



The Rose Tree Media Board of School Directors held a Policy Meeting on May 6, a Work Session on May 9 and a Legislative Meeting on May 23, 2024.

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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Board Approves Proposed Final Budget

The Rose Tree Media School District Board of School Directors approved the Final Budget for the 2024-25 school year at its Legislative Meeting on Thursday, May 23.

The approved General Fund Budget outlines \$121,782,732 in expenses, with anticipated revenue of \$120,736,507 and a projected use of \$1,046,225 from the fund balance. This budget also includes a 3.5% tax increase.

The tax increase falls below the 5.3% index set by Act 1, a state-mandated limit on tax increases that governs the district's revenue through property taxes. Only 0.39% of the district's overall revenue is sourced from the federal government, while 82.6% is generated locally, largely from annual real estate taxes.



Fact Sheet



Other Board Actions

At the May Legislative Meeting the board...

- **Reviewed Policies for Second Read and Vote:**
 - Policy 107 Adoption of Planned Instruction was reviewed at the April and May 2024 Work Session.
- **Created the following positions per School Board Policy 301:**
 - Coordinator of Communication and Grant Writer
 - Food Service Van Driver
 - Human Resource Specialist

Points of Pride

- **Wayne Matsinger - Boys Lacrosse Coach**

- Wayne Matsinger retired at the end of the 2024 lacrosse season. Mr. Matsinger has been a Penncrest High School Lacrosse coach for 36 years, 24 years as head coach and 12 years as assistant coach. Mr. Matsinger was the Head Coach for the 2014 State Championship Team and the 2021 District Championship Team and his 300th win was on April 3, 2023. Thank you Mr. Matsinger for your years of dedication to our athletes.



- The Board of School Directors present the **Rose Tree Media Award to Carys Doyle, Joy Chen and Jason Lanka for their dedication to the Rose Tree Media School Board as 2023-2024 Student School Board Members.**

- Each month Carys, Joy, and Jason kept the community and Board up to date on highlights from around the District.

- **The Board of School Directors approved and recognized the retirement of the following classified employees:**

- **Michael Potts**, Master Tradesperson – HVAC Mechanic, Maintenance Department.
 - Mr. Potts joined the staff of Rose Tree Media School District in 1998. He is **retiring after 26 years** of dedicated service.
- **Michael Stetyick**, Bus Driver, Transportation Department.
 - Mr. Stetyick joined the staff of Rose Tree Media School District in 2015. He is **retiring after 9 years** of dedicated service.

Upcoming Board Meetings

All board meetings, work sessions, and legislative meetings are live-streamed on the District's YouTube Channel, [RTMSD Media](#).

Policy Committee: Mon, June 3 @ 5:30 p.m.
Education Center Board Room

Work Session: Thur, June 6, @ 6:30 p.m.
Springton Lake Middle School Library

Legislative Meeting: Thur, June 13, @ 6:30 p.m.
Penncrest High School Auditorium



Legislative Meetings are the business meetings of the Board. The agenda includes recognitions, presentations, and matters that require the vote of the School Board. Seated with the Board at the conference table are the Superintendent of Schools, the District Solicitor, the Board Secretary, who records the votes of the meeting, and Student Liaisons. All items brought before the Board for vote have been presented or discussed at the Board's Work Sessions or Executive Session meetings.

Policy Meetings center on discussion of policies that govern the organization and operation of the school district, as presented in the [Policy Manual](#). District policies are reviewed regularly by the Administration and School Board; revisions are made and new policies are created as needed.

Work Sessions are the planning and discussion meetings of the Board. The Superintendent and Administration provide information regarding the management of the School District and items to be considered for approval at upcoming Legislative Meetings. The public is welcome to attend and ask questions about agenda items.