



ELKHORN
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2021-2022 BUDGET

SEPTEMBER 13, 2021

Elkhorn Public Schools - Taxing Funds

- **General Fund** - Finances all services of the district including instructional, operations and maintenance. Revenues come from taxes, state and federal grants, other local sources.
- **Building Fund** - Finances acquisition of land, site and building improvements.
- **Bond Fund** - Records tax receipts and the payment of bond principal and interest, and other related costs.

Other Non-Taxing Funds:

- ***Activities Fund*** - accounts for revenues and expenses for student organizations, interschool athletics, and other self-supporting (or partially self-supporting) school activities.
- ***Depreciation Fund*** - used to reserve monies from the general fund to facilitate eventual purchases of costly capital outlays.
- ***Employee Benefit Fund*** - monies withheld from staff paychecks for contributions to flexible benefit accounts (dependent care and medical).
- ***School Nutrition Fund*** - records all operations for School Lunch, Breakfast, and other Meal programs. Revenue sources are participant fees, state and federal reimbursements.
- ***Student Fee Fund*** - fees collected for participation in extracurricular activities or other educational fees (such as computer device coverage and repairs)

SOURCES OF DISTRICT REVENUE - Fiscal Year 20-21

Local Taxes:

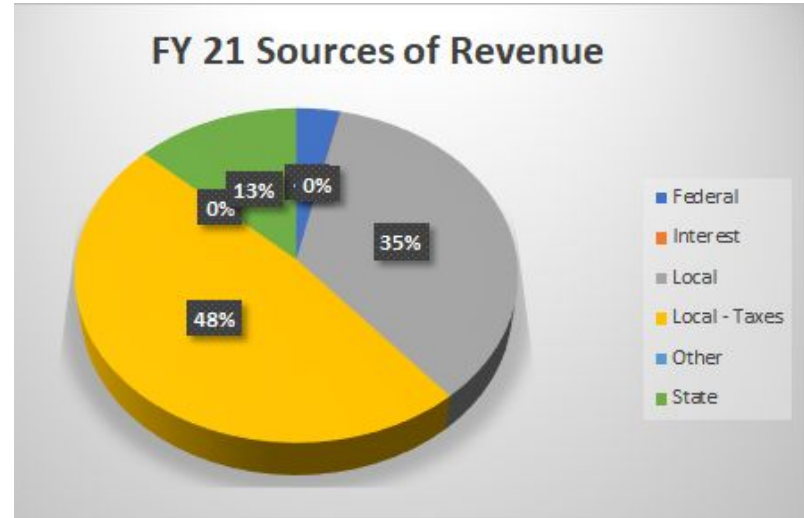
Motor Vehicle Taxes, Property Tax Credit/Ag State, Pro-Rate Motor Vehicle, Property Tax Levy (41.8% of total District Revenues)

Other Local Sources:

Private Contributions, Construction-related Refunds, Bonds Issued & Refunded, Public Power Dist Sales Tax, Extracurricular Fees, Lunch Program Sales Receipts

State Sources:

State Aid (9.5% of total District Revenues), State Apportionment, SPED Reimbursements, and Other Reimbursements



Federal Sources:

School Nutrition Reimbursement (2.2% in FY 21), Grant Funding (IDEA, TITLE, ESSER, etc), Medicaid Reimbursements

