If you want to understand the school budget, you need to listen to the entire discussion which starts at the 0:10:00 mark and runs to 1:50:00 mark. The budget process each year is very detailed and requires a lot of study to understand. There are terms, like General and Rural that have specific meaning that you need to know.

You need to know that the school budget is actually four budgets which are General Purpose, Central Cafeteria, Extended School, and Capital expenses and they look like this for fiscal year 2025-26:

General Purpose Expenses $564,058,483

Revenue $500,925,334

Gap $63,133,149

Central Cafeteria Expenses $20,811,182

Current Balance $7,602,858

Revenue.

Total resources. $27,064,576

No Gap. $6,253,394

Extended School Expenses $8,071,574

Current Balance $1,364,827

Total Resources $8,939,427

\* Both of these budgets are positive because of the balances they are starting with.

\*\* These requests are for capital improvements for the school district.  Some examples are Safety and Security, Plumbing, Chromebooks, building upgrades, etc.  This is a typical yearly request and the $14, 135,800 is paid by creating debt via bonds offered by the county.