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## Hoopeston Area board passes tentative deficit budget

Depending on how state school funding shakes out, the Hoopeston Area school district budget could finish the 2002-03 year with a negative balance. Or not.

The school board on Thursday passed a deficit budget, a worst-case scenario of district finances for the year.

The budget shows income of \$8,900,483 and expenses of \$9,728,366, said Superintendent Mark Conolly. It is about one percent more than last year's budget.

The new numbers reflect every dire situation that could befall the district, including slashed state aid payments, which could come to pass if the state budget runs out of money during the school year, Conolly told the board.

Although state aid has been figured into the state

budget, "that money's not locked in," he said. "It's in the budget but they don't have the money. It's a gloomy picture."

Should the state default on budgeted state aid, the district has about \$1 million in reserves to cover the shortfall, he said.

Not only is the per-student amount expected to drop, but the state is paying prorated amounts for special education costs and other mandated programs in the schools. Also, Hoopeston Area lost more than \$90,000 in personal property tax, further straining the budget.

Painting a grim picture, the end result may be more positive. "We want the good news at the end of the year, not necessarily at the beginning," he said.

In other business, the board:

- hired Daphne High, high school math/middle school Scholastic Bowl; LeAnne Stebbins, middle school personal aide; Nolan Gonzalez, sixth/seventh grade girls basketball; and Scott Henk, assistant football coach.
- transferred Ginger Samet from sixth/seventh grade girls basketball to seventh grade girls basketball.
- approved resignations from April Bailey, high school math; Kristi Barr, personal aide; and Suzette Hesser, fifth grade.

### Police News



An **Indiana man** reported Wednesday that someone cut the front tires on his truck while it was parked in the 600 block of South Seventh St.

**Police discovered** a 1989 Ford U-Haul truck at Knuth's Body Shop was reported stolen by the Bellwood Police Department. Police discovered the truck had been stolen while getting license information to

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Lunch Menus



Hoopeston Area grade schools

MONDAY: No school.  
TUESDAY: Early dismissal. No lunch.  
WEDNESDAY: Sausage pizza, salad, applesauce.  
THURSDAY: Chicken nuggets, fries, cheese sauce, oranges.  
FRIDAY: Hamburger/bun, cheese slice, corn, fruit cocktail.

Area Middle/High School


MONDAY: No school.  
TUESDAY: Early dismissal. No lunch.

WEDNESDAY: Sausage pizza, salad, applesauce.  
THURSDAY: Chicken strips, fries, cheese sauce, peaches.  
FRIDAY: Chicken quesadillas or ham & cheese/bun, salad, fruit cocktail.

Rossville-Alvin schools

MONDAY: No school.  
TUESDAY: Early dismissal. No lunch.  
WEDNESDAY: K-5 PB&J, 6-12 sub sandwich, baby carrots/dip, apple slices, pretzels, Rice Krispie treat.  
THURSDAY: Chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, gravy, peas & carrots, Jello/fruit, homemade roll.

FRIDAY: Sloppy Joe, California blend/cheese sauce, peaches, chocolate chip cookie.  
All meals include milk.



Weather

Chance of thunderstorms today, tomorrow and Sunday. Highs 88-90, lows 68-70.  
For current weather conditions, call the Hoopeston Weather Line at (217) 283-6221.

Obituaries

GREEN - Elizabeth Lorene Green, 75, of Hoopeston, died at 9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14, 2002 at Sunbridge Care & Rehabilitation, Danville. Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Rossville Cemetery. There will be no visitation. Memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice. Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.  
MARTIN - James C. "Diz" Martin, 74, of Hoopeston, died at 11:15 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13, 2002 at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. A private family service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at Hamilton-Orr Funeral Home. Military rites will be accorded at the funeral home. Visitation will follow the service at the Hoopeston American Legion.

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Rummage Sales

426 N. Eighth Ave., Hoopeston. Saturday, 8-1. Good, cheap clothes.

823 E. Penn, Hoopeston. Saturday, Aug. 17, 8-12. Home décor, some furniture, men's, women's & children's clothes, tools, miscellaneous items.  
Back-to-school yard sale. 709 S. 4th St., Hoopeston. Fri., Aug. 16, Sat., Aug. 17, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Boys jeans, shorts, shirts (like new) Hoopeston Area Band/Chorus navy slacks and white shirts sizes 8-18 (like brand new), men's women's clothes, adult/kids coats, tools, old large vise, cross cut saw, furniture, miscellaneous items.  
419 S. Third St., Hoopeston. Saturday, 7-noon. Lots of kids & adult clothing, Little Tykes, toys, carpet shampooer, shoes, lots of misc.  
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