

## BOARD OF EDUCATION TRUTH IN TAXATION MEETING Minutes

Tuesday, August 5, 2025, at 6:00 PM

Tooele High School Auditorium, 301 W. Vine Street, Tooele, UT 84074

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED AT THE AUGUST 12, 2025 BOARD MEETING

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### 1. Truth in Taxation Hearing, 6:00 pm

#### 1.1 Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members Present: Melissa Rich, Robert Gowans, Elizabeth Smith, Todd Thompson, ValaRee Shields, Emily Syphus, Scott Bryan

Administration Present: Dr. Mark Ernst, Superintendent, Lark Reynolds, Business Administrator

Board President Melissa Rich called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm, beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 1.2 Presentation

11 - 20

Lark Reynolds, Business Administrator, shared a brief presentation regarding Truth in Taxation.

[TNT Hearing Presentation 8.5.25-final.pdf](#) 

Motion to move into Public Hearing

11 - 20

*Moved by:* Robert Gowans

*Seconded by:* Todd Thompson

**Yea**

Melissa Rich, Robert Gowans, ValaRee Shields,


**2. Budget Public Hearing (Limited to three minutes per individual. To speak, sign up at the clerk's desk prior to the start of the open forum)**


2.1 Public Comment (Individuals will receive three minutes for comment). 21 - 171

The Board of Education received attached written public comments prior to the meeting, with an additional 86 comments submitted in person and online during the public hearing. The overwhelming majority of these comments expressed opposition to the proposed tax increase, particularly in light of concerns raised by the recent audit conducted by the Legislative Auditor General (OLAG).


Constituents voiced apprehension about the District requesting additional funding while they still had many questions regarding financial oversight and accountability. Many comments reflected disappointment in the audit findings and emphasized the need for the District to demonstrate greater transparency, improved communication, and a commitment to rebuilding public trust.


[Public Comment - Truth in Taxation Hearing - August 5, 2025 - Sheet1.pdf](#) 

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Motion to close the public hearing

21 - 171

*Moved by:* Scott Bryan

*Seconded by:* Robert Gowans

**Yea** Melissa Rich, Robert Gowans, ValaRee Shields,  
Elizabeth Smith, Emily Syphus, Todd  
Thompson, and Scott Bryan

**Motion Carries 7-0**

### **3. Action Items**

3.1 Resolution Adopting Final Tax Rates and Budgets

3.2 Adoption of the FY26 Budget

172 - 180

Board members discussed the proposed tax increase, recent audit findings, and the importance of accountability, transparency, and fiscal responsibility.

**Board Member Todd Thompson** emphasized the need for increased accountability across the District, highlighting areas such as key performance indicators, student achievement, policy compliance, and internal culture. He expressed concern about the sustainability of the current budget without meaningful cost-saving efforts and recommended the creation of a cost savings committee. He stated that any tax increase must include clear accountability measures and a commitment to improved efficiency.

**Board Member Scott Bryan** clarified that recent budget increases have been primarily allocated to staff compensation, particularly for teachers. He made a motion to adopt the budget with the proposed tax increase, which was seconded by Board Member Emily Syphus. The motion was subsequently amended to include the formation of a cost savings committee tasked with identifying potential efficiencies and reporting back to the Board.

**Board Member Emily Syphus** shared that she had met with auditors to develop a deeper understanding of the audit findings. She also raised concerns specific to kindergarten teachers and expressed a desire to ensure the Board is making informed decisions based on operational realities.

**Board Member Elizabeth Smith** noted that she had been

actively meeting with constituents and emphasized the importance of listening to public feedback throughout the budgeting process.

**Board Member Shields** thanked members of the public for their participation and respectful input during the hearing.

**Vice President Robert Gowans** acknowledged that the issue of the \$50 million deficit had been discussed at length in previous board meetings. He expressed appreciation to community members for attending and sharing their concerns.

Throughout the discussion, Board Members emphasized the importance of public engagement, clear communication, and a commitment to restoring trust through transparent and responsible financial management.

[FY26 Proposed Budget with Tax Increase.pdf](#) 

[Signed Form PT-800.pdf](#) 

adopt the budget with the tax increase as presented 172 - 180

*Moved by:* Scott Bryan

*Seconded by:* Emily Syphus

Amended Motion: adopt the budget with the tax increase as presented, and form a cost savings committee. 172 - 180

*Moved by:* Scott Bryan

*Seconded by:* Emily Syphus

**Yea** Melissa Rich, Robert Gowans, ValaRee Shields,  
Emily Syphus, and Scott Bryan

**Nay** Elizabeth Smith and Todd Thompson

**Motion Carries 5-2**

#### **4. Adjourn**

4.1 Adjournment at 10:07 PM  
Adjourn

*Moved by:* Scott Bryan

*Seconded by:* Robert Gowans

**Yea**            Melissa Rich, Robert Gowans, ValaRee Shields,  
Elizabeth Smith, Emily Syphus, Todd  
Thompson, and Scott Bryan

**Motion Carries 7-0**

# Truth in Taxation (TNT) Hearing Presentation

By Lark Reynolds, Business Administrator

# Important Topics to Discuss

- Property Tax 101
- Quick History
- Why is the District proposing a property tax increase?
- Public Hearing Process
- What options does the Board have?



# Property Tax 101

- Revenue Based Tax – Only tax that I am aware of like this
  - Other taxes are rate based
- Because its revenue based, that means your property taxes would be equal from year to year IF:
  - Your property value increased proportionately to all other properties
- Revenue based also means that rates
  - Decrease as property values increase
  - Increase as property values decrease
- Certified Rate Definition
  - Simply put the rate each entity would charge to generate the same revenue as last year (less new growth)

# Quick History

- Our School Board looked at three different options in our June Budget Hearing
  - Certified Tax Rate
  - Flat Tax Rate
  - +\$13.25M Tax
- In the end our Board selected a proposed increase of \$9.25M

# Why is the District proposing a property tax increase?

- The district was using one-time money for ongoing expenditures specifically to increase employee pay
- The one-time money is no longer available and as a result we have been using reserve funds
- This tax increase will help balance our budget going forward

# Truth in Taxation Process

- District needed to notify the county auditor by June 22<sup>nd</sup> of our intent to increase revenues. Information on the date, time, and place of the tax increase hearing must also be given to the auditor.
  - You should have received your individual notice a month later (July 22<sup>nd</sup>)
- Advertise the date of the public hearing
- Hold a public hearing allowing the public to address the Voting Body (following this presentation)
- The Voting Body (School Board) must then vote on whether to adopt the resolution increasing taxes, or to adopt the certified tax rate. This will finalize the tax rates.

# Public Hearing Process

- Truth in Taxation requires us to have a public hearing
- This is your opportunity to address the Board
- Please sign up to speak on the sheet
- Remember our Board is here to listen to you
  - They will listen and won't interrupt or ask you questions
  - It's not a good time to ask individual questions about your property

# What options does the Board have?

- Following the Public Hearing our Board plans to act on the rate we will adopt for property taxes next year
  - Choose to increase taxes to the proposed amount
    - Board can't go above that figure
  - Board could adopt the certified rate which would not be raising taxes
  - Anywhere in between the proposed and certified rate

# Example of an Average Household in Tooele

		2024	2025		IF 2025 PROPOSED RATE IS APPROVED		IF 2025 INCREASE IS APPROVED		Total ad valorem tax generated from increase
	TAXING ENTITIES	TAXES \$	RATE	TAXES \$	RATE	TAXES \$	CHANGE IN TAX \$	CHANGE IN %	
S	SCHOOL LOCAL LEVY	\$1,829.51	0.002774	\$679.52	0.003849	\$942.85	\$263.33	38.80%	\$9,140,043
C	TOOELE CITY	\$626.60	0.002331	\$571.00	0.002331	\$571.00	\$0.00	0.00%	
S	TCSD GO BOND	\$0.00	0.002199	\$538.67	0.002199	\$538.67	\$0.00	0.00%	
S	TCSD VOTED LOCAL LEVY	\$0.00	0.001587	\$388.76	0.001800	\$391.94	\$3.18	0.80%	\$110,531
S	SCHOOL BASIC LEVY	\$345.44	0.001379	\$337.80	0.001379	\$337.80	\$0.00	0.00%	
T	COUNTY GENERAL	\$272.56	0.001002	\$245.45	0.001002	\$245.45	\$0.00	0.00%	
T	COUNTY/ASSESS-COLLECT	\$79.25	0.000320	\$78.39	0.000320	\$78.39	\$0.00	0.00%	
C	TOOELE CITY TORT LIABILITY	\$0.00	0.000145	\$35.52	0.000145	\$35.52	\$0.00	0.00%	
T	TOOELE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	\$35.33	0.000130	\$31.84	0.000130	\$31.84	\$0.00	0.00%	
S	CHARTER SCHOOL LEVY	\$21.84	0.000108	\$26.46	0.000108	\$26.46	\$0.00	0.00%	
O	MULTI-COUNTY/ASSESS-COLLECT	\$3.68	0.000014	\$3.43	0.000014	\$3.43	\$0.00	0.00%	
C	TOOELE CITY WATER SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT	\$0.00	0.000000	\$0.00	0.000000	\$0.00	\$0.00	0.00%	
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$3,214.21</b>	<b>0.011989</b>	<b>\$2,936.84</b>	<b>0.0130770</b>	<b>\$3,203.35</b>	<b>\$266.51</b>	<b>9.1%</b>	

Taxes are  
\$10.86  
Lower in  
2025

Anything I missed?



Presented	First Name	Last Name	Submission Type	
Yes	Matt	Mecham	In Person	
Yes	Brayden	Kagie	In Person	
Yes	Steve	Garrett	In Person	
Yes	Stephen	Burgess	In Person	
Yes	John	Smith	In Person	
Yes	Kerianda	Proctor	In Person	
Yes	Nicholeen	Peck	In Person	
Yes	Jolene	Jenkins	In Person	
Yes	Tara	White	In Person	
Yes	Jineena	Warburton	In Person	
Yes	John	Wright	In Person	
Yes	Konstantin	Matheo	In Person	
Yes	Carlos	Jimenez	In Person	
Yes	Paul	Kunz	In Person	
Yes	Lori	Chigbrow	In Person	
Yes	Jonathan	Garrard	In Person	
Yes	Collin	Post	In Person	
Yes	Chad	Saunders	In Person	
Yes	Nate	Parker	Online	
Yes	Chelsea	F	Online	
Yes	Dennis	Cotter	In Person	
Yes	Kelly	Christiansen	In Person	
Yes	Karen	Jentzsch	In Person	
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Yes	Anita	Dalrymple	Online	
Yes	Ken	Barkdall	In Person	
Yes	Kortnee	Smith	In Person	
Yes	Scott	Bertolio	In Person	
Yes	Randy	Jones	In Person	
Yes	Bill	Janic	In Person	
Yes	Lawrence	Romero	In Person	

