

# Mexico Academy & Central Schools



Budget Parameters 2025-2026

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# What We Know:

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- In the middle of negotiations for:
  - MACSFA
  - MASA
  - Clerical
- CSEA Contract expires June 2027
- Individual Contract renewals and annual increases vary
- With so many of our contracts in negotiations, the bulk of our expenditures are more difficult to predict



# What We Know Continued:

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- Health Insurance expense estimated to increase approximately 7%; prescriptions are the main driver of increases; all provider contracts settled and continue to participate with our providers
- TRS Retirement contribution not set, estimated to decrease between .11% - .61%
- ERS Retirement average contribution increasing 1.3%
- Special Education expenses continue to increase; subject to variability
- CTE enrollment & expense increasing

# What We Know Continued:

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- A 1% budget increase is approximately \$657,000
- A 1% increase in tax levy generates approximately \$133,000 additional revenue
- PILOT payment increases \$721,843 this year
- NYS contributes approximately 60% of our budget revenue
- Grant Allocations aren't shared until the Spring
- COVID funds are fully expended



# What We Don't Know:

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- Revenue from NYS -
  - Foundation Aid - Formula
  - Reductions in other ways?
- Property Assessments
- Equalization Rates

# What We Need to Keep in Mind:

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- Budget changes are different than tax levy changes
- Tax levy is different than tax rates
- We have limited control over the bulk of our expenditures, especially this year, but we are still able to manage some
- We don't control our major revenue
- We don't control property assessments or equalization rates



# What We Can Plan For:

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- Maximizing our resources/services to offer our students the opportunity of an excellent education
- Budget to budget changes
- Known expense variables

# Board Budget Priorities:

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- What are the Board's budget priorities for 2025/2026?



## Next Steps:

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- Meet with budget stakeholders to discuss and finalize needs and requests
- Continue to work toward Contract Settlements
- Forecast expenses with known variables
- Determine initial anticipated budgetary needs for 2025-2026



# Questions?