

Charter school San Tan Montessori School, Inc.  
Charter name  
San Tan Charter School  
d.b.a. (as applicable)

County Maricopa CTDS number 078539000

**FY 2026**

**State of Arizona**

**Charter School Annual Budget**

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

Version

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By the Governing Board

We hereby certify that the budget for the school year 2026 was

Proposed June 17, 2025

Adopted July 8, 2025

Revised \_\_\_\_\_

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1. Total budgeted revenues for fiscal year 2025 \$ 10,096,426

2. Estimated revenues by source for fiscal year 2026

Local	1000	\$	<u>820,000</u>
Intermediate	2000	\$	<u>          </u>
State	3000	\$	<u>9,815,294</u>
Federal	4000	\$	<u>732,456</u>
TOTAL		\$	<u>11,367,750</u>

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The FY 2026 budget file for the version described at left will be uploaded through the  
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Dr. Kristofer Sippel  
School official (typed name)

Joel Brice  
School official (typed name)

Average teacher salary (A.R.S. §15-189.05)

☐ Check box if the school is new and will begin operations in FY 2026.

1. Average salary of all teachers employed in budget year 2026	\$	<u>56,741</u>
2. Average salary of all teachers employed in prior year 2025	\$	<u>55,471</u>
3. Increase in average teacher salary from the prior year 2025	\$	<u>1,270</u>
4. Percentage increase		<u>2.3%</u>

Comments on average salary calculation (optional):  
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Charter school	San Tan Montessori School, Inc.			County		Maricopa		CTDS number		078539000
Expenses		Salaries 6100	Employee benefits 6200	Purchased services 6300, 6400, 6500	Supplies 6600	Other 6800	Totals		% Increase/ decrease	
							Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026		
1000 Schoolwide Project and 1500-1999 Other Special Projects										
100 Regular education										
1000 Instruction	1.	2,177,498	466,156	301,416	233,090	93,961	3,333,838	3,272,121	-1.9%	1.
Support services										
2100 Students	2.	55,871	8,029	35,006	16,118	12,893	127,965	127,917	0.0%	2.
2200 Instruction	3.	0	0	28,131	3,903	0	31,672	32,034	1.1%	3.
2300 General administration	4.	338,751	48,679	117,873	1,394	360	626,429	507,057	-19.1%	4.
2400 School administration	5.	325,479	44,656	186,772	13,104	360	904,258	570,371	-36.9%	5.
2500 Central services	6.	91,243	13,112	124,341	15,757	110,223	353,078	354,676	0.5%	6.
2600 Operation & maintenance of plant	7.	191,146	27,468	281,582	158,618	15,429	772,754	674,243	-12.7%	7.
2900 Other support services	8.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		8.
3000 Operation of noninstructional services	9.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		9.
4000 Facilities acquisition & construction	10.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		10.
5000 Debt service	11.	0	0	0	0	3,812,078	1,973,890	3,812,078	93.1%	11.
610 School-sponsored cocurricular activities	12.		0	0	0	0	0	0		12.
620 School-sponsored athletics	13.		0	0	0	0	0	0		13.
630, 700, 800, 900 Other programs	14.		0	0	0	0	0	0		14.
Subtotal (lines 1-14)	15.	3,179,988	608,100	1,075,121	441,984	4,045,304	8,123,884	9,350,497	15.1%	15.
200 Special education										
1000 Instruction	16.	166,255	27,992	0	0	0	190,372	194,247	2.0%	16.
Support services										
2100 Students	17.	0	0	164,894	0	0	163,035	164,894	1.1%	17.
2200 Instruction	18.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		18.
2300 General administration	19.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		19.
2400 School administration	20.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		20.
2500 Central services	21.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		21.
2600 Operation & maintenance of plant	22.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		22.
2900 Other support services	23.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		23.
3000 Operation of noninstructional services	24.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		24.
4000 Facilities acquisition & construction	25.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		25.
5000 Debt service	26.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		26.
Subtotal (lines 16-26)	27.	166,255	27,992	164,894	0	0	353,407	359,141	1.6%	27.
400 Pupil transportation	28.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		28.
530 Dropout prevention programs	29.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		29.
540 Joint career & technical ed. & vocational ed. center	30.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		30.
550 K-3 Reading	31.	44,125	4,000	0	0	0	47,122	48,125	2.1%	31.
Subtotal (lines 15 and 27-31)	32.	3,390,368	640,092	1,240,015	441,984	4,045,304	8,524,413	9,757,763	14.5%	32.
1010 Classroom Site Project (from page 3, line 6)	33.	900,000	85,974	0	0		853,776	985,974	15.5%	33.
1020 Instructional Improvement Project (from page 2, line 5)	34.						35,173	82,094	133.4%	34.
1071 English Language Learner Project (from page 4, line 11)	35.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		35.
1072 Compensatory Instruction Project (from page 4, line 22)	36.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		36.
1100-1499 Federal and State projects (from page 2, line 32)	37.						384,927	732,456	90.3%	37.
Total (lines 32-37)	38.	4,290,368	726,066	1,240,015	441,984	4,045,304	9,798,289	11,558,287	18.0%	38.