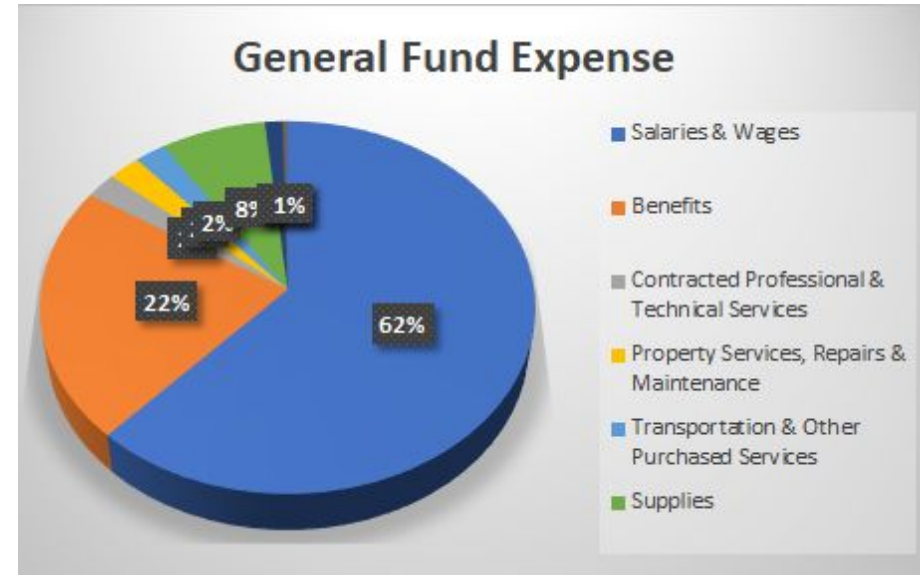
BREAKDOWN OF GENERAL FUND EXPENSES

Fiscal Year 20-21

Salaries & Benefits for Staff comprises 84% of General Fund Budget

Supplies: instructional supplies, books, software, tech supplies, gas, utilities for electric and natural gas service.

Contracted Professional & Technical Services: Annual Fee for Common Ground Pool, Arbor Family Counseling, Visiting Nurses Association, Occupational and Physical Therapy, HVAC, Security Equipment & Monitoring, etc.

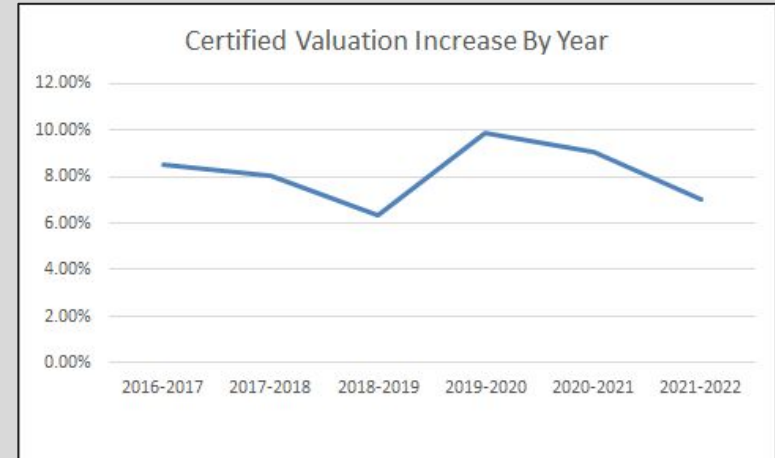


GENERAL FUND REVENUES

Budget for General Fund revenues reflects an increase of 5.5%

KEY FACTORS:

- Information from outside sources such as NDE, plus a review of prior year trends and actual receipts
- Certified Valuation for Elkhorn School District increased 7.03%
- State Aid Certification for FY 22 increasing \$650,000
- Loss of Title I funds for FY 22
- Additional funds from ESSER III Grant (\$897,341)
- General Fund Levy proposed is \$1.005958 (shifting the remaining levy to Building Fund)

