

Controlling Costs → **High Student Investment**

OFFSETTING COSTS & COST CONTAINMENT

The district continues to seek grant funding and expend it in effective ways to advance student opportunities and address needs without seeking additional funds from taxpayers. Grant funding has been used to provide mental health supports for students, math intervention services, special education staff, student behavior specialists, curriculum opportunities in advanced manufacturing, playground upgrades and expansion, special education staff, curriculum writing and development, summer programming, and HVAC facility improvements.

NEW INNOVATIVE AND STUDENT-CENTERED PROGRAMMING

- PK-12 Husky Mascot
- Advanced Manufacturing Partnership with Goodwin University
- Additional Behavioral/Mental Health Supports & Staff
- PreK Playground Renovation
- Middle School Math Program
- African American-Latino Studies Course
- Early Literacy Phonics Program
- K-5 Mystery Science Program
- K-8 Coding/Robotics
- Transitional Bilingual Program
- Data Science HS Math Course Partnership with UCLA
- K-8 Summer S.A.I.L. Program

STUDENT GROWTH & ACHIEVEMENT

NWEA Measures of Academic Progress assessments in Reading and Math for grades 3-8 are administered in Fall, Winter, and Spring. The assessment results help to measure instructional effectiveness, identify student skill strengths and deficits, and to plan targeted lessons to address learning or skill gaps.

Winter 2022 Achievement Highlights

- Overall, student achievement levels rebounded from the interruption in teaching and learning caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Student achievement levels and rate of growth are both trending back to pre-pandemic results.
- In almost all tested grades, achievement levels and growth rates exceed national norms.

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Board of Education 2022-2023 Budget

TOTAL BUDGET REQUEST \$37,789,236

Increase of \$642,220 or 1.73%

Public Hearing

April 6, 2022 6:00 PM Town Hall Green Room

Referendum

May 11, 2022 6:00AM – 8:00PM Town Hall Green Room

Operating Budget \$34,552,204

Increase of \$641,147 or 1.89%

Includes all funding necessary to operate schools including salaries, benefits, materials, transportation, and student activities

Capital Budget \$346,053

Increase of \$246,253 or 247%

Includes funding for computers and network upgrades, Joel gym floor refurbishment, Eliot PA System, and other planned facilities projects

Debt Service \$2,890,978

Decrease of -\$245,180 or -7.82%

Provides funding for payments on previous bonded projects related to the schools such as new buildings, roofs, and window projects

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Operating Increase of 1.89%

Salaries & Benefits 1.08% +

All Other Costs 0.81%

KEY INFLUENCES & INVESTMENTS

The approved budget for 2022-2023 supports the district's path to recovery for students and includes investments that support the following:

- · Talented, passionate, and caring staff
- Small and connected learning environment
- Appropriate class sizes for individual and personalized instruction
- Relevant curriculum and materials
- Social-emotional systems of support
- Academic Intervention
- Athletics & Clubs/Activities