Yes	Joshua	Cypers	In Person	
Yes	Glen	Turnbow	In Person	
Yes	Aaron	Peterson	In Person	
Yes	Jeffrey	Baron	Online	
Yes	Michelle	Larson	In Person	
Yes	Matt	Bruns	In Person	
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Yes	Todd	Stewart	In Person	
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Yes	Sandy	Christensen	Online	
Yes	Alex	Wylie	In Person	
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Yes	Cory	Shorr	Online	
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Yes	Jeanie	Vazquez	In Person	
Yes	Matthew	Benson	Online	
Yes	Mark	Tate	In Person	
Yes	Laura	Castaneda	Online	
Yes	Natalie	Graham	Online	
Yes	Gerald	Pery	Online	
Yes	Brittany	Royer	Online	
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Yes	Jeff	C	Online	
Yes	Amber	Conder	Online	
Yes	Austin	Blackwell	In Person	
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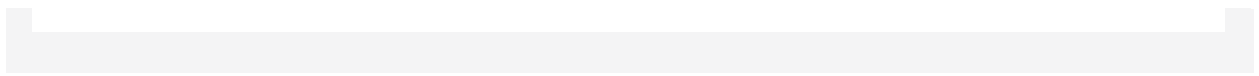
**Name - Last Name:** Dow

**Date:** 8/5/2025

**Comment::** Instead of yet another tax increase, perhaps we should consider a RIF at the district office. There are far too many "administrators" compared to how many students we have in the county. The school district is quite top heavy. Considering the recent controversies that have come to light, the school board should also consider terminating Dr. Mark Ernst, fulfill his remaining contract and find someone for the position who understands the meaning of fiscal responsibility.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Joshua

**Name - Last Name:** Cypers

**Date:** 7/21/2025

**Comment::** As a taxpayer in Tooele county I demand that you reconsider the tax increase that is being requested and fix your budget internally like is done by all the tax payers in this county

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## Truth in Taxation Questions or Comments

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**Name - First Name:** Melody

**Name - Last Name:** James

**Email Address:** mdjames824@gmail.com

**Long Answer:** As a citizen i do not agree with the proposed tax increase. There was already a tax increase for education, and it helped build a new school. That new school will barely allow us as a county to provide for the students we currently have, yet there is much growth taking place residentially in our county which will increase our numbers, and in a few years, we will already be past our capacity. There is also commercial growth happening in Tooele. Many commercial

prospects are already operating and already paying taxes, cannot that revenue and the expected revenue from future businesses that are already under contract and expected to open between now and spring 2026 help with more money for schools? Also. . . We failed 5 of the 7 points in the audit the state mandated. It does not seem to me that academics are improving. From observation and from reading the audit, there is mismanagement of funds. We deserve to see where our tax dollars are going by providing a 3rd party audit.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Jeff

**Name - Last Name:** Shields

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** I don't believe that the school board should be asking for another property tax increase! Especially after reading the news article from KSL!! There needs to be a lot more transparency on where tax money is going too. We have had property tax increases the last few years and nothing to really show for it yes a fancy new football field at Overlake, But I have heard that the school is already under sized. Let's get the Teachers a rise that deal with your kids all day. Instead of the Superintendent and the higher ups getting the raises.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Jeanine

**Name - Last Name:** Pettit

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** As we are approaching our senior years we cannot pay these taxes. We are getting taxed right out of our home. We had to take a loan out to pay last year's taxes which we are still paying on. Now same thing again this year. I do not have children and should definitely not have to pay this amount especially at my age.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Rachael

**Name - Last Name:** Carter

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** I'm writing as a concerned resident to respectfully express my concern about the recent increase in the property tax rate. While I understand the need for funding essential public services, the sharp rise in taxes is creating a serious burden for many homeowners in our community. For some, particularly those on fixed incomes or with modest means, this increase is making it extremely difficult to remain in their homes. It feels as though long-time residents are being priced out of the very communities they've helped build and sustain. I respectfully urge the county to reconsider the long-term impacts of these tax hikes and explore more

balanced solutions that ensure necessary funding without disproportionately impacting homeowners. Property ownership should remain a sustainable and attainable part of life in our county—not something people are forced to give up due to rapidly increasing taxes. Thank you for your time and for your service to our community. I appreciate your consider

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Brooke

**Name - Last Name:** Sloan

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** I oppose the tax raise. You raised our taxes last year and have nothing to show for it. We shouldn't have to pay more money with no changes.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 7/22/2025 10:10 AM

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**Name - First Name:** Justin

**Name - Last Name:** Ta

**Date:** 7/15/2025

**Comment::** I do not want the increase in school tax!! The school tax is 72% of our property as of now and they don't need any more funding until they earn the trust of the people and they have a long list of issues that need repaired!

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**Name - First Name:** Velvet

**Name - Last Name:** Neilson

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** I have been a home owner for 25yrs and NEVER had I ever had an increase like last year \$1400.00! THAT IS INSANE. Now this year for school taxes alone is increasing approximately \$400. I get a couple hundred as that's was I have seen over the years and I prepare for that. Mismanaged funding shouldn't be put on us homeowners to pay for. I will attend the meeting and bring comps.

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**Name - First Name:** Dianna

**Name - Last Name:** Wiley

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** I am against any tax increase! It is starting to feel less like community support and more like financial coercion! Many people cannot afford the consistent increases, pushing people out of their homes they work to build and maintain. Where is the fiscal responsibility and transparency? We do not hold trust in the board of education in this community. Please make this stop. Many have reached out to local news channels, as this behavior is borderline fraudulent. As a governing entity, you need to put the needs of this community before your own. And put the focus on the actual education of our children! The audit shows we are the lowest

performing district in the state, but the highest in taxes!  
This shows the imbalance and discrepancy of our  
funds. We as a community demand the tax increases to  
stop.

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**Name - First Name:** Travis

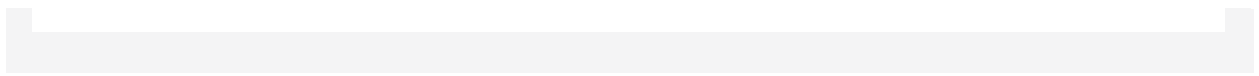
**Name - Last Name:** Owens

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** This tax increase is not realistic and is damaging the community. The school board's job is to figure out a way to operate efficiently with the existing budget. I work in a government office. We use the same budget year after year. You can too. Pay cuts at the top of the pay chart are in order, no one should be making more than \$100k a year at the Tooele School district. Some members of your management are making three times that and it's offensive.

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**Name - First Name:** Scott

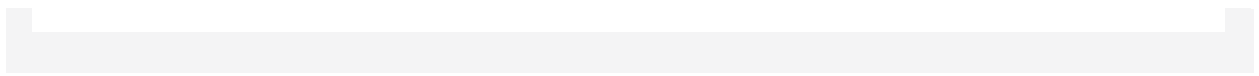
**Name - Last Name:** Pitt

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** With the last state audit it was found that Tooele county schools are below target in many areas of education of Tooele County students proving that our investment of tax money has been used on a failing system. Why should we invest more into the same failing system? The district should provide improvement in education of the Tooele County students before asking citizens involved to pay more for less.

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**Name - First Name:** Julie

**Name - Last Name:** Merrell

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** I am so disappointed in our current "leadership". The amount of \$ that went in to DPHS is crazy. Enough so, that all of you should resign. It's criminal. This isn't a wealthy county. Yet, you are treating our \$ like it's free. You are not taking thoughtful care of our tax dollars. It's heartbreaking. The taxes are just devastating to seniors, they are devastating to all of us. You are literally taxing us all out of our homes. Why not take a step back and see what you can do without. For example, the middle Management inside of TCSD. What an absolute waste of money. The go-betweens the Principals and the Superintendent. We don't need



those people. And they are paid so much. Or the "counselors" in the schools who need to justify their job by pulling kids out of class and talking to them without parental permission. Perhaps we get rid of anything extra until we can pay for what we already have. The lies created about the \$50 million last year and the tax increases that went with it are too much for us to afford. You need to figure something else out. You need to step back and realize what you are doing to the homeowners here. I don't know if your positions have gone to your heads, but please, step back, and find what you can cut. There can't be more tax increases. This is beyond criminal. And to top it off, we had school board members standing around at the DPHS grand opening telling people they couldn't attend DPHS, so don't even try. It was crazy snobbish. Such inappropriate behavior coming from the board. I'd love to see board members who actually have care and concern over our tax dollars and how they are being spent. It's shameful the burden you are placing on us. Don't try and justify your behaviors with , "but hey, look what we are doing." We need to get back to basics. Please be more thoughtful and responsible with other people's money.

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**Name - First Name:** Mandy

**Name - Last Name:** S

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** I do not consent to the increase in property taxes once again to pay for "school funding" as we are starving and going to lose our home due to selfishness and misconduct in the school system. I along with hundreds of others will be seeking a true audit and eyes on your misconduct.

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**Name - First Name:** Paula

**Name - Last Name:** Johanson

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** Both my husband and myself are retired and on a limited income and cannot afford any kind of tax increases. If we get another increase in taxes we will not be able to afford our house that we worked our whole lives for. We fear losing our home. Please do not raise our taxes. We do not have school age children but do believe education is important. Thank you.

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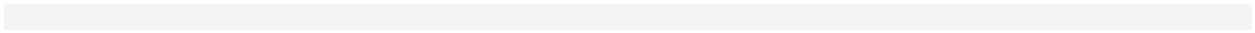
**Name - Last Name:** Shields

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** In regards to raising taxes for schools NO! I don't think we should have to pay for the school boards inability to stay in budget. The school you could not afford is nice a great for our kids! But those on retirement and those trying to raise a family can't afford your extravagant mistakes. We definitely do not need more school board staff. If anything is needed it's better supplies for teachers. The idea of extra supervisors is wrong.

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**Name - First Name:** M

**Name - Last Name:** Anderson

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** This Board should be nothing short of embarrassed to represent such an under performing school district. You're wanting more money, yet this district can't even educate children adequately with the money it does have. This district's issue is something greater than one that will improve by throwing money at it. The board needs to figure out how to properly run an effective district with the money already allocated for it. Only once the district can show that it can adequately educate students, then the board shall seek additional funding.

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**Name - First Name:** Keith

**Name - Last Name:** Jones

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** The school board needs to not be raising our taxes for a system that does not help the intended people that is meant for. I have had two children in the school system and they have failed both of my children. I've gone to meetings with superintendents and principles and teachers and filled out forms and set up educational platforms for my children when they were in school. To only then have the school year start none of the things we discussed be put into play and then the teachers and the administrators just went like nothing was discussed previously or followed the educational plan that was put into place. As a taxpayer in this



community and as a person who was educated in this system I don't understand why it is so hard to use the tools that are there and educate the students the way I was educated in the past. I feel like the education I earned through the same school system was way better than what they were giving my children in the same school system. I say no more tax likes I say no more money to be spent on the school board. And if more money is needed take it out of your own pockets stop giving absorbent payroll to superintendents and school board members but the cuts come from there. To follow up no new taxes find other ways to come up with the money that you have overspent.

