

Superintendent of Schools

Department Overview

The County Superintendent of Schools provides administrative support, information and organization for the schools and communities of Gallatin County. The office meets the requirements of federal, state and local codes while providing quality service to the children, families, schools and taxpayers of the County.

The superintendent provides administrative services to five rural schools, and for sixteen districts conducts legal hearings of disputes, calculates and correlates County financial information and acts as record keeper of school information. Home school students notify the Superintendent of Schools of their intent to home school. Information is provided to real estate agents and residents as to the school district in which acreages and homes are located. Also, any property transfers between school districts go through this office.

There are 16 school districts and 36 schools in Gallatin County. Student population comprises 13,073 public school students, 714 home school students and 1025 private school students. The superintendent supervises 4 elementary school districts. The Office calculates and reports transportation and retirement mills totaling 50.39 or \$12,498,816 in tax revenues. All school budgets are reviewed and appropriate reporting and recording is provided.

Department Goals

- Operate efficiently within budget.
- Implement standardized Performance Measurements.
- Set accurate millage for transportation and retirement for Gallatin County schools and distribute payments to schools in timely manner.
- Maintain close association with school district clerks and board members.
- Monitor rural schools for compliance with Accreditation Standards.
- Collaborate with home schools to continue positive working relationships and continued yearly assessments.
- Provide exceptional service to anyone with educational concerns.
- Provide professional development and support for rural school educators.
- Provide opportunities to students in rural schools: graduation ceremony, spelling bee, musical concerts, declamation contest, science fair, theater opportunities.
- Attend Individual Education Plan (IEP) and student intake meetings for the rural schools.
- Sit on the board of the Gallatin-Madison Special Education Cooperative.
- Attend monthly school board meetings of rural districts and at least one meeting a year for all other school districts in the County.
- Hold hearings on contested property transfer.
- Correct school boundary inaccuracies and report to appropriate government agencies.

Recent Accomplishments

- Provided background check services to school personnel, volunteers and chaperones as specified by law.
- Advertised for substitute teachers and provided updated lists to nine school districts.
- Increased educational and professional development opportunities for rural schools and teachers.
- Maintained employment of highly qualified teachers, counselors, and librarians for rural schools.
- Gave oath of office to newly elected school trustees across the County.
- Attended monthly school board meetings for the rural districts and attended at least one board meeting for all the other districts in Gallatin County.
- Assisted rural school teachers in the administration of Smarter Balanced test given to all students grades 3 through 8.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

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Department Budget

Object of Expenditure	Actual FY 2016	Final FY 2017	Actual FY 2017	Request FY 2018	Preliminary FY 2018	Final FY 2018
Personnel	\$ 132,984	\$ 135,990	\$ 134,691	\$ 136,837	\$ 139,609	\$ 139,609
Operations	22,581	26,098	22,415	27,643	26,143	26,143
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers Out	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 155,565	\$ 162,088	\$ 157,106	\$ 164,480	\$ 165,752	\$ 165,752

Budget by Fund Group

General Fund	\$ 155,565	\$ 162,088	\$ 157,106	\$ 164,480	\$ 165,752	\$ 165,752
Special Revenue Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt Service Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Project Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enterprise Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Internal Service Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trust & Agency Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 155,565	\$ 162,088	\$ 157,106	\$ 164,480	\$ 165,752	\$ 165,752

Funding Sources

Tax Revenues	\$ 75,761	\$ 74,211	\$ 73,469	\$ 79,945	\$ 73,636	\$ 74,210
Non-Tax Revenues	75,955	48,698	55,316	49,799	54,864	52,605
Cash Reappropriated	3,850	39,179	28,321	34,736	37,252	38,937
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Department Personnel

No. of Positions	FT/PT	Title	FTE 2016	FTE 2017	FTE 2018
1	Full-Time	Elected Superintendent of Schools	1.00	1.00	1.00
1	Part-Time	Administrative Assistant	0.75	0.75	0.75
2		Total Program	1.75	1.75	1.75

The elected superintendent of schools resigned in July and a temporary appointment was made pending completion of requirements of the elected position.