



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK
12360 Woodward Avenue Highland
Park, Michigan
48203-3322

President Cheryl Sanford

SCHOOL BOARD OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK

Vice President Famika Roberts

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE HIGHLAND PARK PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Secretary Yolanda Harrison

WHEREAS, the School Board of the City of Highland Park ("Board") recognizes the importance of expanding access to post-secondary education and workforce training opportunities for the students of the District; and

Treasurer Cassandra Walker

Trustee Doris Harris

WHEREAS, the Board seeks to encourage academic achievement, increase college enrollment and completion rates, and support the educational aspirations of students residing within the City of Highland Park; and

Trustee Linda Wheeler

WHEREAS, the Board desires to establish a scholarship initiative known as the **Highland Park Promise Scholarship** to provide financial assistance to eligible graduating seniors pursuing post-secondary education, career and technical education, apprenticeship programs, or other approved training opportunities; and

Trustee Janet Spight-White

WHEREAS, the Board intends for the Highland Park Promise Scholarship to serve as a last-out funding source, supplementing and not supplanting other available federal, state, institutional, local, or private financial aid resources; and

Isaiah Pettway, Chief Educational
Officer

Joseph Urban, Esq., Board
Attorney

WHEREAS, the Board desires to collaborate with the Michigan College Access Network to develop scholarship eligibility requirements, administrative procedures, funding mechanisms, implementation logistics, and program evaluation measures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the School Board of the City of Highland Park hereby establishes the Highland Park Promise Scholarship Program under the following terms and conditions:

Section 1. Establishment of the Program

The Highland Park Promise Scholarship is hereby established as an official initiative of the School Board of the City of Highland Park for the purpose of providing post-secondary scholarship assistance to eligible graduating seniors.

Section 2. Initial Scholarship Award

Beginning with students graduating during the 2026-2027 academic year and enrolling in eligible post-secondary programs in **Fall 2027**, the Highland Park Promise Scholarship shall provide an initial award of **One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)** per eligible student, subject to available funding and compliance with program requirements approved by the Board.

Section 3. Residency Requirement

To qualify for the scholarship, a student shall:

- a. Graduate from a high school recognized by the District or otherwise approved by the Board;
- b. Be a resident of the City of Highland Park at the time of graduation; and
- c. Provide documentation establishing a verifiable residential address within the City of Highland Park, Michigan, in accordance with procedures established by the District.

Section 4. Last-Out Funding Requirement

The Highland Park Promise Scholarship shall function as a **last-out scholarship award**. Scholarship funds shall be awarded after all other available sources of student financial assistance have been applied, including but not limited to:

- Federal grants and scholarships;
- State grants and scholarships;
- Institutional aid;
- Private scholarships; and
- Other educational assistance programs for which the student is eligible.

The specific methodology for determining award disbursements and coordination with other aid sources shall be developed and presented to the Board for approval.

Section 5. Future Expansion to Highland Park High Schools

Should the Board establish or authorize additional high schools located within the City of Highland Park in the future, the Highland Park Promise Scholarship may be expanded by subsequent Board action to include graduates of such schools.

Upon recommendation of the administration and approval by the Board, graduates of a high school established within the City of Highland Park may be eligible for a scholarship award

amount different from the initial One Thousand Dollar (\$1,000.00) award. Any differentiated award amount shall be established by separate Board resolution.

Students who graduate from schools located outside the City of Highland Park, regardless of residency status, shall remain eligible only for the standard scholarship award amount of **\$1,000.00**, unless otherwise authorized by future Board action.

Section 6. Development of Program Requirements

The Chief Educational Officer is authorized and directed to work collaboratively with the Michigan College Access Network and other appropriate stakeholders to develop:

- Eligibility requirements;
- Application procedures;
- Verification processes;
- Scholarship administration protocols;
- Postsecondary institution participation requirements;
- Funding and sustainability recommendations;
- Award distribution procedures; and
- Program accountability and reporting measures.

SECTION 7. PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD

The Chief Educational Officer or designee shall present a comprehensive implementation plan and final program recommendations to the Board no later than Fall 2026 for review, consideration, and final approval prior to the commencement of scholarship awards in Fall 2027.

Section 7. Presentation to the Board

The ^{CEO}Superintendent or designee shall present a comprehensive implementation plan and final program recommendations to the Board no later than **Fall 2026** for review, consideration, and final approval prior to the commencement of scholarship awards in Fall 2027.

