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2025-2026
STATE OF NEBRASKA
SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET FORM

County-District #: 59-0005 **Class #: 3**

Battle Creek Public Schools

TO THE COUNTY BOARD AND COUNTY CLERK OF

Madison County

This budget is for the Period SEPTEMBER 1, 2025 through AUGUST 31, 2026

AMOUNT OF PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAX REQUIRED FOR:	Principal and Interest on Bonds	All Other Purposes	TOTAL
General Fund	$ -	$ 5,075,072.00	$ 5,075,072.00
Bond Fund(s) *[If More Than 1 Bond Fund - Total All Together]*	$ 792,929.00		$ 792,929.00
Special Building Fund	$ -	$ 450,000.00	$ 450,000.00
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund	$ -	$ -	$ -
Total All Funds	$ 792,929.00	$ 5,525,072.00	$ 6,318,001.00

Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness as of September 1, 2025
(Include Bond Fund(s) and Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund)

$ 9,815,000.00	Principal
$ 3,376,323.00	Interest
$ 13,191,323.00	**Total Outstanding Bonded Indebtedness**

Total Certified Valuation (All Counties) $ 918,220,017

*(Certification of Valuation(s) from County Assessor **MUST** be attached)*

Report of Joint Public Agency & Interlocal Agreements

Was this Subdivision involved in any Interlocal Agreements or Joint Public Agencies for the reporting period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025?

[X] YES [ ] NO

*If **YES**, Please submit Interlocal Agreement Report by September 30th.*

County Clerk's Use Only

Report of Trade Names, Corporate Names & Business Names

Did the subdivision operate under a separate Trade Name, Corporate Name, or other Business Name during the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025?

[ ] YES [X] NO

*If **YES**, Please submit Trade Name Report by September 30th.*

Has your School District held a successful election to override the levy limits provided in Statute 77-3442, which is in effect for 2024-2025 school fiscal year?

[ ] YES [X] NO

APA Contact Information

Auditor of Public Accounts
PO Box 98917
Lincoln, NE 68509

Telephone: (402) 471-2111 **FAX:** (402) 471-3301

Website: auditors.nebraska.gov

Questions - E-Mail: Jeff.Schreier@nebraska.gov

Submission Information

Budget Due by 9-30-2025

Submit budget to:

1. Auditor of Public Accounts -Electronically on Website or Mail
2. County Board (SEC. 13-508), C/O County Clerk
3. Nebraska Dept. of Education -Upload to NDE Portal only

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BUDGET STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATION OF TAX

County-District # 59-0005
Battle Creek Public Schools

2025-2026 BUDGET ADOPTED

	TOTAL BEGINNING BALANCE (Column 1)	TOTAL AVAILABLE RESOURCES BEFORE PROPERTY TAXES (Including Beginning Balances) (Column 2)	PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAXES (Column 3)	TOTAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE (Col 2 + Col 3) (Column 4)	TOTAL BUDGET OF DISBURSEMENTS & TRANSFERS - SPECIAL EDUCATION (Column 5)	TOTAL BUDGET OF DISBURSEMENTS & TRANSFERS - NON-SPECIAL EDUCATION (Column 6)	TOTAL BUDGET OF DISBURSEMENTS & TRANSFERS (Col 5 + Col 6) (Column 7)	NECESSARY CASH RESERVE (Column 8)	TOTAL REQUIREMENTS (Col 7 + Col 8) (Column 9)
General	2,974,399.00	5,976,106.00	5,024,321.00	11,000,427.00	1,052,000.00	8,301,431.00	9,353,431.00	1,646,996.00	11,000,427.00
Depreciation	710,167.00	723,000.00		723,000.00			723,000.00		723,000.00
Employee Benefit	41,022.00	41,022.00		41,022.00			41,022.00	-	41,022.00
Contingency	-	-		-			-		-
Activities	309,852.00	410,000.00		410,000.00			410,000.00	-	410,000.00
School Nutrition	114,888.00	597,027.00		597,027.00			597,027.00	-	597,027.00
Bond	291,976.00	302,026.00	785,000.00	1,087,026.00			1,000,000.00	87,026.00	1,087,026.00
Special Building	1,185,269.00	4,395,711.00	445,500.00	4,841,211.00			4,841,211.00		4,841,211.00
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking	-	-	-	-			-	-	-
Cooperative	-	-		-			-	-	-
Student Fee	48,795.00	48,995.00		48,995.00			48,995.00	-	48,995.00
				-					-
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	5,676,368.00	12,493,887.00	6,254,821.00	18,748,708.00	1,052,000.00	8,301,431.00	17,014,686.00	1,734,022.00	18,748,708.00

PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAX RECAP	General Fund	Bond Fund(s) [Total Of All Bond Funds]	Special Building Fund	Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund
PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAXES FROM COLUMN 3 (Line A)	5,024,321.00	785,000.00	445,500.00	-
COUNTY TREASURER'S COMMISSION 1% OF TAXES COLLECTED (Line B)	50,751.00	7,929.00	4,500.00	-
TOTAL PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAXES (Line A + Line B) (Line C)	5,075,072.00	792,929.00	450,000.00	-

CERTIFIED STATE AID	MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES
$ 1,673,337.00	$ 290,000.00

COUNTY TREASURER'S BALANCE, 9-1-2025			
379,908.00	91,900.00	185,269.00	-

BUDGET STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATION OF TAX

County-District # 59-0005
Battle Creek Public Schools

2025-2026 BUDGET ADOPTED

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General	2,974,399.00	5,976,106.00	5,024,321.00	11,000,427.00	1,052,000.00	8,301,431.00	9,353,431.00	1,646,996.00	11,000,427.00
Depreciation	710,167.00	723,000.00		723,000.00			723,000.00		723,000.00
Employee Benefit	41,022.00	41,022.00		41,022.00			41,022.00	-	41,022.00
Contingency	-	-		-			-		-
Activities	309,852.00	410,000.00		410,000.00			410,000.00	-	410,000.00
School Nutrition	114,888.00	597,027.00		597,027.00			597,027.00	-	597,027.00
Bond	291,976.00	302,026.00	785,000.00	1,087,026.00			1,000,000.00	87,026.00	1,087,026.00
Special Building	1,185,269.00	1,195,711.00	445,500.00	1,641,211.00			1,641,211.00		1,641,211.00
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking	-	-	-	-			-	-	-
Cooperative	-	-		-			-	-	-
Student Fee	48,795.00	48,995.00		48,995.00			48,995.00	-	48,995.00
				-					-
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	5,676,368.00	9,293,887.00	6,254,821.00	15,548,708.00	1,052,000.00	8,301,431.00	13,814,686.00	1,734,022.00	15,548,708.00

PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAX RECAP	General Fund	Bond Fund(s) [Total Of All Bond Funds]	Special Building Fund	Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund
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COUNTY TREASURER'S COMMISSION 1% OF TAXES COLLECTED (Line B)	50,751.00	7,929.00	4,500.00	-
TOTAL PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAXES (Line A + Line B) (Line C)	5,075,072.00	792,929.00	450,000.00	-

CERTIFIED STATE AID	MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES
$ 1,673,337.00	$ 290,000.00

COUNTY TREASURER'S BALANCE, 9-1-2025			
379,908.00	91,900.00	185,269.00	-

County-District # 59-0005

Battle Creek Public Schools

2024-2025 ACTUAL/ESTIMATED								
	TOTAL BEGINNING BALANCE (Column 1)	**TOTAL AVAILABLE RESOURCES BEFORE PROPERTY TAXES** (Including Beginning Balances) (Column 2)	**PERSONAL AND REAL PROPERTY TAXES** (Column 3)	**TOTAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE** (Col 2 + Col 3) (Column 4)	**TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS & TRANSFERS - SPECIAL EDUCATION** (Column 5)	**TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS & TRANSFERS - NON-SPECIAL EDUCATION** (Column 6)	**TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS & TRANSFERS** (Col 5 + Col 6) (Column 7)	**TOTAL ENDING BALANCE** (Col 4 - Col 7) (Column 8)
General	3,641,910.00	6,578,006.00	5,280,379.00	11,858,385.00	949,558.00	7,934,428.00	8,883,986.00	2,974,399.00
Depreciation	817,010.00	941,225.00		941,225.00			231,058.00	710,167.00
Employee Benefit	34,447.00	61,967.00		61,967.00			20,945.00	41,022.00
Contingency	-	-		-			-	-
Activities	323,521.00	653,502.00		653,502.00			343,650.00	309,852.00
School Nutrition	208,747.00	633,793.00		633,793.00			518,905.00	114,888.00
Bond	614,509.00	707,776.00	785,000.00	1,492,776.00			1,200,800.00	291,976.00
Special Building	1,384,822.00	1,513,215.00	138,652.00	1,651,867.00			466,598.00	1,185,269.00
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking	-	-	-	-			-	-
Cooperative	-	-		-			-	-
Student Fee	48,642.00	48,845.00		48,845.00			50.00	48,795.00
				-				-
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	7,073,608.00	11,138,329.00	6,204,031.00	17,342,360.00	949,558.00	7,934,428.00	11,665,992.00	5,676,368.00