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	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
1. 1100-1130 ESEA Title I-Helping Disadvantaged Children	17,000	63,131	1.
2. 1140-1150 ESEA Title II-Prof. Dev. And Technology	9,000	9,250	2.
3. 1160 ESEA Title IV-21st Century Schools	10,000	10,000	3.
4. 1170-1180 ESEA Title V-Promote Informed Parent Choice	0	0	4.
5. 1190 ESEA Title III-Limited Eng. & Immigrant Students	0	0	5.
6. 1200 ESEA Title VII-Indian Education	0	0	6.
7. 1210 ESEA Title VI-Flexibility and Accountability	0	0	7.
8. 1220 IDEA, Part B	105,080	110,075	8.
9. 1230 Johnson-O'Malley	0	0	9.
10. 1240 Workforce Investment Act	0	0	10.
11. 1250 AEA-Adult Education	0	0	11.
12. 1260-1270 Vocational Education-Basic Grants	15,000	15,000	12.
13. 1280 ESEA Title X-Homeless Education	0	0	13.
14. 1290 Medicaid Reimbursement	0	0	14.
15. 1300 Charter School Implementation Proj. (Stimulus)	0	525,000	15.
16. 13 Impact Aid	0	0	16.
17. <b>1310-1399 Other Federal Projects</b>	228,847	0	17.
18. Total federal projects (lines 1-17)	384,927	732,456	18.
<b>1400-1499 State projects</b>			
19. 1400 Vocational Education	0	0	19.
20. 1410 Early Childhood Block Grant	0	0	20.
21. 1420 Extended School Year-Pupils with Disabilities	0	0	21.
22. 1425 Adult Basic Education	0	0	22.
23. 1430 Chemical Abuse Prevention Programs	0	0	23.
24. 1435 Academic Contests	0	0	24.
25. 1450 Gifted Education	0	0	25.
26. <b>1456 College Credit Exam Incentives</b>	0	0	26.
27. 1460 Environmental Special Plate	0	0	27.
28. 1465 Charter School Stimulus Fund	0	0	28.
29. <b>14 Arizona Industry Credentials Incentive</b>	0	0	29.
30. <b>Other State Projects</b>	0	0	30.
31. Total State projects (lines 19-30)	0	0	31.
32. Total federal and State projects (lines 18 and 31)	384,927	732,456	32.

**Capital acquisitions**

	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
1. 0181 Intangible assets	0	0	1.
2. 0191 Land and land improvements	0	0	2.
3. 0192 Site improvements	0	0	3.
4. 0194 Buildings and building improvements	150,000	150,000	4.
5. 0196 Equipment	0	0	5.
6. 0198 Construction in progress	0	0	6.
7. Total capital acquisitions (lines 1-6)	150,000	150,000	7.
8. Total capital acquisitions, if any, budgeted on lines 1-6 above	0	0	8.

**Special education programs by type**

	Program 200 prior year 2025	Program 200 budget year 2026	
1. <b>Total all disability classifications</b>	353,407	359,141	1.
2. Gifted education	0	0	2.
3. ELL incremental costs	0	0	3.
4. ELL compensatory instruction	0	0	4.
5. Remedial education	0	0	5.
6. Vocational and technical ed.	0	0	6.
7. Career education	0	0	7.
8. Total (lines 1-7)	353,407	359,141	8.
9. <b>Expenses budgeted for transporting students with disabilities (as defined in A.R.S. §15-761) unique to the IEP</b>	0	0	9.

