

## Brainstormed List of Possible Revenue Increases

Accelerate Mello Roos Fees	Questionably legal- would have to go to voters
Admission fees sports plays etc	This would generate very little money
Advertise our facilities for use	This is a possibility. It would be difficult to determine how much this would add to the budget.
Bus fees	Currently 325 students ride the bus. Our Free and Reduced percentage is roughly 35%. \$1 a day with no drop in ridership= \$35,100 If ridership drops we could see a route dropped. 4 hours bus driver/201 days= \$21,252
Cafeteria fee .25	Last year we raised lunch prices .25 to \$2. = \$15,000
Charge parents for being late	Not legal
Charge sports fee	Cannot charge a fee as a district to play sports but could charge a transportation fee if we are transporting students to games
Charter School Improvement/Revamp	Could be done but would not effect the 2010-2011 budget.
Charter School/ Private school use DO facilities	The DO facilities are not up to the standards that charter schools are looking for. This would be a difficult money maker for the district.
Combine with Wheatland	Would take voters of both districts to approve. Also a county unification process would need to be followed
Community business donations	A foundation would be the best way to go about this.
Direct Costs to programs	Programs that we could charge direct costs to include the charter school, cafeteria, transportation, special education. These direct costs would include electricity and other utilities.
Early retirement golden handshake	There are 4 full time teachers over the age of 55. There average salary is \$51,560. The 5 new teachers hired last year average \$43,360. A difference of \$8,200. The incentive would need to be high enough to entice teachers but not exceed \$8,200.
Charge the county to use our facilities	The County uses 2 of our classrooms for SPED classes. If we were to charge for use of facilities we would be billed back the cost for each of our students attending. There would also be a risk of the classes being moved to other districts which would increase our costs to transport our students to the new sites.
Fundraising	A district foundation would need to be setup. This will need to be organized by non district personnel.
Grants	Would need to hire a grant writer- could be a teacher on special assignment.
Impact Aide	We are working on gathering all of the data that we need to have to complete an application. We are very close to our 10% of students having one or two parents in the active military. This application is due at the end of January.
Increase facilities fees	Facilities fees were increased 15% last year. Two major groups use our facilities and pay the fees. Both our churches. The youth programs do not pay facilities fees but do pay for the personnel needed to open and close gyms. This could be increased, however these groups usually charge parents to fund their programs.
Increase interdistrict students	Each student would bring in an additional \$5,386
Independent study	Students who know that they are going to be gone at least 5 days can sign up for independent study for the days that they are gone. The students must complete work packets that are developed by teachers. If students turn in these packets then we are paid for their absences. We are currently doing this.
Making our own food	Preparing the food from scratch will cost more money due to the increase staff needed and the cost of food and supplies.
Mandated Costs	We are continuing to claim mandated cost expenses. The State has stopped paying them for the last 3-4 years. Our hope is that in better fiscal times this money will be paid to districts.

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Outsource fundraising	A district foundation would need to be setup. This will need to be organized by non district personnel.
Parcel Tax	Would need to be approved by 2/3 of voters. The amount and length would be determined by the board. Specific expenses would be outlined in the parcel tax.
Parents pay a supplies fee	This is illegal. You could ask for a supplies donation.
PTO profits go to district expenses	Would need approval of PTO's
Raffle off car, spaghetti feed, rummage sales	A district foundation would need to be setup. This will need to be organized by non district personnel.
Raise Attendance	Every .5% percentage increase is roughly \$28,000
Sanctioned curriculum (copies)	New Math materials may assist with this issue. Sites could control and restrict the number of copies used by each staff member.
Sell District Office	This is a difficult one to estimate. What could we sell the property for? Who would buy it right now, when would it close and will we need it later in the future?
Student body card fees	This is illegal. You could ask for a donation.
Use MAA to its fullest	We received \$18,000 for the first half of last year. This will increase with the increased number of minutes being claimed by the district.