



Public Hearing

Tuesday, June 30, 2026 at 5:30 PM

John F. Barron Administration Building - Board Room

240 N. Crockett Street

San Benito, Texas 78586

This shall provide general notice that, during the course of the meeting, the Board may elect to discuss any item on the agenda in closed session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E.

Please note that members of the Board may participate remotely, pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.127 by video conference at this meeting. However, a physical quorum of the Board shall be present at the meeting location.

This shall also provide notice that any item listed as a closed session agenda item may be moved to open session.

1. Opening of Meeting

1.1. Roll Call, Establish Quorum

- _____ Orlando López, Board President
- _____ Israel Villarreal, III, Board Vice-President
- _____ Celina Gonzales, Board Secretary
- _____ Dr. Ariel Cruz-Vela, Board Trustee
- _____ Crystal Hernandez, Board Trustee
- _____ Rudy Corona, Board Trustee
- _____ Roel Abrego, Board Trustee
- _____ Alfredo Perez, Superintendent of Schools
- _____ Tony Torres, Board Attorney

2. Public Comment

2.1. Public comments on Adopting the Budget for the 2026-2027 School Year

3. Presentation

3.1. Presentation and Discussion on Adopting the Budget for the 2026-2027 School Year

Victoria N Perez, Assistant Superintendent of Finance & Operations

4. Community Comment

4.1. Community comments on Adopting the Budget for the 2026-2027 School Year, if any

5. **Closing of Meeting**

5.1. Adjournment

This notice for this meeting was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act.



Taxpayer Impact Statement (Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.043(c)(2))

The following information provides a comparison of the estimated property tax bill for a median-valued homestead in the current fiscal year and the proposed fiscal year, as required by state law.

For purposes of this estimate, the district used the most recent available data from the appraisal district. Because the median homestead value for tax year 2026 is not yet finalized, the estimate is based on a proxy using prior year data and preliminary value information. This estimate will be updated once final certified values become available.

Fiscal Year (Tax Year)	Median-Valued Homestead	Tax Rate per \$100 of Value	Estimated Property Tax Bill
FY 2025-26 (TY 2025)	\$16,972 <small>\$156,972 – \$140,000</small>	\$1.0506	\$178.31 <small>\$16,972 ÷ 100 × \$1.0506</small>
FY 2026-27 (TY 2026)	\$18,950 <small>\$158,950 – \$140,000</small>	\$1.0006	\$189.61 <small>\$18,950 ÷ 100 × \$1.0006</small>

* Estimated Property Tax Bill calculations are based on the median homestead value less the \$140,000 state homestead exemption.

Based on these assumptions, the estimated property tax bill for a median-valued home reflects the combined impact of changes in property values, state-mandated tax rate adjustments, and expanded homestead exemptions approved by voters. While property values may increase, recent legislation significantly increased exemptions, most notably raising the homestead exemption to \$140,000 and increasing exemptions for individuals age 65 and older or disabled, which reduces taxable value for many homeowners.

As a result, the overall impact to taxpayers may vary depending on individual property values and eligibility for exemptions. In many cases, the increase in exemptions helps offset the impact of property value growth.

It is important to note that these figures are estimates for comparison purposes only. Actual tax bills will depend on final certified property values and the tax rate adopted later in the year.

Budget Summary Report for San Benito CISD

2025 - 2026 Actual Budget			
		Aggregate Expenditures	Per Pupil Expenditures
Instruction			
11	Instruction	\$65,585,381	\$7,662
12	Instructional Resources, Media Services	\$1,917,076	\$224
13	Curriculum Development & Staff Development	\$303,768	\$35
95	Payment to Juvenile Justice AEP	\$70,000	\$8
	Total:	\$67,876,225	\$7,929
Instructional Support			
21	Instructional Leadership	\$2,006,612	\$234
23	School Leadership	\$5,682,388	\$664
31	Guidance & Counseling, Evaluation	\$3,245,519	\$379
32	Social Work Services	\$457,606	\$53
33	Health Services	\$1,402,921	\$164
36	Co-curricular/ Extra-curricular Activities	\$3,634,453	\$425
	Total:	\$16,429,499	\$1,919
Central Administration			
41	General Administration	\$5,079,037	\$593
41	Publish Required Notices	\$58,700	\$7
41	Lobbying	\$1,661	\$0
	Total:	\$5,139,398	\$600
District Operations			
51	Plant Maintenance & Operations	\$14,151,962	\$1,653
52	Security and Monitoring	\$3,542,100	\$414
53	Data Processing	\$2,618,606	\$306
34	Student Transportation	\$4,720,432	\$551
35	Food Services	\$10,518,617	\$1,229
	Total:	\$35,551,717	\$4,153
Debt Service			
71	Debt Service	\$7,637,456	\$892
Other			
61	Community Service	\$166,009	\$19
81	Facilities Acquisition and Construction	\$0	\$0
91	Contracted Instructional Services Between Public schools	\$0	\$0
92	Incremental Cost Associated with Chapter 41 School Districts	\$0	\$0
93	Payments to Fiscal Agents for Shared Service Arrangements	\$0	\$0
97	Payments to Tax Increment Funds	\$0	\$0
99	Inter-government charges not Defined in Other codes	\$232,000	\$27
	Total:	\$398,009	\$46
	Grand Total:	\$133,032,304	

2026 - 2027 "Proposed" Budget			
		Aggregate Expenditures	Per Pupil Expenditures
Instruction			
11	Instruction	\$62,146,102	\$7,260
12	Instructional Resources, Media Services	\$1,538,902	\$180
13	Curriculum Development & Staff Development	\$272,933	\$32
95	Payment to Juvenile Justice AEP	\$63,000	\$7
	Total:	\$64,020,937	\$7,479
Instructional Support			
21	Instructional Leadership	\$2,393,606	\$280
23	School Leadership	\$5,835,582	\$682
31	Guidance & Counseling, Evaluation	\$3,201,053	\$374
32	Social Work Services	\$446,527	\$52
33	Health Services	\$1,387,427	\$162
36	Co-curricular/ Extra-curricular Activities	\$3,703,632	\$433
	Total:	\$16,967,827	\$1,982
Central Administration			
41	General Administration	\$4,566,147	\$533
41	Publish Required Notices	\$37,013	\$4
41	Lobbying	\$1,495	\$0
	Total:	\$4,604,655	\$538
District Operations			
51	Plant Maintenance & Operations	\$16,301,726	\$1,904
52	Security and Monitoring	\$3,239,725	\$378
53	Data Processing	\$2,952,741	\$345
34	Student Transportation	\$4,535,539	\$530
35	Food Services	\$14,342,662	\$1,676
	Total:	\$41,372,393	\$4,833
Debt Service			
71	Debt Service	\$8,868,067	\$1,036
Other			
61	Community Service	\$163,704	\$19
81	Facilities Acquisition and Construction	\$0	\$0
91	Contracted Instructional Services Between Public schools	\$0	\$0
92	Incremental Cost Associated with Chapter 41 School Districts	\$0	\$0
93	Payments to Fiscal Agents for Shared Service Arrangements	\$0	\$0
97	Payments to Tax Increment Funds	\$0	\$0
99	Inter-government charges not Defined in Other codes	\$208,800	\$24
	Total:	\$372,504	\$44
	Grand Total:	\$136,206,383	

Difference	\$3,174,079
Percent Change	2.39%