

September 9, 2025

KINGSPORT CITY SCHOOLS  
FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026  
BUDGET AMENDMENT NUMBER TWO

**GENERAL PURPOSE SCHOOL FUNDS**

**ITEM ONE: BALLAD HEALTH DONATION**

Ballad Health is donating \$4,500 to Kingsport City Schools to create a “Reset Room” at Jackson Elementary School. This project is to aid in positive mental health and stress reduction for students and teachers.

It is recommended that the estimated revenue for Other Local Revenue and the appropriations for Jackson Capital Outlay be increased by \$4,500.

**ITEM TWO: NISWONGER FOUNDATION - PROJECT ON TRACK GRANT**

Kingsport City Schools has received a Project on Track grant from the Niswonger Foundation for \$115,384. These funds are to be used to provide a high dosage/low ratio literacy tutoring program for identified students at Johnson, Kennedy, and Roosevelt Elementary Schools.

It is recommended that the estimated revenue for Other Local Revenue and the appropriations for teacher salaries and benefits and Instructional Supplies and Materials be increased by \$115,384.

**ITEM THREE: MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT**

In FY 2025 we began a program to receive Medicaid reimbursements for medical services provided to students that qualify for TN Care. We are contracting with Steller Therapy Services to assist with these reimbursements. For the school year 2024-25 we have received \$72,524 for these services. The contract with Steller Therapy Services requires a 30% fee for their services. The net amount available to Kingsport City Schools for the 2024-25 school year is \$52,167. It is estimated that a similar amount will be generated during the 2025-26 school year. While the specific details of how these funds will be spent has not been determined, it is anticipated that the majority will be programmed towards the health services program. In addition, there won't be any funds spent until the amount to be received is known and the funds are received.

It is recommended that the estimated revenue for Other Local Revenue and the appropriations for Health Services Contracted Services, Supplies and Equipment be increased by \$150,000.