



Enterprise Zone School Support Fees

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Educational Funding in Oregon

Since Ballot Measure 5 (1990), school district funding is provided principally from the State and is based on a formula linked primarily to student enrollment.

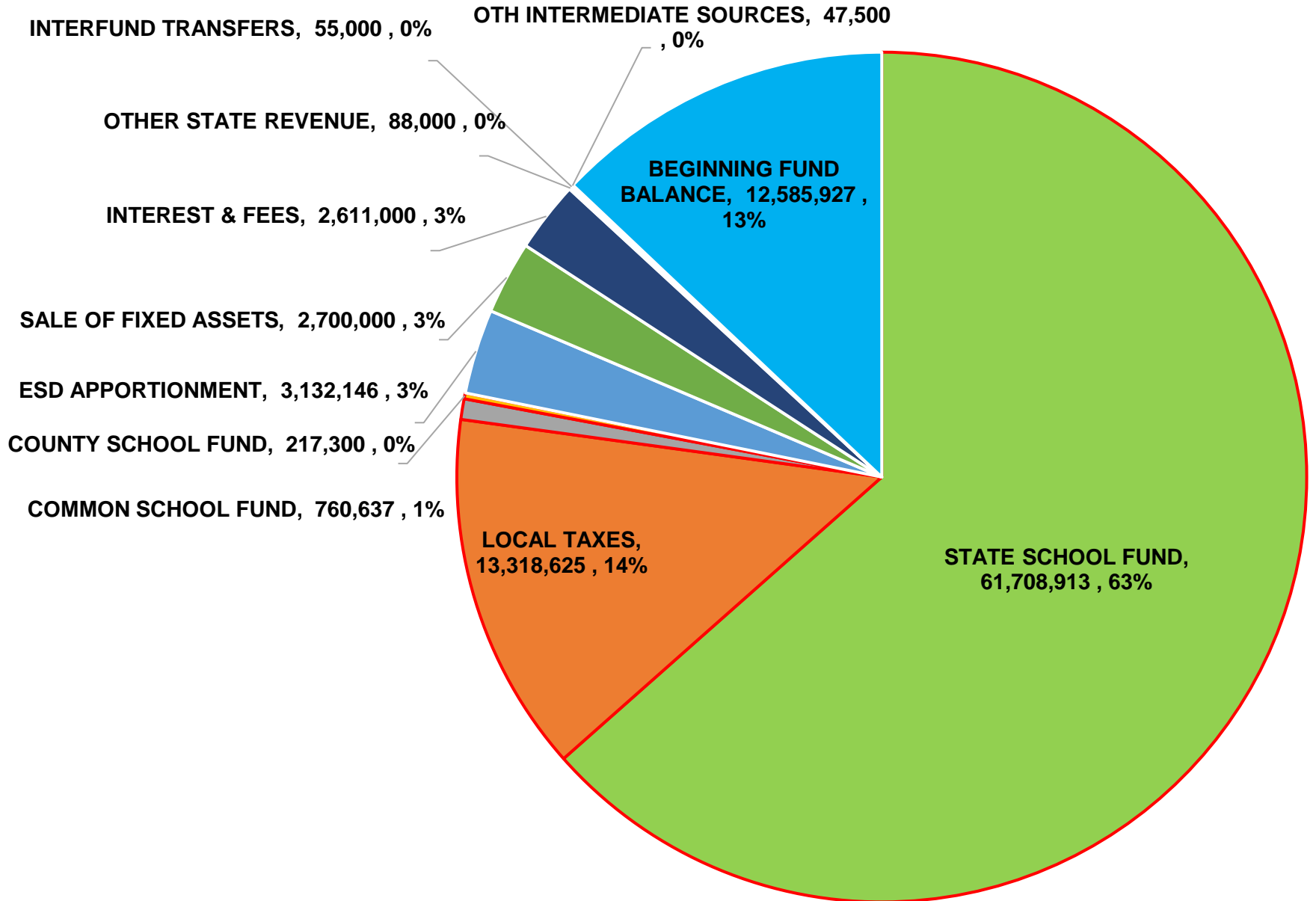
- \$ per student allocation with additional \$ for students identified with higher learning costs (e.g. special education, English language learners, pregnant and parenting students)

Other customary local sources available for districts:

- Local Option Levy*
- Capital construction bonds- can not be used for general operations

** Due to compression and other taxing authorities within our District, a local option levy for Hermiston School District is not a practical source for additional revenue (maximum yield of less than \$900,000 could be raised but requires a significant ~\$3.00/\$1,000 tax levy)*

2025-2026 General Fund Revenue Budget, \$97,225,048





Revenue Allocation For Hermiston

How the revenue formula works for Hermiston

- Total revenue to be received is calculated based on weighted student membership (Hermiston 2025-26 Revenue = ~\$75.790 Million)
- The State subtracts most local revenue received (Hermiston 2025-2026 local revenue estimated to be ~\$14.718 Million) and makes up the difference.

Example:

LOCAL REVENUE + STATE PAYMENT = TOTAL REVENUE

\$14.718 Million + **\$61.072 Million** = \$75.790 Million



School Support Fee

HB 2009 (2023) was passed in 2023 and became part of ORS 285C.067

- Requires each school district zone sponsor to set a rate for the school support fee
- Rate must be at least 15% and not more than 30%
- Fee is collected in lieu of local taxes and offset by the equalization formula
- School support fee is not additional support to the local district