

**AIKEN COUNTY PUBLIC
SCHOOLS**

**PROPOSED BUDGET
2015 – 2016**

JUNE 23, 2015

Proposed budgets for the following funds are presented in subsequent pages:

- General Fund
- Special Revenue Fund
- Education Improvement Act (EIA) Fund
- Debt Service Fund
- School Building Fund
- School Food Service Fund

Budget highlights and proposed changes for 2015 – 2016 include:

- Operating millage remaining unchanged at 141.6 mills
- Debt service millage remaining unchanged at 29.0 mills
- A step increase for all employees
- Funding for a Freshman Academy at South Aiken High (approved 4-21-15)
- Funding for a STEM program at Jackson Middle and a STEAM program at New Ellenton Middle (approved 4-21-15)
- Staffing each elementary school with a minimum of one full-time assistant principal, regardless of enrollment (approved 4-21-15)
- Staffing each middle school with a minimum of one full-time assistant principal, regardless of enrollment (approved 4-28-15)
- A 1% cost of living adjustment for all employees (approved 4-28-15)
- Creation of a PowerSchool Assistant position (approved 4-28-15)
- One-time funding for Board Room upgrades (approved 4-28-15)
- One-time funding for a \$4 per pupil increase in janitorial supplies and a \$4 per pupil increase in copier supplies (approved 4-28-15)
- One-time technology funds to cover the cost of anti-virus system and other technology items (approved 4-28-15)
- One-time money (\$100,000) for band (approved 5-12-15)
- One-time money for the Adult Education TASC materials (approved 5-12-15)
- Funding for an additional electrician in the maintenance department (approved 5-12-15)
- Providing a high school with funding equal to any unused athletic supplement (approved 5-12-15)
- Staffing middle schools with a full-time attendance aide (up from half-time)(approved 6-2-15)
- Creation of an Human Resources Coordinator position for Recruiting and Staffing (approved 6-2-15)
- Increase in recurring funds for technology (approved 6-9-15)
- Supplement teacher supply checks by \$25 to keep at \$275 for 2015-16 (it appears that the State will only be able to fund \$250)(approved 6-9-15)

**FUND #1 - OPERATIONS
FOR THE 2015 - 2016 SCHOOL YEAR
REVENUE BUDGET**

	<u>2014 - 2015 Budget</u>	<u>2015 - 2016 Proposed Budget</u>	<u>Increase/ (Decrease)</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Local:				
Levies For Current Operations (no tax increase)	\$ 48,860,778	\$ 51,319,188	\$ 2,458,410	5.03%
Delinquent Taxes - Operations	3,200,000	3,200,000	-	0.00%
Payment In Lieu Of Taxes	6,000,000	6,000,000	-	0.00%
Tuition - Out of District/Out of State/Age Requirements	20,000	20,000	-	0.00%
Interest On Investments	50,000	50,000	-	0.00%
Other Local	50,000	50,000	-	0.00%
Total Local Revenue	<u>58,180,778</u>	<u>60,639,188</u>	<u>2,458,410</u>	4.23%
State:				
Education Finance Act (EFA)	50,892,253	53,278,646	2,386,393	4.69%
Fringe Benefits	25,329,739	26,975,334	1,645,595	6.50%
Tier 1 - Property Tax Relief	8,147,500	8,147,500	-	0.00%
Tier 2 - Homestead Exemption	2,659,778	2,659,778	-	0.00%
Tier 3A - Act 388	17,766,855	18,434,730	667,875	3.76%
Tier 3B - Saluda	140,000	140,000	-	0.00%
School Bus Drivers	1,090,629	1,090,140	(489)	-0.04%
Total State Revenue	<u>106,026,754</u>	<u>110,726,128</u>	<u>4,699,374</u>	4.43%
Transfers and Non-Revenue Items:				
Transfer From Fund #3 - TSS + TSS Fringe	4,141,859	4,262,046	120,187	2.90%
Transfer from Funds #3 and Fund #9 - Flex Available Prior Year Carryover Allocations (Aid to Districts)	862,239	806,481	(55,758)	-6.47%
Indirect Costs - Fund #2 and Fund #6	700,000	700,000	-	0.00%
Total Transfers and Non-Revenue Items	<u>5,704,098</u>	<u>5,768,527</u>	<u>64,429</u>	1.13%
Total - General Fund Revenue	169,911,630	177,133,843	7,222,213	4.25%
Fund balance dollars used/(Fund balance estimated increase)	446,000	(243,141)	(689,141)	-154.52%
Total - General Fund Revenue and Fund Balance Usage	<u>\$ 170,357,630</u>	<u>\$ 176,890,702</u>	<u>\$ 6,533,072</u>	3.83%