NOTE: Total Disbursements and Transfers (Column 7) is the sum of Column 5 and Column 6 for the General Fund only. For all other funds, numbers will pull automatically from the Worksheet

MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES	
$	**295,135.00**

County-District # 59-0005

Battle Creek Public Schools

2023-2024 ACTUAL								
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General	2,973,485.00	6,539,006.00	4,369,478.00	10,908,484.00	705,402.00	6,561,172.00	7,266,574.00	3,641,910.00
Depreciation	987,978.00	1,024,930.00		1,024,930.00			207,920.00	817,010.00
Employee Benefit	30,606.00	57,255.00		57,255.00			22,808.00	34,447.00
Contingency	-	-		-			-	-
Activities	284,723.00	615,019.00		615,019.00			291,498.00	323,521.00
School Lunch	261,313.00	643,254.00		643,254.00			434,507.00	208,747.00
Bond	605,070.00	711,304.00	688,151.00	1,399,455.00			784,946.00	614,509.00
Special Building	5,672,387.00	5,810,162.00	225,127.00	6,035,289.00			4,650,467.00	1,384,822.00
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking	-	-	-	-			-	-
Cooperative	-	-		-			-	-
Student Fee	48,399.00	48,642.00		48,642.00			-	48,642.00
				-				-
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	$ 10,863,961.00	15,449,572.00	5,282,756.00	20,732,328.00	705,402.00	6,561,172.00	13,658,720.00	7,073,608.00

NOTE: Total Disbursements and Transfers (Column 7) is the sum of Column 5 and Column 6 for the General Fund only. For all other funds, numbers will pull automatically from the Worksheet

MOTOR VEHICLE TAXES	
$	315,614.00

CORRESPONDENCE INFORMATION

ENTITY OFFICIAL ADDRESS

If no official address, please provide address where correspondence should be sent

NAME	**Jason Luhr**
ADDRESS	**PO Box 100**
CITY & ZIP CODE	**Battle Creek 68715**
TELEPHONE	**402-675-6905**
WEBSITE	**www.battlecreekschools.net/**

	BOARD CHAIRPERSON	CLERK/TREASURER/SUPERINTENDENT/OTHER	PREPARER
NAME	Jeremy Pochop	Abbie Freudenburg	Jason Luhr
TITLE /FIRM NAME	Chairperson	Business Manager	Superintendent
TELEPHONE	402-750-1866	402-675-6905	402-675-6905
EMAIL ADDRESS		afruedenburg@bcpsne.info	jluhr@bcpsne.info

For Questions on this form, who should we contact (please √ one): Contact will be via email if supplied.

- [ ] Board Chairperson
- [ ] Clerk / Treasurer / Superintendent / Other
- [X] Preparer

Battle Creek Public Schools

2025-2026 ALLOWABLE GROWTH PERCENTAGE COMPUTATION FORM

CALCULATION OF ALLOWABLE GROWTH PERCENTAGE

Prior Year Non-Bond Property Tax Request (1) $ 5,381,389.00
*(Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required for All Other Purposes from **prior year** budget - Cover Page)*

Base Limitation Percentage Increase (2%) 2.00 % (2)

Real Growth Percentage Increase

5,668,705.00 (2025 Real Growth Value per Assessor) / 850,128,087.00 (Prior Year Total Real Property Valuation per Assessor) = 0.67 % (3)

Total Allowable Growth Percentage Increase (Line 2 + Line 3) (4) 2.67 %

Allowable Dollar Amount of Increase to Property Tax Request (Line 1 x Line 4) (5) $ 143,683.09

TOTAL PROPERTY TAX REQUEST (Line 1 + Line 5) (6) **$ 5,525,072.09**
(Without needing to attend Joint Public Hearing, or be included on postcard notification)

ACTUAL PROPERTY TAX REQUEST

2025-2026 ACTUAL Non-Bond Property Tax Request (7) $ 5,525,072.00
(Total Personal and Real Property Tax Required for All Other Purposes from Cover Page)

Property Tax Request is within allowable growth percentage. Political subdivision is NOT required to complete postcard notification requirements, or participate in the joint public hearing.

If line (7) is **greater than** line (6), your political subdivision **is required** to participate in the joint public hearing, and complete the postcard notification requirements of §77-1633. You must provide the required information to the County Assessor electronically by September 4th. You are not required to hold the Special Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request outlined in §77-1632. The joint public hearing is completed in lieu of this hearing.

If line (7) is **less than** line (6), your political subdivision **is not required** to participate in the joint public hearing, or complete the postcard notification requirements of §77-1633. You are required to hold the Special Hearing to Set the Final Tax Request outlined in §77-1632.

Battle Creek Public Schools

Schedule B - Levies

Levy Limit Compliance

NOTE: The Schedule portion below is to determine if the School District has met the levy limitations.

Line No.		General Fund (Column A)	Bond Funds (Column B)	Special Building Funds (Column C)	Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Funds (Column D)
1	Total Personal and Real Property Taxes -Cover Page	5,075,072.00	792,929.00	450,000.00	-
2	**Exclusions:**				
3	Bonded indebtedness secured by a levy on property (Includes Co. Treasurer Comm.)	-	792,929.00		-
4	Judgments not paid by liability insurance	-			
5					
6	Voluntary termination agreements with certificated Teachers 9/1/17 and after	-			
7					
8					
9					
10					
11					
12	**Total Exclusions (Line 3 + Line 11)**	-	792,929.00	-	-
13	Total Personal and Real Property Tax Requirement Subject to the Levy Limitation (Line 1 minus Line 12)	5,075,072.00	-	450,000.00	-
14	Assessed Valuation	918,220,017	918,220,017	918,220,017	918,220,017
15	Levy Subject to Limitation ((Line 13 / Line 14) x 100)	0.552708	0.000000	0.049008	0.000000
16	Total Levy for Compliance	0.601716			

Property Tax Request MUST also be within the School District's Property Tax Request Authority.

If the **total** levy on Line 16 is $1.05, or less, the levy limitation per State Statute Section 77-3442 has been met.

If Total of Line 16 is greater than $1.05 and you **did not** hold a successful election to override the levy, you are in violation of the levy lid. The school district **must reduce property taxes** to meet the levy limitation.

If Total of Line 16 is greater than $1.05 and you **held** a successful election to override the levy, which is in effect for the you must **attach a copy of the election ballot and the certified election returns** to your budget.

Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund levy. A district may only exceed the maximum levy of five and one-fifth cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation in any year if (i) the taxable valuation of the district is lower than the taxable valuation in the year in which the district last issued capital purpose undertaking bonds or (ii) such maximum levy is insufficient to meet the annual principal and interest obligations for all capital purpose undertaking bonds. Projects beginning after April 19, 2016 can only have a maximum levy of three cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation in any year. (Statute 79-10,110 & 79-10,110.02).

Special Building Fund levy. Limit on Building Fund levy of 14 cents (Statute 79-10,120)

REMINDER: School districts that have combined levies greater than $1.20 or the combined levies that exceeded the maximum levy approved at a special election may be subject to petitions for the free holding of territory. Combined levies do not include levies for bonded indebtedness approved by the voters of a school district or levies for the refinancing of such bonded indebtedness.