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**Name - First Name:** Gladys

**Name - Last Name:** Perez

**Date:** 7/2/2025

**Comment::** My husband and I are writing to express our deep frustration and concern regarding the continued increase in property taxes. particularly the portion allocated to our school district. We currently own five acres, and despite having no children in the school system, our property taxes continue to rise drastically, with our home alone increasing by over \$500 this year. This has taken a toll on myself and my husband and many more families who have sick children, family members and can't afford an increase in their home mortgages. Not to mention the horrible construction that's been causing many residents who work in Salt

Lake City to arrive late to their jobs. We believe in the importance of quality education and contributing to the greater good. But supporting public education should not come at the cost of abusing the hard-earned income of taxpaying residents. Many families in our city are feeling financially strained, and these repeated increases only deepen the hardship. We urge you to reconsider and find an alternative solution that can support some funding without placing a burden on homeowners. Conduct a full audit of the school district finances Identify inefficiencies, waste, and administrative overhead. Make sure every dollar is actually going toward classrooms and not bureaucracy. Expand commercial and business tax base Focus efforts on attracting more businesses to the area. This can significantly increase tax revenue without raising taxes on families who are already are struggling to feed themselves and their families. Implement a temporary local sales tax A short-term, voter-approved sales tax increase can support school funding more equitably, as it is shared by both residents and visitors. Pursue state and federal education grants Grants are available to schools, they simply need to apply. This should be a priority before asking residents to give more. Create income based or age-based property tax relief Seniors, long-time homeowners, and those on fixed incomes should be protected. We need fairness, not blanket increases that happened last year of 2024. Cap or phase in tax increases over time Sudden hikes are damaging. A phased approach gives homeowners time to adjust and plan for the financi

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**Name - First Name:** Tracy

**Name - Last Name:** Griffin

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** NO more of raising our taxes! I should not have to pay for other people's children! If you have kids, you pay for them....not me! This is NOT Park City! It's ridiculous to keep raising our taxes like this! I vote NO!

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**Name - First Name:** Tyson

**Name - Last Name:** Fisher

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** I am writing you about the truth in taxation meeting on Tuesday August 5th. Unfortunately I will not be in town that day and will not be able to attend. How ever I would like my voice heard about the tax increase being requested by the school district. I am a parent and just graduated my oldest from THS in May and have 2 more current THS students. I'm writing to tell you that I do not, absolutely do not support this tax increase. I am not sure what is going on over in your district offices but there's no reason for another tax increase or to explain the reason why THS has some of the highest school fees in the entire state. We have to pay to get

access to the games to watch our kids play sports for crying out loud. I know that we're not the only school in the state that does this but it's a little ridiculous guys. I understand that things cost money but I also understand that Tooele School district has a storied past with funding problems. I think you're going to be very hard pressed to gain any kind of public support for any sort of a tax increase given the past abuse of tax dollars within our school district. People are already feeling the pinch of a poor performing economy and many of us already took a property tax hit last year, not for the school district, but for other reasons and are now paying higher mortgage payments than we did the previous year. I think within our school district it's time for an audit and a little more accountability about what you guys are doing with the money that you're getting from taxes to begin with. Thank you for taking the time to read this I reiterate again that I do not support the property tax increase for the Tooele County school district.

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**Name - First Name:** Christine

**Name - Last Name:** Nuttall

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** Pushing for another large tax increase on the Tooele public is Rape! We have some of the highest property taxes in Utah and nothing to show for it, but now a new over done Highschool that most won't use! Output performance is down from schools! We are charged fees on every end! Property tax, if your kid goes to school, more fees to that school, and so on, where does it end? People will be taxed out of there homes! That 100 to 400 extra a month on a mortgage is back breaking! You are stealing food and needs from people through property tax! Where do you think those extra funds come from?? We don't get to requests

raises to meet property tax increase from our employment!!! If a tax increase is needed put that on the business that are being built and wait 4 years for the new homes that are being shoved in everywhere! You can't bleed your very people who you claim to support for education, more so when you can't even budget accordingly!! How about you change how TCSD is run internally to show good faith to those you demand so much money from! No one supports TCSD anymore due to your wasteful spending and severe over reaching into our incomes!! Rinse the tax on those who attend your new schools and who are benefiting from them! Amazing teachers have left the other schools in Tooele County by being offered higher wages to teach at an over priced school that is fact!!

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**Name - First Name:** Charlene

**Name - Last Name:** LaRocco

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** As a mother of 2 children with IEP's the school forgot to meet with me and when asked if we could meet they said no. They will get to my kids when they can. The tax rate is ridiculous. It doesn't go to our teachers. It goes to more spending of other things. We need to keep our children first. You all are not doing that. To make up for your mistakes you expect the county to do this. We can't afford another tax rate. What angers me is the recent audit and you all still have the audacity to raise taxes. NO to the tax hike!!!!!!

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**Name - First Name:** Tyson

**Name - Last Name:** Hunt

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** TCSD acres like a large district wanting large district funding when it's not, they're failing their students and their staff and the heads are lining their pockets with our tax money, it is absolutely ridiculous, it's one thing if the school district is actually giving that money to teachers or school for supplies but they're not and the audit shows this, get a grip Tooele, we're not here to fund your failures

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**Name - First Name:** Christina

**Name - Last Name:** Cabiles

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** I am adamantly opposed to the proposed property tax increase by the Tooele School District board. The information available stating how the funds will be used lack specificity, there is also no specific information provided on plans to reduce spending or creating additional streams of revenue to avoid depending on this or future tax increase requests.

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**Name - First Name:** Tyler

**Name - Last Name:** Madole

**Date:** 7/29/2025

**Comment::** While I don't know the story behind it, I don't feel its appropriate to take more money from citizens while lighting run all night, and new signs are installed at schools. Existing funds must be managed better before we grant you more.

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**Name - First Name:** Michele

**Name - Last Name:** Brockman

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** I would like to submit the comment that we need to fire our current superintendent . He might be a likeable person but he has been a very poor leader. There is so much kaos in this district. The culture he has been part of has led to low morale. He can't make hard decisions for example there has been a lot of money still spent on travel and conferences in a time where all of that should be suspended. There is enough online training to help with student improvement that travel and conferences should be supendeded this would fall into the area of things that Ernest could cut but doesn't bother. By his own admission in the Tooele transcript

there was more to cut but he didn't have time to look. How insulting to say that then have to ask for more money. I think we the stockholders deserve a new superintendent.. I would also like a review of the upper administration in our district. Do we really need an asst superintendent? I would hope the school board will really listen to the stockholders , you've asked a lot of us, you're asking for more yet you don't respect us.

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**Name - First Name:** Aricia

**Name - Last Name:** Hindman

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** It's time for leadership that will prioritize students, respect taxpayers, and manage the budget responsibly. Property Tax Increases & Financial Pressure: In mid-2023 and 2024, TCSD proposed tax hikes to cover a \$7M budget deficit, partly caused by losing \$50M in state funding when an online program enrollment ended. The proposed increase equated to an average annual rise of \$253.50 per household (about \$21 per month) for a \$460,000 home—an 11.3% hike in just one year. Combined with a one-time revenue recoup and rising property values, total school district taxes for the average homeowner jumped from approximately

\$1,763 in 2023 to \$2,496 in 2024, a 41.6% increase. Between 2022 and 2024, many taxpayers saw their school taxes increase by nearly 60%, including small business owners whose commercial tax bills nearly tripled. Student Outcomes vs. Spending: TCSD earned a 60% overall proficiency score, effectively a failing grade, even though local taxpayers pay on the higher end compared to other Utah districts. Despite new housing growth increasing the tax base, student achievement remains low, indicating a disconnect between funding and results. Budgeting & Fiscal Oversight: In six of the past ten years, the School Board adopted tax rates higher than the certified rate, meaning even with increased new housing revenue, taxes still rose. For the 2024–2025 fiscal year, TCSD's total budget was \$337M, with \$81M (32.6%) coming from property taxes. Construction and facilities made up nearly \$98M alone. Central administration costs—including salaries and benefits for superintendents, assistants, and board members—accounted for \$1.5M, separate from support services (~ \$12–15M) and instructional costs. State Oversight & Classroom Reality: State audit findings show Utah school districts collectively hold more than \$4.5 billion in investment accounts—some individual districts hold hundreds of millions in reserves—raising questions about resource allocation vs. classroom needs (e.g., teachers paying out-of-pocket for supplies) Taxes have skyrocketed, student outcomes are low, spending is misaligned, leadership lacks accountability, and there a reserves. Enough is enough!

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**Name - First Name:** Sidnee

**Name - Last Name:** Plant

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** The property taxes in the past two years are completely making this beautiful town completely unaffordable. Pushing people out of here.

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**Name - First Name:** John

**Name - Last Name:** Smith

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** The school district does not need more money. They need to learn to budget. A superintendent should be a volunteer elected position. Please do not pass the increase in tax.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 7/22/2025 8:17 PM

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**Name - First Name:** Jace

**Name - Last Name:** Covelli

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** A 9.1% property tax increase for a school levy in Tooele County imposes a significant burden on residents already facing rising costs, especially as many homeowners are financially stretched. The community's frustration is compounded by the perception that higher-ups within the school district receive excessively high salaries, raising questions about financial priorities and resource allocation. Instead, the school district should conduct a thorough audit to identify internal efficiencies and reallocate existing funds before imposing further financial strain on the community.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Jessica

**Name - Last Name:** Nay

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** As a single parent, it is already hard enough to provide a quality life for my children. By raising taxes x you would be taking opportunities away from my children. Tooele county citizens cannot afford a tax raise. By raising taxes, our children will go without needs in their home life. You will drive citizens out of the county looking for more affordable living.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Shalayne

**Name - Last Name:** schooley

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** I moved here 6 years ago and have never had a child in this school district. I was shocked the first year I got my property taxes and compared them to Davis County, Holy cow! Then I compared the amount of students in each district and still, Holy cow! Then i got a second job at a local business and interacting with the student staff and members i am hearing all kinds of stories of how poorly the schools are run and understaffed. I have looked at [transparent.utah.gov](https://transparent.utah.gov) and seen the salaries of this school district and compared it to others, tooele is very top heavy compared to other districts and the top is very well paid compared to



other districts as well. Then comes the results of the audit. You would think that would lead to cutting of management with the poor results that were rendered, but no they just want to hire yet another person to manage the terrible management they already have. I just got my tax notice and see 72% already goes to the schools and it seems they are looking at 36% more for what? Bad management, an overpriced state of the art school that was not needed to the extent it was built, when I can clearly compare with family and friends in other districts who don't pay close to this much and thier kids have much better opportunities. Alpine for instance only pays 62%. This district needs better management of thier money not more of ours!

