

Reynolds signs 2% per-pupil funding for K-12 schools

IOWA CAPITAL DISPATCH

Gov. Kim Reynolds signed into law Thursday the bill establishing a 2% State Supplemental Aid rate, providing per-pupil funding for Iowa's K-12 schools in the upcoming school year.

Republican lawmakers said Senate File 2201 results in roughly a \$160 increase from the previous fiscal year in state spending per student, up to a total cost of \$8,148 per pupil.

Reynolds said in a statement the 2% SSA measure results in "more than \$4 billion for Iowa's public schools" from state funds, and that when considering state, local, and federal funding streams, Iowa schools are estimated to receive more than \$9.1 billion in total education funding during the 2026-2027 school year.

"Education is the best

investment in Iowa's future, and one our most important responsibilities," Reynolds said. "As Governor, I've increased the state's public school funding every year, ensuring the strength of Iowa's PK-12 schools so all students have access to a quality education."

Reynolds also pointed to other education measures she signed into law in recent years, such as increasing minimum salaries for teachers, making changes to improve Iowa's reading and literacy education and expanding STEM and work-based learning options in K-12 schools.

"These investments and more demonstrate Iowa's commitment to empowering educators, elevating academic standards, and driving accountability to ensure every Iowa student succeeds at school, work and life," Reynolds said.

C L A S S I F I E D S

PUBLIC NOTICE

City of Creston Gross Wages Paid Calendar Year Ending 12/31/25	
Anderson, Pryce.....	\$9,376.73
Andreasen, Brian.....	\$63,031.05
Arends, Shannon.....	\$83,398.13
Auten, Jared.....	\$86,180.13
Bailey, Kolbey.....	\$2,024.00
Baker, Makenzie.....	\$5,229.00
Baker, Michael.....	\$9,486.00
Bendt, Alexis.....	\$1,518.00
Bierle, Douglas.....	\$70,460.11
Bierle, Payten.....	\$689.86
Blazek, Jocelyn.....	\$3,600.00
Bolinger, Anna.....	\$954.25
Bolton, Emma.....	\$2,048.75
Bradley, Andrew.....	\$58,137.68
Bristow, James.....	\$92,299.44
Campbell, Seth.....	\$72,702.38
Carpenter, Casey.....	\$6,120.04
Carr, Joshua.....	\$18,732.48
Cartensen, Zackery.....	\$2,413.90
Cavanaugh, Casidy.....	\$812.00
Clayton, Karter.....	\$4,721.68
Clayton, Waylon.....	\$9,000.00
Conley, Brandon.....	\$19,192.98
Cox, Vincent.....	\$64,870.28
Cunningham, Richard.....	\$2,905.21
Daughenbaugh, Dillon.....	\$9,000.74
Deboer, Mattie.....	\$499.88
Deboer, Megan.....	\$2,498.63
Dickinson Thaden, Danielle.....	\$59,600.81
Dorsey, Cory.....	\$72,075.27
Drake, Xander.....	\$3,227.92
English, Nashon.....	\$5,765.24
Erlbacher, James.....	\$18,360.68
Evans, Mark.....	\$3,378.75
Faeth, Ethan.....	\$6,225.04
Fitzgerald, Tamara.....	\$76,944.83
Flores, Bianca.....	\$1,765.83
Flores, Joaquin.....	\$1,593.39
Foote, Jordan.....	\$36,833.20
Gaiser, Helen.....	\$66,766.93
Goins, Lydia.....	\$1,245.90
Goodenberger, Wyatt.....	\$962.50
Graham, Martin.....	\$3,600.00
Greenwalt, William.....	\$57,576.50
Gymer, Scott.....	\$66,099.52
Hale, Cameron.....	\$19,530.96
Hammons, Brandon.....	\$64,422.50
Harris, Rodney.....	\$8,578.11
Harvey, Zaina.....	\$2,648.25
Humburg, Caleb.....	\$80,951.12
Jackson, Todd.....	\$95,878.40
James, Lillian.....	\$1,939.19
Johnson, Judith.....	\$13,958.45
Koons, Kenneth.....	\$56,480.52
Krantz, Kyle.....	\$60,448.31
Kruse, Kevin.....	\$31,934.99
Leach, Brandea.....	\$55,918.02
Levine, Hayden.....	\$2,932.50
Madison, Bethany.....	\$33,004.83
Madison, Richard.....	\$4,350.00
Madison, Teresa.....	\$14,735.11
Mahan, Kevin.....	\$8,742.00
Maher, Jesse.....	\$46,574.44
Martin, Zayley.....	\$3,669.51
Martin, Zephaniah.....	\$1,182.50
Martwick, Blade.....	\$57,662.21
McCabe, Bryant.....	\$5,945.71
McIntosh, Timothy.....	\$675.00
McKee, Carol.....	\$13,153.80
McKinney, Brooklyn.....	\$208.13
Mitchell, Tamara.....	\$6,416.84
Nurnberg, Jerry.....	\$19,371.46
Pacholski, Jacob.....	\$29,990.85
Parsons, Amanda.....	\$77,504.00
Parsons, Theodore.....	\$86,284.82
Pashek, Mitchell.....	\$72,675.66
Patterson, Angela.....	\$3,897.28
Perry, Nicholas.....	\$72,320.42
Pingree, Heather.....	\$29,912.82
Poore, Kohen.....	\$384.37
Ralston, Zo.....	\$2,984.27
Ramirez, Daniel.....	\$17,762.17
Rief, Randall.....	\$6,176.10
Roche, Patrick.....	\$79,824.43
Rouh, Scott.....	\$58,163.49
Russell, Peyton.....	\$73,863.83
Sanchez, Korey.....	\$6,332.94
Sand, Tommy.....	\$4,967.38
Scarberry, Kiki.....	\$3,600.00
Schultes, Mattias.....	\$4,368.75
Snodgrass, Aiden.....	\$4,596.00
Stalker, Jim.....	\$4,157.16
Strunk, Mia.....	\$957.38
Stull, Daniel.....	\$77,519.07
Taylor, Michael.....	\$153,928.63
Tellez-Page, Carlos.....	\$909.69
Thompson, Joshua.....	\$3,600.00
Travis, Grace.....	\$8,426.00
Tussey, Brynn.....	\$2,689.50
Van Donselaar, Kaitlyn.....	\$1,132.00
VerMeer, Paul.....	\$87,211.67
Waigand, Anthony.....	\$62,807.70
Walsh, Donna.....	\$17,359.44
Walsh, Michael.....	\$81,027.22
Weis, Dillon.....	\$1,274.00
White, Kailyn.....	\$1,230.13
Williamson, Lisa.....	\$18,743.52
Winkler, Jacob.....	\$66,028.80
Wintermute, Robert.....	\$55,678.53
Wintermute, Steven.....	\$3,600.00
Wolfe, Jason.....	\$63,786.82
Worisek, Jennifer.....	\$3,600.00
Zepp, Ethan.....	\$75,815.50
Zimmerman, Rusty.....	\$70,754.08
TOTAL.....	\$3,392,084.92

