

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOUTH ORANGE AND MAPLEWOOD NEW JERSEY  
PUBLIC BOARD MEETING  
May 21, 2026**

**RESOLUTION        4973A**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            FINANCIAL REPORTS**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education receives and accepts the following financial reports:

1. April 2026 Board Secretary's Report
2. April 2026 Treasurer Report
3. April 2026 Transfer Report
4. April 2026 Expense Account Adjustment Analyses
5. May 2026 Lease Payments in the amount of \$306,279.27
6. Check Register#429242-429474 in the amount of \$5,775,770.37
7. Check Register#200973-200979 in the amount of \$3,504,056.0
8. April 2026 Payroll Registers totaling \$8,038,909.30

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**RESOLUTION      4973B**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            BOARD OF EDUCATION'S MONTHLY CERTIFICATION**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.12(e), we certify that as of April 30, 2026 after review of the secretary's monthly financial report (appropriations section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, to the best of our knowledge no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6:20-2.13(b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

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**RESOLUTION      4973C**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            APPROVE ATTENDANCE AND WORK-RELATED TRAVEL  
AND/OR WORKSHOP EXPENSES**

WHEREAS, the following employees have requested approval for the indicated work-related travel and/or online workshop; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the stated function was previously approved by the employees' supervisor and superintendent as work-related and within the scope of the work responsibilities of the attendee; and

WHEREAS, the attendance at the function was approved as promoting delivery of instruction or furthering efficient operation of the school district; and fiscally prudent;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the attendance and related travel and/or workshop expenses for the following work-related events:

<b>EMPLOYEE</b>	<b>WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE</b>	<b>DATE(S)</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>ESTIMATED COSTS</b>
Melissa Butler Clinton School	ASCA 2026 Annual Conference	7/10/26- 7/14/26	New Orleans, LA	\$1,925.90
Christine Houseworth Columbia HS	2026 SIOP Virtual Conference	7/14/26- 7/16/26	Virtual	\$290.00
Dennis James Central Office	NJSBGA 25 <sup>th</sup> Annual Conference	3/22/26- 3/25/26	Atlantic City, NJ	\$1,086.10 increase
Dr. Ramon Robles Fernandez Columbia HS	2026 SIOP Virtual Conference	7/14/26- 7/16/26	Virtual	\$290.00
Veronica Wilson Columbia HS	APSI Business with Personal Finance	8/3/26- 8/6/26	Virtual	\$799.00
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$4,391.00</b>

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

New Jersey travel regulations (NJAC 6A:23B), Board Policy 8880 – Reimbursement of Travel Related Expenses, and newly enacted legislation [18A:11-12] require prior approval by the Superintendent and by a majority of the full membership of the Board of Education for reimbursement of travel and related expenses of an employee.

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**RESOLUTION      4973D**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            APPROVE SERVICE PROVIDER(S)**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the following provider(s) for the 2025-2026 school year for the service indicated:

<b>Provider Name</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Rate</b>
Brainchild Neurology Dr. Zev Stomel Springfield, NJ	Evaluation & Consultation Services Comprehensive Neurological Evaluation Record Review and Written Report	\$595.00/eval \$525.00/hour \$70.00
Four Winds Hospital, Inc. Katonah, NY	Home Instruction	\$68.00/hour
Genpsych Livingston, NJ	Psychiatric Clearance	\$250.00/eval
Marie H. Katzenbach School of the Deaf West Trenton, NJ	Child Study Team Assessment	\$900.00
UHS of Doylestown LLC Dbas Foundation Behavioral Health Doylestown, PA	Tutoring	\$56.00/hour

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The provider(s) will perform services and/or evaluations for students as needed. Pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 18A:4-1, et seq., the Board is permitted to enter into professional service contracts without the necessity of public bidding.

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**RESOLUTION      4973E**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            APPROVE OUT OF DISTRICT TUITION STUDENTS**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the South Orange-Maplewood Board of Education hereby authorizes the enrollment of Students #4911884898 and 4237508051 for the 2025-2026 school year through June 30, 2026, on the basis of tuition, in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the tuition contract.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The tuition rate for students was established at the May 29, 2025 public meeting. The rate is determined by using the state formula as per N.J.A.C. 6:20-3.1.

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**RESOLUTION        4973F**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            ESTABLISH 2026-2027 TUITION RATES**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education establishes 2026-2027 tuition rates as listed below:

Grades 9-12	\$ 19,203.00
Grades 6-8	\$ 19,798.00
Grades 1-5	\$ 18,358.00
Pre-K/Kindergarten	\$ 17,824.00
Autism	\$ 11,085.00
Emotional Regulation Impairment	\$ 11,085.00
Learning and/or Language Disabilities	\$ 49,496.00
Multiple Disabilities	\$142,206.00
Preschool Disabilities	\$ 56,903.00

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The tuition rates have been determined by using the state formula as per N.J.A.C. 6:20-3.1 and are at the maximum.

