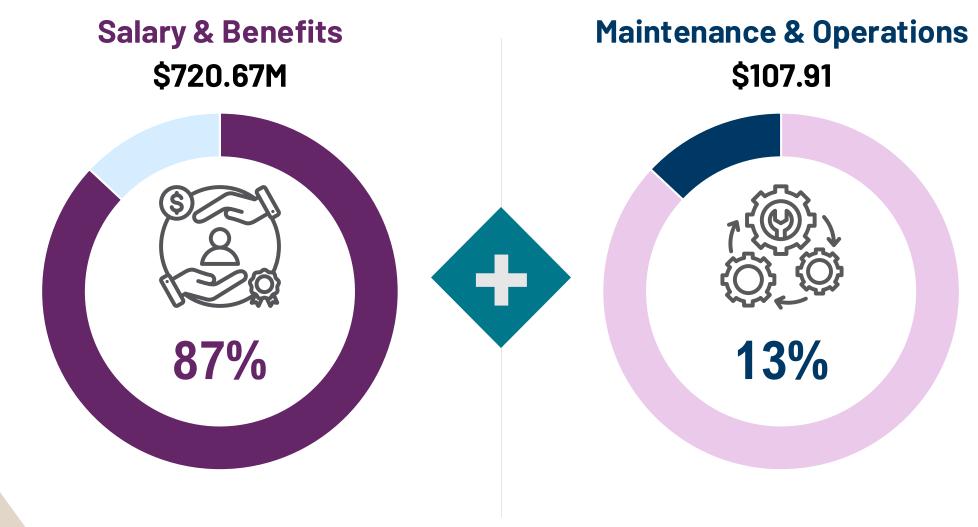
Transfers in \$2.5M

Extended Learning Enterprise Fund

2024-25 General Fund Revenues



2024-25 General Fund Expenditures \$828.60M



Key Operational Expenditures





\$6.6M property insurance

