

Falls City School Board receives update on state aid
(KLZA)-- The State Aid to Schools 2024-25 certification was made available at the end of February.

Superintendent Tim Heckenlively reported to the Falls City School Board Monday night that District 56 will receive \$1,456,096 next year. The Revenue Cap with the included 3% growth is set at \$12,830,229 with the 2024-25 Property Tax Authority set at \$8,492,868.

The Property Tax Authority is \$351,559 less than in the 2023-24 certification.

Heckenlively said it is important to understand the budget certification could potentially change based on legislation in the 2024 Nebraska Legislative session that is underway currently.

Board members also heard an update on the new career academy partnership being forged between Richardson County Schools and Southeast Community College.

The Southeast Nebraska Career Academy Partnership now serves 64 schools and more than 1,900 students and has 16 certificate options, 18 transfer pathways and offers 95 dual-credit college courses.

The program allows high school students in participating schools to begin taking college courses early saving both time and money.

Preparations are underway now for the Falls City Career Academy to begin in the Fall of 2024 at the SCC Falls City Learning Center.

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