



# *Budget Amendments*

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# Budget Amendment – Transportation Capital Expenditure

**Request for:** Senate Bill 546 Compliance-  
Procurement of New Buses with Three-Point  
Seat Belts – **Option 1**

**Requestor:** Carlos Castañeda, VP of Transportation and Warehousing

**Total Request:** \$9,766,569

**Rationale:** Senate Bill 546 mandates that all school buses, regardless of year manufactured to be equipped with three-point seat belts for every passenger by September 1, 2029. The legislation provides a four-year compliance window (Sept 2025 - Sept 2029) to allow school districts time for budget planning and fleet updates. IDEA Texas currently operates 461 school buses, 391 of which do not meet the requirement. To meet the mandate while supporting ongoing operational needs, the Transportation Department proposes the following vehicle procurement:

- 65 Bus Replacement
- 36 Buses- Price fluctuation from FY25-26 approved CapEx

Transportation CapEx	
65 Bus Replacement	\$9,598,485
36 Buses – Price Fluctuation	\$168,084
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,766,569</b>

# Budget Amendment – Transportation Capital Expenditure

**Request for:** Senate Bill 546 Compliance-  
Procurement of New Buses with Three-Point  
Seat Belts – **Option 2**

**Requestor:** Carlos Castañeda, VP of Transportation and Warehousing

**Total Request:** \$6,428,830

**Rationale:** Senate Bill 546 mandates that all school buses, regardless of year manufactured to be equipped with three-point seat belts for every passenger by September 1, 2029. The legislation provides a four-year compliance window (Sept 2025 - Sept 2029) to allow school districts time for budget planning and fleet updates. IDEA Texas currently operates 461 school buses, 391 of which do not meet the requirement. To meet the mandate while supporting ongoing operational needs, the Transportation Department proposes the following vehicle procurement:

- 34 Bus Replacement
- 31 Retrofit Buses
- 36 Buses- Price fluctuation from FY25-26 approved CapEx

Transportation CapEx	
34 Bus Replacement	\$5,020,746
31 Retrofit Buses	\$1,240,000
36 Buses – Price Fluctuation	\$168,084
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,428,830</b>

# Budget Amendment – Transportation Capital Expenditure

**Request for:** Procurement of New Buses for Fleet Expansion and Transportation Service Fleet

**Requestor:** Carlos Castañeda, VP of Transportation and Warehousing

**Total Request:** \$2,256,566

**Rationale:** Expansion of transportation fleet for launching campus and increase ridership

- 14 buses for operational expansion
- 1 White Fleet
- 2 Service Trucks

Transportation CapEx	
14 Buses	\$2,067,366
1 White Fleet	\$45,000
2 Service Trucks	\$144,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,256,566</b>

# Teacher Incentive Allotment Amendment

Presenter: Jennifer Meer

## Overview

- 672 new or higher designations submitted to TEA for confirmation and approval
  - Includes AP, IB, SPED, Interventionist, and K-2 teachers for the first time
  - In comparison, we submitted 128 on our new or higher list last year
- Our file has been accepted for validation with no adjustments, and final confirmation will come later this spring
- We expect even more growth when we come back to you next year, with all other centrally-supported content areas now eligible and a new TIA category (“Acknowledged”) as part of HB2

## Budget Impact

- This reflects a \$7.4M increase in expected TIA revenue this fiscal year

# Budget Amendment – FSP Teacher Incentive Allotment

**Request for:** Teacher Incentive Allotment

**Requestor:** Jennifer Meer, Sr. VP Compensation & Benefits

**Total Request:** \$7,420,520 (revenue & expense)

**Rationale:** The TIA program has expanded to include non-tested subjects and grade levels, with projected revenue. Expenses include TIA to be paid out in May 2026 as well as Teacher Performance Pay for AP/IB, 90/60/30 stipends, commitment pay and HAA stipends.

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<b>Revenue Amendment</b>	<b>\$7,420,520</b>
TIA Stipends	\$6,300,000
Academic Achievement: AP/IB	\$ 999,000
State Assessment 90/60/30	\$ 100,000
Student Achievement: Met HAA	\$ 26,000
Commitment Pay	\$ 519,400
Teacher Performance Pay Stipends	(\$523,880)
<b>Total Expense Amendment</b>	<b>\$7,420,520</b>

Presenter: Tony Kingman

# Budget Amendment Impact Summary- January

Summary of Proposed Amendments				
Revenues:	Increase	Decrease	Net	Notes
5700	8,000			New Grant- Brownsville Foundation for Health & Education
	7,000			New Grant - Las Huellas
	2,810,808			Permian Strategic Partnership -CIP Contracted Services expenses
Total 5700	2,825,808		2,825,808	
5800	459,420			TEA Phone Free Schools Grant
	305,031			GEARUp Grant
	7,420,520			Teacher Incentive Allotment
Total 5800	8,184,971		8,184,971	
Total Revenues Changes	11,010,779	-	11,010,779	
Expenses:				Notes
11	7,420,520		7,420,520	Teacher Incentive Allotment
	459,420		459,420	TEA Phone Free Schools Grant
	119,971		119,971	Prentice Farrar Brown spend down
12			-	
13	21,268		21,268	Scharbauer -Expansion grant for the Permian Basin Functions 13,21,31,34
21	217,515		217,515	Scharbauer -Expansion grant for the Permian Basin Functions 13,21,31,34
23			-	
31	305,031		305,031	GEARUp Grant
	45,922		45,922	Scharbauer -Expansion grant for the Permian Basin Functions 13,21,31,34
32			-	
33			-	
34	109,561		109,561	Scharbauer -Expansion grant for the Permian Basin Functions 13,21,31,34
35			-	
36			-	
41			-	
51	741,457		741,457	Permian Strategic Partnership
	17,124		17,124	Energy Award,
	7,000		7,000	New Grant - Las Huellas
	8,000		8,000	New Grant- Brownsville Foundation for Health & Education
	92,057		92,057	HVAC Equipment Inventory
52			-	
53			-	
61			-	
71			-	
81	173,227		173,227	Burke Family Foundation
Total Expenses Changes	9,738,074	-	9,738,074	

