

**GMSD Board Work Session**  
**December 17, 2024 5:30 PM**  
Board Room, GMSD Office

1. Miscellaneous FY 23-24 Budget Amendments #15-16
2. Germantown Board of Education Legislative Agenda 2025
3. Further Business



## Germantown Municipal School District Budget Amendment

Fiscal Year: 2024-2025

Amendment # 15

GMSD Acct #	GMSD Acct	Original Budget	Approved Changes	Requested Changes	Amended Budget
141-72130-790	Other Equipment	-	-	1,831	1,831
141-46980-642	Public School Security Grant Revenue	-	-	1,831	1,831

**REASON FOR AMENDMENT:**

Carryover for security cameras

**APPROVAL / DENIAL:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Budget revision is approved effective \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ Budget revision is denied for the following reason(s):

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\_\_\_\_\_ GMSD Board Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ GMSD Superintendent \_\_\_\_\_ Date



## Germantown Municipal School District Budget Amendment

Fiscal Year: 2024-2025

Amendment # 16

GMSD Acct #	GMSD Acct	Original Budget	Approved Changes	Requested Changes	Amended Budget
141-71200-116	Teachers	-	-	65,000	65,000
141-71200-163	Educational Assistants	-	-	70,000	70,000
141-71200-201	Social Security	-	-	8,560	8,560
141-71200-204	Retirement	-	-	11,000	11,000
141-71200-206	Life Insurance	-	-	500	500
141-71200-207	Medical Insurance	-	-	32,000	32,000
141-71200-212	Medicare	-	-	2,000	2,000
141-71200-217	Retirement - Hybrid	-	-	500	500
141-71200-429	Instructional Supplies & Materials	-	-	17,736	17,736
141-46515-321	State SPED Preschool Grant Revenue	-	-	207,296	207,296

**REASON FOR AMENDMENT:**

Salaries and benefits for 1 SPED teacher and for 2 SPED assistants, supplies and materials - State SPED Preschool Grant

**APPROVAL / DENIAL:**

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## **Germantown Board of Education** **2025 Legislative Agenda**

### **EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION FUNDING**

The Germantown Board of Education **requests funding for federally mandated special education Pre-K classrooms, which are currently completely unfunded** by the TISA formula. (See also GBoE Resolution 03/2023-2024.)

Additionally, the Germantown Board of Education **opposes the adoption of any legislation, policies, rules, or regulations** by the Tennessee General Assembly, the Tennessee Department of Education, or the Tennessee State Board of Education **that require the implementation of unfunded mandates.**

### **SCHOOL CHOICE**

The Germantown Board of Education **fully supports the rights of parents to choose the educational options that yield the best outcomes for their children.**

**The Board does not support the use of taxpayer dollars to be used for private schools that are not held to the same standards and accountability as public schools.**

### **ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY**

The Germantown Board of Education supports a fair, transparent accountability system that utilizes multiple measures to provide information to parents and taxpayers. The Board also supports requiring **any schools or districts receiving taxpayer dollars to be subject to the same accountability system so that parents/guardians can make easy, timely, and informed decisions.** Additionally, schools or districts receiving taxpayer dollars should have the **same standardized testing requirements and publicly post their results.**

The Board requests that private schools receiving taxpayer dollars be held to the following requirements that public schools have -or- grant public schools **local control** over the following items:

- School Improvement Plans and the establishment of Annual Measurable Objectives (AMOs)
- Evaluation systems, and the requirements around the numbers of evaluations
- Teacher Licensure
- Student Retention (i.e. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade reading)
- Testing – universal screeners and the state assessments



## **Germantown Board of Education** **2025 Legislative Agenda**

### ***PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES TO ENCOURAGE INDIVIDUALS TO ENTER INTO AND REMAIN IN THE TEACHING PROFESSION***

The Germantown Board of Education urges the General Assembly to **provide additional incentives to encourage individuals to enter and remain in the teaching profession**. This includes paying for PRAXIS exams, scholarships, higher pay, or bonuses.

### ***ALLOW SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO USE THE ACT OR SAT SUITES OF ASSESSMENTS INSTEAD OF STATE-MANDATED ASSESSMENTS TO TEST STUDENTS IN GRADES 9-12***

The Germantown Board of Education urges the General Assembly and the Tennessee Department of Education to **allow school districts to use either the state-mandated assessments required as part of the Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program or the suite of assessments provided by the ACT or SAT to test students in grades 9-12 in the subjects of math and English language arts**.

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***Germantown Board of Education***

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*Jason Manuel, Superintendent*

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