



VIRGINIA: A JOINT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND SCHOOL BOARD HELD IN THE AUXILIAR CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE SURRY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2026 AT 3:00 PM

PRESENT

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Supervisor Breyon Pierce
Supervisor Walter Hardy
Supervisor Robert Elliott, Jr.
Supervisor William Calhoun
Supervisor Cameran Drew

SCHOOL BOARD

Ms. Roxanne Marr-Shears
Ms. Sopenia Pierce
Ms. Faye Perkins
Ms. Valencia Williams
Mr. Anthony Washington

ALSO PRESENT

Ms. Melissa Rollins, County Administrator
Ms. Lola Perkins, County Attorney
Mr. David Harrison, Deputy County Administrator
Mr. Delon Brown, Deputy Administrator of
Operations and Infrastructure
Ms. Robin Faulks, County Administration

Dr. Herbert Monroe, Superintendent
Ms. Melissa Harvey, Finance Director
Ms. Lynn Jones, Deputy Clerk
Mr. Giron Wooden, Jr, Assistant
Superintendent, Operations and
Infrastructure
Ms. Airon Grim, Chief Academic Officer
Mr. Ruffin Savedge, III, Maintenance
Supervisor

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair at 3:00 pm.

Topic of discussion

Superintendent discussed budget priorities with the Board of Supervisors.

Discussion ensued amongst the board of supervisors and school board members regarding essential infrastructure needs and teacher salaries.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m. Motioned by Supervisor Calhoun, seconded by Supervisor Hardy.

Surry County Public Schools

HIGHLIGHTS

2025-2026

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- ✓ Extensive dual enrollment course offerings
- ✓ High school students have the opportunity to earn an Associate's Degree or a Unified Certificate of General Studies (UCGS)
- ✓ Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs available: Agriculture, Photography, Business, Technology, Energy and Power, JROTC, and Cybersecurity
- ✓ Advanced Math Courses for Middle School & Honors Courses for High School
- ✓ Active award-winning student organizations, including TSA, FBLA, FFA, and FCCLA
- ✓ Small class sizes to enhance individual attention
- ✓ Strong community partnerships
- ✓ High school photography program featuring a darkroom
- ✓ High attendance rate among students
- ✓ Opportunities for student athletics and clubs
- ✓ Student internships and work-based learning opportunities
- ✓ Select paid work-based learning opportunities for high school students
- ✓ Updated website and apps for improved communication and student wellness
- ✓ High graduation rates



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SURRY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AND
SURRY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
JOINT BOARD BUDGET WORK SESSION



COLLABORATIVE LEADERSHIP
JANUARY 21, 2026

SURRY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS' MISSION AND VISION

Surry County Public Schools' vision is to provide a safe, healthy learning environment that prepares all students to be competitive and productive citizens in a highly technical and global society.

Building Excellence, One Student At A Time

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Review of Current Budget

Surry County Public Schools
Summary of All Funds
FY2025-2026

FUND DESCRIPTION	FY2024-2025 ADOPTED BUDGET	FY2025-2026 ADOPTED BUDGET	CHANGE \$	CHANGE
General Operating	\$ 17,176,861	17,949,580	772,719	4.50%
Grants	707,499	726,221	18,722	2.65%
School Food Services	625 980	638 031	12 051	1.93%
Total - All Funds	s 18 10 40	S 19 13 32	S 803 92	4.340/



Surry County Public Schools Board Priorities



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New School Facility/Infrastructure

School Bus Safety including Cameras

Mental Health/Trauma Informed Staff

Trades Training

Compensation Study Alignment

Revenue

State revenue is projected to be \$319,283.00 more than FY26.

The increase in overall support is in the categories of Early Reading Intervention, Basic Aid, Sales Tax, and At-Risk Funds.

There was a slight decrease in Vocational Education and Special Education

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Expenses

There is a state mandated 2% salary increase in both years of the biennial. The cost of the raise totals \$203,365 before benefits, the state support is \$32,820 in the first year and \$66,976 in the second year. Certification of the 2% is required to receive the state funds. The cost of 2% plus a step is approximately \$305,600 before benefits.

To continue receiving class size reduction funds (\$58, 177), we must keep all classes in K-3 below 22 students and we currently have 23 in 2nd grade. This requires an additional teaching position. (Approximately \$80,000)

The self-contained Special Education class has exceeded capacity, and a new teaching position is necessary as a result to keep the students safe. (Approximately \$80,000)

The increase in health insurance may exceed the amount of a pay raise if we cannot contribute towards a rate increase.

There has been an increase in minimum wage which has caused the need to increase substitute teacher and part-time employee pay.

We are anticipating a decrease in Virginia Retirement System contribution r which could be

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the increase in expenditures.



SCHS GYM FLOOR

The floor is in such bad We have reached the point that shape that the referees had to we have to replace the switch pause play in a home game gear at the high school We will due to a trip hazard. please be using CIP funding to recall the gym is also used complete this project. for Physical Education

The well/pump is still not complete.
We have received an extension already and are not

SCHS/SES SWITCH GEAR

FACILITY WELL

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Urgent Infrastructure Needs



sure about additional extensions.

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INVESTING TOGETHER TODAY TO
EMPOWER EVERY STUDENT'S TOMORROW.



Students thrive in engaging environments that inspire creativity and learning.

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The condition of our facilities should align with the level of academic excellence we deliver.