**Instructional Improvement Project**

Indicate amounts budgeted in Project 1020 for the following:

	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
1. Teacher compensation increases	0	0	1.
2. Class size reduction	35,173	82,094	2.
3. <b>Dropout prevention programs</b>	0	0	3.
4. <b>Instructional improvement programs</b>	0	0	4.
5. Total Instructional Improvement (lines 1-4)	35,173	82,094	5.

**Proposed ratios for  
special education**

Teacher-pupil	1 to	17.9
Staff-pupil	1 to	12.6

**Selected expenses by type**  
(Must be included on page 1)

Audit services	19,500
Classroom instruction	4,780,767

**State equalization assistance budgeted  
for food service expenses**

Enter the amount of State equalization assistance budgeted for food service, function 3100:

0

**Debt service**

Interest 6850	3,812,078
Redemption of principal	216,250

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Expenses		Salaries 6100	Employee benefits 6200	Purchased services 6300, 6400, 6500	Supplies 6600	Totals		% Increase/ decrease	
						Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026		
Classroom Site Project 1010									
1000 Instruction	1.	900,000	85,974			853,776	985,974	15.5%	1.
2100 Support services—students	2.					0	0		2.
2200 Support services—instruction	3.					0	0		3.
2300 Support services—general administration	4.					0	0		4.
3300 Community services operations	5.					0	0		5.
Total Classroom Site Project (lines 1-5)	6.	900,000	85,974	0	0	853,776	985,974	15.5%	6.

Classroom Site Project 1010 budgeted property payments

Property disbursements  
Interest 6850  
Redemption of principal

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Expenses	Number of personnel		Salaries 6100	Employee benefits 6200	Purchased services 6300, 6400, 6500	Supplies 6600	Other 6800	Totals		% Increase/ decrease
	Prior year	Budget year						Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
English Language Learner Project - 1071										
260 Special education—ELL incremental costs										
1000 Instruction	1.	0.00						0	0	1.
Support services										
2100 Students	2.	0.00						0	0	2.
2200 Instruction	3.	0.00						0	0	3.
2300 General administration	4.	0.00						0	0	4.
2400 School administration	5.	0.00						0	0	5.
2500 Central services	6.	0.00						0	0	6.
2600 Operation & maintenance of plant	7.	0.00						0	0	7.
2900 Other support services	8.	0.00						0	0	8.
Program 260 subtotal (lines 1-8)	9.	0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	9.
430 Pupil Transportation—ELL incremental costs										
Support services										
2700 Student transportation	10.	0.00						0	0	10.
Total expenses (lines 9 and 10)	11.	0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	11.

Expenses	Number of personnel		Salaries 6100	Employee benefits 6200	Purchased services 6300, 6400, 6500	Supplies 6600	Other 6800	Totals		% Increase/ decrease
	Prior year	Budget year						Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
Compensatory Instruction Project - 1072										
265 Special education—ELL compensatory instruction										
1000 Instruction	12.	0.00						0	0	12.
Support services										
2100 Students	13.	0.00						0	0	13.
2200 Instruction	14.	0.00						0	0	14.
2300 General administration	15.	0.00						0	0	15.
2400 School administration	16.	0.00						0	0	16.
2500 Central services	17.	0.00						0	0	17.
2600 Operation & maintenance of plant	18.	0.00						0	0	18.
2900 Other support services	19.	0.00						0	0	19.
Program 265 subtotal (lines 12-19)	20.	0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	20.
435 Pupil transportation—ELL compensatory instruction										
Support services										
2700 Student transportation	21.	0.00						0	0	21.
Total expenses (lines 20 and 21)	22.	0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	22.

