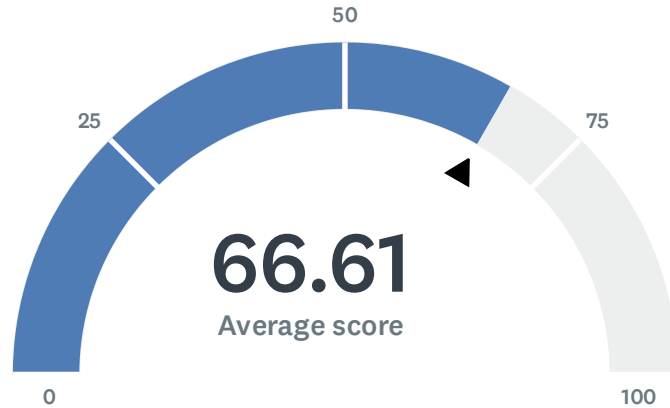


Q4 Education (Remember ... the total of all three allocations can not exceed \$100.)

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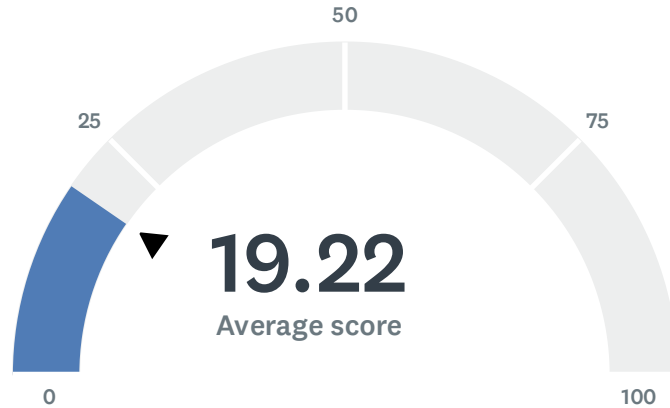
Q5 Rationale for Education Allocation

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1	Hikn	3/26/2026 8:36 AM
2	Early child investment, teacher benefits	3/24/2026 7:08 PM
3	Teachers are the future of our community. They develop our children to be the future leaders of our community. Raise the education rate.	3/24/2026 7:05 PM
4	Money for teachers and support staff	3/24/2026 7:03 PM
5	Teachers need to be paid living wages so that we can both recruit/retain quality teachers and fully staff classrooms/positions. This will also result in better classroom management and fewer disruptive behaviors. Finally we need to increase CTE opportunities for 7-12th grade students. Attention to actual inclusive practices in the general education classroom combined with appropriate supports for students who need to be in a different settings. Paraeducators in EC settings (specifically Kindergarten)	3/24/2026 7:01 PM
6	bump salaries to 73	3/24/2026 6:59 PM
7	Salaries and retention and quality of education are the primary focus of growth. None of the other parts matter unless we have full staffs making a sustainable living.	3/24/2026 6:58 PM
8	Acknowledging that one of our biggest priorities in teacher recruitment and retention, we want the largest amount to support them. We also know how important extra-curriculars are to the students and community.	3/24/2026 6:58 PM
9	Primary Responsibility and Core of a Community Future	3/24/2026 6:56 PM
10	Need to attract new teachers and keep them	3/24/2026 6:56 PM
11	Currently about 50% and bumping it 20% would hopefully attract and retain qualified teachers.	3/24/2026 6:55 PM
12	Because funding teacher salaries isn't easily sourced through other revenue stream. It supports the most vital assets in our district.	3/24/2026 6:54 PM
13	The most important bucket for us right now is making sure our teachers are getting paid and that students have all of the educational services and opportunities they need. We see how the facilities and financial stability buckets will support this as well.	3/24/2026 6:53 PM
14	Need to increase teacher salaries to recruit and retain high quality staff	3/24/2026 6:53 PM
15	Staff should be a priority. More vacancies affect student learning. Retention only happens when teachers are cared for and developed. Extra-curriculars are vital for well-rounded students.	3/24/2026 6:52 PM
16	This is an immediate need.	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
17	Education is our core purpose. The most direct impact to kids.	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
18	This is already the largest portion of the budget, and it needs to increase. This is the basis; we need to have people who want to work here.	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
19	to retain and attract teachers & support staff	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
20	Education is the highest need so the most money will go here. Need to pay the teachers higher so maintain a competitive advantage.	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
21	The Education Allocation is our largest budget due to the fact that teacher salaries are a top priority.	3/24/2026 6:49 PM
22	Increasing teacher salary Recruiting teachers/staff	3/24/2026 6:47 PM

Q6 Operations and Maintenance (Remember ... the total of all three allocations can not exceed \$100.)