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Susan

**Name - Last Name:** Morgan

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** Before any additional tax increases to support the school district, a full transparent publicly available audit of the prior 5 years should be conducted. All funds should be accounted for. All spending explained in layman's terms so the public can understand. There should then be a series of public meetings to allow the people of Tooele county to ask clarifying questions to understand how all of the tax payer money has been spent in the last 5 years. Only after this transparent explanation of the district spending should the school district then be allowed to put forth a ballot measure that the public votes on to increase our taxes in the

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Holly

**Name - Last Name:** Ramos

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** Before any additional tax increases to support the school district, a full transparent publicly available audit of the prior 5 years should be conducted. All funds should be accounted for. All spending explained in layman's terms so the public can understand. There should then be a series of public meetings to allow the people of Tooele county to ask clarifying questions to understand how all of the tax payer money has been spent in the last 5 years. Only after this transparent explanation of the district spending should the school district then be allowed to put forth a ballot measure that the public votes on to increase our taxes in the

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Joyce

**Name - Last Name:** Jacobson

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** I just submitted the form with this response if anyone wants to copy and paste for their own submission:  
Before any additional tax increases to support the school district, a full transparent publicly available audit of the prior 5 years should be conducted. All funds should be accounted for. All spending explained in layman's terms so the public can understand. There should then be a series of public meetings to allow the people of Tooele county to ask clarifying questions to understand how all of the tax payer money has been spent in the last 5 years. Only after this transparent explanation of the district spending should the school

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Robert

**Name - Last Name:** Houze

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** Before any additional tax increases to support the school district, a full transparent publicly available audit of the prior 5 years should be conducted. All funds should be accounted for. All spending explained in layman's terms so the public can understand. There should then be a series of public meetings to allow the people of Tooele county to ask clarifying questions to understand how all of the tax payer money has been spent in the last 5 years. Only after this transparent explanation of the district spending should the school district then be allowed to put forth a ballot measure that the public votes on to increase our taxes in the



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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Karen

**Name - Last Name:** Stuckey

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** Before any additional tax increases to support the school district, a full transparent publicly available audit of the prior 5 years should be conducted. All funds should be accounted for. All spending explained in layman's terms so the public can understand. There should then be a series of public meetings to allow the people of Tooele county to ask clarifying questions to understand how all of the tax payer money has been spent in the last 5 years. Only after this transparent explanation of the district spending should the school district then be allowed to put forth a ballot measure that the public votes on to increase our taxes in the

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Lucy

**Name - Last Name:** Evangelista

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** Before any additional tax increases to support the school district, a full transparent publicly available audit of the prior 5 years should be conducted. All funds should be accounted for. All spending explained in layman's terms so the public can understand. There should then be a series of public meetings to allow the people of Tooele county to ask clarifying questions to understand how all of the tax payer money has been spent in the last 5 years. Only after this transparent explanation of the district spending should the school district then be allowed to put forth a ballot measure that the public votes on to increase our taxes in the

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 7/22/2025 9:32 PM

**Name - First Name:** Josh

**Name - Last Name:** Whitehead

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** For how much the schools charge for every little thing like a \$12 late fee for a \$5 book after it was turned in on time. Charging coaches money to use a tax funded field to practice on. If you want to charge us the tax payers more and more each year then we the Tex payers should not be charged a dime for registration, field trips, school lunches, or any of the extra expenses that any class requires. This mishandling of funds is not our responsibility that's why you on the board were voted in who is being held accountable for this. Give us the tax payers an itemized list of where all the money has gone if you want to charge us year after year

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Audra

**Name - Last Name:** Stagg

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** Before any additional tax increases to support the school district, a full transparent publicly available audit of the prior 5 years should be conducted. All funds should be accounted for. All spending explained in layman's terms so the public can understand. There should then be a series of public meetings to allow the people of Tooele county to ask clarifying questions to understand how all of the tax payer money has been spent in the last 5 years. Only after this transparent explanation of the district spending should the school district then be allowed to put forth a ballot measure that the public votes on to increase our taxes in the



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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** KEITH lance

**Name - Last Name:** SMITH

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** No more tax increases tell are children are safe and performing at levels similar to other school districts. We can't even trust our Tooele county schools to not molest our daughters.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Brandon

**Name - Last Name:** Bible

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** Y'all need some DOGE action I'm thinking. I don't think it's my responsibility to subsidize other people children and poor breeding choices

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 7/22/2025 10:10 PM

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**Name - First Name:** Tiffany

**Name - Last Name:** Green

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** No more taxes increases, Let us recover from the last one. We're barely making it as is! We pay 4200 a year now, and our kids go to the oldest jr and high school in the district with no A/C

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 7/22/2025 10:27 PM

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**Name - First Name:** Heather

**Name - Last Name:** Ramberg

**Date:** 7/22/2025

**Comment::** Increasing taxes is part of the process however, the speed and rate at which they are Increasing is debilitating families. Inflation has increased the cost of living so much that it is challenging to buy food, school supplies, anything that you might need and the increased taxes could put a persons home at risk.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 7/22/2025 10:28 PM

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**Name - First Name:** Jaqueline

**Name - Last Name:** Palacios

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** I have lived in Tooele county for more than 7 years. In my time here. The taxes have been raised by more than 50%. This causing a hardship for many families in our county. I do support investing in our education system. What I do not support is the miss management of the budget. This mainly affects the kids attending the school and families who reside in Tooele county. I do not see any improvement on the school system. Teachers need more supplies from parents. Multiple fundraisers events to raise funds for the school as what the board approves is not sufficient to support the students and teachers.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Cydnee

**Name - Last Name:** Hunt

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** Before any additional tax increases to support the school district, a full transparent publicly available audit of the prior 5 years should be conducted. All funds should be accounted for. All spending explained in layman's terms so the public can understand. There should then be a series of public meetings to allow the people of Tooele county to ask clarifying questions to understand how all of the tax payer money has been spent in the last 5 years. Only after this transparent explanation of the district spending should the school district then be allowed to put forth a ballot measure that the public votes on to increase our taxes in the



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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Gloria

**Name - Last Name:** Pope

**Date:** 7/23/2025

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Kourtney

**Name - Last Name:** Wilcox

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** I believe these tax increases are not our responsibility  
and should not be implemented

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Melody

**Name - Last Name:** James

**Date:** 7/24/2025

**Comment::** Tooele county school district should not receive the 9.25 million tax increase. There needs to be a 3rd party audit of the last 5 years and how funds were used from the previous tax increase, and then let the County residents decide. We need accountability and transparency! There currently is neither.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Jenny

**Name - Last Name:** Westover

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** I can understand that the schools need money and I am happy to help provide that, but increasing my property taxes that much is going to hurt my children way more then they will benefit. Pleases find another way. Thank you

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Julie

**Name - Last Name:** Vario

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** First, thank you for all your hard work. I understand it's not the easiest job in the world. However, you are taxing us so high that as a senior, it is difficult to continue to pay my property taxes and yes, we are cutting our budget at our home, to support the county so why won't you cut your budget for unnecessary employees and unnecessary expenses !?! and it is also ridiculous that you built that Taj Mahal of a high school. I'm sad sad that Tooele County Has turned out the way it is. I'm sorry. It Makes me very sad, as a senior, living in Tooele County for over 48 years , that maybe has another five years on this earth ! and I'll be the one in a

tight budget for the rest of my life because of the school district taxes !!!! and there's just so much to say but you know it all, you've heard it all, but you continue to squeeze money out of your senior community! I will pray that God will soften your hears and change your minds. Please do not continue the way that you're going. thank you.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 7/23/2025 8:10 AM

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**Name - First Name:** Seth

**Name - Last Name:** Woodhouse

**Date:** 7/24/2025

**Comment::** After reading the latest tooele county school district audit, and seeing no accountability for under performing the leadership within the district should be evaluated on this and removed for direliction of duty. Actions have consequences and incompetence is no excuse. Leaders have to take accountability for bad decisions and should step down/ resign for bad outcomes. You work for the people of this county and are not entitled to a income for sub-par child performance. Deep discussion must be had to determine a course of action to address the underperformed, nor just throwing more money at the

issue.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Ron

**Name - Last Name:** Johnson

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** Has the board looked into adding some of the education costs into impact fees from the big high density housing projects being built along with all the new subdivisions going in. This impacts education also so I would like to think the developers and new home buyers would pay there fare share of money because of all the new families with kids moving in and effecting the student population.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Brittany

**Name - Last Name:** Moosman Thomas

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** To whom it may concern: I would like to make a note that as a home owner in Tooele County I am very much opposed to a property tax increase. The school district has shown it cannot manage money or the education of our children. The future of our county's education is looking bleak to be blunt. I personally removed my son from his school here to place him in online school as his education opportunities were not up to par with other counties. More money is not the answer, better leadership is. This board does not see what they are doing to this community! Not only are the children suffering from the lack of proper education, the parents

as suffering from being priced out of our homes. Fix the root of the problems and leave our mortgages alone.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Annette

**Name - Last Name:** Giles

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** Trying to raise our taxes for the school district is ridiculous. You have a bond that is coming for which would lower our taxes. I think before the school district tries to do any kind of increase they need audit where all the money is going. Do we really need junior college size high schools. If we are going to spend that kind of money then we need to look at the attendance policy. So many kids are failing because they are behind from not attending school and no consequences. Where is all our school have tax dollars going to where is the 26m discrepancy in the taxes. No to raising taxes.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Kristy

**Name - Last Name:** Vaclavik

**Date:** 7/24/2025

**Comment::** I think raising the taxes once again is absolutely reckless. There needs to be more accountability on the school board and a forensic investigation as to where the money is going. Before anymore money is taken from the residents of Tooele County. Our taxes are high enough.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Janice

**Name - Last Name:** Johnson

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** Dear Members of the Tooele County Schools Board of Education, This is not the time to raise property taxes in Tooele County. Tooele is a county with a large segment of our population living in poverty. Many are currently on the verge of losing homes. This will push many over that edge. As a former employee of the district I know that in the past in difficult funding years other choices were made to meet costs. Raises were limited or halted, and administrators had furlough days taken from their contracts. It is time to go back to that kind of fiscal austerity. The salaries of the top leadership of this district can not be justified when so

many in the county are struggling to put food on their tables, and especially when the recent state audit clearly shows the multiple areas where significant improvement is needed. When district performance has improved you will find greater support for tax increases, but now is not that time.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Sarah

**Name - Last Name:** Kerchner

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** Raising our taxes almost 10% total is insanity. No taxation without representation. I do not see any of these taxes for schools benefiting kids. Do yourself a favor and those that love this community, and don't pass this.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Jessica

**Name - Last Name:** Maestas

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** The school board has shown that they cannot manage our funds wisely, they are continually asking for more money but not delivering on education for our children. My vote is no additional tax increases. Tooele has high taxes and the community cannot continue paying for the schools inability to manage funds. The community cannot afford to continue with increases to taxes.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Philip

**Name - Last Name:** Koncar

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** The constant Tax increases are ridiculous. Please stop doing this when you have the resources in reserve.

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**Name - First Name:** Robert

**Name - Last Name:** Walters

**Date:** 7/30/2025

**Comment::** School system needs complete overhaul, seniors over 65 should not have or pay the school tax

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**Name - First Name:** Brian

**Name - Last Name:** Moore

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** No tax increase! The superintendent has just about doubled his wage is the past couple of years. You need to use the funds allocated to you in a proper manner. You are not earning this money. This is tax payer money.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Holly

**Name - Last Name:** Prows

**Date:** 7/24/2025

**Comment::** Please do not please our taxes as people cannot afford it. I am an employee with the school district, a single mom of four kids. We are doing the best we can to survive!!! Absolutely do not raise taxes and request more money.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Lauren

**Name - Last Name:** Bell

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** Before any additional tax increases to support the school district, a full transparent publicly available audit of the prior 5 years should be conducted. All funds should be accounted for. All spending explained in layman's terms so the public can understand. There should then be a series of public meetings to allow the people of Tooele county to ask clarifying questions to understand how all of the tax payer money has been spent in the last 5 years. Only after this transparent explanation of the district spending should the school district then be allowed to put forth a ballot measure that the public votes on to increase our taxes in the

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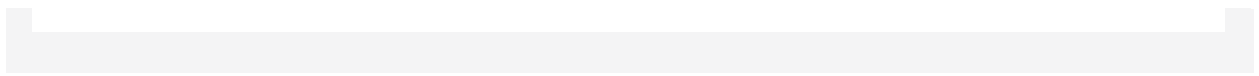
**Name - Last Name:** MASTRONARDI-CAMPBELL

**Date:** 7/23/2025

**Comment::** My taxes went up last year and this year. We are seniors above the allotted amount for a reduction. Why should we have to continue paying taxes for schools when we have already paid our fair share. 65 years old should be a cutoff. There should be a limit on how many kids are covered per a family because this state has many families that have 5 or more children and it isn't fair to families that have 1-2 to have to pay for the families that have a lot of kids. Just my thoughts.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 7/24/2025 8:49 AM

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**Name - First Name:** Timothy