Voluntary Termination Exclusions

Line 6 Amount levied by school district at maximum levy to pay for current and future qualified voluntary termination incentives for certificated teachers pursuant to statute. Payments cannot exceed $35,000, must be paid within 5 years, will result in savings to the school, were not included in a collective bargaining agreement

Line 7 Amounts levied by school district at maximum levy to pay for 50% of the current and future sums agreed to be paid to certificated employees in exchange for voluntary termination between 9/1/18 to 8/31/19 as a result of collective bargaining agreement in force on 9/1/17

Levies Expected to be Set by County

NOTE: The Schedule portion below is to assist with the Levy setting process.

Fund	Property Taxes	Valuation	Expected Levy
General Fund	$ 5,075,072.00	$ 918,220,017	0.552708
Special Building Fund	$ 450,000.00	$ 918,220,017	0.049008
Bond Fund 22	$ 292,929.00	$ 728,013,713	0.040237
Bond Fund K-8	$ 165,000.00	$ 795,785,190	0.020734
Bond Fund 9-12	$ 335,000.00	$ 862,360,930	0.038847
QCPUF Fund	$ -	$ 918,220,017	0.000000
QCPUF Fund	$ -	$ 918,220,017	0.000000
	$ -	$ 918,220,017	0.000000
	$ -	$ 918,220,017	0.000000
	$ -	$ 918,220,017	0.000000
	$ -	$ 918,220,017	0.000000
	$ -	$ 918,220,017	0.000000
	$ -	$ 918,220,017	0.000000
Total	$ 6,318,001.00		$ 0.701534

Must agree to Cover

Superintendent Pay Transparency Notice—Proposed Contract (*Name of current or new superintendent)*

Notice is hereby given that Battle Creek Public Schools has approval of a proposed superintendent employment contract/contract amendment on its agenda for the board meeting to be held on February 10, 2025 at 6:00 PM at the Battle Creek High School Board Room in Battle Creek, Nebraska.

After the 2025/26 school year, how many years remain on the contract: (Column F must be completed if additional years remain on contract.)	1

The estimated costs to the district for the 2025/26 year and future years are listed below:

	2025/26 Base Pay, Additional Compensation & Benefits	**Future Base Pay, Additional Compensation & Benefits per Contract**	**TOTAL CONTRACT COST**
Base Pay for the Total FTE	$ 160,788.15	$ 160,788.15	**$ 321,576.30**
Compensation for activities outside of the regular salary:			
• *Extended contracts / Activities outside of regular salary*			$ -
• *Bonus/Incentive/Performance Pay*			$ -
• *Stipends*			$ -
• *All other costs not mentioned above*			**$ -**
Benefits and Payroll Costs Paid by district:			
• *Insurances (Health, Dental, Life, Long Term Disability)*	$ 30,280.44	$ 30,280.44	$ 60,560.88
• *Cafeteria Plan Stipend*			$ -
• *Cash in lieu of insurance*			$ -
• *Employee's share of retirement, deferred compensation, FICA and Medicare* ***if paid by the district***			$ -
• *District's share of retirement, FICA and Medicare*	$ 29,746.00	$ 29,746.00	$ 59,492.00
• *IRS value of housing allowance*			$ -
• *IRS value of vehicle allowance*			$ -
• *Additional leave days*			$ -
• *Annuities*			$ -
• *Service credit purchase*			$ -
• *Association / Membership dues*	$ 785.00	$ 785.00	$ 1,570.00
• *Cell Phone/Internet reimbursement*			$ -
• *Relocation reimbursement*			$ -
• *Travel allowance/reimbursement*			$ -
• *Mileage Allowance*			$ -
• *Educational tuition assistance*			$ -
• *All other benefit costs not mentioned above*			$ -
Totals:	**$ 221,599.59**	**$ 221,599.59**	**$ 443,199.18**

Schedule D

REPORT OF JOINT PUBLIC AGENCY AND INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS

REPORTING PERIOD JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025

Battle Creek Public Schools — SUBDIVISION NAME

Madison — COUNTY

Parties to Agreement (Column 1)	Agreement Period (Column 2)	Description (Column 3)
ESU 8	August 1, 2025 - July 31,2026	Special Education Services

CERTIFICATION OF TAXABLE VALUE FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS

TAX YEAR 2025

{certification required on or before August 20th of each year}

To: BATTLE CREEK SCHL DIST 5

TAXABLE VALUE LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF MADISON COUNTY, NE

Name of School District	Class of School	Base School Code	Unified / Learning Comm Code	School District Taxable Value	Real Growth Value *	School District Prior Year Total Property Valuation	Real Growth Percentage a
BATTLE CREEK 5	3	59-0005		$902,082,941	$5,668,705	$835,549,574	0.67844%
SPECIAL BLDG	3	59-0005		$902,082,941	$5,668,705	$835,549,574	0.67844%
CAPITAL PURPOSE UNDERTKG	3	59-0005		$902,082,941	$5,668,705	$835,549,574	0.67844%

* Real Growth Value is determined pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-1631 which includes (i) improvements to real property as a result of new construction and additions to existing buildings, (ii) any other improvements to real property which increase the value of such property, (iii) annexation of real property by the political subdivision, and (iv) a change in the use of real property, (v) any increase in personal property valuation over the prior year, and (vi) the accumulated excess valuation over the redevelopment project valuation described in section 18-2147 of the Community Redevelopment Law for redevelopment projects within the political subdivision in the year immediately after the division of taxes for such redevelopment project has ended.
a) Real Growth Percentage is determined pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-1631 and is equal to the school district's Real Growth Value divided by the school district's total property valuation from the prior year.

I , Jeff Hackerott, Madison County, NE County Assessor, hereby certify that the valuation listed herein is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the true and accurate taxable valuation for the current year, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-509.

(signature of county assessor)

08/18/2025
(date)

CC: County Clerk, Madison County, NE County

CC: County Clerk where school district is headquartered, if different county, Madison County, NE County

•Reminders to School District: 1) A copy of the Certification of Value must be attached to the budget document and 2) Property Tax Request excludes the amount of principal or interest on bonds issued or authorized to be issued by a school district. Laws 2023, LB727, § 49.

Guideline form provided by Nebraska Dept. of Revenue Property Assessment Division (July 2025)

CERTIFICATION OF TAXABLE VALUE FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDS

TAX YEAR 2025

{certification required on or before August 20th of each year}

To: BATTLE CREEK 5 BD K-8

TAXABLE VALUE LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF MADISON COUNTY, NE

Name of Base School District Bond	Specify appropriate description of grade level applicable to the bond, e.g. elementary, high sch 9-12, or K-12	Base School Code	School BOND Taxable Value
BATTLE CREEK 5 BD K-8	No HS	59-0005	$779,648,114

I , Jeff Hackerott, Madison County, NE County Assessor, hereby certify that the valuation listed herein is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the true and accurate taxable valuation for the current year, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-509.



(signature of county assessor)

08/18/2025

(date)

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TAX YEAR 2025

{certification required on or before August 20th of each year}

To: BC 5 BOND (9-12)

TAXABLE VALUE LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF MADISON COUNTY, NE

Name of Base School District Bond	Specify appropriate description of grade level applicable to the bond, e.g. elementary, high sch 9-12, or K-12	Base School Code	School BOND Taxable Value
BC AFF 5 BD 9-12	Incl. HS	59-0005	$846,223,854

I , Jeff Hackerott, Madison County, NE County Assessor, hereby certify that the valuation listed herein is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the true and accurate taxable valuation for the current year, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-509.

