



Instructional & Student Programs

Curriculum & Instruction • Special Education • K-12 Programs

Board of Education – March 9, 2026

MISSION & PRIORITIES

Our mission centers on curiosity, high expectations, and empowering every learner to achieve at high levels

At Valley Central, we champion curiosity and set high expectations. Our mission is to empower every member to achieve at high levels and embrace the joy of continuous learning.

OUR DISTRICT PRIORITIES

- Elevating Student Success & Engagement
- Community Belonging & VC Pride
- Clear & Transparent Communications



Today's Agenda

Student Programs

- Follow-up from prior presentation
- Curriculum and Instruction
- Special Education
- Instructional - High School, Middle School, and Elementary Programs



Technology Budget Overview

CATEGORY	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Proposed
Salaries & Wages	740K	781K	753K
Equipment	5K	15K	15K
Contractual Services & Supplies	252K	299K	299K
TOTAL	997K	1.1M	1.1M

The Technology budget reflects continued investment in core systems and services to support instructional and operational needs across the district.



Transportation Budget Overview

CATEGORY	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Proposed
Salaries & Wages	106K	87K	90K
Contractual Services – Home-to-school	2.8M	2.9M	4.1M
Contractual Services – Special Education & Monitors	2.1M	2.1M	3.1M
Contractual Services – McKinney-Vento	357K	255K	364K
Contractual Services – Other (Post-session, Sports, Etc.)	235K	232K	298K
Contractual Services – Non-Public	605K	747K	850K
Fuel & Supplies	282K	576K	407K
TOTAL	6.5M	7.0M	9.2M

The Transportation budget reflects updated contract costs following a competitive rebid, updated service standards, expanded student needs, and current market conditions.



Curriculum and Instruction

Curriculum and Instruction provides leadership for districtwide curriculum development, instructional alignment, and professional learning. This work ensures that teaching practices, instructional materials, and assessments are aligned to New York State standards and district priorities. The department supports staff development, instructional coaching, program implementation, and continuous improvement to strengthen teaching and learning across all grade levels.



What Curriculum and Instruction Covers

- Curriculum Development & Alignment
- Assessment & Data Systems
- Instructional Program Review
- Academic Standards
- Professional Development
- Instructional Coaching
- Instructional Materials Adoption
- State Standards & Reporting



Curriculum and Instruction & Data and Testing Staffing

POSITION	FY 2026	FY 2027
Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction	1	1
Director of Data and Testing	1	1
Secretarial Staff	3	3
TOTAL (FTE)	5	5



Curriculum and Instruction Budget Overview

CATEGORY	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Proposed
Instructional Salaries	365K	391K	407K
Non-Instructional Salaries	212K	221K	214K
Supplies	4K	12K	12K
Contractual Services	327K	604K	401K
TOTAL	907K	1.2M	1.0M



Special Education & Related Services

Special Education ensures students with disabilities receive individualized instruction and required related services aligned with federal and state mandates. Services include specialized teaching, therapeutic and health supports, counseling, CSE oversight, and coordinated collaboration with families to address students' academic, social-emotional, and physical development.



What Special Education & Related Services Cover

- IEP Development & Implementation
- Special Class & ICT Services
- Instructional Supports
- Progress Monitoring & Reporting
- Speech, OT, & PT
- Nursing & Health Supports
- Behavioral & Social-Emotional Supports
- Counseling Supports



Special Education Staffing Structure

Program Leadership

- Director of Special Education
- Clerical Support

Special Education Instruction

- Special Education Teachers
- Teacher of the Deaf
- Teacher of the Visually Impaired
- Testing Teacher

Therapeutic Services

- Speech Pathologists / Therapists
- Occupational Therapists
- Physical Therapists

Student Support

- Social Emotional Support Specialists
- Special Education Paraprofessionals



Related Services Staffing Structure

Program Leadership

- Director of Pupil Personnel Services
- 504 Committee Chair

Health Services

- Registered School Nurses
- Licensed Practical Nurses

Psychological Services

- School Psychologists

Student Support Services

- Student Assistance Counselors
- Behavior Assistance Counselors



Special Education & Related Services Budget Overview

CATEGORY	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Proposed
Salaries & Wages	16.6M	17.6M	17.6M
Equipment	4K	10K	10K
Contractual Services (Including out-of-district placements)	5.6M	6.6M	7.3M
Supplies	58K	75K	73K
TOTAL	22.2M	24.3M	25.0M



Instructional – High School, Middle School and Elementary Programs

Instructional programs at the High School, Middle School, and Elementary levels represent the district's primary investment in teaching and learning. These programs encompass core academic instruction, intervention and support services, enrichment opportunities, and graduation pathways. Staffing and resources are aligned to projected enrollment and class size targets while preserving comprehensive program access for students.



What Instructional Programs Cover

- Elementary Classroom Instruction (Grades K–5)
- Middle & High School Instruction
- Literacy & Mathematics Programs
- Science & Social Studies Instruction
- Electives & Advanced Coursework
- Career & Technical Education
- Academic Intervention & Support Services
- Guidance Services



Instructional Staffing Structure

Classroom Instruction

- Teachers (K-12)

Student Support

- Guidance Counselors, Attendance Teachers

Instructional Support

- Librarians / School Media Specialists
- Paraprofessionals



Elementary Enrollment Projection

GRADE	FY 2026 Enrollment (March)	FY 2026 Sections	FY 2026 Ave. Class Size	FY 2027 Projected Enrollment	FY 2027 Projected Sections	FY 2027 Ave. Class Size
K	237	13	18	237	13	18
1	270	13	21	237	13	18
2	281	12	24	270	12	23
3	291	13	22	281	12	24
4	271	11	25	291	13	22
5	271	12	22	271	11	25
TOTAL	1,621	74		1,587	74	



Secondary Enrollment Projection

GRADE	FY 2026 Enrollment (March)	FY 2027 Projected Enrollment
6	319	271
7	294	319
8	329	294
9	324	329
10	327	324
11	351	327
12	315	351
TOTAL	2,259	2,215



Instructional Budget Overview

CATEGORY	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Budget	FY 2027 Proposed
Instructional Salaries	33.6M	34.9M	35.0M
Non-Instructional Salaries	2.6M	2.7M	3.1M
Equipment	236K	750K	750K
Supplies	569K	663K	670K
Contractual Services (including CTEC)	2.9M	3.5M	3.7M
Textbooks	134K	226K	226K
TOTAL	40M	42.8M	43.4M



Budget Development Timeline

January 12th

Budget Snapshot: Overview of long-range financial plan, fund balance, and reserves.

February 9th

Detailed budget presentations: Athletics, Technology, Operations & Maintenance, Transportation and Security.

March 9th

Detailed budget presentations: Curriculum & Instruction, Special Education, High School, Middle School, and Elementary Programs.

March 23rd

Superintendent's proposed budget presented.

April 13th

Board adoption of the FY 2027 budget.

April 20th

Nominating petitions due to the district clerk.

May 11th

Budget Hearing

May 19th

Budget Vote – Valley Central High School (6 a.m. to 9 p.m.).



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