# Budget Amendment Impact Summary- January CapEX

January Summary of Proposed Amendments- Capital Expenditures				
	Increase	Decrease	Net	Notes
Transportation	2,256,566		2,256,566	New Buses for Fleet Expansion and Transportation Service Fleet
Philanthropic Grants	2,372,157		2,372,157	Permian Strategic Partnership
<b>Total CapEx Changes</b>	<b>4,628,723</b>		<b>4,628,723</b>	
<b>Senate Bill 546 Compliance</b>				
Transportation Option 1	9,766,569		9,766,569	New Buses with Three-Point seat belt
<b>Total CapEx with Option 1</b>	<b>14,395,292</b>		<b>14,395,292</b>	
<b>Senate Bill 546 Compliance</b>				
Transportation Option 2	6,428,830		6,428,830	New Buses with Three-Point seat belt – retrofit option
<b>Total CapEx with Option 2</b>	<b>11,057,553</b>		<b>11,057,553</b>	



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# Budget Amendment Impact Summary- January

IDEA PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2025-2026 Budget									
		Adopted General Fund	Adopted Child Nutrition Fund	Adopted Total	YTD Transfers, Ratifications Other Amendments	YTD Presented and approved Amendments	YTD Revised Budget	Proposed Amendments (Jan)	Total After Proposed Amendments
<b>Revenues:</b>									
5700	Local and Intermediate Sources	24,108,084	174,625	24,282,709	-69,248	3,299,200	27,512,661	2,825,808	30,338,469
5800	State Program Revenues	946,934,537	0	946,934,537	56,492,017	0	1,003,426,554	8,184,971	1,011,611,525
5900	Federal Program Revenues	87,607,538	127,434,506	215,042,044	-35,188,990	428,692	180,281,746	0	180,281,746
<b>Total Revenues</b>		<b>1,058,650,159</b>	<b>127,609,131</b>	<b>1,186,259,290</b>	<b>21,233,779</b>	<b>3,727,892</b>	<b>1,211,220,961</b>	<b>11,010,779</b>	<b>1,222,231,740</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>									
11	Instruction	535,130,628	0	535,130,628	1,417,415	23,680,587	560,228,631	7,999,911	568,228,542
12	Instructional Resources and Media Services	1,835,121	0	1,835,121	-232,254	94,041	1,696,907	0	1,696,907
13	Curriculum Development and Instructional Staff Development	20,653,091	0	20,653,091	-2,398,079	406,132	18,661,145	21,268	18,682,413
21	Instructional Leadership	32,543,172	0	32,543,172	-1,106,976	1,628,835	33,065,031	217,515	33,282,546
23	School Leadership	87,772,356	0	87,772,356	-686,260	5,006,267	92,092,363	0	92,092,363
31	Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services	56,738,952	0	56,738,952	402,430	1,182,420	58,323,801	350,953	58,674,754
32	Social Work Services	472,755	0	472,755	94,350	28,476	595,581	0	595,581
33	Health Services	9,900,060	0	9,900,060	32,094	61,150	9,993,304	0	9,993,304
34	Student (Pupil) Transportation	52,237,892	0	52,237,892	-1,392,870	2,140,822	52,985,844	109,561	53,095,405
35	Food Services	1,503,131	124,049,320	125,552,451	97,297	-31,402,233	94,247,516	0	94,247,516
36	Extracurricular Activities	6,306,490	0	6,306,490	-1,108,627	-14,217	5,183,646	0	5,183,646
41	General Administration	57,843,702	0	57,843,702	808,728	2,641,445	61,293,875	0	61,293,875
51	Facilities Maintenance and Operations	78,287,587	56,840	78,344,427	601,315	7,149,693	86,095,435	865,638	86,961,073
52	Security and Monitoring Services	12,164,407	0	12,164,407	158,525	-14,536	12,308,396	0	12,308,396
53	Data Processing Services	36,962,510	0	36,962,510	172,621	12,969,765	50,104,896	0	50,104,896
61	Community Services	2,363,004	0	2,363,004	-349,213	92,881	2,106,673	0	2,106,673
71	Debt Service	48,026,547	0	48,026,547	13,500,000	0	61,526,547	0	61,526,547
81	Fund Raising	2,371,142	0	2,371,142	48,304	81,121	2,500,567	173,227	2,673,795
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>1,043,112,547</b>	<b>124,106,160</b>	<b>1,167,218,707</b>	<b>10,058,802</b>	<b>25,732,648</b>	<b>1,203,010,157</b>	<b>9,738,074</b>	<b>1,212,748,231</b>
<b>Difference in Revenues/Expenses</b>		<b>15,537,612</b>	<b>3,502,971</b>	<b>19,040,583</b>	<b>11,174,977</b>	<b>-22,004,756</b>	<b>8,210,804</b>	<b>1,272,705</b>	<b>9,483,509</b>