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**RESOLUTION        4973G**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:**            APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH ESSEX REGIONAL  
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION TO PROVIDE  
CHAPTER 192/193 SERVICES TO NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL  
STUDENTS FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education enters into an agreement with Essex Regional Educational Services Commission for the period of July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027 to provide eligible students in South Orange and Maplewood nonpublic schools with the following services: Compensatory Education, English as a Second Language, Home Instruction, Supplementary Instruction, Speech-Language, and Evaluation and Determination of Eligibility at a per student rate established by the New Jersey Department of Education.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Under P.L. 192-193 we receive 100% state funding to cover the cost of these services to students in South Orange and Maplewood private and parochial schools. As a local education agency, we serve as the conduit through which the services listed above are provided by state law to students in private and parochial schools.

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**RESOLUTION        4973H**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:**            APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH ESSEX REGIONAL  
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION FOR NON-PUBLIC  
SCHOOLS NURSING SERVICES FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL  
YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education agrees to enter into a contract with the Essex Regional Services Commission for the 2026-2027 school year to provide nursing services to non-public schools located in South Orange and Maplewood at an amount not to exceed the amount of state funding received for these services.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

In accordance with Chapter 226, Laws of 1991, we are required to provide nursing services to non-public schools located in South Orange and Maplewood consistent with the amount of state funding that we receive for this purpose.

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**RESOLUTION      4973I**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:**            APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH ESSEX REGIONAL  
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION FOR IDEA-B  
SERVICES FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education enters into an agreement with Essex Regional Educational Services Commission for IDEA-B Services for the period of July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027 for the proportionate share of non-public IDEA-B funds.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Essex Regional Educational Services Commission will provide services for classified students attending non-public schools in the district as per needs indicated in specific Individual Education Plans (IEPs).

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**RESOLUTION        4973J**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:**            APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH ESSEX REGIONAL  
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION TO PROVIDE  
CHILD STUDY TEAM SERVICES FOR 2026-2027

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education enters into an agreement with Essex Regional Educational Services Commission to provide Child Study Team Services to students in the South Orange Maplewood School District for the period of July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027 at the following rates:

Social Assessment	\$510.51
Educational Evaluation	\$510.51
Psychological Evaluation	\$510.51
Speech Evaluations	\$510.51
Bilingual Evaluations	\$638.14
Physical Therapy Evaluation	\$574.33
Occupational Therapy Evaluation	\$574.33

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LDTC	\$159.53
Social Worker	\$159.53
School Psychologist	\$159.53

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

These services will be provided on an as-needed basis only.

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**RESOLUTION      4973K**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:**            APPROVE SPECIAL EDUCATION TUITION AND ADDITIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH UNION COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves a tuition and additional services agreement with Union County Educational Services Commission for each district resident special education student referred to them for the 2026-2027 school year and for additional services at the following rates:

	<u>RATE</u>
<u>Westlake School:</u>	
Multiply Disabled Program (Elementary/Middle School)	\$63,250.00
Multiply Disabled Program (High School)	\$63,720.00
Autistic Program (Elementary/Middle School)	\$88,520.00
Autistic Program (High School)	\$89,180.00
<u>Half-Day Shared Program – Ages 16-21</u>	
Focus on Vocational and Life Skills Development	\$41,375.00
Half-Day Shared Personal Aide	\$36,525,.00
<u>Crossroads School</u>	\$88,520.00
<u>Lamberts Mill Academy – Behavioral Disabilities Program</u> Middle School / High School	\$71,075.00
<u>Post Secondary Program for 5<sup>th</sup> Year Students</u>	\$71,075.00
Half Day Shared Program	\$35,540.00
<u>New Point Specialty Program (ages 13-21)</u>	\$71,075.00
<u>Transition Services Department</u>	