**FUND #1 - OPERATIONS
FOR THE 2015 - 2016 SCHOOL YEAR
EXPENDITURES BUDGET**

	<u>2014-15 Budget</u>	<u>2015-16 Proposed Budget</u>	<u>Increase/ (Decrease)</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Regular Salaries	\$ 111,853,855	\$ 114,900,866	\$ 3,047,011	2.72%
Temporary Salaries	1,218,000	1,043,000	(175,000)	-14.37%
Overtime Salaries	385,000	405,000	20,000	5.19%
Fringe Benefits and Payroll Taxes	40,564,029	41,844,365	1,280,336	3.16%
Unemployment Compensation	125,000	125,000	-	0.00%
Workers Compensation Insurance	1,093,178	1,100,040	6,862	0.63%
Purchased Services - Instructional	580,596	566,220	(14,376)	-2.48%
Purchased Services - Security	298,500	298,200	(300)	-0.10%
Management Services	54,000	54,000	-	0.00%
Data Processing Services	108,374	108,374	-	0.00%
Audit Fees	80,000	80,000	-	0.00%
Legal Fees	66,500	66,500	-	0.00%
Water, Sewer And Garbage	655,137	655,137	-	0.00%
Maintenance Services	540,015	481,075	(58,940)	-10.91%
Property/Liability Insurance	952,970	950,256	(2,714)	-0.28%
Rentals	18,386	18,386	-	0.00%
Equipment Repairs	253,379	275,506	22,127	8.73%
Other Property Services	2,116	2,116	-	0.00%
Student Transportation	39,545	39,545	-	0.00%
Travel	248,707	260,625	11,918	4.79%
Athletics Transportation	50,000	50,000	-	0.00%
Telephone	390,000	390,000	-	0.00%
Purchased Services - Technology	370,487	288,678	(81,809)	-22.08%
Advertising	9,972	9,972	-	0.00%
Printing and Binding	17,365	20,865	3,500	20.16%
Purchased Services - Other	107,443	117,443	10,000	9.31%
Supplies - General	486,765	343,577	(143,188)	-29.42%
Supplies - Instructional	602,844	594,610	(8,234)	-1.37%
Supplies - Vocational	47,901	47,901	-	0.00%
Supplies - Robotics	9,000	9,000	-	0.00%
Supplies - STEM/STEAM Instructional Materials	-	5,000	5,000	100.00%
Supplies - Office and Postage	122,678	123,069	391	0.32%
Supplies - Janitorial	337,709	347,745	10,036	2.97%
Supplies - Maintenance	7,500	7,500	-	100.00%
Supplies - Maintenance Repairs	499,500	499,500	-	0.00%
Supplies - Tools	24,354	24,354	-	0.00%
Supplies - Gasoline/Lubricants	157,817	172,385	14,568	9.23%
Supplies - Vehicle Repairs	40,500	40,500	-	0.00%
Supplies - Electronic Repairs	18,000	18,000	-	0.00%
Supplies - Health	22,218	22,269	51	0.23%
Supplies - Library	219,439	217,844	(1,595)	-0.73%
Supplies - Technology	542,304	1,086,192	543,888	100.29%
Energy	4,542,654	5,100,000	557,346	12.27%
Installment on SC Energy Loan	36,532	-	(36,532)	-100.00%
Equipment	18,900	73,900	55,000	291.01%
Technology and Software	47,700	129,300	81,600	171.07%
Vehicles	75,000	75,000	-	0.00%
Interest	25,000	25,000	-	0.00%
Dues and Fees	56,050	60,500	4,450	7.94%
Transfer to Other Funds - Activity Funds	74,000	115,000	41,000	55.41%
Transfer to Other Governments	86,000	86,000	-	0.00%
Payments to Charter Schools	2,174,711	3,515,387	1,340,676	61.65%
Total - General Fund	<u>\$ 170,357,630</u>	<u>\$ 176,890,702</u>	<u>\$ 6,533,072</u>	<u>3.83%</u>