(signature of county assessor)

08/18/2025
(date)

CC: County Clerk, Madison County, NE County

CC: County Clerk where school district is headquartered, if different county, Madison County, NE County

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Guideline form provided by Nebraska Dept. of Revenue Property Assessment Division (July 2025)

CERTIFICATION OF TAXABLE VALUE FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDS

TAX YEAR 2025

{certification required on or before August 20th of each year}

To: BATTLE CREEK 5 BOND (2022)

TAXABLE VALUE LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF MADISON COUNTY, NE

Name of Base School District Bond	Specify appropriate description of grade level applicable to the bond, e.g. elementary, high sch 9-12, or K-12	Base School Code	School BOND Taxable Value
BATTLE CREEK 5 BOND (2022) *LB2*	Incl. HS	59-0005	$716,983,040

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CERTIFICATION OF TAXABLE VALUE FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS
TAX YEAR 2025

(certification required on or before August 20th of each year)

BATTLE CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

TO: BOX 190
BATTLE CREEK NE 68715-

TAXABLE VALUE LOCATED IN THE COUNTY OF PIERCE

Name of School District	Class of School	Base School Code	Unified/ Learning Comm. Code	School District Taxable Value	Real Growth Value *	School District Prior Year Total Property Valuation	Real Growth Percentage *
BATTLE CREEK 5	3	59-0005		16,137,076	0	14,578,513	0.00

** Real Growth Value is determined pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-1631 which includes (a) improvements to real property as a result of new construction and additions to existing buildings, (b) any other improvements to real property which increase the value of such property, (c) annexation of real property by the political subdivision, (d) a change in the use of real property, (e) any increase in personal property valuation over the prior year, and (f) the accumulated excess valuation over the redevelopment project valuation described in section 18-2147 of the Community Redevelopment Law for redevelopment projects within the political subdivision in the year immediately after the division of taxes for such redevelopment project has ended.*

** Real Growth Percentage is determined pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-1631 and is equal to the school district's Real Growth Value divided by the school district's total property valuation from the prior year.*

I JEAN M LUBKE, PIERCE County Assessor hereby certify that the valuation listed herein is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the true and accurate taxable valuation for the current year, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-509.

Jean M Lubke
(signature of county assessor)

Aug 14, 2025
(date)

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PIERCE COUNTY ASSESSOR

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Assessor's Use Only

254,810 Pers Prior
201,301 Pers Value
14,323,703 Real Prior
15,935,775 Real Value

CERTIFICATION OF TAXABLE VALUE FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDS
TAX YEAR 2025
(certification required on or before August 20th of each year)

BATTLE CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Jean M Lubke — *(signature of county assessor)*

Aug 14, 2025 — *(date)*

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Assessor's Use Only

254,810 Pers Prior
301,301 Pers Value

9,754,709 Real Prior
10,829,372 Real Value

Nebraska Political Subdivision Tax Request Act Form
(Joint Public Hearing Information)

Please complete and return this form to the Madison County Assessor

on or before September 4th via email at: assessor@madisoncountyne.gov

assessor@madiosncountyne.gov

This information is necessary to create the postcard needed for the Joint Public Hearing

Pursuant to Nebraska State Statute §77-1633

Political Subdivision Contact Information

Political Subdivision Name	509-0005 Battle Creek Public Schools
Contact Name	Jake Luhr, Superintendent
Contact Phone Number	402-675-6905
Contact Email	jluhr@bcpsne.info
County Where Subdivision is Headquartered	Madison
Location of Joint Public Hearing	Northeast Community College
Date of Hearing	16-Sep-25
Time of Hearing	6:00 PM
Phone Number for Publication and Postcard	402-675-6905

Valuation

Current Valuation	918,220,017
Prior Valuation	850,128,087

Taxation

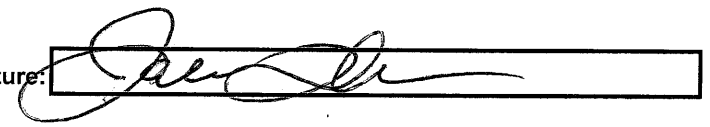
For schools, *DO Not include BONDS* in the prior and actual property tax request.	
Prior Year Property Tax Request (Line 1)	5,381,389
2025-2026 ACTUAL Property Tax Request (Line 7)	5,525,072

☒ **We ARE NOT required to participate in the joint public hearing**

☐ **We ARE required to participate in the joint public hearing**

Please provide your Levy Rate:	0.601716

(Do NOT include school bonds)

Signature:  **Date:** 9/4/2025

Date received by the Assessor _____

The above information is necessary to assist the County in the creation of postcards, websites, and publication notice.

Proof Of Publication

The State of Nebraska, }
Madison County, } ss.

Mary Stahl, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says that he is the Editor of The Battle Creek Enterprise, a legal newspaper of general circulation in said county, and that a Notice entitled,

Section 5 of 2023 Neb. Laws 243

a true copy of which, as printed in said paper, is hereto attached and made a part hereof, was published in said paper 1 consecutive weeks commencing on the 30 day of July 2025, and ending on the 30 day of July 2025, that said newspaper was published weekly in the City of Battle Creek within said county for more than 52 consecutive weeks immediately prior to the commencement of the publication of said notice and every week consecutively since that time; that during all of said times said newspaper had a bona fide circulation of more than 300 copies weekly and was printed wholly in the English Language and in whole or in part in office maintained by the Publishers at said place of publication. Affiant has personal knowledge of the facts stated herein.

Mary Stahl

Editor - Publisher.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of August 2025.

Terry W Smith

Notary Public.

GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska
TERRY W SMITH
My Comm. Exp. July 5, 2027

Public Notice

Battle Creek Public Schools

NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of Section 5 of 2023 Neb. Laws 243, that the Board of Education for Battle Creek Public Schools will meet on the 11th day of August, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at Battle Creek High School Board Room to discuss, consider and possibly vote to approve an increase to the school district's property tax request authority by an additional six percent above the base growth percentage.

July 30, 2025
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MINUTES BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT AUGUST 11, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on August 11th, 2025. This meeting was advertised in the August 6th edition of the Battle Creek Enterprise. President Jeremy Pochop called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Members present were Tammy Bierman, Tom Leathers, Bo Brummels, Toby Thompson and Paul Kuchar. Also present were Superintendent Jake Luhr, Principals Jeff Heimes and Curtis Childers and six visitors. The new open meeting law poster was discussed and posted and will be followed at every Board meeting. To start the Board meeting, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

TobyThompson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which included the August general fund bills that totaled $147,936.80. Bo Brummels seconded the motion. On roll call vote, the motion carried with six ayes.

Two patrons gave public comments to the board.

Mr. Luhr informed the Board with an update on the Daikin project. The Daikin representatives have requested a revision to the Project Development Agreement to increase the obligation amount to $40,000.00. Toby Thompson made a motion to approve the Daikin Project Development Agreement revision. Bo Brummels seconded the motion. On roll call vote, the motion was carried with four ayes and two nays.

Mr. Luhr presented to the Board information on LB 243 Property Tax Authority. Mr. Luhr recommended the Board approve access to the additional 6% of budget authority. Paul Kuchar made a motion to approve access to the additional 6% of budget authority. Toby Thompson seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried with six ayes.

Bo Brummels made a motion to approve Mr. Luhr as the CEO for spending federal, state and local funds for projects as needed for the 2025-26 school year. Paul Kuchar seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried with six ayes.

Mr. Luhr discussed the budget timeline for the 2025-26 budget. The Finance Committee will be meeting on Thursday, August 21st 2025 at 5:00pm. The Finance/Budget Committee members are Jeremy Pochop, Paul Kuchar and Tom Leathers.

Mr. Luhr presented to the Board a request to change the elementary calendar for September 2, 2025. Due to a K-2 and Special Education training, students PK-6 will have No School on Tuesday, September 2nd, 2025.Tammy Bierman made a motion to approve the elementary calendar change for No School grades PK-6 on Tuesday, September 2nd, 2025. Tom Leather seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried with six ayes.

Mr. Luhr postponed the discussion of Custodial Supplies for the 2025-26 school year until the September 2025 meeting.

Mr. Luhr recommended a transfer of $100,000.00 from the General fund to the Depreciation fund to close out the 2024-25 budget. Tammy Bierman made a motion to approve the transfer of $100,000.00 from the General fund to the Depreciation fund. Toby Thompson seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried with six ayes.

Mr. Luhr discussed the school district taking over the Hall of Fame bank account under our Activity fund. Toby Thompson made a motion to approve the Hall of Fame bank account to be managed under Battle Creek Public Schools' Activity fund. Tom Leathers seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried with six ayes.

Mr. Luhr discussed with the Board the disposal of old library books and phones. Bo Brummels made a motion to approve the disposal of old library books and phones. Paul Kuchar seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried with six ayes.

Comments were heard from the Principals and Superintendent.