**Name - Last Name:** DAmour

**Date:** 7/24/2025

**Comment::** Dear President Melissa Rich and Board Members, I am writing as a concerned resident of Tooele County regarding the proposed property tax increase intended to fund our school district. While I fully support efforts to improve education, I believe raising property taxes at this time would place an undue financial burden on many residents—especially those with fixed or limited incomes—without sufficient assurance that the funds will be allocated effectively to improve student outcomes. Recent analyses indicate that Tooele County School District's current budget allocation does not align with spending patterns seen in higher-performing

districts across Utah. Notably, districts such as Alpine and Canyons dedicate a significantly larger proportion of their budgets directly toward classroom instruction, teacher salaries, and student support services—the key factors associated with improved academic performance. In contrast, Tooele has a comparatively higher allocation toward administrative costs and capital expenditures, including building new facilities, which have yet to demonstrate a direct impact on academic achievement. Before we consider additional tax burdens on our community, I urge you and the district leadership to prioritize fiscal responsibility and realign spending toward evidence-based educational practices. Investments must focus on supporting and retaining quality teachers, expanding instructional resources, and enhancing targeted programs that directly benefit students. Our community deserves transparency and accountability to ensure that any increase in funding translates into measurable improvements in educational quality. I respectfully ask you to advocate for a comprehensive review of current expenditures and the adoption of budget priorities that reflect best practices from Utah’s top-performing districts before approving any tax increases.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Kenneth

**Name - Last Name:** Proctor

**Date:** 7/24/2025

**Comment::** I am against any tax increase. The school district is taxing seniors out of their homes. We are on fixed income and I have made budget cuts but it is getting to the point where I have a house or food or medicine. There is no relief from taxes. I haven't had a kid or grandkids in the school system for over 15 years and I shouldn't have to be paying these taxes. The school district needs to make major budget cuts and quit building new schools and maintain the ones they have. Cut the superintendent salary in half and eliminate the vice superintendent and vice principals of the schools. I could find a lot of places to do budget cuts. Apparently



the superintendent and the school board can't manage the money they have. With all the new houses and businesses the taxes should be going down instead of up. The state audit shows the administration is not doing their job. They need to be replaced along with the school board. The low success rate of the students is not being addressed. Get rid of the chrome books and cell phones and have the teachers start teaching again. The teachers shouldn't be over loaded they get a half of day every week.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Mark

**Name - Last Name:** Walker

**Date:** 7/24/2025

**Comment::** The items of concern in he audit are NOT things that can be fixed with just more money. The bottom line in the audit appears to be a failure of leadership. Giving more money to the failed leadership that got us where we are in the first place seems foolish. In business we never trust the solution to a problem to people that caused the problem in the first place. What we need is a plan of action, and milestones on all items in the audit. No more money until we know there is a reasonable plan and NEW LEADERSHIP That we can trust. Not more top heavy school administration.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Lisa

**Name - Last Name:** Draper

**Date:** 7/24/2025

**Comment::** I would like to know why Tooele requires more credits to graduate than anywhere else in Utah? Is this taken into consideration when looking at our graduation rate? Kids could be getting more college credits if it was the same as other districts. I attend everything I can when I am not working and I find it crazy the amount of teachers that are not available at conferences without sending prior notice. Communication is a huge issue! Half the time parents are not notified of things until it has already happened. I fully understand that teaching is hard, but part of teaching is trying to build that relationship with your students and supporting them

because you may be the only source of support they have. Our taxes continue to increase and then when school starts we still pay hundreds of dollars to register our students. What about the families that cannot afford it so those children aren't taking the electives they would like because they can't afford it. Don't bring up fee waivers because that is like jumping through hoops, my husband lost his job part way through the school year and we were struggling, when I asked about fee waivers they said it goes off taxes- that doesn't help me if my husband is no longer working the job he was when we filed taxes. I graduated from Tooele and want my kids to be proud of where they are from and what they have accomplished regardless of what school they attend. Tooele High is falling apart as well as the junior high and west elementary, why are funds not being utilized appropriately to fix things like air conditioning and heating. My oldest son will be a senior and two years out of his schooling has been sent home because it's too cold in the school or too hot and it's unsafe for the students. Both of my high school students at Tooele say when they attend games at other schools we compete against our school looks like rubble, it is embarrassing to the students to invite other teams to our schools. Show us what you are doing with these funds before requesting an increase. Our transportation department is so short handed that drivers are making multiple trips back and forth to get students home, but we spent an outrageous amount of money on a new fancy school!

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Jeffrey

**Name - Last Name:** Giles

**Date:** 7/24/2025

**Comment::** Hi, my name is Jeffrey Giles I'm a resident of Tooele and Before any additional tax increases to support the school district, a full transparent publicly available audit of the prior 5 years should be conducted. All funds should be accounted for. All spending explained in layman's terms so the public can understand. There should then be a series of public meetings to allow the people of Tooele county to ask clarifying questions to understand how all of the tax payer money has been spent in the last 5 years. Only after this transparent explanation of the district spending should the school district then be allowed to put forth a ballot measure

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Lisa

**Name - Last Name:** Walker

**Date:** 7/24/2025

**Comment::** Stop the tax fraud! Instead of putting it on the tax payers backs, start cutting the fat at the top of that inflated bureaucratic education board! I think it's time for new conservative leadership! The current board of education has mismanaged funds for too long! ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!!!

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Kimber

**Name - Last Name:** Neil

**Date:** 7/24/2025

**Comment::** I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed tax increase for the Tooele School District. While quality education is vital, simply raising property taxes isn't a solution to systemic issues plaguing our schools; it's a band-aid exacerbating the financial burden on residents. The district shows concerning underperformance in student achievement despite consistent funding, with results lagging and questioning resource allocation. A lack of transparent financial accounting erodes public trust, as the district appears to consistently overspend, seeking more taxpayer money instead of responsible budgeting. Increased

taxes won't address these core problems, only fund a system failing in stewardship and outcomes. Tooele County property taxes are already high, and further increases disproportionately impact homeowners, especially those on fixed incomes and young families, risking pricing residents out and making our county unaffordable. This demands accountability and leadership overhaul. I urge the School Board to resign, acknowledging mismanagement and prioritizing financial responsibility. The County Council must review prior oversight and address contributing errors, committing to stricter financial controls. We deserve a fiscally responsible district dedicated to quality education; a tax increase without addressing mismanagement and underperformance is unacceptable. We need solutions, not simply more funds for a failing system. Holding leadership accountable is paramount to ensuring a brighter future for Tooele County students and taxpayers alike. This increase is not a responsible path forward.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Ronnie

**Name - Last Name:** Ta

**Date:** 7/24/2025

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normal elections cycles. The school district should not be awarded a \$9.25 million dollar gift without an audit and the vote of the Tooele people. I VOTE NO YO RAISING TAX FOR THE SCHOOL 72% is too much!!!!

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** John

**Name - Last Name:** Mullins

**Date:** 7/25/2025

**Comment::** The alarming rise in property taxes, which has almost doubled since 2018, necessitates a thorough examination of Grantsville City's expenditure. We must focus on optimizing our budget and curbing unnecessary expenses to ensure a more sustainable future.

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**Name - First Name:** Callie

**Name - Last Name:** Bowen

**Date:** 7/25/2025

**Comment::** Before any additional tax increases to support the school district, a full transparent publicly available audit of the prior 5 years should be conducted. All funds should be accounted for. All spending explained in layman's terms so the public can understand. There should then be a series of public meetings to allow the people of Tooele county to ask clarifying questions to understand how all of the tax payer money has been spent in the last 5 years. Only after this transparent explanation of the district spending should the school district then be allowed to put forth a ballot measure that the public votes on to increase our taxes in the

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** Darren

**Name - Last Name:** Sharper

**Date:** 7/28/2025

**Comment::** How much longer will we be used as a blank check?  
The new high school is much more extravagant than it needed to be at the expense of the taxpayers, especially when schools like Tooele Jr High do not have adequate air conditioning. Now the results of the audit state that ANOTHER Assistant Superintendent position should be created to do the work that should have been done by the other one, OR the superintendent. What will it take for accountability in our school district? According to the audit we are on the higher end of taxes going to school, but fall drastically behind the other schools. In fact TCSD received a proficiency



score of 60%. How can a failing grade be ok? This shows poor leadership at the top, school board included. The audit even states that the board "rarely engaged in discussions about district strategic goals or student achievement". Why is this acceptable to you? This is a line directly from Dr Ernst's LinkedIn profile, "Using UVA training and my leadership skills, I have succeeded in improving the academics of schools." According to the results of the audit, this is laughable. How many new homes have been built, adding drastically to the tax base, yet taxes continue to soar. We have to live within our budget, yet it seems the school district doesn't think they have to. In fact, the superintendent recently admitted that his team didn't dig for cuts in the budget that could be made before jumping right to wanting to increase taxes. The superintendent also received a roughly 13% raise from 2023-2024. For what, failing schools? Why is he one of the higher paid superintendents? He has done nothing that would indicate he is worth the money he is paid. Why are we paying more for poor results? Obviously the superintendent isn't doing the job he was hired for. The audit showing that we are taxed higher than comparable school districts with lower results, which means that we need to start over. It is time to move on from the current leadership in the school district and get someone that will bring results, because it is obvious that the current leadership either can't or won't do it.

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**Name - First Name:** Steve

**Name - Last Name:** Garrett

**Date:** 7/29/2025

**Comment::** do no raise taxes. The community is universally against this. You guys failed the audit in 5 of 7 categories according to the state audit. Including misuse of funds. I call on president melissa Rich and superintendent mark ernst to resign. We need competent leadership to solve this problem Throwing money at people with failed leadership is not a plan.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 7/31/2025 10:50 PM

**Name - First Name:** Jessica

**Name - Last Name:** Larson

**Date:** 8/1/2025

**Comment::** I'm a bit unsure of how to properly comment on the taxation hearing. But this is my plea to please have someone understand we can barely afford living as it is under our current circumstances in Tooele. I moved out here to be able to finally have a single family home and we are barely making ends meet. We can't afford an increase in our taxes.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

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**Name - First Name:** MELANIE

**Name - Last Name:** FENSKE

**Date:** 8/3/2025

**Comment::** I am writing to formally oppose the proposed property tax increase intended to cover the district's \ \$14 million budget deficit. While I support education, this increase is unjustified given the findings in the 2024 Legislative Audit conducted by the Office of the Legislative Auditor General (OLAG). The audit revealed major concerns: low student achievement, poor staff morale, and widespread noncompliance with district policies—only 25% of reviewed personnel files met standards. The Board has also failed to implement meaningful oversight tied to student outcomes. Before asking taxpayers to contribute more, the district must fully implement the 17 OLAG recommendations, including strengthening HR compliance, creating an assistant superintendent for academics, and holding leadership accountable for academic results. Raising taxes without clear improvements in performance and transparency is irresponsible. The proposed tax hike would add \ \$284 annually for a \ \$475,000 home and \ \$517 for similarly valued businesses. This is a significant burden for residents already facing rising living costs. At the July 29 working session, OLAG

presented data showing Tooele's administrative spending per student is equal to or greater than Salt Lake, Ogden, and Provo—districts with far higher overall funding. Yet Tooele's academic performance remains dismal. Clearly, funding is not the issue—spending inefficiency is. Some of the deficit stems from prior mismanagement, such as overestimated revenues from the discontinued Tooele Online program. Taxpayers should not be expected to bail out failed district initiatives. I respectfully urge the Board to postpone the tax increase, prioritize implementing the audit's reforms, and improve internal spending before asking the public for more money.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 8/3/2025 1:15 PM