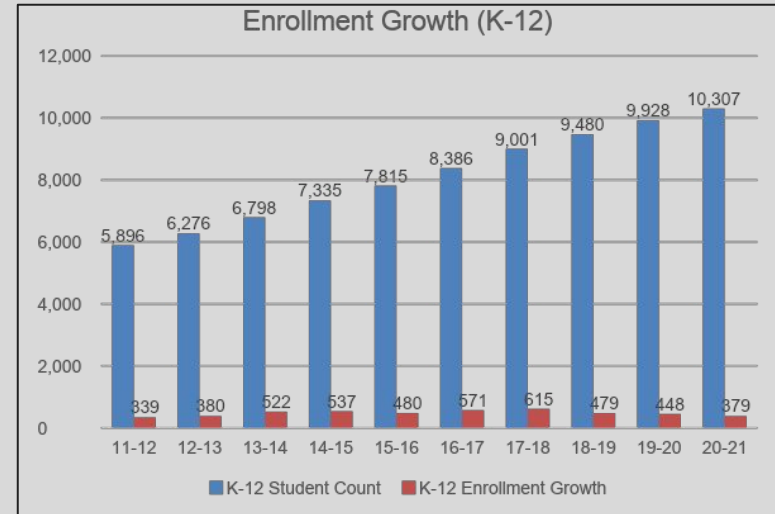


GENERAL FUND EXPENSES

Budget for General Fund expenses reflects an increase of 7.26%

KEY FACTORS:

- New Middle School opened Fall 2021 (Elkhorn North Ridge Middle School) and providing for a Senior Class at Elkhorn North High School (opened Fall 2020) - 60 new staff positions, plus extra duties, also increases utilities, insurance and maintenance costs
- Budget based on anticipated student growth of 4.46% over prior year (actual growth is 5% as of 9/7/21)
- Includes expenditures funded by ESSER II & ESSER III Grant Funds
- Negotiated agreement from Dec 2019 provided for a 3.75% increase in salary & benefits for certified staff.



BUILDING FUND BUDGET

FY 22 Budget shifts a portion of the tax levy from General Fund to Building Fund.

Proposed Levy increases from \$.02238 to \$.044042

PROJECTS TO POTENTIALLY FINANCE FROM THE BUILDING FUND:

- HVAC Repairs at Elkhorn High, Elkhorn Middle, Skyline, Spring Ridge and Westridge elementaries (estimated \$965,000)
- Roofing Repairs at Elkhorn High, Elkhorn Ridge Middle, Skyline and Spring Ridge elementaries (estimated \$600,000)
- Concrete Repairs at Elkhorn High, Elkhorn South, Skyline, Manchester, Fire Ridge and West Dodge Station elementaries (estimated \$600,000)
- Flooring/Gym Flooring Repairs at Elkhorn High, Elkhorn South, Grandview & Valley View middle schools, Arbor View, Sagewood and West Bay elementaries (estimated \$975,000)
- Lighting Repairs at Elkhorn High & Skyline Elementary (estimated \$650,000)
- Acquisition of land for future elementary school sites

Building Fund Expenses were over \$31.8 million for property related needs in Fiscal Year 20-21.

New Building Construction financed: Completion of Elkhorn North High School (opened Fall 2020), Completion of Woodbrook Elementary (opened Fall 2020), New Construction of Elkhorn North Ridge Middle School (opened Fall 2021)

Building Improvements were made at the following locations:

Central Office - HVAC, lighting and ceiling replacement

Spring Ridge Elementary - replaced carpeting, bathroom tile, ceiling tile, lights and furniture (classrooms and media center)

Blue Sage Elementary - Early Education classroom addition

Elkhorn High School - Weight room remodel, replaced bathroom tile, locker room remodel, paint gym and refinish gym floor

Elkhorn Middle School - Media center and industrial tech room updates

Elkhorn Ridge Middle School - new LVT flooring in cafeteria and locker pods, new RTU for the gym

Westridge Elementary - replaced ceiling tiles and lights

BOND FUND BUDGET

Budget reflects Bond Principal & Interest payments and Bond-related Fees

Proposed Levy decreases \$.005 from 2020-2021

- In October 2020, over \$40 million in outstanding bonds were refunded lowering the interest rates from 3 and 4% to .265 to 2.168%
- Principal and Interest payments required from the Bond Fund in Fiscal Year 2022 total \$26,376,945
- The Bond Levy decreases by \$.005 in FY 22 and is anticipated to drop another \$.03 in FY 23.