Testament of Sue-Fei Kirkpatrick, deceased, bearing date of May 28, 2026, was admitted to probate in the above-named court and that Dwight L. Kirkpatrick and Den-Ny Hwang have been appointed Executors of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of said county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned, and creditors having claims against the estate shall file them with the clerk of the above-named district court, as provided by law, duly authenticated, for allowance, and unless so filed by the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice (unless otherwise allowed or paid) a claim is thereafter forever barred.

Dated February 18, 2026.
Dwight L. Kirkpatrick,
Executor of Estate
917 S. Kennedy Ave Lot 91
Madrid, IA 50156

Den-Ny Hwang, Executor of Estate
706 East Capitol Street, NE
Washington, DC 20003

Todd G. Nielsen,
ICIS#: AT0005759
Attorney for Executors
Nielsen Law, P.C.
211 N. Maple Street
Creston, IA 50801
Date of second publication: February 27, 2026

THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT FOR UNION COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KARLA KAE MITCHELL, Deceased
CASE NO. ESPR016449
NOTICE OF PROOF OF WILL WITHOUT ADMINISTRATION
To All Persons Interested in the Estate of Karla Kae Mitchell, Deceased, who died on or about on April 12, 2025.

You are hereby notified that on February 4, 2026, the last will and testament of Karla Kae Mitchell, deceased, bearing date of July 10, 2024 was admitted to probate in the above-named court and there will be no present administration of the estate. Any action to set aside the will must be brought in the district court of the county within the later to occur of four months from the date of the second publication of this notice or one month from the date of mailing of this notice to all heirs of the decedent and devisees under the will whose identities are reasonably ascertainable, or thereafter be forever barred.