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**Name - First Name:** Cory

**Name - Last Name:** Shorr

**Date:** 8/3/2025

**Comment::** I am writing to formally oppose the proposed property tax increase intended to cover the district's nearly \$14 million budget deficit. While I support education, this increase is unjustified given the findings in the Legislative Audit conducted by the Office of the Legislative Auditor General (OLAG). The audit revealed major concerns: low student achievement, poor staff morale, and widespread noncompliance with district policies—only 25% of reviewed personnel files met standards. The Board has also failed to implement meaningful oversight tied to student outcomes. Before asking taxpayers to contribute more, the district must fully implement the 17 OLAG recommendations, including strengthening HR compliance and holding leadership accountable for academic results. Raising taxes without clear improvements in performance and transparency is irresponsible. The proposed tax hike would add \$284 annually for a \$475,000 home and \$517 for similarly valued businesses. This is a significant burden for residents already facing rising living costs. At the July 29 working session, OLAG presented data showing Tooele's administrative

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## Jacqueline Gallegos

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 8/3/2025 4:10 PM

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**Name - First Name:** Hope

**Name - Last Name:** Niesporek

**Date:** 8/4/2025

**Comment::** Don't raise our taxes..it's not our fault that you guys keep screwing up your money that we have already given you. We did not need that fancy new high school. Could have fixed up or current high schools that need it. Grantsville high is falling apart.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 8/3/2025 4:40 PM

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**Name - First Name:** Rhonda

**Name - Last Name:** Wells

**Date:** 8/4/2025

**Comment::** In light of the audit from the state there needs to be a change with every aspect of the school district. Starting with the school board more accountability is needed. This entire mess is a result of poor management on every level of the school board. Time for fresh faces. The superintendent needs to go now. He should have never been put in this position. He brought a lot of baggage from Grantsville High that has never been cleaned up completely. That KSL article was a disgrace to the entire district. FIRE HIM NOW. Also all the other positions of management under him. For years they have just recycled the incompetence in that office. It needs to be cleaned up. No tax increase will fix this mess. The poor decisions for so many years shows just how deep this problem goes. The waste and abuse is sick. Our children have paid a terrible price for people who are supposed to be their advocate's, instead we have a bunch of power grabbing administrators looking to line their own pockets. CLEAN THIS UP NO MORE TAX INCREASES GET RID OF THE ROT THAT HAS TAKEN OVER OUR CHILDREN EDUCATION

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 8/3/2025 7:58 PM

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**Name - First Name:** Alicia

**Name - Last Name:** Mather

**Date:** 8/3/2025

**Comment::** I am writing to formally oppose the proposed property tax increase intended to cover the district's \ \$14 million budget deficit. While I support education, this increase is unjustified given the findings in the 2024 Legislative Audit conducted by the Office of the Legislative Auditor General (OLAG). The audit revealed major concerns: low student achievement, poor staff morale, and widespread noncompliance with district policies—only 25% of reviewed personnel files met standards. The Board has also failed to implement meaningful oversight tied to student outcomes. Before asking taxpayers to contribute more, the district must fully implement the 17 OLAG recommendations, including strengthening HR compliance, creating an assistant superintendent for academics, and holding leadership accountable for academic results. Raising taxes without clear improvements in performance and transparency is irresponsible. The proposed tax hike would add \ \$284 annually for a \ \$475,000 home and

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 8/3/2025 10:56 PM

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**Name - First Name:** Travis

**Name - Last Name:** Maxfield

**Date:** 8/4/2025

**Comment::** I am appalled by the boards desire for yet another tax increased immediately after an audit showing how poorly the TCSD is doing with the money they are currently allotted. Ranking towards the bottom of the list, yet spending more money then the other schools, shows a failure of the current administration, yet the superintendents salary is soaring higher every year. If anyone in the private sector would have similar results, they would have been fired a long time ago, not be given generous 10%+ raises. While i do agree that a new high school was needed, we didnt need one so extravagant that it rivals a college campus, while neglecting the current schools in the district. Tooele Jr High has been without a sufficient AC system for years. My son just graduated high school and the AC system in the Jr high was atrocious when he was there and I heard many complaints about Tooele Highs AC system. Even within the last year or 2, TCSD shut down their offices due to an issue with the AC system, despite

many schools dealing with that all the time. The new high school didnt need money wasted on a backlit eagle on the building, while going severely over budget, THEN have the nerve to come ask for more tax dollars because previous years money was not spent wisely. How can you stand there in good faith wanting more money from tax payers while you have shown that you can't properly manage it in the first place? The school board and the district administration should be ashamed and embarrassed of how tax dollars were so poorly managed and all should vote no against this increase. TCSD has a student/teacher of 36-1. How is that acceptable? Just another example of how the current administration and board has failed the students and citizens of Tooele County.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 8/4/2025 6:24 AM

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**Name - First Name:** Loni

**Name - Last Name:** Goetz

**Date:** 8/4/2025

**Comment::** We want a full audit done. Are you willing to make this happen? We also want an open vote and we want the audit first.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 8/4/2025 8:27 AM

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**Name - First Name:** Justin

**Name - Last Name:** Weekes

**Date:** 8/4/2025

**Comment::** Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I'm writing as a taxpayer deeply concerned about how our dollars are being managed, particularly within the school administration. Every tax dollar comes from someone working hard—families, seniors, small business owners. We owe it to them to spend wisely. Unfortunately, our school leadership has failed to show consistent fiscal responsibility. There's too much administrative bloat, inefficient use of funds, and a lack of transparency. We're not seeing improvements that justify continued increases in spending. Before asking for more money, we must first see accountability. But it's not enough to stop raising taxes—we need to start lowering them. Here's how that can happen: 1. Reduce administrative overhead: Too much money is tied up in high-paying, non-classroom positions. More should go directly to students and teachers. 2. Audit contracts and services: Many vendor contracts are outdated or excessive. Renegotiating or cutting them can save real money. 3.



Implement zero-based budgeting: Departments should start from zero each year and justify every dollar, not just add to last year's budget. 4. Use public performance metrics: If a program isn't working, it should be reformed or removed. Results—not just intentions—should guide spending. 5. Cut costly extras: Eliminate expensive field trips, travel, and non-educational activities that do not support core academic goals. Enrichment is valuable, but luxuries should not come at the taxpayers' expense. Taxes should not go up simply because they always have. Property taxes are already a growing burden, especially for those on fixed incomes. If families must tighten their belts, government must too. I urge you to reject any tax increase and instead start the hard but necessary work of cutting waste, prioritizing classrooms, and restoring trust in how our money is managed.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 8/4/2025 9:34 AM

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**Name - First Name:** Konstantin

**Name - Last Name:** Matheou

**Date:** 8/4/2025

**Comment::** Is a Tax pair and property tax pair I would like to give a comment an overview of what is going on thank you

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 8/4/2025 9:42 AM

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**Name - First Name:** Travis

**Name - Last Name:** Garlick

**Date:** 8/4/2025

**Comment::** If there is the option to spread out the property tax increase. Wouldn't it make more sense to spread it out since there are a lot of new businesses and residences moving in and they could help with the burden?

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 8/4/2025 11:18 AM

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**Name - First Name:** Stacey

**Name - Last Name:** White

**Date:** 8/4/2025

**Comment::** I am writing to let you know that I oppose any tax increase for TCSD. The current tax levies & bonds for the School District are already high enough. With poor student achievement and the results of the recent audit, the District needs to look within the existing budget to make the necessary improvements and be a better steward of taxpayer dollars. My tax bill reflects a 9.8% increase with the proposed tax rate. This is unsustainable and unacceptable. A full financial independent audit accounting for how all money has been spent and should be conducted before asking for any additional tax increases. Given these reasons, I respectfully ask all Board members to vote NO on any tax increase

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 8/4/2025 12:16 PM

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**Name - First Name:** Mike

**Name - Last Name:** White

**Date:** 8/4/2025

**Comment::** I oppose any new property taxes for TCSD. Property taxes are already high enough and this proposed increase would result in a 9.8% increase to my property tax bill. This is excessive given low student achievement and the results of the recent audit. A full financial audit needs to be completed by an independent party before any new tax increases are proposed. I respectfully ask that all board members vote no for any tax increase.

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## Board of Education Public Comment

**Submission Date:** 8/4/2025 10:49 PM

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**Name - First Name:** MICHAEL R

**Name - Last Name:** JENSEN

**Date:** 8/4/2025

**Comment::** The proposed tax increase should absolutely be voted down by the Tooele County School Board. Gross miss management of tax payer funds should not burden property owners further. First demonstrate the ability to properly manage funds and provide exceptional education and then lets discuss the value of additional funds through a tax increase if actually needed.

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**Tooele County School District**  
**FY26 Proposed Beginning Budget**  
**With Proposed Tax Increase**  
**All Funds**

All Funds	Actual FY23	Actual FY24	Working Budget FY25	Proposed Budget FY26
<b>Revenues</b>				
1000 Revenues from Property Taxes	66,461,379.40	66,477,376.46	82,103,340.00	90,678,089.00
1000 Revenues from Local Sources	15,203,008.86	19,612,373.03	15,286,051.83	14,809,515.54
3000 Revenues from State Sources	177,235,973.06	160,872,316.06	140,877,911.32	141,211,552.56
4000 Revenues from Federal Sources	15,739,857.25	16,909,239.23	12,206,337.27	12,117,360.39
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>274,640,218.57</b>	<b>263,871,304.78</b>	<b>250,473,640.42</b>	<b>258,816,517.49</b>
<b>Function Expenditures</b>				
1000 Instruction	132,594,788.51	116,864,793.77	124,490,375.52	128,519,732.80
2100 Support Services - Students	10,198,268.32	12,131,434.22	11,687,569.29	11,648,629.08
2200 Support Services - Staff	14,045,118.99	15,407,637.34	14,296,335.81	14,815,500.83
2300 Support Services - District Administration	1,433,899.67	2,161,491.57	1,672,702.98	1,702,714.76
2400 Support Services - School Administration	11,253,283.98	12,552,363.76	12,889,053.13	13,149,678.05
2500 Support Services - Central	2,998,900.01	8,292,440.55	12,401,484.99	13,071,051.59
2600 Operation and Maintenance of Facilities	21,928,726.48	19,699,705.31	19,227,327.88	22,480,697.22
2700 Support Services - Student Transportation	6,710,161.31	9,331,369.87	8,636,016.20	9,678,221.98
2900 Other Support Services	-	-	-	-
3000 Non-Instructional Services	14,510,923.96	15,188,982.61	16,177,233.30	16,274,890.14
4000 Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	73,967,507.18	81,609,584.05	96,317,304.52	15,583,284.20
5000 Debt Services	17,371,033.78	19,920,596.17	25,898,142.40	25,651,807.00
<b>Total Expenditures by Function</b>	<b>307,012,612.19</b>	<b>313,160,399.22</b>	<b>343,693,546.02</b>	<b>272,576,207.65</b>
<b>Object Expenditures</b>				
100 Salaries	103,657,132.41	113,466,122.42	116,689,101.69	121,639,633.14
200 Employee Benefits	46,680,482.06	51,088,019.66	50,288,352.73	52,857,811.42
300 Purchased Professional and Technical Services	35,430,999.44	10,822,089.35	10,688,348.75	11,080,266.16
400 Purchased Property Services	66,135,436.26	76,538,754.58	78,550,802.08	10,968,420.00
500 Other Purchased Services	3,239,447.51	3,183,513.73	3,705,441.36	3,729,756.06
600 Supplies	24,149,199.86	23,549,906.17	29,546,878.41	28,878,151.89
700 Property	5,126,437.47	8,716,421.78	21,134,852.40	9,672,837.00
800 Other Objects	22,593,477.18	25,795,571.53	33,089,768.60	33,749,331.98
<b>Total Expenditures by Object</b>	<b>307,012,612.19</b>	<b>313,160,399.22</b>	<b>343,693,546.02</b>	<b>272,576,207.65</b>
<b>Revenues Less Expenditures - Excess/(Deficiency)</b>	<b>(32,372,393.62)</b>	<b>(49,289,094.44)</b>	<b>(93,219,905.60)</b>	<b>(13,759,690.16)</b>
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	43,059,798.58	87,927,357.88	50,000.00	100,000.00
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>10,687,404.96</b>	<b>38,638,263.44</b>	<b>(93,169,905.60)</b>	<b>(13,659,690.16)</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>171,650,788.21</b>	<b>210,289,051.65</b>	<b>117,119,146.05</b>	<b>103,459,455.89</b>



