



2010 Legislative Guide & Budgeting Process

What caused the current budget crisis?

After years of strong growth, the recession and tax cuts decreased state revenues. Simultaneously, government spending continued to increase.

Recap of Reductions to Per Pupil Funding

August 2008: \$4,433 base aid per pupil
August 2009: \$4,012 base aid per pupil
 Net Reduction to Date: \$ 421 base aid per pupil

Overall impact to Maize USD 266 is over \$3.3 million dollars to this year's general fund budget, an approximate 9.5% reduction in revenue for the district.

On the Horizon for 2010-11

There are two scenarios at this point for the 2010 legislative session:

1. No increase to tax revenues will result in an estimated \$300 further reduction to base aid per pupil, at a minimum. This would negatively impact Maize by approximately \$2.3 million.
2. Gov. Parkinson's plan would increase base aid per pupil by \$50 from two sources: raising the state cigarette tax to the national average of \$1.34 per pack and a three year increase in the state sales tax rate from 5.3% to 6.3%.

2010 Key Dates

February 10	Last day for individuals to introduce bills.
February 17-18	KASB Governmental Relations Seminar in Topeka
February 20	Last day to consider bills in house of origin, "turnaround day".
March 31	Last day to consider bills in opposite house of origin, "drop dead day".
April 10	No bills considered after this date except vetoes and Omnibus appropriations bills.
April 28	Veto session scheduled to begin.

What's the Potential Consequence?

In light of the cuts that have already been made and the fact that over 80% of the school district's budget is in staff salaries, some potential consequences of further reductions include:

- Increased class size
- Less classroom resources for teachers
- Less likely to be on the technology forefront
- Higher fees for activities, curricular items, etc.
- Decreased opportunities for students to participate in extracurricular activities

Ideas for Reaching Legislators

- Personal Phone calls, handwritten notes and e-mails stating what the Maize school system has meant to your family.
- Trips to Topeka to personally meet with legislators.
- Attending events/functions hosted by the district or others

2010-11 Budgeting Process Timeline

Date	Task
February 15, 7p.m., MSMS Commons	Initial Budget Committee Meeting
February 16-March 11	Budget Committees meet to identify non-personnel areas that could be reduced
March 12	Budget Committee recommendations due to Supt. Doug Powers
March 29, 7 p.m., Location TBD	Community Meeting to hear reports from Budget Committees
April 2, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Location TBD	District Budget Prioritization Meeting
April 12, 7 p.m., ESC	BOE Meeting – Supt. Powers reviews list of prioritized budget reductions to BOE



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House Education Committee

- Meets at 9:00 a.m., Monday-Friday, Docking State Office Building, 915 SW Harrison, Room 711
- Steve Huebert, R, District 90, serves on the committee.

House Education Budget Committee

- Meets at 3:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, Room 531-N

Senate Education Committee

- Meets 1:30-2:30 p.m., Monday/Tuesday, Room 545-N and Wednesday/Thursday, Room 446-N
- Jean Schodorf, R, District 25, is the chair person of the committee.