FY 2026 Summary of charter school adopted budget

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1000 Schoolwide Project	Totals		% Increase/decrease
	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
100 Regular education			
1000 Instruction	3,333,838	3,272,121	-1.9%
Support services			
2100 Students	127,965	127,917	0.0%
2200 Instruction	31,672	32,034	1.1%
2300 General administration	626,429	507,057	-19.1%
2400 School administration	904,258	570,371	-36.9%
2500 Central services	353,078	354,676	0.5%
2600 Operation & maintenance of plant	772,754	674,243	-12.7%
2900 Other support services	0	0	
3000 Operation of noninstructional services	0	0	
4000 Facilities acquisition & construction	0	0	
5000 Debt service	1,973,890	3,812,078	93.1%
610 School-sponsored cocurricular activities	0	0	
620 School-sponsored athletics	0	0	
630, 700, 800, 900 Other programs	0	0	
Regular education subtotal	8,123,884	9,350,497	15.1%
200 Special education			
1000 Instruction	190,372	194,247	2.0%
Support services			
2100 Students	163,035	164,894	1.1%
2200 Instruction	0	0	
2300 General administration	0	0	
2400 School administration	0	0	
2500 Central services	0	0	
2600 Operation & maintenance of plant	0	0	
2900 Other support services	0	0	
3000 Operation of noninstructional services	0	0	
4000 Facilities acquisition & construction	0	0	
5000 Debt service	0	0	
Special education subtotal	353,407	359,141	1.6%
400 Pupil transportation	0	0	
530 Dropout prevention programs	0	0	
540 Joint career & tech. ed. & voc. ed. center	0	0	
550 K-3 Reading	47,122	48,125	2.1%
Total	8,524,413	9,757,763	14.5%

The budget of San Tan Montessori School, Inc. (d.b.a. San Tan Charter School) for fiscal year 2026 was officially proposed by the Governing Board on June 17, 2025. The complete budget may be reviewed by contacting Dr. Kristofer Sippel at 4802220811 or ksippel@santancs.com.

Special education programs	Totals		% Increase/decrease
	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
Total all disability classifications	353,407	359,141	1.6%
Gifted education	0	0	
ELL incremental costs	0	0	
ELL compensatory instruction	0	0	
Remedial education	0	0	
Vocational and technical ed.	0	0	
Career education	0	0	
Total	353,407	359,141	1.6%

Expenses by project			
	Totals		% Increase/decrease
	Prior year 2025	Budget year 2026	
Schoolwide	8,524,413	9,757,763	14.5%
Classroom Site Project	853,776	985,974	15.5%
Instructional Improvement	35,173	82,094	133.4%
English Language Learner	0	0	
ELL Compensatory Instruction	0	0	
Federal projects	384,927	732,456	90.3%
State projects	0	0	
Capital acquisitions	150,000	150,000	0.0%
Total expenses	9,948,289	11,708,287	17.7%

Average teacher salary	
Average salary of all teachers employed in the budget year 2026	56,741
Average salary of all teachers employed in the prior year 2025	55,471
Increase in average teacher salary from the prior year 2025	1,270
Percentage increase	2.3%

Comments on average salary calculation (optional):

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This tab presents information on the amount and planned use of the Charter's project balances to increase transparency and provide decision-makers, other stakeholders, and the public more complete financial information. Other than the FY 2024 ending project balance amounts, all amounts included on this tab are estimates.

Estimated FY 2025 project balances and planned uses in FY 2026 and thereafter

	All Projects
1. <a href="#">FY 2024 final ending project balance</a>	1,731,780
If the final ending project balance does not agree with the submitted FY 2024 AFR, revise the AFR and resubmit to ADE	
2. <b>FY 2025 activity, year-to-date and estimated through June 30</b>	
(a) <a href="#">FY 2025 revenues</a>	10,663,275
(b) <a href="#">FY 2025 expenses, indirect costs, reversions, capital acquisitions, and redemption of principal</a>	10,687,054
3. <b>Estimated FY 2025 ending project balance</b>	1,708,001
(a) <a href="#">With donor restrictions/Restricted</a>	0
(b) <a href="#">Without donor restrictions/Unrestricted</a>	1,708,001
(c) <a href="#">Total (must agree to line 3 above)</a>	1,708,001
4. <b>Estimated FY 2025 ending project balance and planned uses</b>	
(a) <a href="#">Deficit balance</a>	0
(b) <a href="#">Planned to be spent in FY 2026</a>	0
(c) <a href="#">Planned to be spent in FY 2026 to support operations of other school sites within the same charter management organization</a>	0
(d) <a href="#">Maintained for spending after FY 2026</a>	1,708,001
(e) <a href="#">Total project balance (should agree to amount on line 3)</a>	1,708,001

5. [Comments \(optional\)](#)

None
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