**Tooele County School District  
FY26 Proposed Beginning Budget  
With Proposed Tax Increase  
General Fund**

	Actual FY23	Actual FY24	Working Budget FY25	Proposed Budget FY26
<b>General Fund</b>				
<b>Revenues</b>				
1000 Revenues from Property Taxes	37,110,113.00	33,764,370.32	48,610,534.00	50,426,147.00
1000 Revenues from Local Sources	3,972,820.93	4,601,980.13	3,798,018.53	4,029,000.00
3000 Revenues from State Sources	161,663,123.21	141,609,938.22	131,907,957.32	136,304,355.56
4000 Revenues from Federal Sources	11,034,022.66	12,022,292.70	7,764,594.87	7,738,617.99
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>213,780,079.80</b>	<b>191,998,581.37</b>	<b>192,081,104.72</b>	<b>198,498,120.55</b>
<b>Function Expenditures</b>				
1000 Instruction	128,779,419.10	113,230,908.73	118,924,012.68	125,172,351.55
2100 Support Services - Students	10,198,268.32	12,131,434.22	11,687,569.29	11,648,629.08
2200 Support Services - Staff	14,024,207.61	15,220,125.16	14,223,839.17	14,792,337.58
2300 Support Services - District Administration	1,433,899.67	2,161,491.57	1,672,702.98	1,702,714.76
2400 Support Services - School Administration	11,253,283.98	12,490,248.56	12,889,053.13	13,149,678.05
2500 Support Services - Central	2,998,900.01	8,156,756.87	6,401,484.99	6,426,051.59
2600 Operation and Maintenance of Facilities	21,909,157.44	19,495,329.00	18,672,786.28	21,715,781.65
2700 Support Services - Student Transportation	5,810,462.42	8,451,178.01	6,556,356.20	8,185,061.98
2900 Other Support Services	-	-	-	-
3000 Non-Instructional Services	-	-	-	-
4000 Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	-	250,000.00	-	-
5000 Debt Services	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Expenditures by Function</b>	<b>196,407,598.55</b>	<b>191,587,472.12</b>	<b>191,027,804.72</b>	<b>202,792,606.24</b>
<b>Object Expenditures</b>				
100 Salaries	99,929,483.11	109,909,826.09	112,980,135.34	117,727,390.21
200 Employee Benefits	45,553,251.79	49,977,849.86	49,133,580.11	51,569,139.27
300 Purchased Professional and Technical Services	31,234,076.59	9,527,025.82	9,935,778.75	10,525,796.16
400 Purchased Property Services	1,080,381.68	1,495,185.80	1,342,900.00	1,509,520.00
500 Other Purchased Services	2,237,611.11	2,157,870.33	2,189,081.36	2,214,896.06
600 Supplies	15,846,454.52	14,639,474.63	14,894,145.73	16,294,239.56
700 Property	406,793.24	3,763,401.21	149,657.23	1,520,000.00
800 Other Objects	119,546.51	116,838.38	402,526.20	1,431,624.98
<b>Total Expenditures by Object</b>	<b>196,407,598.55</b>	<b>191,587,472.12</b>	<b>191,027,804.72</b>	<b>202,792,606.24</b>
<b>Revenues Less Expenditures - Excess/(Deficiency)</b>	<b>17,372,481.25</b>	<b>411,109.25</b>	<b>1,053,300.00</b>	<b>(4,294,485.69)</b>
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	(8,743,824.68)	(547,735.99)	(1,053,300.00)	(784,710.77)
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>8,628,656.57</b>	<b>(136,626.74)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(5,079,196.46)</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>36,731,293.61</b>	<b>36,594,666.87</b>	<b>36,594,666.87</b>	<b>31,515,470.41</b>

**Tooele County School District**  
**FY26 Proposed Beginning Budget**  
**With Proposed Tax Increase**  
**Student Activities Fund**

	Actual FY23	Actual FY24	Working Budget FY25	Proposed Budget FY26
<b>Student Activities Fund</b>				
<b>Revenues</b>				
1000 Revenues from Property Taxes	-	-		
1000 Revenues from Local Sources	4,321,192.37	4,446,552.45	4,476,233.30	4,459,293.15
3000 Revenues from State Sources	-	-		
4000 Revenues from Federal Sources	-	-		
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>4,321,192.37</b>	<b>4,446,552.45</b>	<b>4,476,233.30</b>	<b>4,459,293.15</b>
<b>Function Expenditures</b>				
1000 Instruction	3,814,308.28	3,632,748.17	3,364,073.30	3,347,133.15
2100 Support Services - Students	-	-		
2200 Support Services - Staff	18,331.93	187,318.21	22,300.00	22,300.00
2300 Support Services - District Administration	-	-		
2400 Support Services - School Administration	-	62,115.20		
2500 Support Services - Central	-	-		
2600 Operation and Maintenance of Facilities	-	-		
2700 Support Services - Student Transportation	898,498.89	872,335.86	1,493,160.00	1,493,160.00
2900 Other Support Services	-	-		
3000 Non-Instructional Services	-	-		
4000 Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	-	-		
5000 Debt Services	-	-		
<b>Total Expenditures by Function</b>	<b>4,731,139.10</b>	<b>4,754,517.44</b>	<b>4,879,533.30</b>	<b>4,862,593.15</b>
<b>Object Expenditures</b>				
100 Salaries	98,616.80	100,305.18	90,000.00	75,517.11
200 Employee Benefits	24,304.19	23,103.27	20,000.00	17,542.74
300 Purchased Professional and Technical Services	396,190.74	335,125.64	414,770.00	414,770.00
400 Purchased Property Services	31,717.04	27,900.81	43,900.00	43,900.00
500 Other Purchased Services	914,195.58	923,643.67	1,513,360.00	1,513,360.00
600 Supplies	3,203,785.52	3,247,744.59	2,706,803.30	2,706,803.30
700 Property	23,693.02	30,576.93	41,300.00	41,300.00
800 Other Objects	38,636.21	66,117.35	49,400.00	49,400.00
<b>Total Expenditures by Object</b>	<b>4,731,139.10</b>	<b>4,754,517.44</b>	<b>4,879,533.30</b>	<b>4,862,593.15</b>
<b>Revenues Less Expenditures - Excess/(Deficiency)</b>	<b>(409,946.73)</b>	<b>(307,964.99)</b>	<b>(403,300.00)</b>	<b>(403,300.00)</b>
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	393,272.16	229,050.72	403,300.00	403,300.00
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>(16,674.57)</b>	<b>(78,914.27)</b>	<b>(0.00)</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>2,410,624.29</b>	<b>2,331,710.02</b>	<b>2,331,710.02</b>	<b>2,331,710.02</b>

**Tooele County School District**  
**FY26 Proposed Beginning Budget**  
**With Proposed Tax Increase**  
**Tax Increment Fund**

<b>Tax Increment Fund</b>	<b>Actual FY23</b>	<b>Actual FY24</b>	<b>Working Budget FY25</b>	<b>Proposed Budget FY26</b>
<b>Revenues</b>				
1000 Revenues from Property Taxes	4,097,810.00	4,751,748.62	5,926,500.00	5,926,500.00
1000 Revenues from Local Sources	-	-		
3000 Revenues from State Sources	-	-		
4000 Revenues from Federal Sources	-	-		
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>4,097,810.00</b>	<b>4,751,748.62</b>	<b>5,926,500.00</b>	<b>5,926,500.00</b>
<b>Function Expenditures</b>				
1000 Instruction	-	-		
2100 Support Services - Students	-	-		
2200 Support Services - Staff	-	-		
2300 Support Services - District Administration	-	-		
2400 Support Services - School Administration	-	-		
2500 Support Services - Central	-	-		
2600 Operation and Maintenance of Facilities	-	-		
2700 Support Services - Student Transportation	-	-		
2900 Other Support Services	-	-		
3000 Non-Instructional Services	4,097,810.00	4,751,748.62	5,926,500.00	5,926,500.00
4000 Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	-	-		
5000 Debt Services	-	-		
<b>Total Expenditures by Function</b>	<b>4,097,810.00</b>	<b>4,751,748.62</b>	<b>5,926,500.00</b>	<b>5,926,500.00</b>
<b>Object Expenditures</b>				
100 Salaries	-	-		
200 Employee Benefits	-	-		
300 Purchased Professional and Technical Services	-	-		
400 Purchased Property Services	-	-		
500 Other Purchased Services	-	-		
600 Supplies	-	-		
700 Property	-	-		
800 Other Objects	4,097,810.00	4,751,748.62	5,926,500.00	5,926,500.00
<b>Total Expenditures by Object</b>	<b>4,097,810.00</b>	<b>4,751,748.62</b>	<b>5,926,500.00</b>	<b>5,926,500.00</b>
<b>Revenues Less Expenditures - Excess/(Deficiency)</b>	-	-	-	-
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	-			
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Fund Balance</b>	-	-	-	-

Tooele County School District  
FY26 Proposed Beginning Budget  
With Proposed Tax Increase  
Debt Service Fund

	Actual FY23	Actual FY24	Working Budget FY25	Proposed Budget FY26
<b>Debt Service Fund</b>				
<b>Revenues</b>				
1000 Revenues from Property Taxes	16,428,192.38	16,771,438.71	20,408,346.00	20,646,257.00
1000 Revenues from Local Sources	226,977.48	350,683.99	2,000.00	35,000.00
3000 Revenues from State Sources	-	-		
4000 Revenues from Federal Sources	-	-		
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>16,655,169.86</b>	<b>17,122,122.70</b>	<b>20,410,346.00</b>	<b>20,681,257.00</b>
<b>Function Expenditures</b>				
1000 Instruction	-	-		
2100 Support Services - Students	-	-		
2200 Support Services - Staff	-	-		
2300 Support Services - District Administration	-	-		
2400 Support Services - School Administration	-	-		
2500 Support Services - Central	-	-		
2600 Operation and Maintenance of Facilities	-	-		
2700 Support Services - Student Transportation	-	-		
2900 Other Support Services	-	-		
3000 Non-Instructional Services	-	-		
4000 Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	-	-		
5000 Debt Services	15,691,725.93	16,966,659.42	20,410,346.00	20,681,257.00
<b>Total Expenditures by Function</b>	<b>15,691,725.93</b>	<b>16,966,659.42</b>	<b>20,410,346.00</b>	<b>20,681,257.00</b>
<b>Object Expenditures</b>				
100 Salaries	-	-		
200 Employee Benefits	-	-		
300 Purchased Professional and Technical Services	-	-		
400 Purchased Property Services	-	-		
500 Other Purchased Services	-	-		
600 Supplies	-	-		
700 Property	-	-		
800 Other Objects	15,691,725.93	16,966,659.42	20,410,346.00	20,681,257.00
<b>Total Expenditures by Object</b>	<b>15,691,725.93</b>	<b>16,966,659.42</b>	<b>20,410,346.00</b>	<b>20,681,257.00</b>
<b>Revenues Less Expenditures - Excess/(Deficiency)</b>	<b>963,443.93</b>	<b>155,463.28</b>	-	-
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	(559,758.07)	(155,463.28)		
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>403,685.86</b>	<b>(0.00)</b>	-	-
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>3,518,090.81</b>	<b>3,518,090.81</b>	<b>3,518,090.81</b>	<b>3,518,090.81</b>