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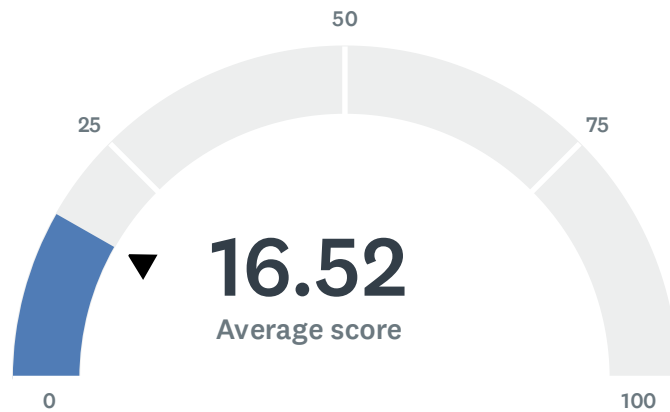
Q7 Rationale for Operations and Maintenance Allocation

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1	Hkohv	3/26/2026 8:36 AM
2	Maintain our schools, electric	3/24/2026 7:08 PM
3	Make sure we have amazing facilities and keep up the benefits of our students.	3/24/2026 7:05 PM
4	Pay for aging facilities.	3/24/2026 7:03 PM
5	Additional facilities so that we can decrease class sizes... we know that we are not incorporating best practices in terms of the number of students in each classroom, and that this is not only as a result of staffing needs. Eligibility/options for the Alternative School/Academy to include younger student populations.	3/24/2026 7:01 PM
6	Won't need schools or facilities if you don't have the staff to fill them.	3/24/2026 6:59 PM
7	We understand that operations and maintenance are important, but hope that all new elementary buildings and solid bases for junior high and high schools should allow for us to focus more on education expenses at the moment.	3/24/2026 6:58 PM
8	We cannot ignore maintaining facilities in order to run the schools.	3/24/2026 6:58 PM
9	Buildings and maintenance is a must	3/24/2026 6:56 PM
10	Need to upkeep the new buildings. Votech could possibly look for grants and businesses to help as they are training for future employees?	3/24/2026 6:56 PM
11	Currently sitting at about 13%. This would ideally give a little extra to this fund.	3/24/2026 6:55 PM
12	Several of our schools are relatively new. We can slowly maintain and find private funds, grants, corporate sponsorships for things like votech.	3/24/2026 6:54 PM
13	Our hope is that this bucket can be smaller given all of the recent investment in our buildings (2014 referendum), however we still want to maintain our facilities to support the education that happens there.	3/24/2026 6:53 PM
14	Ongoing need of maintenance, even on newer buildings	3/24/2026 6:53 PM
15	We can't ignore buildings or kick issues down the road. We also need appropriate learning spaces for the students.	3/24/2026 6:52 PM
16	We would like to look at outsourcing this where possible.	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
17	Newer schools should lead to a decrease in expenses over the long-term.	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
18	Increase a bit because costs of everything are rising, but has to be less than education.	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
19	because we have a cushion in this area at this time; would there be any areas that could be outsourced in this department	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
20	We want to fund operations. Address repairs and maintenance.	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
21	Building repairs are important, as well as support for custodial staff. This increase in budget could also account for increasing utility costs.	3/24/2026 6:49 PM
22	Increase in utilities cost Equipment and facilities updates	3/24/2026 6:47 PM
23	This amount can be equal with the 3rd area as they are equally important but do not require as much expense.	3/24/2026 6:45 PM

Q8 Financial Stability (Remember ... the total of all three allocations can not exceed \$100.)