**FUNDS #2, #8 AND #9 - SPECIAL REVENUE
FOR THE 2015 - 2016 SCHOOL YEAR
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES BUDGET**

	<u>2014 - 2015 Budget*</u>	<u>2015 - 2016 Proposed Budget*</u>	<u>Increase/ (Decrease)</u>
Federal Funds:			
Title I	\$ 6,870,228	\$ 7,514,713	\$ 644,485
Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA)	4,667,391	4,667,391	-
Preschool Handicapped	182,532	182,532	-
Vocational Education/Perkins	397,510	397,510	-
Neglected and Delinquent	31,411	28,083	(3,328)
21st Century Grant (3 years)	92,105	-	(92,105)
Migrant Education	35,000	20,000	(15,000)
School Climate Initiative Grant	100,000	-	(100,000)
Adult Education - Federal	202,247	202,247	-
Title III	115,649	125,000	9,351
Title II - Improving Teacher Quality	908,939	900,000	(8,939)
Total Federal Funds	<u>13,603,012</u>	<u>14,037,476</u>	<u>434,464</u>
Local Funds:			
NJROTC	393,089	393,089	-
Twelve Month Agriculture	39,746	39,746	-
Medicaid Program	490,000	490,000	-
Total Local Funds	<u>922,835</u>	<u>922,835</u>	<u>-</u>
State Funds:			
Technology Professional Development (likely one-time)	132,287	-	(132,287)
Child Development Education Program (CDEP)	1,771,560	1,771,560	-
CDEP Start-Up Costs & Supplies	200,000	-	(200,000)
Summer Reading Program	115,848	115,848	-
EEDA Career Specialists	635,775	635,775	-
Reading coaches	1,160,505	1,160,505	-
Student Health and Fitness - Nurses	707,758	649,459	(58,299)
Student Health and Fitness - Physical Education	185,203	182,163	(3,040)
Adult Education Supplemental Nutrition (SNAPP)	11,356	11,356	-
K-5 Enhancement Funds (Lottery)	778,619	-	(778,619)
Technology Initiative	832,418	784,856	(47,562)
Digital Instructional Materials	397,008	-	(397,008)
6-8 Enhancement (Lottery)	63,222	-	(63,222)
Total State Funds	<u>6,991,559</u>	<u>5,311,522</u>	<u>(1,680,037)</u>
Total Special Revenue Funds	<u>\$ 21,517,406</u>	<u>\$ 20,271,833</u>	<u>\$ (1,245,573)</u>

*Reflects current allocations only; no carryovers

**FUND #3 - EDUCATION IMPROVEMENT ACT
FOR THE 2015 - 2016 SCHOOL YEAR
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES BUDGET**

	2014 - 2015 Budget*	2015 - 2016 Proposed Budget*	Increase/ (Decrease)
ADEPT	\$ 20,274	\$ 20,274	\$ -
Arts in Education	15,500	15,500	-
Professional Development	134,508	133,450	(1,058)
Formative Assessment	116,049	116,049	-
CATE Equipment	190,721	190,721	-
Refurbishment of Science Kits	100,464	100,464	-
National Board Certified Teachers (Pass Through)	713,501	713,501	-
District Teacher of the Year Award (Pass Through)	1,077	1,077	-
At Risk Student Learning	2,701,125	2,678,944	(22,181)
Teacher Salary Supplement (TSS)	3,698,088	3,698,088	-
TSS Fringe	443,771	563,958	120,187
Adult Education	324,975	324,975	-
Reading	107,275	106,388	(887)
Teacher Supplies (Pass Through)**	407,000	447,700	40,700
High Schools That Work	118,557	118,557	-
School-to-Work Transition Act	88,213	88,213	-
EEDA Professional Development	42,931	-	(42,931)
Aid to Districts	817,505	811,061	(6,444)
Total Education Improvement Act Fund	\$ 10,041,534	\$ 10,128,920	\$ 87,386