Section 8. Funding

The Board intends to support the Highland Park Promise Scholarship through appropriations approved by the Board, including previously designated scholarship funds and other lawful funding sources as may be authorized by future Board action.

Section 9. Reservation of Authority

The Board reserves the right to amend, modify, expand, suspend, or terminate the Highland Park Promise Scholarship Program by future resolution as circumstances warrant and subject to available funding.

Section 10. Effective Date

This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the School Board of the City of Highland Park at a regular/special meeting held on the 9 day of June, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: 6 _____


NAYS: 1 _____

ABSENT: 0 _____

ABSTAIN: 0 _____

ADOPTED this 9 day of June, 2026.


President, School Board of the City of Highland Park


Secretary, School Board of the City of Highland Park



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK
12360 Woodward Avenue Highland
Park, Michigan
48203-3322

SCHOOL BOARD OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK

President Cheryl Sanford

**RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING STUDENT ACTIVITIES
FUND BALANCE TO SUPPORT AND MAINTAIN THE
HIGHLAND PARK PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP**

Vice President Famika Roberts

WHEREAS, the School Board of the City of Highland Park ("Board") is committed to promoting student achievement, educational opportunity, and post-secondary success for students of the District; and

Secretary Yolanda Harrison

WHEREAS, the District maintains a Student Activities Fund, which consists of restricted funds designated for purposes that directly benefit students, including but not limited to student activities, scholarships, and related educational opportunities; and

Treasurer Cassandra Walker

Trustee Doris Harris

WHEREAS, as of the date of this Resolution, the Student Activities Fund has an available balance of **Three Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-One Dollars (\$325,451.00)**; and

Trustee Linda Wheeler

Trustee Janet Spight-White

WHEREAS, the Board has established the **Highland Park Promise Scholarship** program to provide financial assistance and scholarship opportunities to eligible District students pursuing post-secondary education and training; and

**Isaiah Pettway, Chief Educational
Officer**

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the use of Student Activities Fund monies to support and maintain the Highland Park Promise Scholarship is consistent with the restricted purposes of the Fund and directly benefits District students; and

**Joseph Urban, Esq., Board
Attorney**

WHEREAS, the Board desires to appropriate the current balance of the Student Activities Fund for the continued funding, administration, and sustainability of the Highland Park Promise Scholarship program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The School Board of the City of Highland Park hereby appropriates the current balance of the Student Activities Fund, in the amount of **\$325,451.00**, for the purpose of funding, supporting,

- maintaining, and administering the Highland Park Promise Scholarship program.
2. The appropriated funds shall remain restricted and shall be expended solely for purposes consistent with the Highland Park Promise Scholarship program and applicable laws, regulations, accounting standards, and Board policies governing restricted student funds and scholarship expenditures.
 3. The Superintendent, Chief Financial Officer, and other appropriate District administrators are authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution, including the establishment of appropriate accounting and financial controls to ensure that the funds are maintained and expended exclusively for authorized scholarship purposes.
 4. Any earnings, interest, or investment income generated from the appropriated funds shall remain dedicated to and become part of the Highland Park Promise Scholarship fund balance unless otherwise directed by subsequent Board action.
 5. The administration shall provide periodic reports to the Board regarding the status, expenditures, obligations, and remaining balance of the Highland Park Promise Scholarship fund.
 6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the School Board of the City of Highland Park at a regular/special meeting held on the 9 day of June, 2026, by the following vote:

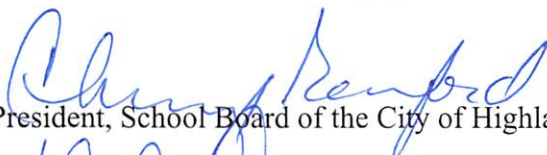
AYES: 6

NAYS: 1

ABSENT: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ADOPTED this 9 day of June, 2026.


