**CLAY COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOLS** 

# **Budget Update**

# May 27, 2025



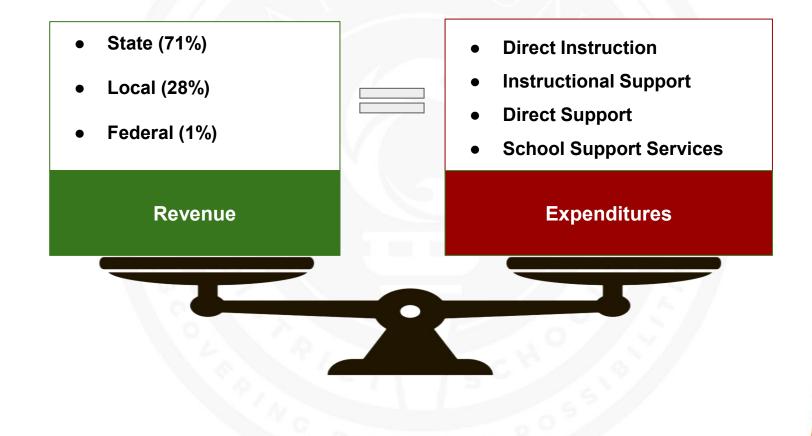
## 2024-2025 Budget

- We will end this year with a 3-5% fund balance
- We will meet all financial and legal obligations



## **Budget: General Fund Revenue**





## 2025-2026 Budget: General Fund

- State (71%)
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Revenue

- Direct Support

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• School Support Services

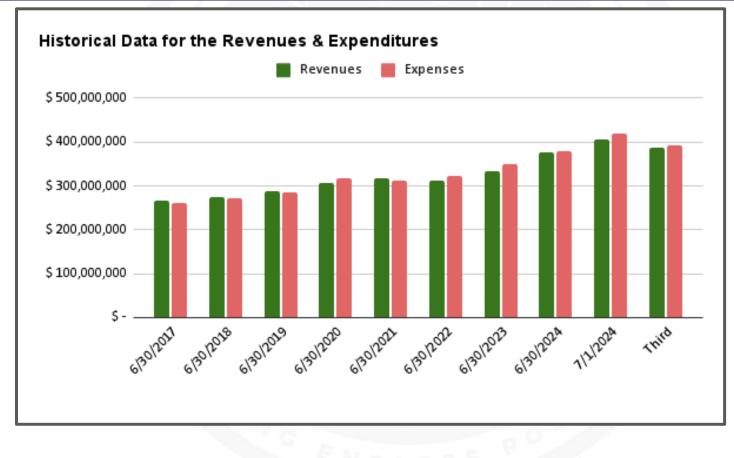
Instructional Support

**Direct Instruction** 

#### **Expenditures**



## **Increased Costs**





## **Decreased Revenues**

- Proration for Revised Appropriations
- Decreased enrollments (approx 500 students at 3rd calc)
- Decreased add-on FTEs projected for 25-26
- Uncertainty of the state budget for 25-26



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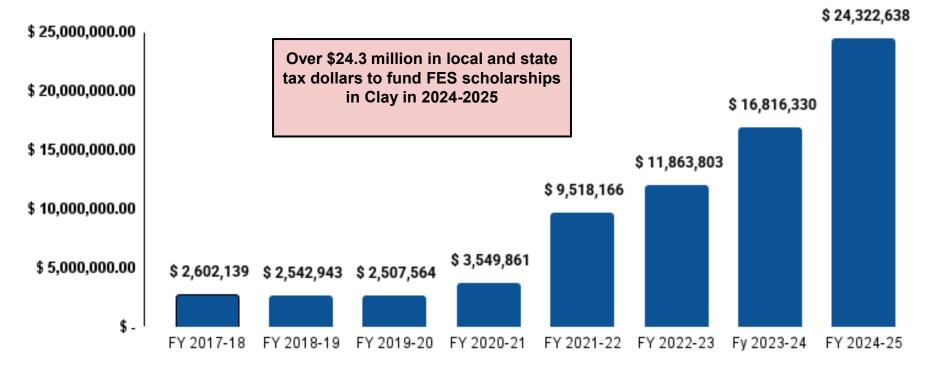
### **Increased Costs**



- Inflation and rising prices (2.7%)
- Increased FRS costs
- Florida Empowerment Scholarships (Vouchers)
- Additional unfunded mandates

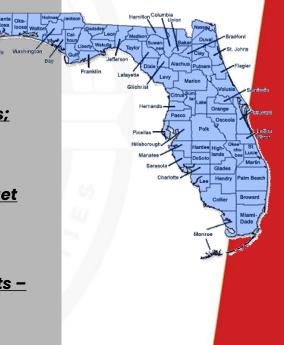
#### Vouchers

#### Family Empowerment Scholarship (FES)



# Florida Issue

- <u>Central Florida school districts manage budget uncertainty as state</u> <u>diverts billions via vouchers</u>
- "School District to look at budget cuts"
- "Lee County School District cuts 5% of all departments' budgets; superintendent weighs in"
- "<u>Volusia school board to explore options to address \$25M budget</u> <u>shortfall</u>"
- "Broward Schools faces deficit: Board approves plan to cut costs here's where"





# Planning for 2025-2026 Budget

#### Reviewing all district and school allocations

#### Hiring pause

#### Travel pause

Re-evaluated district programs for ROI

Renegotiated district contracts

Reduced district budgets by 20%

\$10 million projected shortfall after these adjustments



## **Re-Evaluating All Allocations**

#### Multi-Step Process



Student-Centered prioritizing students in the classroom

Proportional reductions while prioritizing student programs

Minimize to the greatest extent possible any impact on employees

# **Re-Evaluating All Allocations**

- Reduced district staff at a larger proportion than school staff
- Gathered input from school and district leaders
- For Schools:
  - Determined individual school reductions using an equitable formula based on projected student enrollment, with considerations for ESE and special programs
  - Prioritizes the preservation of personnel most directly tied to core classroom instruction impacting graduation requirements
  - Our goal is to place all affected personnel within the district

