

Kimberly School District #414  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING FY26**

Monday, AUGUST 25, 2025

EMERGENCY LEVY

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As directed by the Board of Trustees, Laurie and I reviewed and refined the enrollment and budget data. We have seen an increase in ADA of 21 students, which would qualify the district to levy up to \$167,695 this school year. This amount would increase property taxes by approximately \$14.73 per \$100,000 of taxable market value.

For planning purposes, the administration prepared a smaller emergency levy budget of \$37,790 based on an estimated increase of 5 students which would increase property taxes by \$3.04 per \$1000,000 of taxable market value.

The administration recommends that the Board not pursue an emergency levy at this time. While all items identified in the proposed budget are justifiable, they are not vital or immediately necessary. Historically, emergency levies have been used to fund critical needs such as hiring staff, furnishing new classrooms, or purchasing curriculum materials like textbooks and software.

Given that operational funding is frozen this year, we have made accommodations within the existing budget to meet our needs. We believe it is prudent to be good stewards of the resources provided by our patrons. Circumstances could change in the future, and next year may present a very different situation requiring reconsideration.