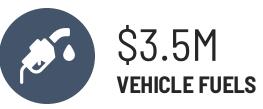




\$4.7M hvac maintenance







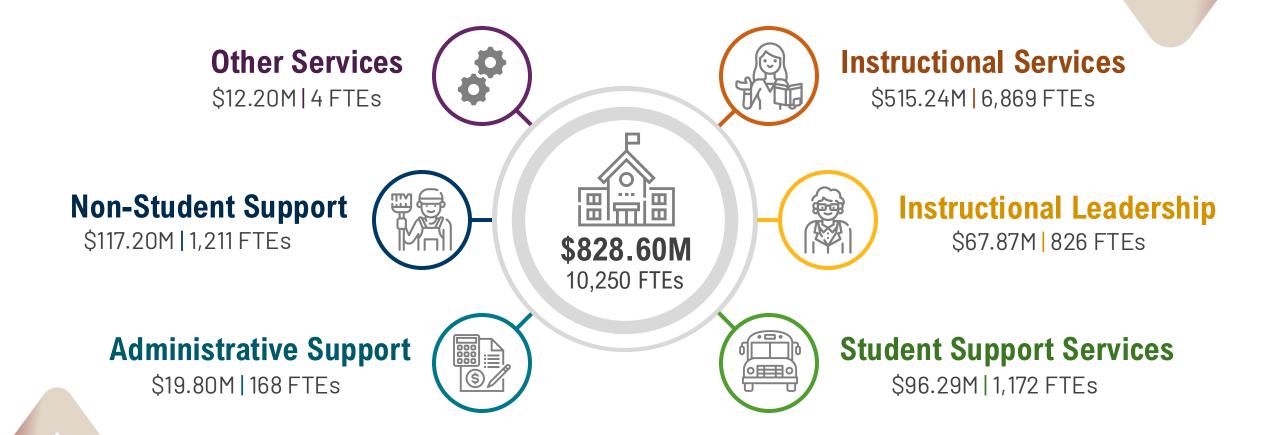


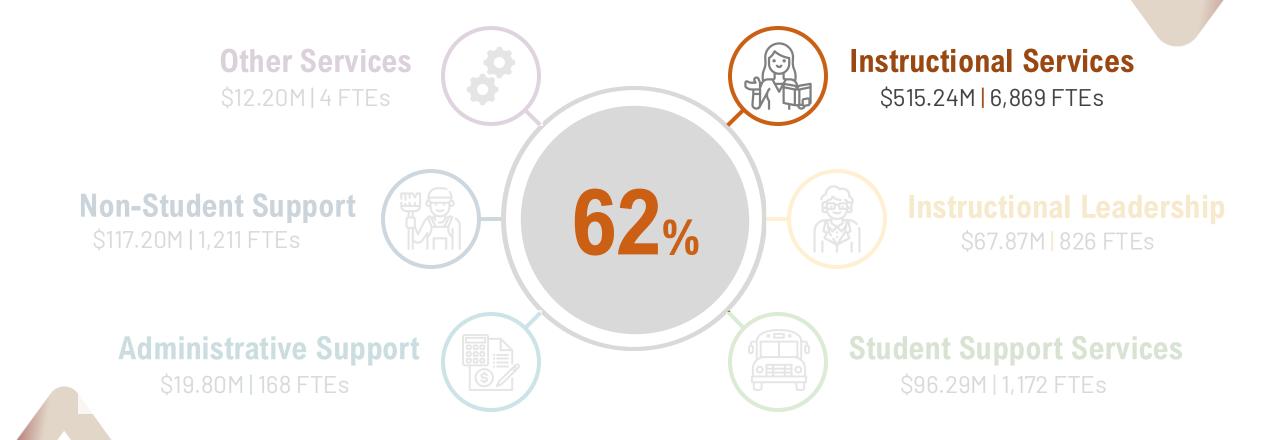
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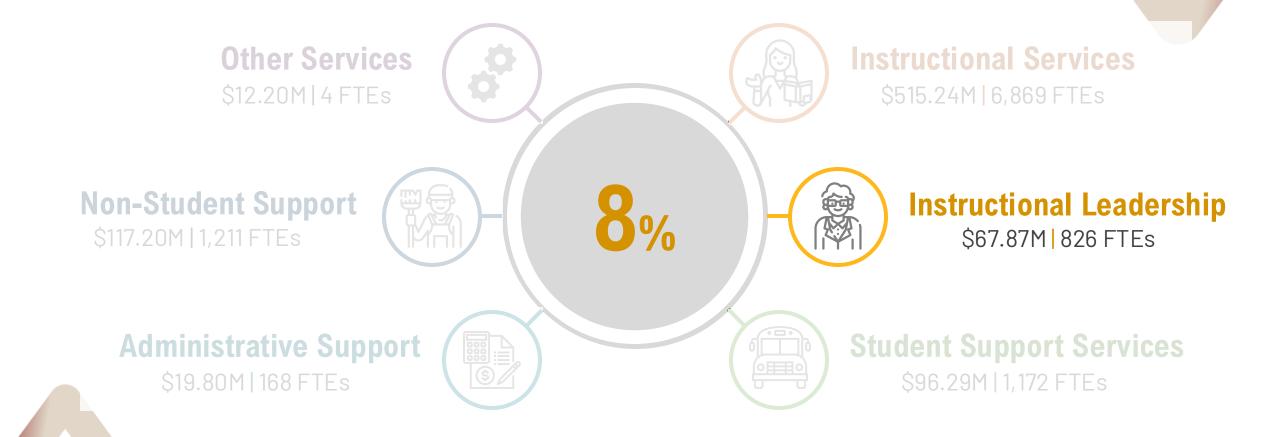