With no further business, Board President Jeremy Pochop adjourned the meeting at 7:03 PM.

Submitted by



Jake Luhr, Secretary Board of Education

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Legislature enacted several measures this past legislative session, including LB 243, to adjust public school district revenue and finances; and,

WHEREAS, LB 243 generally limits a public school district's property tax request authority, subject to limited exceptions; and

WHEREAS, LB 243 includes an exception to generally allow a school district to otherwise exceed the default property tax request authority if at least seventy percent of the Board of Education votes in favor of the increased request; and

WHEREAS, a Board of Education of a school district with an average daily membership of more than four hundred seventy-one students but no more than three thousand forty-four students may increase its tax request by an additional six percent above the base growth percentage; and

WHEREAS, the average daily membership of Madison County School District Number 59-005, a/k/a Battle Creek Public Schools (the "School District") is more than four hundred seventy-one students but no more than three thousand forty-four students; and

WHEREAS, due to rising enrollment, student and staffing needs, and the need to maintain its budgetary obligations, the Board of Education of the School District hereby desires to increase its base growth percentage by an additional six percent or other maximum amount as permitted by law; and

WHEREAS, public notice of this possible increase was published in a legal newspaper of general circulation in the School District at least one week prior to this Board meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to Section 5 of 2023 Neb. Laws 243, at least seventy percent of the Board of Education of this School District affirmatively votes to increase to the School District's overall property tax request authority by an additional six percent above the base growth percentage, or other maximum amount as permitted by law. The Superintendent or designee is hereby authorized and directed to take any action consistent with this Resolution to ensure that the School District's overall property tax request complies with this Resolution.

The foregoing Resolution having been read in its entirety, Member Paul Kuchar moved for their passage and adoption. Member Toby Thompson seconded same. After discussion and on roll call vote the following members voted in favor of passage and adoption of the above Resolution: Bierman, Leathers, Brummels, Thompson, Kuchar, & Pochop

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The following members voted against the same: _____
_____.

The following members were absent or not voting: _____.

The above Resolution having been consented to by at least seventy percent of the Members of the Board of Education, it was declared as passed and adopted by the President at a duly held and lawfully convened meeting in full compliance with the Nebraska Open Meetings law.

DATED this 11th day of August, 2025.

BATTLE CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BY: _____
President

ATTEST:

_____
Secretary

Proof Of Publication

The State of Nebraska, Madison County, } ss.

Mary Stahl, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says that he is the Editor of The Battle Creek Enterprise, a legal newspaper of general circulation in said county, and that a Notice entitled, Notice of Budget Hearing & Budget Summary a true copy of which, as printed in said paper, is hereto attached and made a part hereof, was published in said paper 1 consecutive weeks commencing on the 3 day of September 2025, and ending on the 3 day of September 2025, that said newspaper was published weekly in the City of Battle Creek within said county for more than 52 consecutive weeks immediately prior to the commencement of the publication of said notice and every week consecutively since that time; that during all of said times said newspaper had a bona fide circulation of more than 300 copies weekly and was printed wholly in the English Language and in whole or in part in office maintained by the Publishers at said place of publication. Affiant has personal knowledge of the facts stated herein.

Mary Stahl

Editor - Publisher.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of September 2025.

Mitzi S. Bredehoft

Notary Public.

GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska
MITZI S. BREDEHOFT
My Comm. Exp. May 23, 2029

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY

Battle Creek Public Schools (59-0005) in Madison County, Nebraska

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Sections 13-501 to 13-513, that the governing body will meet on the 8th day of September, 2025 at 5:45PM, at Battle Creek High School Boardroom for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following proposed budget and to consider amendments relative thereto. The budget detail is available at the office of the Clerk/Secretary during regular business hours. For more information on statewide receipts and expenditures, and to compare cost per pupil and performance to other school districts, go to: https://nep.education.ne.gov

FUNDS	Actual Disbursements & Transfers 2023-2024 (1)	Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers 2024-2025 (2)	Budgeted Disbursements & Transfers 2025-2026 (3)	Necessary Cash Reserve (4)	Total Available Resources Before Property Taxes (5)	Total Personal and Real Property Tax Requirement (7)
General	$ 7,266,574.00	$ 8,883,986.00	$ 9,353,431.00	$ 1,646,996.00	$ 5,976,106.00	$ 5,075,072.0
Depreciation	$ 207,920.00	$ 231,058.00	$ 723,000.00		$ 723,000.00	
Employee Benefit	$ 22,808.00	$ 20,945.00	$ 41,022.00	$ -	$ 41,022.00	
Contingency	$ -	$ -	$ -		$ -	
Activities	$ 291,498.00	$ 343,650.00	$ 410,000.00	$ -	$ 410,000.00	
School Nutrition	$ 434,507.00	$ 518,905.00	$ 597,027.00	$ -	$ 597,027.00	
Bond	$ 784,946.00	$ 1,200,800.00	$ 1,000,000.00	$ 87,026.00	$ 302,026.00	$ 792,929.0
Special Building	$ 4,650,467.00	$ 466,598.00	$ 1,641,211.00		$ 1,195,711.00	$ 450,000.0
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Cooperative	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	
Student Fee	$ -	$ 50.00	$ 48,995.00	$ -	$ 48,995.00	
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TOTALS	$ 13,658,720.00	$ 11,665,992.00	$ 13,814,686.00	$ 1,734,022.00	$ 9,293,887.00	$ 6,318,001.0

	Bond Purposes	Non-Bond Purposes	Total
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25-26 TAR Request Hearing

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Notary Public.

GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska
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My Comm. Exp. July 5, 2027

Notice of Special Hearing To Set Final Tax Request

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	2024-2025	2025-2026	Change
Property Valuations	850,128,087	918,220,017	8%

	2024-2025 Budget Information				2025-2026 Budget Information				
Fund	2024-2025 Operating Budget	2024-2025 Property Tax Request	2024 Tax Rate	Property Tax Rate (2024-2025 Request Divided By 2025 Valuation)	2025-2026 Operating Budget	2025-2026 Proposed Property Tax Request	Proposed 2025 Tax Rate	Change in Tax Rate	Change in Operating Budget
General Fund	9,098,662.00	5,280,379.00	0.621127	0.575067	9,353,431.00	5,075,072.00	0.552708	-11%	3%
Bond Fund(s) 22	295,000.00	292,929.00	0.043640	0.040237	295,000.00	292,929.00	0.040237	-8%	0%
Bond Fund(s) K - 8	199,650.00	165,000.00	0.022411	0.020734	199,650.00	165,000.00	0.020734	-7%	0%
Bond Fund(s) 9 - 12	405,350.00	335,000.00	0.041946	0.038847	405,350.00	335,000.00	0.038847	-7%	0%
Bond Fund			0.000000	0.000000			0.000000		0
Special Building Fund	1,663,837.00	101,010.00	0.011882	0.011001	1,641,211.00	450,000.00	0.049008	312%	-1%
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund K - 12			0.000000	0.000000			0.000000		0
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund K - 8			0.000000	0.000000			0.000000		0
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund 9 - 12			0.000000	0.000000			0.000000		0
Total	11,662,499.00	6,174,318.00	0.741006	0.685886	11,894,642.00	6,318,001.00	0.701534	-5%	2%

September 3, 2025
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Property Valuations	850,128,087	918,220,017	8%

	2024-2025 Budget Information				***2025-2026 Budget Information***				
Fund	2024-2025 Operating Budget	2024-2025 Property Tax Request	2024 Tax Rate	Property Tax Rate (2024-2025 Request **Divided By** 2025 Valuation)	2025-2026 Operating Budget	2025-2026 Proposed Property Tax Request	Proposed 2025 Tax Rate	Change in Tax Rate	Change in Operating Budget
General Fund	9,098,662.00	5,280,379.00	0.621127	0.575067	9,353,431.00	5,075,072.00	0.552708	-11%	3%
Bond Fund(s) 22	295,000.00	292,929.00	0.043640	0.040237	295,000.00	292,929.00	0.040237	-8%	0%
Bond Fund(s) K - 8	199,650.00	165,000.00	0.022411	0.020734	199,650.00	165,000.00	0.020734	-7%	0%
Bond Fund(s) 9 - 12	405,350.00	335,000.00	0.041946	0.038847	405,350.00	335,000.00	0.038847	-7%	0%
Bond Fund _____			0.000000	0.000000			0.000000		0
Special Building Fund	1,663,837.00	101,010.00	0.011882	0.011001	1,641,211.00	450,000.00	0.049008	312%	-1%
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund K - 12	-	-	0.000000	0.000000	-	-	0.000000		0
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund K - 8			0.000000	0.000000			0.000000		0
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund 9 - 12			0.000000	0.000000			0.000000		0
Total	11,662,499.00	6,174,318.00	0.741006	0.685886	11,894,642.00	6,318,001.00	0.701534	-5%	2%

RESOLUTION SETTING THE PROPERTY TAX REQUEST

RESOLUTION NO. 2526

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that the Governing Body of Battle Creek Public Schools passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of Battle Creek Public Schools resolves that:

1. The 2025-2026 property tax request be set at:

General Fund:	$	5,075,072.00
Bond Fund:	$	792,929.00
Special Building Fund:	$	450,000.00
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund:	$	-

2. The total assessed value of property differs from last year's total assessed value by 8.01 percent.

3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property would be 0.685886 per $100 of assessed value.