Dated on February 4, 2026.
Shannon Thompson, Proponent
Wendi Eslinger, Proponent
Stacy Johnson, Proponent

Mason T. McCoy,
ICIS#: AT0014145
Attorney for Executors
Reynoldson, Van Werden & McCoy, L.L.P.
200 W. Jefferson St, P.O. Box 199
Osceola, IA 50213
Date of second publication: February 27, 2026

PUBLIC BID NOTICE
Southwest Iowa Planning Council, as grant administrator for the City of Creston, is holding a contractor walk through for three Housing Rehabilitation Projects on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at the following locations:
306 1/2 N Elm St., Creston, IA 9:00AM Windows/doors, siding, gutters Roofing, paint, concrete, decking
302 1/2 N Walnut St., Creston, IA 10:00AM Windows/doors, Radon mitigation Foundation, ramp, decking
304 N Walnut St., Creston, IA 11:00AM Radon Mitigation, windows/doors, decking

Sealed bids for these projects are due at Southwest Iowa Planning Council, 1501 SW 7th Street, Atlantic, IA 50022, no later than 9:00 AM, Wednesday, March 25, 2026. Bids can be faxed to 712-243-3458. Bids not received by this time will not be accepted. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud promptly at 9:00 AM on said date at Southwest Iowa Planning Council. The City of Creston reserves the right to refuse any and all bids.

A certificate of insurance showing the City of Creston and SWIPCO as additional insureds will be requested within 7 days after project is awarded. Bid documents are available at the walk through. All questions pertaining to these projects should be directed to Ann Anstey or Matthew Lee, Southwest Iowa Planning Council by calling 866-279-4720.

The projects will be subject to Section 3.

DEADLINE

LINERS
Monday - Friday
NOON

BOXED ADS
Monday - Friday
3 PM
(2 days prior to publication)

Amber Hayes,
classified manager
641.782.2141
ext. 6441

classified@
crestonnews.com

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Special Thanks To:
Laura Granger
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Marilyn Boyle
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Billy and Darcy Perkins
Jim and Ronda McIntosh
Ellen Gerharz
Carol Westlake
Creston Middle School Student Council
Dee Weeda
Robin Flannigan
Anonymous
Jon Moberg
Lori and Denny Gross
Your Donations are Greatly Appreciated!
Creston Animal Rescue Effort

We are still receiving anniversary cards and have enjoyed them all. Thanks so much for helping us celebrate 50 years of marriage.
Jim & Barb Parrish

Special Events

SPAY-GHETTI SUPPER and SILENT AUCTION
Saturday, Feb. 28
5:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Creston Eagles Club
\$8.00 per plate
A Fundraiser for Creston Animal Rescue Effort

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Miscellaneous

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is soliciting Requests for Proposals for residential solid waste and recycling collection service with bulk pickup.
See the city website at www.crestoniowa.gov or contact the City Clerk for information.

THE CITY OF CRESTON
is soliciting Requests for Proposals for real estate sales services to represent the City.
See the city website at www.crestoniowa.gov or contact the City Clerk for information.

City of Creston - Park and Recreation Department
is requesting bids/quotes for **McKinley Pool House Remodel**
See the city website at www.crestoniowa.gov for more information.

FOR SALE:
2007 Black Dodge Grand Caravan SXT with 188,196 miles, 6cyl.
Sold as is. Can be viewed at the Union County Courthouse north parking lot. Keys are at the Auditor's Office.
Sealed bids need to be in the Auditor's Office by **4:30PM on Tuesday March 10th, 2026,** and will be opened by the Board of Supervisors on **Wednesday March 11th, 2026**

City of Greenfield - Public Works Maintenance
Full-time, Mon-Fri 7:30-4:30.
Duties include street, park, sewer, and facility maintenance; equipment operation; snow removal. Class B CDL and ability to obtain other required certifications. Competitive pay + full benefits. Must reside in the Greenfield area. Application and full job description are available at City Hall, 202 S. First Street, Greenfield, IA

AUCTION CALENDAR
Complete sale information is published in the Tuesday edition of the Creston News Advertiser and/or The Weekly

SATURDAY, FEB. 28- 10:00AM CRESTON, IA Shotgun, Rifles, Lever Action Rifles, Military Rifles, Handguns, Ammo, Western Memorabilia, Collectibles, Antiques. Auctioneer: Todd Crill - 712-621-1453.

THURSDAY, MARCH 5- 10:30AM MT. AYR, IA Absolute Public Land Auction, 2607.67 acres selling in 19 tracts, Decatur & Ringgold County for Hank Smith Inc. Auctioneer: Jake Rice - 641-202-3315.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7- 10:00AM CRESTON, IA Toy Auction, 300-400 Lots for John Rutz and Others. Auctioneer: Todd Crill - 712-621-1453.

TUESDAY, MARCH 10- 10:30AM CORNING, IA Public Land Auction, 317.83 Net acres selling in 2 tracts, Douglas Twp, Adams County for Wheatley Farms. Auctioneer: Jake Rice - 641-202-3315.

THURSDAY, MARCH 12- 10:30AM DIAGONAL, IA Public Land Auction, 241.60 Net Surveyed Acres, Grant Twp, Ringgold County for Bentley Bros. Auctioneer: Jake Rice - 641-202-3315.

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