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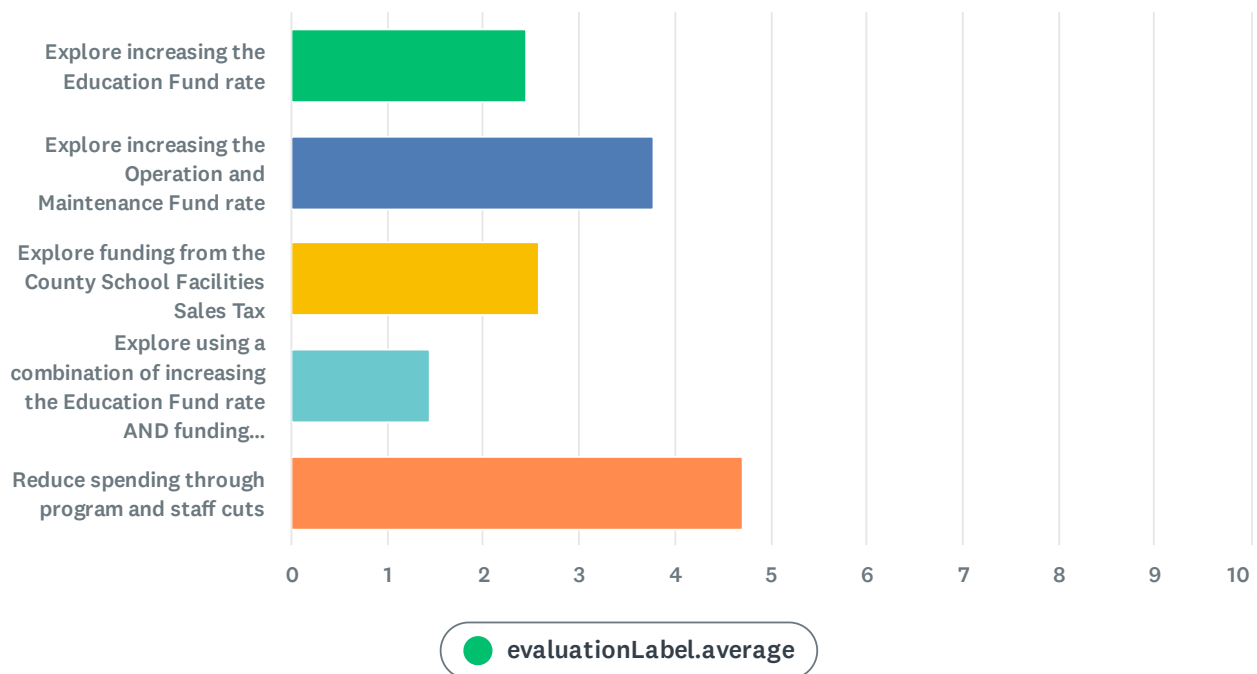
Q9 Rationale for Financial Stability Allocation

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Kebrhxjbd'	3/26/2026 8:36 AM
2	good financial future, rainy day	3/24/2026 7:08 PM
3	Try and raise our education rate.	3/24/2026 7:05 PM
4	Support retiring staff.	3/24/2026 7:03 PM
5	The district has always carried debt - allocating funds to this purpose doesn't necessarily guarantee that debt will be addressed or not newly incurred.	3/24/2026 7:01 PM
6	investment to allow growth and prevent from depleting growth	3/24/2026 6:59 PM
7	If we are hemorrhaging money and teachers, what good is a rainy day fund.	3/24/2026 6:58 PM
8	This would address the projected downfall of the finances that are predicted over the next 5 years.	3/24/2026 6:58 PM
9	Keep some cash on hand	3/24/2026 6:56 PM
10	This will also attract teachers and staff.	3/24/2026 6:56 PM
11	Currently sitting at 15%. Bump up our "saving" a little bit which will continue to borrow from.	3/24/2026 6:55 PM
12	To be good stewards of our future as a district.	3/24/2026 6:54 PM
13	It's crucial that we maintain our financial stability for unforeseen circumstances and remain compliant.	3/24/2026 6:53 PM
14	Increase financial security	3/24/2026 6:53 PM
15	Having appropriate and competitive benefits while maintaining good stewardship of funds is a must.	3/24/2026 6:52 PM
16	To prepare for the future.	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
17	Our debt service should be going down so we should be able to reduce this area.	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
18	Still need to save because don't know what's going to change in the future; but as long as already somewhat financially stable, don't need to go overboard in this area.	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
19	to keep the fund going and budget	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
20	Not as high as a priority, but still important.	3/24/2026 6:50 PM
21	This should hopefully account for a miscellaneous increase in prices and serve as a "catch all."	3/24/2026 6:49 PM
22	Debt and savings for preparation for the future	3/24/2026 6:47 PM
23	This amount can be equal with the 2nd area as they are equally important but do not require as much expense.	3/24/2026 6:45 PM





Q10 Task #2 - Ranking Options that Balance the Budget Tonight's presentation included information about the different options the district has for balancing the budget and continuing to provide education in Quincy. Based on what you learned tonight, prioritize the following options for addressing the district's financial challenges. (Your responses will be used to develop actual options that will be presented at the next community workshop.) Rank the items 1 through 5, placing a 1 next to the option you group feels the district should consider first and a 5 next to the option you feel the district should consider as a last resort. If you have another idea, please include it in the space below and indicate where it should be considered in the list of priorities.