4. Battle Creek Public Schools proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be 0.701534 per $100 of assessed value.

5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of Battle Creek Public Schools will increase (decrease) last year's budget by 0.74 percent.

6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2025.

Motion by T. Leather, seconded by P. Kuchar to adopt Resolution # 2526.

Voting yes were:	Voting no were:
T. Leathers	
T. Bierman	
B. Brummels	
J. Pochop	
T. Thompson	
P. Kuchar	

Dated this 8 day of September 2025

President Jeremy Pochop called the Annual Budget Hearing to order on Monday, September 8th at 5:45 P.M. to review and discuss the 2025-26 fiscal year budget for Battle Creek Public Schools. This hearing was advertised in the September 3rd edition of the Battle Creek Enterprise. Members present were Toby Thompson, Paul Kuchar, Tom Leathers, Tammy Bierman and Bo Brummels. Also present were Superintendent Jake Luhr, Principals Jeff Heimes and Curtis Childers and a visitor. Superintendent Luhr presented an overview of the 2025-26 budget. No comments were made by the public. President Pochop closed the public hearing at 5:48 P.M.

President Jeremy Pochop called the Special Tax Request Hearing to order on Monday, September 8 at 5:48 P.M. to review and discuss the proposed tax requests for the 2025-26 fiscal year. This hearing was advertised in the September 3rd edition of the Battle Creek Enterprise. Members present were Toby Thompson, Paul Kuchar, Tom Leathers, Tammy Bierman and Bo Brummels. Also present were Superintendent Jake Luhr, Principals Jeff Heimes and Curtis Childers and a visitor. Superintendent Luhr presented an overview of the dollars that are being requested for the school's general fund, bond fund and special building fund. No comments were made by the public. President Pochop closed the public hearing at 5:53 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on September 8, 2025. This meeting was advertised in the September 3rd edition of the Battle Creek Enterprise. President Jeremy Pochop called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Members present were Tammy Bierman, Tom Leathers, Bo Brummels, Toby Thompson and Paul Kuchar. Also present were Superintendent Jake Luhr, Principals Jeff Heimes and Curtis Childers and two visitors. The new open meeting law poster was discussed and posted and will be followed at every Board meeting. To start the Board meeting, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Bo Brummels made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which included the September general fund bills that totaled $244,955.80. Toby Thompson seconded the motion. On roll call vote, the motion carried with six ayes.

Mr. Luhr informed the Board with an update on the Daikin project. The Daikin representatives plan to attend the October meeting to present a scope of work and associated costs.

Toby Thompson made a motion to approve the proposed 2025-26 budget for Madison County School District #5, Battle Creek Public Schools, as published in the September 3rd edition of the Battle Creek Enterprise, which includes a General Fund Budget of $9,353,431; a Depreciation Fund budget of $723,000; an Employee Benefit Fund of $41,022; and Activities Fund budget of $410,000; a School Nutrition Fund budget of $597,027; a Bond Fund budget of $1,000,000; a Special Building Fund budget of $1,641,211; and a Student Fee Fund budget of $48,995. Tom Leathers seconded the motion. On a roll call vote, the motion carried with six ayes.

President Jeremy Pochop read the Property Tax Request Resolution No. 2526. Tom Leathers made a motion to approve the 2025-26 Tax Request Resolution No. 2526 for the General Fund in the amount of $5,075,072, the Bond Fund in the amount of $792,929, and the Special Building Fund in the amount of $450,000. Paul Kuchar seconded the motion. On roll call vote, the motion carried with six ayes.

Mr. Luhr discussed with the Board an invoice from ALICAP insurance for coverage for the 2025-26 school year in the amount of $146,718. This invoice was included in the September claims and approved in the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Luhr presented to the Board a purchase order for custodial supplies/paper products for the 2025-26 school year. The total cost is $21,016.62. Paul Kuchar made a motion to approve the purchase order for custodial supplies in the amount of $21,016.62. Bo Brummels seconded the motion. On roll call vote, the motion carried with five ayes. Toby Thompson abstained.

Mr. Luhr presented to the Board information to request a RFP for vendor bidding to purchase new elementary desks. Tammy Bierman made a motion to approve publication of a RFP for vendor bidding to purchase new elementary desks. Bo Brummels seconded the motion. On roll call vote, the motion carried with six ayes.

Mr. Luhr presented information from Mr. Billy O'Brien and the FFA program to purchase a yearling angus breeding heifer. Toby Thompson made a motion to approve the use of FFA funds for the purchase of a yearling angus for up to $12,000.00. Tammy Bierman seconded the motion. On roll call vote, the motion carried with six ayes.

Mr. Luhr presented to the Board a letter from the BCEA to be recognized as the exclusive bargaining agent for the 2027-28 contract year. Paul Kuchar made a motion to approve the BCEA to be the exclusive bargaining agent for the 2027-28 contract year. Tom Leathers seconded the motion. On roll call vote, the motion carried with six ayes.

Comments were heard from the Principals and Superintendent.

With no further business, Board President Jeremy Pochop adjourned the meeting at 6:40 PM.

Submitted by,

Jake Luhr, Secretary Board of Education

District Number: 59-0005-000
District Name: BATTLE CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOLS
District Phone: (402)675-6905

Instructions (https://www.education.ne.gov/fos/budgeting-school-district/)

Checklist

2025/26 Section A: Calculation of Total Allowable Budget Authority		
Certified Budget Authority	A-101	8,301,431
Access to Prior Year's Unused Budget Authority [Maximum Amount: $0]	A-355	0
Total Adjusted Budget Authority	A-361	8,301,431
Total Allowable Budget Authority	A-780	8,301,431

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2025/26 Section B: General Fund Budget of Disbursements & Transfers and Unused Budget Authority		
2025/26 General Fund Budget of Disbursements & Transfers	B-100	9,353,431
2025/26 Special Grant Funds List	B-110	0
2025/26 Special Education Budget of Disbursements & Transfers	B-120	1,052,000
2025/26 General Fund Lid Exclusions	B-130	0
Total Adjusted General Fund Budget of Disbursements & Transfers	B-140	8,301,431
2025/26 Unused Budget Authority	B-150	0

Total Unused Budget Authority		
2024/25 Total Unused Budget Authority	B-160	0
2025/26 General Fund Expenditure Growth	B-162	0
Adjusted Unused Budget Authority	B-165	0

2025/26 Unused Budget Authority	B-170	0
Total Unused Budget Authority (Carries forward into future school fiscal years)	B-175	0

Additional Budget Authority Approved by Patron

Did you hold a successful special election for additional **BUDGET** Authority? (Not a levy override)	B-180	○Yes ◉No

2025/26 Section C: Allowable Reserves and Total Reserves

2025/26 Applicable Allowable Reserve Percentage	C-170	35.00
2025/26 Total Allowable Reserves	C-180	3,273,701
2025/26 General Fund Necessary Cash Reserve	C-300	1,646,996
2025/26 Depreciation Fund Total Requirements	C-310	723,000
2025/26 Employee Benefit Fund Necessary Cash Reserve	C-320	0
Total Reserves	C-340	2,369,996