President, School Board of the City of Highland Park


Secretary, School Board of the City of Highland Park



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK
12360 Woodward Avenue Highland
Park, Michigan

48203-3322

President Cheryl Sanford

Vice President Famika Roberts

Secretary Yolanda Harrison

Treasurer Cassandra Walker

Trustee Doris Harris

Trustee Linda Wheeler

Trustee Janet Spight-White

Isaiah Pettway, Chief Educational
Officer

Joseph Urban, Esq., Board
Attorney

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A TEMPORARY
REDUCTION OF THE AUTHORIZER
OVERSIGHT FEE FOR BARBER
PREPARATORY ACADEMY FOR FISCAL
YEAR 2026–2027**

WHEREAS, the School District of the City of Highland Park ("Authorizer") serves as the authorizing body for Barber Preparatory Academy ("Academy"); and

WHEREAS, the Authorizer is committed to supporting the academic success, operational effectiveness, and long-term financial stability of the Academy while maintaining appropriate oversight and accountability; and

WHEREAS, Barber Preparatory Academy has identified and is implementing a series of cost-saving measures and operational efficiencies designed to strengthen its financial position and ensure the continued delivery of high-quality educational services to its students; and

WHEREAS, the Academy has expressed that reducing operational expenditures during Fiscal Year 2026–2027 will assist in preserving resources necessary to support educational programming, maintain financial stability, and improve teacher recruitment and retention efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Highland Park recognizes the importance of retaining qualified educators and supporting responsible financial management practices at the Academy; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that a temporary reduction in the Authorizer oversight fee for a limited period will provide meaningful support to the Academy's financial stabilization efforts while maintaining the

Authorizer's ability to fulfill its statutory and contractual responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the Board further finds and determines that the reduced authorizer fee of one and one-half percent (1.5%) for Fiscal Year 2026–2027 will remain sufficient to enable the School District of the City of Highland Park to carry out its oversight, monitoring, reporting, and accountability responsibilities as the Academy's authorizer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Highland Park hereby approves a temporary reduction of the Authorizer oversight fee charged to Barber Preparatory Academy from **three percent (3.0%)** of state school aid revenue to **one and one-half percent (1.5%)** of state school aid revenue for **Fiscal Year 2026–2027 only**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this fee reduction is expressly intended to support Barber Preparatory Academy's planned and executed cost-saving measures, enhance financial stability, and assist with teacher recruitment and retention efforts during Fiscal Year 2026–2027.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this reduction is a **one-time, temporary accommodation** and shall automatically expire at the conclusion of Fiscal Year 2026–2027, unless otherwise approved by subsequent action of the Board of Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that effective at the commencement of Fiscal Year 2027–2028, the Authorizer oversight fee shall revert to **three percent (3.0%)** of state school aid revenue, or such other rate as may be authorized by applicable law and agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the **Chief Educational Officer** and any authorized officers of the School District of the City of Highland Park are authorized to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution and to execute any documents required to effectuate its purpose.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Education of the School District of the City of Highland Park at a regular/special meeting held on the 9 day of June, 2026.

Board President

Board Secretary

Date: 6/9/2026

2026 Tax Rate Request (This form must be completed and submitted on or before September 30, 2026)

MILLAGE REQUEST REPORT TO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Carefully read the instructions on page 2.

This form is issued under authority of MCL Sections 211.24e, 211.34 and 211.34d. Filing is mandatory; Penalty applies.



County(ies) Where the Local Government Unit Levies Taxes WAYNE	2026 Taxable Value of ALL Properties in the Unit as of 05-26-2026 170,959,713
Local Government Unit Requesting Millage Levy HIGHLAND PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT	For LOCAL School Districts: 2026 Taxable Value excluding Principal Residence, Qualified Agricultural, Qualified Forest, Industrial Personal and Commercial Personal Properties. 136,833,581

This form must be completed for each unit of government for which a property tax is levied. Penalty for non-filing is provided under MCL Sec 211.119. The following tax rates have been authorized for levy on the 2026 tax roll.

(1) Source	(2) Purpose of Millage	(3) Date of Election	(4) Original Millage Authorized by Election Charter, etc.	(5)** 2025 Millage Rate Permanently Reduced by MCL 211.34d "Headlee"	(6) 2026 Current Year "Headlee" Millage Reduction Fraction	(7) 2026 Millage Rate Permanently Reduced by MCL 211.34d "Headlee"	(8) Sec. 211.34 Truth in Assessing or Equalization Millage Rollback Fraction	(9) Maximum Allowable Millage Levy *	(10) Millage Requested to be Levied July 1	(11) Millage Requested to be Levied Dec. 1	(12) Expiration Date of Millage Authorized
ALLOCATED	OPERATING NON-HOME	11-2015	18.0000	15.9974	0.9873	15.7942	1.0000	15.7942	15.7942		11-2031
EX VOTED	DEBT SERVICE	05-2005	N/A	N/A	1.0000	N/A	1.0000	N/A	0.7000		06-2031

Prepared by LUSKA GERMAN	Telephone Number (313) 873-7500	Title of Preparer FINANCE DIRECTOR	Date 06/09/2026
------------------------------------	---	--	---------------------------

CERTIFICATION: As the representatives for the local government unit named above, we certify that these requested tax levy rates have been reduced, if necessary to comply with the state constitution (Article 9, Section 31), and that the requested levy rates have also been reduced, if necessary, to comply with MCL Sections 211.24e, 211.34 and, for LOCAL school districts which levy a Supplemental (Hold Harmless) Millage, 380.1211(3).

