



Notes of Interest

December Financial Report

General Notes

- December is our highest tax collections month each year due to the timing of the tax calendar incorporated into state law. November, December, and January collections sustain our schools for the majority of the year.

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- Property tax receipts began the tax collection period very strong. These strong collections continue with December's activity. The Property Valuation Assessor estimated an increase of 4.23%, but receipts are up an additional 4% over that amount. We are continuing to track this to determine if payments are being made earlier or if other economic factors, such as new construction and home sales, are causing this effect.
- Occupational taxes continue to outpace previous years as the economy remains strong.
- SEEK Program revenues continues to demonstrate a decreasing trend, as our assessments growth increases more than the increase in base per pupil funding.
- Other state revenues and most expense categories showed a significant increase from the 2014-15 school year to the 2015-16 school year due to recording state-paid health insurance and teachers' retirement system employer match on a monthly basis, as recommended by the Kentucky Department of Education.

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- Omitted taxes are down from the previous years. These taxes represent taxable items excluded from the assessment rolls, whether by taxable property moving into Jefferson County or by constructed properties being completed around assessment date. Accordingly, these revenues are difficult to estimate and may swing significantly during the year as the Kentucky Revenue Cabinet collects new amounts.

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- Business Support Services property purchases show a consistent downward trend as we have purchased all equipment for our voice-data system and only have the installation phase to complete.

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- Transportation Professional/Technical Services are negative due to reimbursements from grants for direct transportation services provided to the grant programs, such as preschool.

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- Building Fund had \$7.3 million remaining unspent at the end of the 2015-16 year. These funds have already been included in the facilities and renovation allocation for the 2016-17 year.
- Building Fund receives most of its revenue each year as a required local effort (a percent of our property taxes), which we transfer in November when property tax receipts begin for the year. As assessments increase, the amount required to be received into Building Fund increases proportionately.