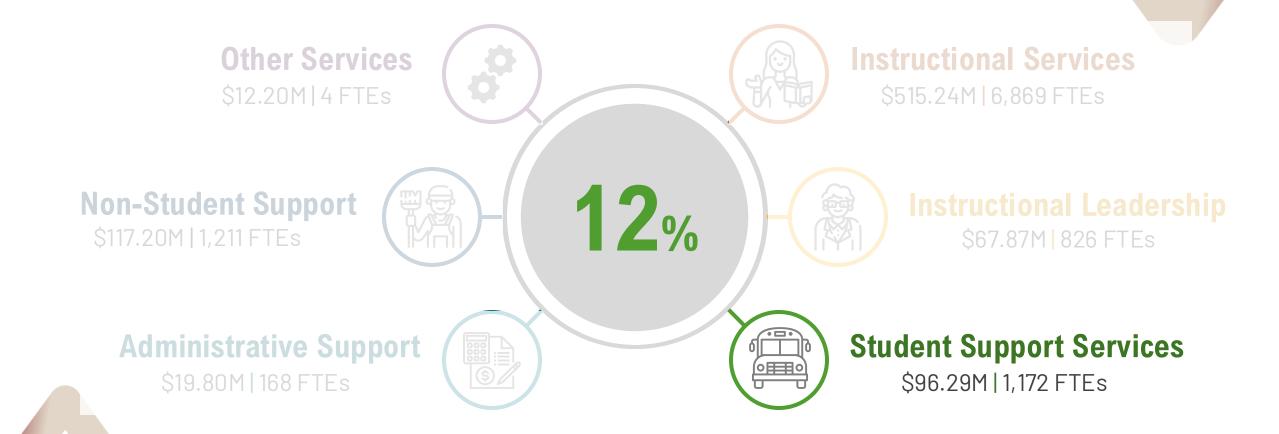
\$1.4M erp & sis software

\$44.8M

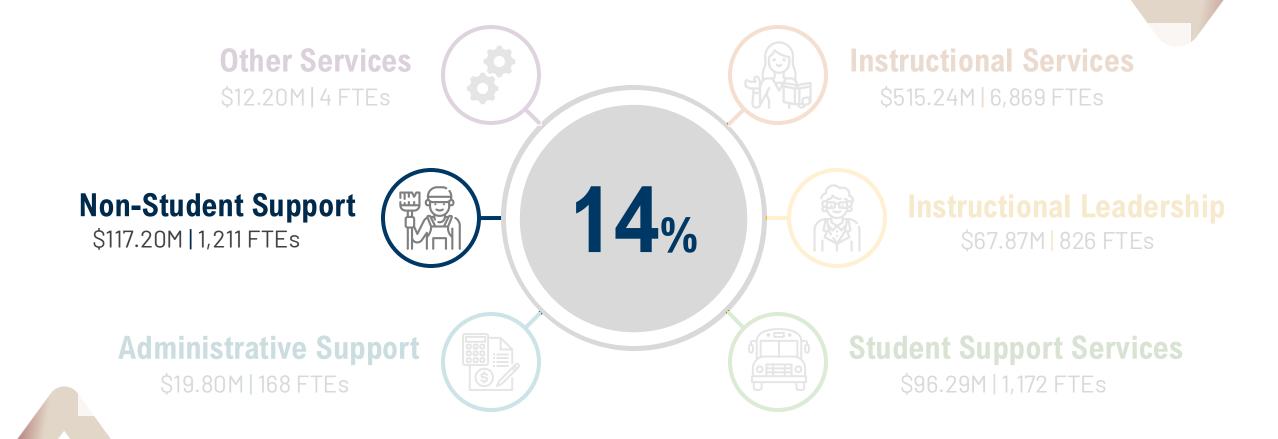


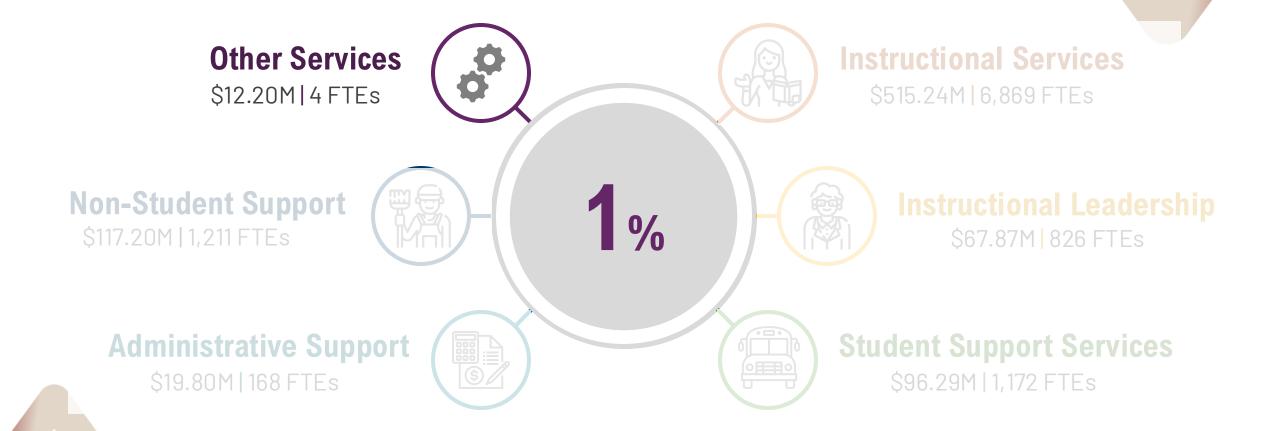










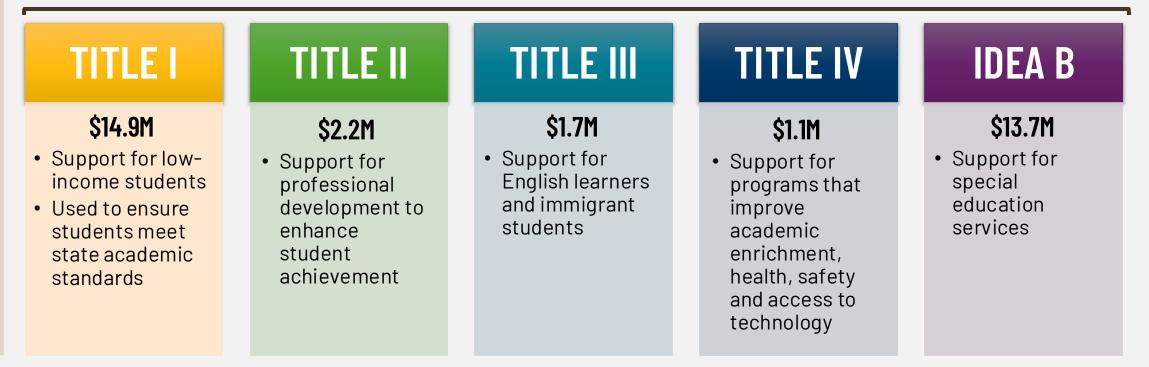


2024-25 General Fund Adopted Budget

	2023-24		2024-25	
	Year-End		Adopted	
(\$ millions)	Estimate		Budget	
Total Revenue	\$	808.4	\$	827.0
Total Expenditures		809.2		828.6
Other Sources/(Uses)		0.5		2.5
Change in Fund Balance		(0.2)		0.9
Fund Balance - Beginning		200.2		200.0
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	200.0	\$	200.9
Fund Balance Reserve - %		25%		25%
Fund Balance Reserve - Days		92 Days		90 Days

What about federal funding?

\$33.6M in Federal Funds for Students and Staff



How does FBISD fund new schools and renovations?

The Debt Service Fund and Income and Sinking Tax Rate



2023 Bond Election



FBISD Debt Management Program



Governance

Government, Education, Tax, and Administrative codes Policies CCA and CCG Fiscal and Budgetary Strategy and Disclosure Strategy