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**State only funded \$250 of \$275 in 2014 - 2015; budgeted for 2015 - 2016 at \$275

**FUND #4 - DEBT SERVICE
FOR THE 2015 - 2016 SCHOOL YEAR
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES BUDGET**

	<u>2014 - 2015 Budget</u>	<u>2015 - 2016 Proposed Budget</u>	<u>Increase/ (Decrease)</u>
Revenue:			
Levies for debt service	\$ 16,846,565	\$ -	\$ (16,846,565)
Levies for debt service + 10% of prior year sales tax	-	18,572,365	18,572,365
Sales tax - current year collection*	2,605,353	16,262,888	13,657,535
Interest Income	25,000	50,000	25,000
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 19,476,918</u>	<u>\$ 34,885,253</u>	<u>\$ 15,408,335</u>
Expenditures:			
Principal payments			
2010 Issue	\$ 2,855,000	\$ -	\$ (2,855,000)
2011 Issue	2,740,000	2,820,000	80,000
2012 Issue	2,855,000	3,005,000	150,000
2013 Issue	3,210,000	3,360,000	150,000
2014 Issue	3,255,000	3,265,000	10,000
2015 Issue (est)	-	4,000,000	4,000,000
Interest Payments			
2010 Issue	85,650	-	(85,650)
2011 Issue	166,800	84,600	(82,200)
2012 Issue	451,000	308,250	(142,750)
2013 Issue	658,400	530,000	(128,400)
2014 Issue	470,850	625,650	154,800
2015 Issue (est)	-	500,000	500,000
Issuance Costs and Other Fees	123,865	123,865	-
Sales Tax at 90% (for projects)***	2,344,818	14,636,599	12,291,782
Total Expenditures	19,216,383	33,258,964	14,042,582
Carryover for relief of subsequent year's property tax**	260,535	1,626,289	1,365,754
Total Expenditures plus Carryover	<u>\$ 19,476,918</u>	<u>\$ 34,885,253</u>	<u>\$ 15,408,335</u>

*Voters approved the Education Capital Improvement Sales Tax in November 2014. Collection of the tax commenced on March 1, 2015. Revenue estimates reflect projected collections for the year as provided by the South Carolina Revenue & Fiscal Affairs Office. Sales tax collections were approved for 10 years.

**As approved, 10% of the sales tax collections must be utilized for property tax relief (i.e., reduction in debt service millage). This amount reflects the estimated relief to be applied to the subsequent year's debt service and equates 10% of estimated collections for the current year.

***Also as approved by voters, the remaining 90% of sales tax collections will be used for construction, renovations, and additions at five schools. Those projects will be accomplished through (1) the issuance of bonds, up to \$125 million, to be repaid with sales tax proceeds, (2) on a "pay as you go basis" with costs of projects paid directly from sales tax collections without the issuance of bonds, or (3) some combination of items (1) and (2).

**FUND #5 - SCHOOL BUILDING
FOR THE 2015 - 2016 SCHOOL YEAR
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES BUDGET**

	2015 - 2016 Proposed Budget
Revenue:	
General Obligation Bonds, Series 2015	\$ 18,000,000
Bond premium amount (estimated)	1,000,000
Interest on Investments	100,000
 Total Revenue	 \$ 19,100,000
 Expenditures:	
Projects approved in the Five Year Facilities Plan and the Athletics Facilities Funding Plan (excludes sales tax related projects)	\$ 19,100,000
 Total Expenditures	 \$ 19,100,000

Note:

Based upon the Board's decision at its March 31, 2015 special called meeting, bond premiums have been earmarked to address identified athletics facilities needs.