

Budget Hearing

Wednesday, September 30, 2026 6:00 PM

Room 801, Elm Creek High School (south side, door 2)
230 Calkins Avenue
Elm Creek, NE 68836

1. **OPEN THE MEETING**
 - 1.1. **Call to Order**
 - 1.2. **Publication of Meeting**
 - 1.3. **Nebraska Open Meetings Law**
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT (AGENDA ITEM SPECIFIC)**
3. **INFORMATION ITEMS**
 - 3.1. **Review Newspaper Affidavit Notice of Budget Hearing**
 - 3.2. **Review Notice of Budget Hearing**
4. **CLOSE HEARING AND ADJOURN**
5. ***CLOSED SESSION: If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in closed meeting, the board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act.**
6. ***SEQUENCE OF AGENDA: The sequence of agenda topics is subject to change at the discretion of the board.**

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Public Participation at Board Meetings

The board of education shall conduct its meetings in accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act.

The board shall make reasonable efforts to accommodate the public's right to hear the discussions and testimony presented at its meetings. The board shall make available at the meeting, for examination and copying by members of the public, at least one copy of all reproducible written material to be discussed in open session of the meeting.

Except for closed sessions, the board will allow members of the public an opportunity to speak at each meeting. The board may make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations regarding the conduct of persons attending, speaking at, videotaping, photographing, or recording its meetings.

The board shall not require members of the public to identify themselves as a condition for admission to the meeting, nor shall such body require that the name of any member of the public be placed on the agenda prior to such meeting in order to speak about items on the agenda. However, the board shall require members of the public desiring to address the board to identify themselves, including an address and the name of any organization represented by such person unless the address requirement is waived to protect the security of the individual.

Adopted on: December 16, 2020

Revised on: September 29, 2022, July 8, 2024

Reviewed on: October 13, 2025; Jan. 12, 2026

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO SPEAK:
This is the portion of the meeting when members of the public may speak to the board about matters of public concern.

- **Getting Started:** When you have been recognized, please stand and state your name.
- **Time Limit:** The board will generally allow a total of 30 minutes for the presentation of all public comments. Individuals may speak only one time, and must limit comments to around 5 minutes. If there are more than 6 individuals who wish to address the board, the 30 minutes will be divided equally between the number of speakers. These time limits may be changed by a majority vote of the board members in attendance to extend the time for a specific item or speaker.
- **Personnel or Student Topic:** If you are planning to speak about a personnel or a student matter involving an individual, please understand that the district has a complaint policy and/or procedures to resolve such complaints and concerns. The Board requests that you follow the policy and procedures before addressing these matters with the Board. Board members will generally not respond to any questions you ask or comments about individual staff members or students.
- **General Rules:** This is a public meeting for the conduct of business. Comments from the audience while others are speaking will not be tolerated. Lewd, obscene, profane, slanderous, threatening and hostile conduct or statements and fighting words (words whose mere utterance entails a call to violence) will not be tolerated.
- **No Action by the Board:** The board will not act on any matter unless it is on the published agenda.

Adopted on: 7/8/24

Revised on:

Reviewed on: 1/12/26

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY

Elm Creek (10-0009) in Buffalo County, Nebraska

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Sections 13-501 to 13-513, that the governing body will meet on the 30 day of September , 2026 at 6:00 o'clock, PM, at HS Room 801, 230 E Calkins Ave., Elm Creek, NE 68836 for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following proposed budget and to consider amendments relative thereto. The budget detail is available at the office of the Clerk/Secretary during regular business hours. For more information on statewide receipts and expenditures, and to compare cost per pupil and performance to other school districts, go to: <https://nep.education.ne.gov>

FUNDS	Actual Disbursements & Transfers	Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	Budgeted Disbursements & Transfers	Necessary Cash Reserve (4)	Total Available Resources Before Property Taxes (5)	Total Personal and Real Property Tax Requirement (7)
	2024-2025 (1)	2025-2026 (2)	2026-2027 (3)			
General	\$ 5,934,212.00	\$ 6,283,000.00	\$ 8,333,736.00	\$ 651,731.00	\$ 4,161,317.00	\$ 4,872,879.00
Depreciation	\$ 465,895.00	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 1,134,855.00		\$ 1,134,855.00	
Employee Benefit	\$ -	\$ 12,672.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Contingency	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
Activities	\$ 485,562.00	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 570,275.00	\$ -	\$ 570,275.00	
School Nutrition	\$ 239,444.00	\$ 220,000.00	\$ 351,392.00	\$ -	\$ 351,392.00	
Bond	\$ 729,133.00	\$ 1,100,000.00	\$ 1,894,915.00	\$ -	\$ 1,094,915.00	\$ 808,081.00
Special Building	\$ 917,937.00	\$ 710,000.00	\$ 1,226,272.00		\$ 926,272.00	\$ 303,030.00
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Cooperative	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Student Fee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
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TOTALS	\$ 8,772,183.00	\$ 9,325,672.00	\$ 13,511,445.00	\$ 651,731.00	\$ 8,239,026.00	\$ 5,983,990.00

Breakdown of Property Tax	Bond Purposes	Non-Bond Purposes	Total
	\$ 808,081.00	\$ 5,175,909.00	\$ 5,983,990.00