Expert advisors

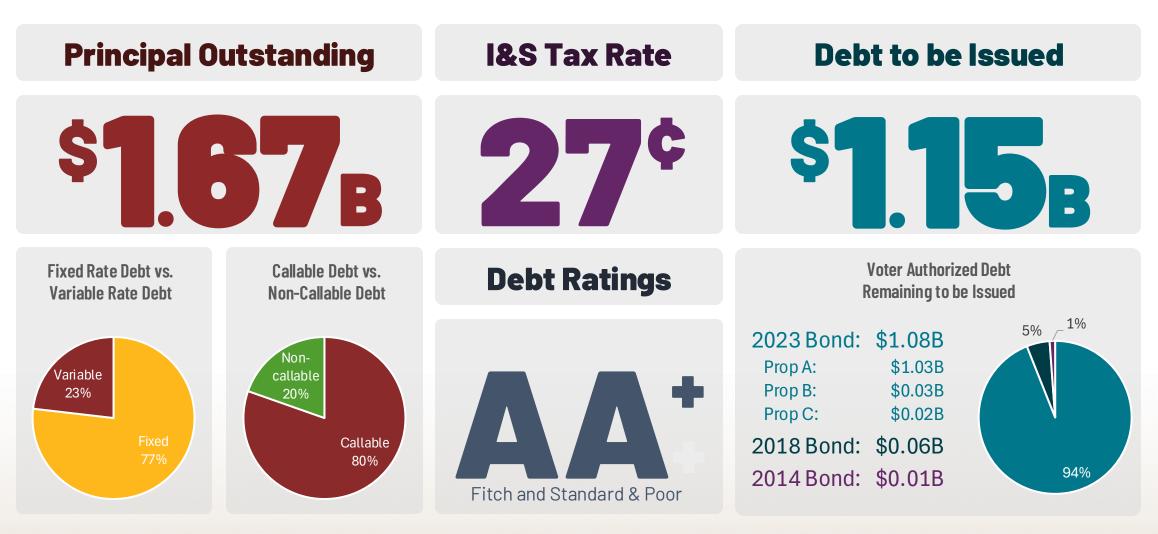
Financial advisor (Hilltop) Bond counsel (Bracewell)



Actively managed

Parameter orders Refundings Variable rate debt Commercial paper

FBISD Debt Statistics



Debt Service Fund



Source of revenues

I&S tax rate (27¢ per \$100 valuation)

State revenues (hold harmless for homestead exemption increases)

Interest earnings



Use of funds

Can only be used to pay principal and interest on debt



Payment due dates

February August



Permanent School Fund

Covers debt issued by ISDs and charter schools

Backed by full faith and credit of state of Texas

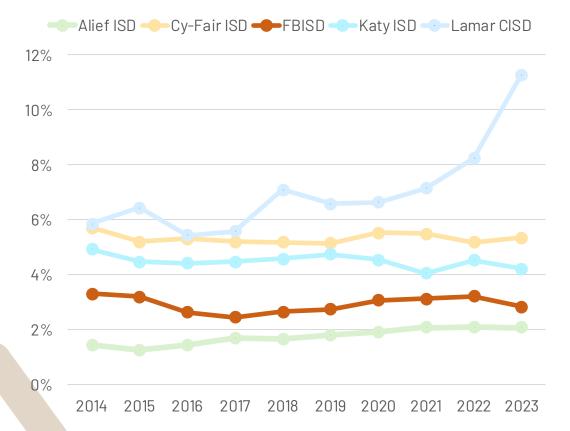
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Key Differences between M&O and I&S Tax Rates

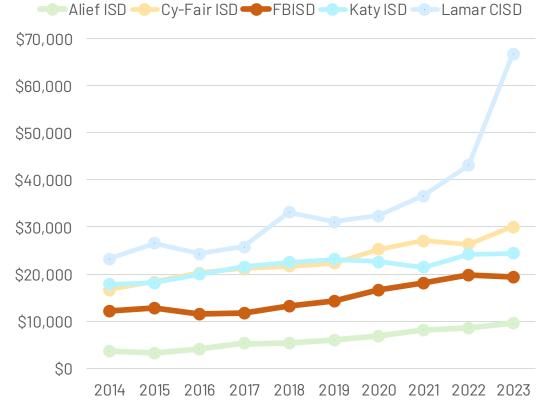
	Maintenance & Operation	Interest & Sinking
Increases in local property tax revenues result in lower state revenues	\checkmark	×
Increases in local property tax revenues do not impact state revenues	×	\checkmark
Subject to a maximum of 2.5% growth in property values	\checkmark	×
Subject to a maximum of 10% growth in property values	×	\checkmark

