

**Certification of Updated District Population Estimate**

**RESOLUTION**

**CERTIFYING THE POPULATION ESTIMATE FOR THE 2026 PAYABLE 2027 LEVY OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 709.**

**WHEREAS**, the Independent School District #709 has experienced an increase in population from the 2020 census figure of 94,639, to the current census figure of 95,423 as determined by the State Demographer.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the School Board of Independent School District #709 that the census figure of 95,423 be certified to the State Demographer for approval of use in the 2026 payable 2027 revenue calculations.

For the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member \_\_\_\_\_ and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: \_\_\_\_\_

And the following voted against: \_\_\_\_\_

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

\_\_\_\_\_ (Clerk Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Clerk Name)

School Board Clerk

**BACKGROUND:**

According to Minnesota Statutes § 275.14, the population of a school district must be certified by the Department of Education from the most recent federal census. In any year in which no federal census is taken, a population estimate may be made and submitted to the state demographer for approval. The school board can pass a resolution by June 30, 2026, of the updated population of the district as determined by the state demographer.

According to estimates from the state demographer, the district population increased from 94,639 in 2020 to 95,423 in 2025. This population increase will impact the revenue the community education programs receive based on the current funding calculation, which uses the district population to determine total funding.

**Increased Revenue by Program Area**

**General Comm Ed** - Census Increase x \$6.35

**Youth Service** - Census Increase x \$1

**Adults With Disabilities** - Census Increase x \$.34

**Youth After-School Enrichment** - Census Increase x \$1.85

(1) \$1.85 times the greater of 1,335 or the population of the district, as defined in section 275.14, not to exceed 10,000; and

(2) \$0.43 times the population of the district, as defined in section 275.14, in excess of 10,000.

Youth after-school enrichment revenue must be reserved for youth after-school enrichment programs.