



## Board of Education

TO: Board of Education  
FROM: Karen Apostoli, Executive Director of Business & Operations  
DATE: 4-09-2026  
RE: SASSED Lease 2026-27

### This memo is:

- Information only.  
 Information with a recommendation, and a request for Board consent.  
 Information with a recommendation, and a request for Board approval by vote.

Date by which a Board decision is needed: 04/23/2026

Previous memos on this topic can be found:

- in previous Board packet(s) dated. 03/05/2026  
 or attached to this memo

### Basic information:

The administration is looking for board approval of the 2026-27 lease agreement with SASSED pending legal review.

Beginning in the fall of 2026, District 33 would lease 7 LMS classrooms and 4 LMS offices to SASSED for programming.

- The general terms of the lease include a total of \$165,347 for classroom spaces (\$23,621/each) and \$49,296 for office space (\$12,324/each), for a total of \$214,643, payable as a lump sum on or before January 1, 2027.
- In addition to the classrooms and office space, students and staff in the SASSED program will also have access to common areas (gyms, playgrounds, parking areas, restrooms, etc.)

### Background or historical information:

Shared by Krissy Goebbert in March 2026:

SASSED is our special education cooperative that offers special education classroom programming to meet the various needs of our students that cannot be met in the general education environment. SASSED works with its member districts to provide support for special education programming in public settings. Due to declining enrollment at Lemau, there is classroom space that is currently not in use.

District 33 and SASSED have started a partnership to share classroom and office space at Lemau. SASSED and Lemau staff had our first planning meeting, where we started to build relationships between the administrative staff. SASSED plans to have 6 classrooms at Lemau through its Structured Learning Environment (SLE) program. They will have an on-site administrator and provide all staffing and support for the program. The two teams discussed the following items to start preparations for next year:

- Communication
- Space Utilization
- Inclusion Opportunities
- Furniture/supplies
- Technology setup

SASSED and Lemau are excited about this partnership and the work we can do together to support student

### Previous decisions, actions, or parameters that relate to this topic or issue:

<b>Recommendations: (Recommendations) and (Evaluate)</b>
The administration recommends approving the SASSED lease for 2026-27, pending legal review.
<b>Other questions? What else does the Board wish to know?:</b>