<input type="checkbox"/> Clerk	Signature 	Print Name YOLANDA HARRISON	Date 06/09/2026
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Secretary	Signature 	Print Name CHERYL SANFORD	Date 06/09/2026
<input type="checkbox"/> Chairperson			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> President			

* Under Truth in Taxation, MCL Section 211.24e, the governing body may decide to levy a rate which will not exceed the maximum authorized rate allowed in column 9. The requirements of MCL 211.24e must be met prior to levying an operating levy which is larger than the base tax rate but not larger than the rate in column 9.

** **IMPORTANT:** See instructions on page 2 regarding where to find the millage rate used in column (5).

Local School District Use Only. Complete if requesting millage to be levied. See STC Bulletin 2 of 2026 for instructions on completing this section.	
Total School District Operating Rates to be Levied (HH/Supp and NH Oper ONLY)	Rate
For Principal Residence, Qualified Ag., Qualified Forest and Industrial Personal	0.0000
For Commercial Personal	3.7942
For all Other	15.7942

A Resolution of The Highland Park School District Board of Education

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the general appropriations act of The Highland Park School District for the fiscal year 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the revenues estimated to be available for appropriations in the Highland Park School District general fund are as follows:

	Final Budget FY26
Revenue	
Local	\$ 2,297,089
State	9,026
Total Revenue	<u>2,306,115</u>
Fund Balance (deficit) - July 1 2025	<u>(476,807)</u>
Total available to appropriate	<u><u>2,306,115</u></u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that \$2,306,115 of the total available to appropriate in the general fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purpose set forth below:

Expenditures	
Support Services	
General Administration	429,910
Business	236,740
Operations and Maintenance	269,170
Transportation	76,300
Central	171,870
Total Expenditure from Operations	<u>1,183,990</u>
Facilities	-
Debt Service	
Principle	240,000
Interest	60,125
Total Expenditure on Debt Service	<u>300,125</u>
Total Appropriated	1,484,115
Excess Revenues over Expenditures	822,000
Projected Fund Balance (deficit) - June 30, 2026	<u><u>\$ 345,193</u></u>

Treasurer's Certification:

I certify that The Highland Park School District Board of Education duly adopted the foregoing resolution at a properly noticed open meeting held on the 9th day of June 2026, which a quorum was present.

By: Cassandra Walker Cassandra Walker 06/09/2026
Treasurer of the Board Print Name Date

A Resolution of The Highland Park School District Board of Education

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be the general appropriations act of The Highland Park School District for the fiscal year 2027.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the revenues estimated to be available for appropriations in the Highland Park School District general fund are as follows:

	Original Budget FY27
Revenue	
Local	\$ 2,313,796
State	-
Total Revenue	<u>2,313,796</u>
 Projected Fund Balance (deficit) - July 1 2026	 <u>345,193</u>
 Total available to appropriate	 <u>2,658,989</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that \$2,658,989 of the total available to appropriate in the general fund is hereby appropriated in the amounts and for the purpose set forth below:

Expenditures	
Support Services	
General Administration	518,970
Business	210,500
Operations and Maintenance	251,422
Transportation	160,000
Central	<u>170,810</u>
Total Expenditure from Operations	1,311,702
 Facilities	 -
 Debt Service	
Principle	245,000
Interest	<u>57,094</u>
Total Expenditure on Debt Service	302,094
 Total Appropriated	 1,613,796
 Excess Revenues over Expenditures	 700,000
 Projected Fund Balance (deficit) - June 30, 2027	 <u>\$ 1,045,193</u>

Treasurer's Certification:

I certify that The Highland Park School District Board of Education duly adopted the foregoing resolution at a properly noticed open meeting held on the 9th day of June 2026, which a quorum was present.

By: Cassandra Walker
Treasurer of the Board

Cassandra Walker
Print Name

06/09/2026
Date