Debt Ratios Comparisons

Debt as a Percent of Assessed Valuation



Bond Principal Outstanding per Student



Bond Principal Outstanding per Student



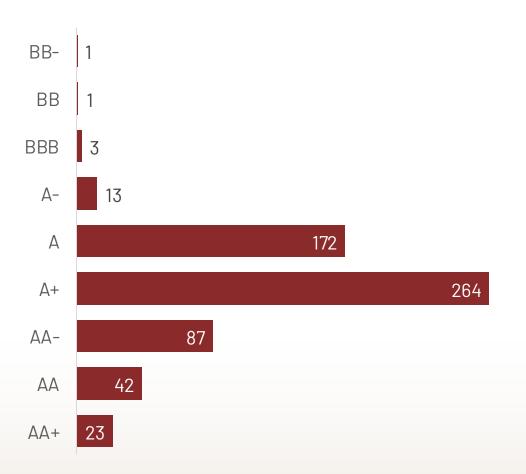
Rating Agency Reviews

- ★ Fund Balance (90-days)
- ★ Outstanding debt
- ★ Ratio to assessed value
- ★ Management changes
- ★ Current year projections
- ★ Future year projections
- ★ Enrollment, property values

- ★ Local/State economic trends
- ★ Future bond plans
- ★ Future debt issuance plans
- ★ Variable debt outstanding
- ★ Permanent School Fund
- New laws, regulations, or compliance issue

S&P Global Texas K-12 Ratings

S&P Global Ratings Distribution



S&P Global AA+ Rated Districts

#	District	#	District
1	Amarillo	13	Grapevine-Colleyville
2	Austin	14	Houston
3	Barbers Hill	15	Hurst-Euless-Bedford
4	Carroll	16	Irving
5	Carrollton-FB	17	Lake Travis
6	Conroe	18	Lewisville
7	Coppell	19	McKinney
8	Dallas	20	Pflugerville
9	Deer Park	21	Plano
10	Eanes	22	Richardson
11	Fort Bend	23	Tomball
12	Frisco		

Tax Exempt Commercial Paper (TCEP)

- ★ Short-term instrument with maturities from 1 to 270 days
- Used to finance construction or for short-term capital needs
- Allows issuer to match cash flow needs with project expenditures by issuing notes only as needed
- ★ Flexible maturities to meet needs of issuer and investors
- ★ Requires liquidity support and remarketing agent
- Only three school districts in Texas have TCEP (Austin, San Antonio, Fort Bend)

FBISD TCEP Program

- ★ Established \$100M program in November 2016
- ★ Expanded in January 2019 to \$150M
- ★ Renewed \$150M program in July 2023
- ★ Currently no commercial paper outstanding
- ★ Program has avoided \$26.95M in interest cost since inception

INTEREST EXPENSE COMPARISON					
	Commercial Paper Notes		Fixed Rate Issue	Difference	
Period Ending	Series A	Series B	Total Interest Expense	Total Estimated Interest	Total Interest Avoided
11/30/2024	\$4,513,854	\$153,263	\$4,667,117	\$31,620,780	\$(26,953,663)

2024-25 Debt Service Fund Revenues



2024-25 Debt Service Fund Adopted Budget

	2023-24		2024-25	
	Year-End		Adopted	
(\$ millions)	Estimate		Budget	
Total Revenue	\$	165.8	\$	172.3
Total Expenditures		138.2		164.6
Other Sources/(Uses)		(10.9)		_
Change in Fund Balance		16.7		7.7
Fund Balance - Beginning		141.8		158.5
Fund Balance - Ending	\$	158.5	\$	166.2
February/August Payments		121.9		122.9
February/August Revenues		0.6		0.6
Fund Balance - End of August	\$	37.2	\$	44.0



Questions?



FBISD Board Legislative Priorities



Advocacy and the FBISD Legislative Priorities