Levy Override Approved by Patron

Did you hold a successful election of your patrons for a levy override that applies to the current year?	B-400	○Yes ◉No

Certified Assessed Valuation	B-490	918,220,017

2025/26 Section D: Property Tax Request Authority

2025/26 Property Tax Request Authority	D-110	6,101,792
Did 70% of the School Board approve to exceed the Certified Property Tax Request Authority?	D-120	◉Yes ○No
Maximum Amount Allowed:	D-130	482,810
Enter the amount approved by the School Board.	D-140	482,810
Was a successful election of the patrons held to exceed the Property Tax Request Authority?	D-150	○Yes ◉No
Additional Property Tax Authority due to successful levy override (Calculation of B-420 multiplied by Certified Assessed Valuation listed above)	D-170	0
Total Property Tax Authority Allowed	D-180	6,584,602
2025/26 Property Tax Request General Fund	D-210	5,075,072
2025/26 Property Tax Request Special Building Fund	D-220	450,000
2025/26 Total Property Tax Request	D-230	5,525,072
2025/26 Unused Property Tax Request Authority	D-240	1,059,530
Total Property Tax reduced as a result of increased SPED & Foundation Aid.	D-310	781,042

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District Number: 59-0005-000
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District Phone: (402)675-6905

Special Grant Fund List

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Total Special Grant Funds	3.00	0

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*** Items denoted with a * must be approved by the State Board of Education. Email your request for approval of these items to:**
Kelsey Larsen at kelsey.larsen@nebraska.gov (mailto:kelsey.larsen@nebraska.gov)

Grant Description	Line	Amount
ACE/Cultural Connections	1.11	0
Adult Education - English Literacy/Civics Grants (WIOA Title II)	1.115	0
Adult Education & Family Literacy Act Grants (WIOA Title II)	1.12	0
Adult Education Volunteer Coordination Program (AEFLA)	1.125	0
Annenberg Foundation Grants (Rural Challenge)	1.13	0
ARP-HCY I & II	1.135	0
Artist-in-Schools/Communities Grants	1.14	0
Beyond School Bells Grant	1.145	0
Building Safe and Responsive Schools Grants	1.15	0
Career and Technical Education Grants (Carl Perkins)	1.155	0
Career and Technical Eduation Grants (State)	1.157	0
Career Pathway Advancement Project (CPAP)	1.16	0
Century Link/NETA Grants	1.165	0
Child Care & Development Fund	1.17	0
Clean School Bus FY22-26	1.175	0
Community 4 Kids Grant	1.18	0
Community Incentive Grants	1.185	0
Comprehensive Literacy State Development Grant (CLSD)	1.187	0
Department of Justice STOP Violence Grant	1.19	0
Distance Learning Grants (Federal)	1.195	0
Early Childhood Education Endowment Program Ages Birth-3 (Sixpence) Grants	1.2	0
Early Childhood Education Program Ages 3-5 Grants	1.205	0
Early Intervention Act and IDEA Part C (Infants/Toddlers with Disabilities) Grants	1.21	0

Education Improvement Fund Grants (includes Distance Education Incentive Grants, Expanded Learning Opportunity Grants and Innovation Grants)	1.215	0
EducationQuest Foundation Community Grants	1.22	0
ESEA Title I Grants (includes Accountability, Support for Improvement, Disadvantaged, Migrant Education, and Neglected or Delinquent)	1.225	0
ESEA Title II Part A - Support Effective Instruction (Principal and Teacher Training and Recruiting/Class Size Reduction)	1.23	0
ESEA Title III Grants - Immigrant Education Grants	1.235	0
ESEA Title III Grants – Language Instruction for English Learners	1.24	0
ESEA Title IV Part A - Student Support & Academic Enrichment Grants	1.245	0
ESEA Title IV Part B - 21st Century Community Learning Center Grants	1.25	0
ESEA Title VI Grants - Rural and Low-Income (Rural Education Achievement Program (REAP) Grants)	1.255	0
ESEA Title VII Grants - Indian, Native Hawaiian, and Alaska Native Education	1.26	0
ESEA Title IX – McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act Grants	1.265	0
ESSERS III - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (CARES, CRRSA, ARP)	1.27	0
Forest Service Grants (Conservation Education)	1.275	0
Great Plains Communications Grants (Commitment to the Schools)	1.285	0
Head Start Grants	1.29	0
High Ability Learner Incentive Grants (Gifted)	1.295	0
High School Equivalency Assistance Act Grants (AEFLA)	1.3	0
IDEA Part B 611 & Sec 619 Flow-Through Grants (includes Base, Enrollment/Poverty, CEIS, CCEIS, and Proportionate)	1.305	0
Idea Part C - Planning Region Team	1.307	0

IDEA Special Education Discretionary Grants/Cooperative Agreements (including State Improvement Grants (SpDG/PBIS), Deaf-Blind Grants, Part B Sec 611 & Sec 619 State Set-Aside Grants/Cooperative Agreements, other Office of Special Education Program (OSEP) Grants/Cooperative Agreements, and Teacher Retention)	1.31	0
Immigrant Impact Education Grants	1.315	0
Improving Health & Education Outcomes for Young People	1.32	0
Indian Education Grants	1.325	0
Individuals with Disabilities Education Act/American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP)	1.33	0
Innovation in Education Program Grants (includes funds from USDE)	1.335	0
Johnson-O'Malley Grants	1.34	0
JROTC	1.345	0
Kiewit Foundation Grants	1.35	0
Magnet School Grants	1.355	0
Medicaid Administrative Activities in Public Schools (MAAPS)	1.36	0
Medicaid in Public Schools (MIPS)	1.365	0
Mentoring for Success Grants	1.37	0
National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	1.38	0
National Science Foundation Grants	1.385	0
NDEQ	1.39	0
NE Emerging Technologies Initiative-Pathways to STEM grant	1.395	0
NE Improving Student Health	1.4	0
NE Improving Student Health (CARES Act)	1.405	0
NE Youth Suicide Prevention 21	1.41	0
Nebraska Arts Council Grants	1.415	0

Nebraska Community Foundation/TeamMates Grants	1.42	0
Nebraska Environmental Trust Grants	1.425	0
Nebraska Game & Parks Commission Grants (Conservation Education, Outdoor Classroom)	1.43	0
Nebraska Grant for School Emergency Management	1.435	0
Nebraska Humanities Grants	1.44	0
Nebraska Natural Resources Commission Grants	1.445	0
Nebraska STOP School Violence Prevention Training Program	1.45	0
Nebraska STOP School Violence Threat Assessment Program	1.455	0
Preschool Development Grant (PDG)	1.46	0
Project AWARE (Advancing Wellness & Resiliency in Education)	1.465	0
Refugee School Impact Grant	1.47	0
reVISION Action Grant	1.475	0
Safe Routes to Schools Grant	1.485	0
Save the Children Grant	1.49	0
School Climate Transformation Grant	1.495	0
School Health Program Grants	1.497	0
School Safety & Security Act	1.5	0
Smaller Learning Communities Program Grants	1.505	0
Statewide Longitudinal Data System	1.52	0
Stronger Connections Bipartisan Safer Community Grant	1.523	0
Summer Food Service Program	1.525	0
Supplemental Nutrition (CRRSA & ARP?)	1.53	0
Teaching American History (TAH) Grants	1.535	0
Technology Information Infrastructure Assistance Program Grants (U.S. Department of Commerce)	1.54	0

Textbook Loan Grants (Rule 4)	1.545	0
USDA Nutrition Service Grants	1.55	0
Vocational Rehabilitation Grants	1.555	0
Waste Reduction and Recycling Grant	1.557	0
Young Adult Tobacco Prevention	1.56	0