OTHER FUNDS (non-taxing)

The budget allows for all potential expenses to avoid amending the budget due to unforeseen events

- **Activity Fund** - accounts for income and expenses for student organizations and athletics. Revenues primarily from families purchasing activity passes, gate receipts, etc. Budgeted expense set at \$3.75 million with cash reserve of \$750,000. Allows for sufficient spending authority to accommodate revenues and expenses that could be incurred (state-qualifying teams would impact income and expenses)
- **Depreciation Fund** - records monies set aside from the general fund over a period of time to finance large-ticket replacement projects. Annual budget reflects the potential to spend all monies in the fund, though they may not all be spent in the current fiscal year. Prior years expenses have included vehicles, buses, technology replacement, mechanical system replacement, etc. Budgeted expense set at \$5 million.

OTHER FUNDS (non-taxing)

- **Employee Benefit Fund** - records general fund monies set aside from payroll for the benefit of school district employees. It is considered a component of the general fund. This fund sets aside the monies withheld from employee pay which then goes into the flexible spending account program (medical and child care expenses). Expenses reflect claims for reimbursement which are coordinated by a third party administrator, Payflex. The budgeted expense is set at \$950,000 and there is no budgeted cash reserve since funds are set aside and then used for the reimbursement.
- **School Nutrition Fund** - records income and expenses for the breakfast and lunch programs. Revenues primarily come from family payments, and state/federal reimbursements. Budgeted expense is \$7,000,000 with a cash reserve of \$750,000 (reflects payments received from families in July and August for the new school year).
- **Student Fee Fund** - records income and expenses related to student participation in activities as outlined in the Public Elementary and Secondary Student Fee Authorization Act. Revenue sources include participation fees, summer school fees, and computer device protection. Budgeted expense is set at \$400,000 with a cash reserve budget of \$200,000 (primarily reflects athletic participation fees used to fund athletic competition expenses over the course of the year as well as the device protection that is used to fund the expense of those repairs and replacements. Families who qualify for free or reduced price meals may request a waiver of these fees.

Budget Breakdown & Comparison for FY 22

Budgeted Expense & Cash Reserve for 21-22 compared to 20-21

Budgeted Expense by Fund:

	<u>21-22</u>	<u>20-21</u>
General	\$126,320,634	\$117,768,918
Building	\$ 19,390,000	\$ 58,675,000
Bond	\$ 76,925,870	\$ 88,114,997
Depreciation	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 4,500,000
Employee Benefit	\$ 950,000	\$ 950,000
Activities	\$ 3,750,000	\$ 2,500,000
School Nutrition	\$ 7,000,000	\$ 6,500,000
Student Fee	\$ 400,000	\$ 250,000

20-21 reflects original budgeted amount

Cash Reserve by Fund:

	<u>21-22</u>	<u>20-21</u>
	\$22,825,000	\$22,825,000
	\$ -	\$ -
	\$19,309,000	\$14,180,000
	\$ -	\$ -
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	\$ 750,000	\$ 750,000
	\$ 750,000	\$ 500,000
	\$ 200,000	\$ 125,000

Levy Breakdown & Comparison for FY 22

Combined Anticipated Levy for 21-22 compared to 20-21

Levy Rates:

	<u>21-22</u>	<u>20-21</u>
General Fund	\$1.005958	\$1.027620
Building Fund	\$0.044042	\$0.022380
Bond Fund	<u>\$0.368000</u>	<u>\$0.373000</u>
TOTAL	\$1.418000	\$1.423000

General + Building levy stays at \$1.05 as required by State Statute.

Property Tax Request:

	<u>21-22</u>	<u>20-21</u>
	\$78,560,139	\$74,979,364
	\$ 3,439,470	\$ 1,632,929
	\$28,738,909	\$27,211,936