Work Readiness Academy – Full Time	\$69,550.00
Shared Time Tuition (prorated based on participation)	
Project SEARCH at Overlook Medical Center	\$58,015.00
Contracted SLE Programs (Rates vary based on district needs)	
<u>Personal Aides – All (3) Three Schools:</u>	\$58,630.00
Related Services –Physical Therapy (OT & Speech included in tuition)	\$90.00/session
<u>Transportation</u>	5% surcharge: contract & aide
<u>Hospital Services</u>	
Trinitas Hospital - Behavioral Unit (Bedside Instruction)	\$80.00/hour
<u>New Point Specialty Residential Education Program/New Day</u>	\$71,075.00
<u>Extended School Year</u>	
Westlake School	\$ 7,460.00
Westlake School – Autistic Program	\$10,310.00
Crossroads	\$10,310.00
Lamberts Mill Academy	\$11,760.00
New Pointe Specialty Residential Treatment Facility	\$11,760.00
Personal Aides – All (3) Three Schools	\$ 5,050.00
Work Readiness Training Program	
Half-day Program	\$ 5,940.00
Full-day Program	\$11,115.00
<u>Child Study Team Evaluations with written reports</u>	
Educational, Psychological, Social History & Speech/Language Evaluations	\$420.00/eval
Articulation or Fluency only Evaluation	\$125.00/eval
Occupational or Physical Therapy Evaluation	\$420.00/eval
Augmentative and Alternative Communication/Assistive Technology Evaluation	\$850.00/eval
<u>Additional CST Evaluations</u>	
Addition of Oral Language to the WJIV	\$75.00 additional
Other additional Subtests to WJ or Wechsler	\$75.00 additional
Additional Supplemental Educational, Speech or Psychological Standard Evaluation	\$300.00 additional
Spanish Bilingual Educational or Psychological Standard Evaluation	\$525.00/eval

CST Review of Records and/or review and accept outside Evaluations plus written report	\$75.00/report
CST Classroom Observation plus written Report	\$75.00/report
Evaluation Rush Fee (within 2 weeks)	\$50.00 additional

Child Study Team Consultative Services

Hourly CST/SLP Meeting attendance, Consultation (min 2 hours)	\$100.00/hour
Case Management (for CST initial and/or re-evaluations)	\$375.00/case
IEP Development Fee	\$125.00/case
Annual Review	\$275.00/case
Goals & Objectives Creation	\$100.00/per subject/area

Related Services

Speech Services	\$110.00/hour
Social Work Services	\$110.00/hour
Counseling Services	\$110.00/hour
Occupational Therapy Services	\$110.00/hour

Behavioral Services

Full Functional Behavior Assessment (FBA)	\$850.00/Full FBA & BIP
Team Meeting to Review FBA/BIP	\$150.00/hour
Behavior Intervention Plan Staff Training	\$150.00/hour
On Site BCBA hourly	\$150.00/hour
On Site BCBA per diem	call for rates
Autism Program Evaluation & Consultation	call for rate

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Union County Educational Services Commission provides educational programs for classified students that are unavailable within the district. This agreement covers any students attending one or more schools operated by the Commission. UCESC will perform additional services and/or evaluations as needed.

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**RESOLUTION        4973L**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:**            AWARD FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT FOR  
2026-2027

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the South Orange and Maplewood Board of Education “SFA” approves the renewal of the contract for Food Service Management to The Pomptonian, Inc. “FSMC” for the food service operation for 2026-2027.

1. FSMC Fee:

The FSMC shall receive, in addition to the costs of operation, an administrative/management fee of \$129,787 to compensate the FSMC for administrative and management costs. This fee shall be included as a cost of operation and billed in 10 monthly installments of \$12,978.70 per month. The SFA guarantees the payment of such costs and fees to the FSMC.

2.

There is no guarantee of financial performance.

3. Total Estimated Cost of Contract:

Total estimated expenses (cost) include food, labor, supplies, other expenses and FSMC management fee.

Total Estimated Cost of Contract \$2,482,758.36.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED THAT meals will be priced at the following schedule:

<u>School Level</u>	<u>Breakfast</u>	<u>Reduced Breakfast</u>	<u>Lunch</u>	<u>Variable Lunch</u>	<u>Reduced</u>
Elementary School	\$2.15	\$0.40	\$3.35	N/A	\$0.60
Middle School	\$2.35	\$0.40	\$3.60	\$4.00	\$0.60
High School	\$2.50	\$0.40	\$3.85	\$4.25	\$0.60

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The management fee represents an increase of 3.4% from the 2025-2026 school year.



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**RESOLUTION        4973N**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            APPROVE CLINICAL AFFILIATION AGREEMENT WITH  
UNIVERSITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE FOR HEALTH SCIENCES**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves a Clinical Affiliation Agreement with the University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences for the purposes of providing clinical experience for university students enrolled in Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and Speech-Language Pathology (SLP) programs. The agreement is effective March 26, 2026 to March 26, 2031.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The purpose of this clinical affiliation agreement is to identify the mutual responsibilities and expectations of the University and the District.

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**RESOLUTION      49730**

**FOR ACTION**

**SUBJECT:            AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL OF DISTRICT PROPERTY**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the disposal either by auction or as refuse the following item(s) deemed unusable by the district based the age and/or condition of the item(s):

- 2005 Ford E350 Super Duty Cargo Vin#1FTSE34L55HA79481

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education approves the sale of the property through GovDeals pursuant to the terms and conditions of State Contract A-70967/T2581.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The equipment was examined by the Facilities Director and deemed unusable by the district.