**Tooele County School District**  
**FY26 Proposed Beginning Budget**  
**With Proposed Tax Increase**  
**Capital Projects Fund**

	Actual FY23	Actual FY24	Working Budget FY25	Proposed Budget FY26
<b>Capital Projects Fund</b>				
<b>Revenues</b>				
1000 Revenues from Property Taxes	8,825,264.02	11,189,818.81	7,157,960.00	13,679,185.00
1000 Revenues from Local Sources	3,506,977.72	6,534,978.88	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00
3000 Revenues from State Sources	14,451,547.35	17,214,695.67	7,169,954.00	3,107,197.00
4000 Revenues from Federal Sources	298,742.40	298,742.40	298,742.40	298,742.40
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>27,082,531.49</b>	<b>35,238,235.76</b>	<b>17,626,656.40</b>	<b>20,085,124.40</b>
<b>Function Expenditures</b>				
1000 Instruction	1,061.13	-	2,200,000.00	-
2100 Support Services - Students	-	-	-	-
2200 Support Services - Staff	-	-	50,000.00	-
2300 Support Services - District Administration	-	-	-	-
2400 Support Services - School Administration	-	-	-	-
2500 Support Services - Central	-	135,683.68	6,000,000.00	6,645,000.00
2600 Operation and Maintenance of Facilities	119.84	179,428.80	554,024.02	754,537.00
2700 Support Services - Student Transportation	-	-	586,500.00	-
2900 Other Support Services	-	-	-	-
3000 Non-Instructional Services	-	-	-	-
4000 Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	73,594,263.60	80,405,789.41	95,017,304.52	15,333,284.20
5000 Debt Services	1,679,307.85	2,953,936.75	5,487,796.40	4,970,550.00
<b>Total Expenditures by Function</b>	<b>75,274,752.42</b>	<b>83,674,838.64</b>	<b>109,895,624.94</b>	<b>27,703,371.20</b>
<b>Object Expenditures</b>				
100 Salaries	88,000.00	110,000.00	112,000.00	114,000.00
200 Employee Benefits	49,051.67	56,771.58	56,795.94	53,269.20
300 Purchased Professional and Technical Services	3,600,621.17	840,840.06	247,100.00	50,000.00
400 Purchased Property Services	64,641,447.12	74,041,100.52	75,843,002.08	9,145,000.00
500 Other Purchased Services	-	-	-	-
600 Supplies	659,183.83	862,625.25	7,279,035.35	5,259,015.00
700 Property	4,557,140.78	4,809,564.48	20,869,895.17	8,111,537.00
800 Other Objects	1,679,307.85	2,953,936.75	5,487,796.40	4,970,550.00
<b>Total Expenditures by Object</b>	<b>75,274,752.42</b>	<b>83,674,838.64</b>	<b>109,895,624.94</b>	<b>27,703,371.20</b>
<b>Revenues Less Expenditures - Excess/(Deficiency)</b>	<b>(48,192,220.93)</b>	<b>(48,436,602.88)</b>	<b>(92,268,968.54)</b>	<b>(7,618,246.80)</b>
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	51,557,822.28	87,912,943.27	50,000.00	100,000.00
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>3,365,601.35</b>	<b>39,476,340.39</b>	<b>(92,218,968.54)</b>	<b>(7,518,246.80)</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>125,036,870.31</b>	<b>164,513,210.70</b>	<b>72,294,242.16</b>	<b>64,775,995.36</b>

**Tooele County School District**  
**FY26 Proposed Beginning Budget**  
**With Proposed Tax Increase**  
**Food Service Fund**

	Actual	Actual	Working	Proposed
Food Service Fund	FY23	FY24	Budget	Budget
			FY25	FY26
<b>Revenues</b>				
1000 Revenues from Property Taxes	-	-		
1000 Revenues from Local Sources	2,369,655.01	2,713,784.63	3,009,800.00	3,002,500.00
3000 Revenues from State Sources	1,121,302.50	2,002,682.17	1,800,000.00	1,800,000.00
4000 Revenues from Federal Sources	4,407,092.19	4,588,204.13	4,143,000.00	4,080,000.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>7,898,049.70</b>	<b>9,304,670.93</b>	<b>8,952,800.00</b>	<b>8,882,500.00</b>
<b>Function Expenditures</b>				
1000 Instruction	-	-		
2100 Support Services - Students	-	-		
2200 Support Services - Staff	-	-		
2300 Support Services - District Administration	-	-		
2400 Support Services - School Administration	-	-		
2500 Support Services - Central	-	-		
2600 Operation and Maintenance of Facilities	-	-		
2700 Support Services - Student Transportation	-	-		
2900 Other Support Services	-	-		
3000 Non-Instructional Services	9,568,910.10	9,436,902.91	9,903,737.06	9,976,157.67
4000 Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	278,518.58	943,099.64		
5000 Debt Services	-	-		
<b>Total Expenditures by Function</b>	<b>9,847,428.68</b>	<b>10,380,002.55</b>	<b>9,903,737.06</b>	<b>9,976,157.67</b>
<b>Object Expenditures</b>				
100 Salaries	3,332,200.09	3,122,757.69	3,292,646.72	3,479,859.93
200 Employee Benefits	1,010,986.45	987,585.24	1,037,390.34	1,172,097.74
300 Purchased Professional and Technical Services	127,412.79	103,842.63	90,700.00	89,700.00
400 Purchased Property Services	284,433.42	972,316.45	21,000.00	20,000.00
500 Other Purchased Services	6,283.18	10,401.21	3,000.00	1,500.00
600 Supplies	3,998,610.84	4,150,674.09	4,571,800.00	4,523,000.00
700 Property	138,810.43	112,409.16	74,000.00	-
800 Other Objects	948,691.48	920,016.08	813,200.00	690,000.00
<b>Total Expenditures by Object</b>	<b>9,847,428.68</b>	<b>10,380,002.55</b>	<b>9,903,737.06</b>	<b>9,976,157.67</b>
<b>Revenues Less Expenditures - Excess/(Deficiency)</b>	<b>(1,949,378.98)</b>	<b>(1,075,331.62)</b>	<b>(950,937.06)</b>	<b>(1,093,657.67)</b>
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	62,286.89	138,563.16	-	31,410.77
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>(1,887,092.09)</b>	<b>(936,768.46)</b>	<b>(950,937.06)</b>	<b>(1,062,246.90)</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>2,949,952.42</b>	<b>2,013,183.96</b>	<b>1,062,246.90</b>	<b>-</b>

**Tooele County School District  
FY26 Proposed Beginning Budget  
With Proposed Tax Increase  
Education Foundation Fund**

	Actual FY23	Actual FY24	Working Budget FY25	Proposed Budget FY26
<b>Education Foundation Fund</b>				

**Revenues**

1000 Revenues from Property Taxes	-	-		
1000 Revenues from Local Sources	805,385.35	964,392.95	1,000,000.00	283,722.39
3000 Revenues from State Sources	-	45,000.00		
4000 Revenues from Federal Sources	-	-		
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>805,385.35</b>	<b>1,009,392.95</b>	<b>1,000,000.00</b>	<b>283,722.39</b>

**Function Expenditures**

1000 Instruction	-	1,136.87	2,289.54	248.10
2100 Support Services - Students	-	-		
2200 Support Services - Staff	2,579.45	193.97	196.64	863.25
2300 Support Services - District Administration	-	-		
2400 Support Services - School Administration	-	-		
2500 Support Services - Central	-	-		
2600 Operation and Maintenance of Facilities	19,449.20	24,947.51	517.58	10,378.57
2700 Support Services - Student Transportation	1,200.00	7,856.00		
2900 Other Support Services	-	-		
3000 Non-Instructional Services	844,203.86	1,000,331.08	346,996.24	372,232.47
4000 Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	94,725.00	10,695.00	1,300,000.00	250,000.00
5000 Debt Services	-	-		
<b>Total Expenditures by Function</b>	<b>962,157.51</b>	<b>1,045,160.43</b>	<b>1,650,000.00</b>	<b>633,722.39</b>

**Object Expenditures**

100 Salaries	208,832.41	223,233.46	214,319.63	242,865.89
200 Employee Benefits	42,887.96	42,709.71	40,586.34	45,762.47
300 Purchased Professional and Technical Services	72,698.15	15,255.20	-	-
400 Purchased Property Services	97,457.00	2,251.00	1,300,000.00	250,000.00
500 Other Purchased Services	81,357.64	91,598.52		-
600 Supplies	441,165.15	649,387.61	95,094.03	95,094.03
700 Property	-	470.00	-	-
800 Other Objects	17,759.20	20,254.93	-	-
<b>Total Expenditures by Object</b>	<b>962,157.51</b>	<b>1,045,160.43</b>	<b>1,650,000.00</b>	<b>633,722.39</b>

<b>Revenues Less Expenditures - Excess/(Deficiency)</b>	<b>(156,772.16)</b>	<b>(35,767.48)</b>	<b>(650,000.00)</b>	<b>(350,000.00)</b>
Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	350,000.00	350,000.00	650,000.00	350,000.00
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	<b>193,227.84</b>	<b>314,232.52</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>1,003,956.77</b>	<b>1,318,189.29</b>	<b>1,318,189.29</b>	<b>1,318,189.29</b>
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<p><b>Utah State Tax Commission - Property Tax Division</b></p> <p><b>Resolution Adopting Final Tax Rates and Budgets</b></p>	<p><b>Form PT-800</b></p> <p>Rev. 02/15</p>
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**Tax Year:** 2025

**TOOELE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

approves the following property tax rate(s) and revenue(s) for the year: **2025**

1. Fund/Budget Type	2. Revenue	3. Tax Rate
190 Discharge of Judgement		
210 Basic School Levy	11,724,762	0.001379
230 GO Bond Payments	18,697,437	0.002199
246 Capital Local Levy	12,387,947	0.001457
510 Voted Local Levy	13,603,785	0.001600
526 Board Local Levy .002500	20,337,658	0.002392
527 Charter School Levy	918,255	0.000108
	<b>\$77,669,844</b>	<b>0.009135</b>

This resolution is adopted after proper notice and hearing in accordance with UCA 59-2-919 and shall be forwarded to the County Auditor and the Tax Commission in accordance with UCA 59-2-913 and 29-2-920.

**Signature of Governing Chair**

Signature:  Date: August 5, 2025  
Title: **Board President**