# **2019 School Finance Update**

## **2019 Legislation**

#### LB 103

- o Adds additional language to budget hearing notice if the District is increasing their property tax request.
  - Percentage difference in assessed value
  - The tax rate that would levy the same property taxes as the previous year
  - The new levy rate
  - Percent increase/decrease in property tax rate
  - Percent increase in operating budget compared to previous year
  - The record vote in passing the resolution or ordinance

#### 🕨 LB 430

- Changes the certification date to on or before June 10.
- NDE will certify as soon as we are confident in the TEEOSA formula.
- ≻ LB 431
  - o Adjusts TEEOSA to fit State's Budget/May change from what was introduced
  - Currently reduces the Basic Allowable Growth Rate (BAGR) for the current year to 2.15% down from 2.5%
  - o Reducing the BAGR reduces budget authority
- ► LB ???
  - o Revenue Committee Bill
  - Property tax relief

### **Upcoming Budget Year**

- Budget growth 2.5% (Maybe???)
- Budget Authority will be certified before June 10th.
- Schools that completed final year of the Early Childhood Grant in 2018/19 can apply for a one-year exclusion.
- Budget information including the budget text will be available in June

## Annual Financial Report - ESSA

- > User's manual and final account codes will be available in May.
- Test upload
  - o <a href="http://afr.education.ne.gov/uploadafrfile\_Test">http://afr.education.ne.gov/uploadafrfile\_Test</a>
- Required Per Pupil Cost by Building
- Verify information when uploading
  - Reports available
  - o ADVISER

## **Other School Finance Info**

- Loans/Borrowing
- Superintendent Transparency
- Bus Driver Requirements
- State Contact info for Payments Make sure updated info is submitted to Paul Haas paul.haas@nebraska.gov
  - Email from Supt, only 1 contact allowed, identify all payments vs. nutrition payments.