Exclusions listed below require State Board approval

Grant Description	Line	Amount
*Insurance Settlements	1.565	0
*Interfund Loans	1.57	0
*Reimbursements for Wards of the Court	1.575	0
*Short-Term Borrowings	1.58	0
*Special Supplementary Grants from City or County Governments	1.585	0
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*Special Supplementary Grants from Corporations, Foundations, or Other Private Interests	1.595	0
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County-District #:	59-0005	
Name of School:	Battle Creek Public Schools	
Name of County:	Madison	*Do not include the word "County"*
Class:	3	
Current School District Taxable Value	918,220,017	*From County Assessor Certifi*
Prior School District Taxable Value	850,128,087	*From Prior Year Budget, Cove*
Prior Year TOTAL Property Tax Request	6,174,318.00	*From Prior Year Budget, Cove*
Prior Year Property Tax Request - All Other Purposes ONLY	5,381,389.00	*From Prior Year Budget, Cove*
Prior Year Levy Rate	0.741006	*Prior Year total levy set by Cc*
School District Real Growth Value	5,668,705.00	*From County Assessor Certifi*
School District Prior Year Total Real Property Valuation	850,128,087.00	*From County Assessor Certifi*
Hearing Held On:		
Day of month:	8th	
Month:	September	
Year:	2025	
Time:	5:45	
A.M. or P.M.:	PM	
Location of Hearing:	Battle Creek High School Boardroom	
Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request Held On:		
Day of month:	8th	
Month:	September	
Year:	2025	
Time:	immediately following the Budget Hearing	
A.M. or P.M.:		
Location of Hearing:	Battle Creek High School Boardroom	

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING TO AMEND BUILDING FUND BUDGET

Battle Creek Public Schools (59-0005) in Madison County, Nebraska

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Section 13-511, that the governing body will meet on the 8th day of June at 6:00 pm at the Battle Creek Elementary School library for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, suggestions, or observations of taxpayers relating to the amending the special building fund budget which was originally adopted on the 8th day of September 2025. Due to the acceptance of a lease purchase agreement for financing a HVAC project for the district, the building fund budget needs to be increased by $3,200,000. The original special building fund budget was $1,641,211. The amended budget will be $4,841,211. The amended budget WILL NOT affect the approved tax rate for the special building fund for the 2025-26 budget.

FUNDS	Actual Disbursements & Transfers 2023-2024 (1)	Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers 2024-2025 (2)	Budgeted Disbursements & Transfers 2025-2026 (3)	Necessary Cash Reserve (4)	Total Available Resources Before Property Taxes (5)	Total Personal and Real Property Tax Requirement (7)
General	$ 7,266,574.00	$ 8,883,986.00	$ 9,353,431.00	$ 1,646,996.00	$ 5,976,106.00	$ 5,075,072.00
Depreciation	$ 207,920.00	$ 231,058.00	$ 723,000.00		$ 723,000.00	
Employee Benefit	$ 22,808.00	$ 20,945.00	$ 41,022.00	$ -	$ 41,022.00	
Contingency	$ -	$ -	$ -		$ -	
Activities	$ 291,498.00	$ 343,650.00	$ 410,000.00	$ -	$ 410,000.00	
School Nutrition	$ 434,507.00	$ 518,905.00	$ 597,027.00	$ -	$ 597,027.00	
Bond	$ 784,946.00	$ 1,200,800.00	$ 1,000,000.00	$ 87,026.00	$ 302,026.00	$ 792,929.00
Special Building	$ 4,650,467.00	$ 466,598.00	$ 4,841,211.00		$ 4,395,711.00	$ 450,000.00
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Cooperative	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	
Student Fee	$ -	$ 50.00	$ 48,995.00	$ -	$ 48,995.00	
	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -	
TOTALS	$ 13,658,720.00	$ 11,665,992.00	$ 17,014,686.00	$ 1,734,022.00	$ 12,493,887.00	$ 6,318,001.00

	Bond Purposes	Non-Bond Purposes	Total
Breakdown of Property Tax	$ 792,929.00	$ 5,525,072.00	$ 6,318,001.00

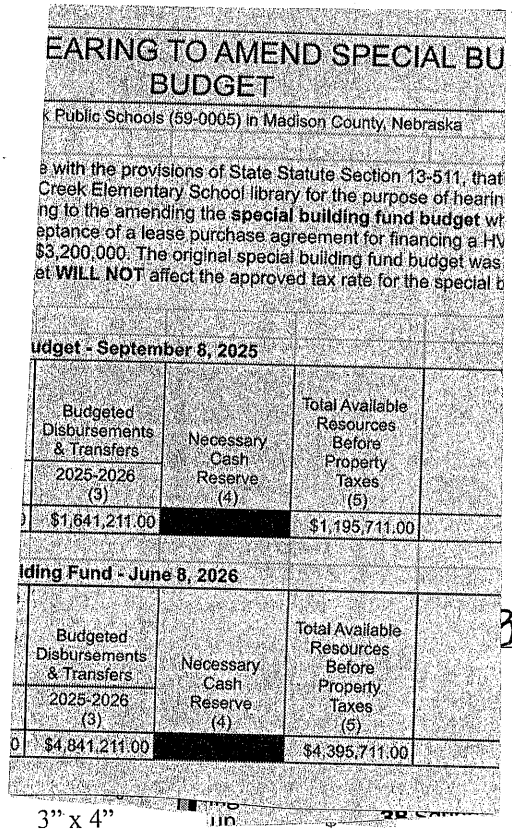
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Budgeted Disbursements & Transfers 2025-2026 (3)	Necessary Cash Reserve (4)	Total Available Resources Before Property Taxes (5)	
$1,641,211.00		$1,195,711.00	

lding Fund - June 8, 2026

Budgeted Disbursements & Transfers 2025-2026 (3)	Necessary Cash Reserve (4)	Total Available Resources Before Property Taxes (5)	
$4,841,211.00		$4,395,711.00	

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Debbie Warneke

3rd day of June, 2026

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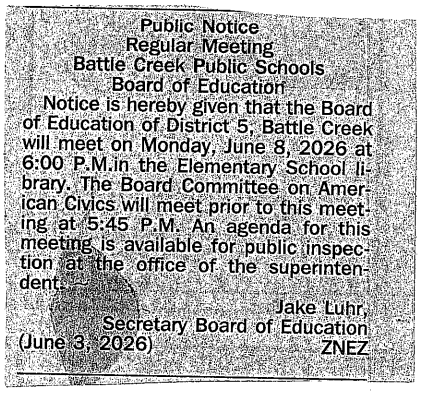
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Public Notice
Regular Meeting
Battle Creek Public Schools
Board of Education
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Jake Luhr,
Secretary Board of Education
(June 3, 2026) ZNEZ

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BOARD AGENDA
Battle Creek Board of Education
June 8 , 2026

5:45 P.M. Board Committee on American Civics - Elementary School Library

6:00 P.M. Regular Meeting of the Battle Creek Board of Education
Battle Creek Elementary School Library

1. Call the meeting to order and verify publication in the June 3rd edition of the Battle Creek Enterprise, Announce Location of Open Meetings Poster, Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Consent Agenda - Routine Information
    a. Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)
    b. Activity Report
    c. Treasurer's Report
    d. June Claims
3. Public Forum - Visitors
    a. Visitors who wish to make comments to the Board are permitted to do so at this time with the following stipulations: 3 minute time limit & comments should pertain to a current agenda item
4. Old Business/Updates
    a. Daikin Update
5. Discussion/Action Items
    a. Public Hearing for Building Fund Budget Amendment
    b. Building Fund Budget Amendment Approval
    c. Public Hearing for Parental Involvement Policy 6400 & 6410
    d. Policy Updates from Perry Law
    e. Wellness Policy Review - 5417
6. Reports
    a. Principals
    b. Superintendent
7. Next Meeting - July 13, 2026 at 6:00 PM
    a. Future Agenda Items
8. Adjournment

AdjournmentAn updated agenda may be viewed in the Superintendent's office prior to the time of the meeting. This meeting is open to the public. - Jake Luhr, Secretary Board of Education

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Daikin had a representative who updated the Board on the status and progress of the project.

A Public Hearing was held for amending the special building fund budget. The amendment increases the special building fund budget from $1,195,711 to $4,395,711 for the 25-26 budget. No public comments were heard. The Public Hearing was closed.

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The Board reviewed Policy 5417 Wellness Policy with no recommended changes to the existing policy.

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With no further business, Board President Jeremy Pochop adjourned the meeting at 6:54 P.M.

Submitted by,
Jake Luhr,
Secretary Board
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