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	● 1	● 2	● 3	● 4	● 5	● N/A	Total	Weighted ...
Explore increasing the Education Fund rate	13.64%	36.36%	40.91%	9.09%	0%	0%	22	2.45
	3	8	9	2	0	0		
							110	2.98

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	 1	 2	 3	 4	 5	 N/A	Total	Weighted ...
Explore increasing the Operation and Maintenance Fund rate	0% 0	4.55% 1	22.73% 5	63.64% 14	9.09% 2	0% 0	22	3.77
Explore funding from the County School Facilities Sales Tax	13.64% 3	36.36% 8	27.27% 6	22.73% 5	0% 0	0% 0	22	2.59
Explore using a combination of increasing the Education Fund rate AND funding from the County School Facilities Sales Tax	68.18% 15	22.73% 5	4.55% 1	4.55% 1	0% 0	0% 0	22	1.45
Reduce spending through program and staff cuts	4.55% 1	0% 0	4.55% 1	0% 0	86.36% 19	4.55% 1	22	4.71
							110	2.98

Q11 Our group has another idea:

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Explored property taxes	3/24/2026 7:13 PM
2	Sin tax? or Income Tax that is linked specifically to education and can't be used as an excuse to reduce the money already allocated.	3/24/2026 7:11 PM
3	Use the facilities to tax make another/split the high school and junior high school.	3/24/2026 7:10 PM
4	Go to our state and federal representatives and make sure they are engaged in increasing our funding.	3/24/2026 7:10 PM
5	Teacher salaries need to be minimum 65% of overall salaries and administrative/support salaries need to be a maximum of 35% of total salaries... we need to at least be moving in that direction. What are the QPS benchmarks in this area vs. Jacksonville/Galesburg/etc.	3/24/2026 7:08 PM
6	- Is there a way to lobby to increase the state's maximum rate from 1.84 without having to do a tax levy?	3/24/2026 7:07 PM
7	Look for corporate donors to fund Votech?	3/24/2026 7:03 PM
8	Is there any possibility for outsourcing areas within the district to save with retirement, salary, insurance etc. ?	3/24/2026 7:03 PM
9	Tax the proposed sports complex	3/24/2026 6:57 PM
10	1. Reduce spending through efficiency and fighting mandates. 2.Demand the state fully fund public education.	3/24/2026 6:56 PM

Q12 Comments

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Cut admin in buildings(K-5) and board office. We recognize the need to increase teacher pay to recruit and retain teaching staff. However, we feel the school board and central office need to begin by building relationships and listening to families to build a better culture that will lead to our community supporting a tax referendum.	3/24/2026 7:20 PM
2	How do we get this information to the greater area? How do we increase the understanding of information?	3/24/2026 7:13 PM
3	Priority would be a sales tax that is shared to allow other people visiting to support our community.	3/24/2026 7:12 PM
4	We should explore the highest property tax still equating to a deficit school budget. We should also look at where we can make cuts. How do our buckets compare to other communities?	3/24/2026 7:11 PM
5	Do all the fund rate changes have to go through the voters?	3/24/2026 7:11 PM
6	A priority is smaller class sizes to entice and retain teachers and staff.	3/24/2026 7:10 PM
7	Behavior meeting needs to be rescheduled. More discussion on improving the culture of QPS to keep teachers. Too many people at the administrative office that are not being held accountable. Can we get JWCC, QAVTC students or QU students hired at ECFC. They wouldn't need benefits or retirement. They could get credit.	3/24/2026 7:10 PM
8	Education to the public is going to be critical. The public needs to know more about where their tax dollars are going.	3/24/2026 7:07 PM
9	We feel that we don't have enough information to determine whether or not program and staff cuts might be necessary. We think seeing a number comparison to other districts would be helpful: how many teachers, paras, admin, bus drivers, etc. does another LUDA district have? We feel numbers 2-4 are relatively interchangeable.	3/24/2026 7:07 PM
10	Can we learn more about the corporate personal property replacement taxes?	3/24/2026 7:06 PM
11	We don't know the in and outs of our choices 1-4. BUT we know that staff cuts CANNOT be an option!	3/24/2026 7:03 PM
12	We appreciate the time and effort that the committee and district personnel have put into this conversation.	3/24/2026 7:03 PM
13	We need to focus on taxing visitors, as well as blasting that 1988 around Quincy.	3/24/2026 6:57 PM