RIDGEWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOLS 2022-23 SCHOOL BUDGET

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BUDGET MEETING AGENDA

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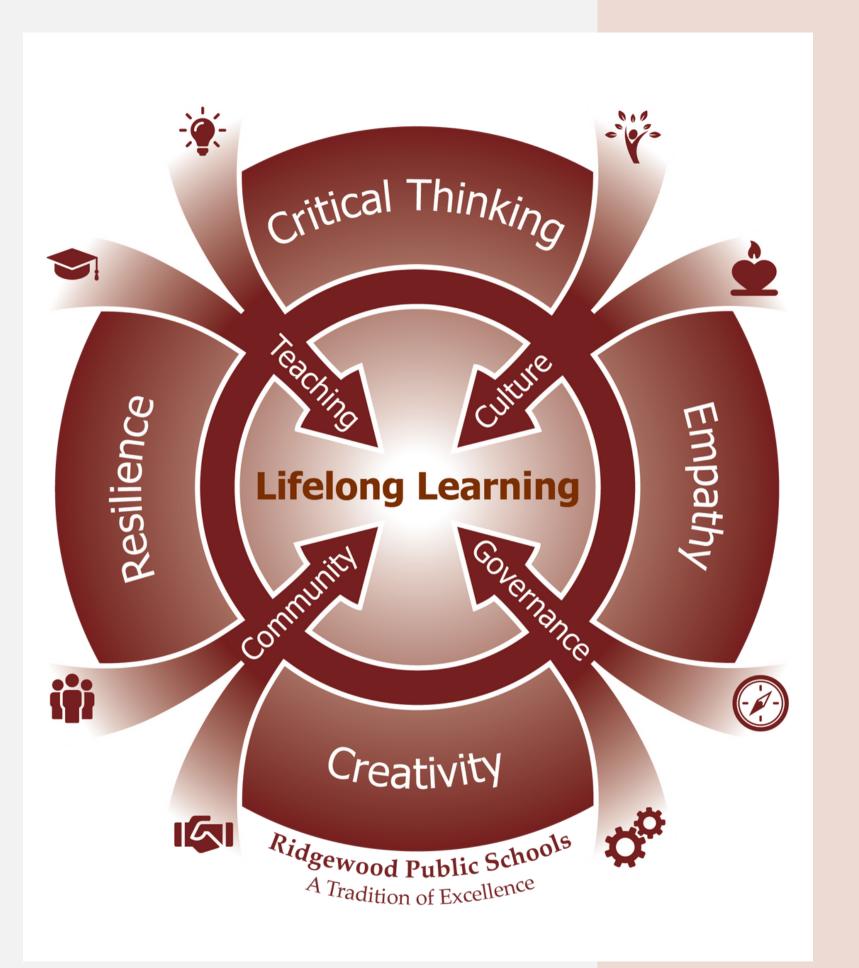
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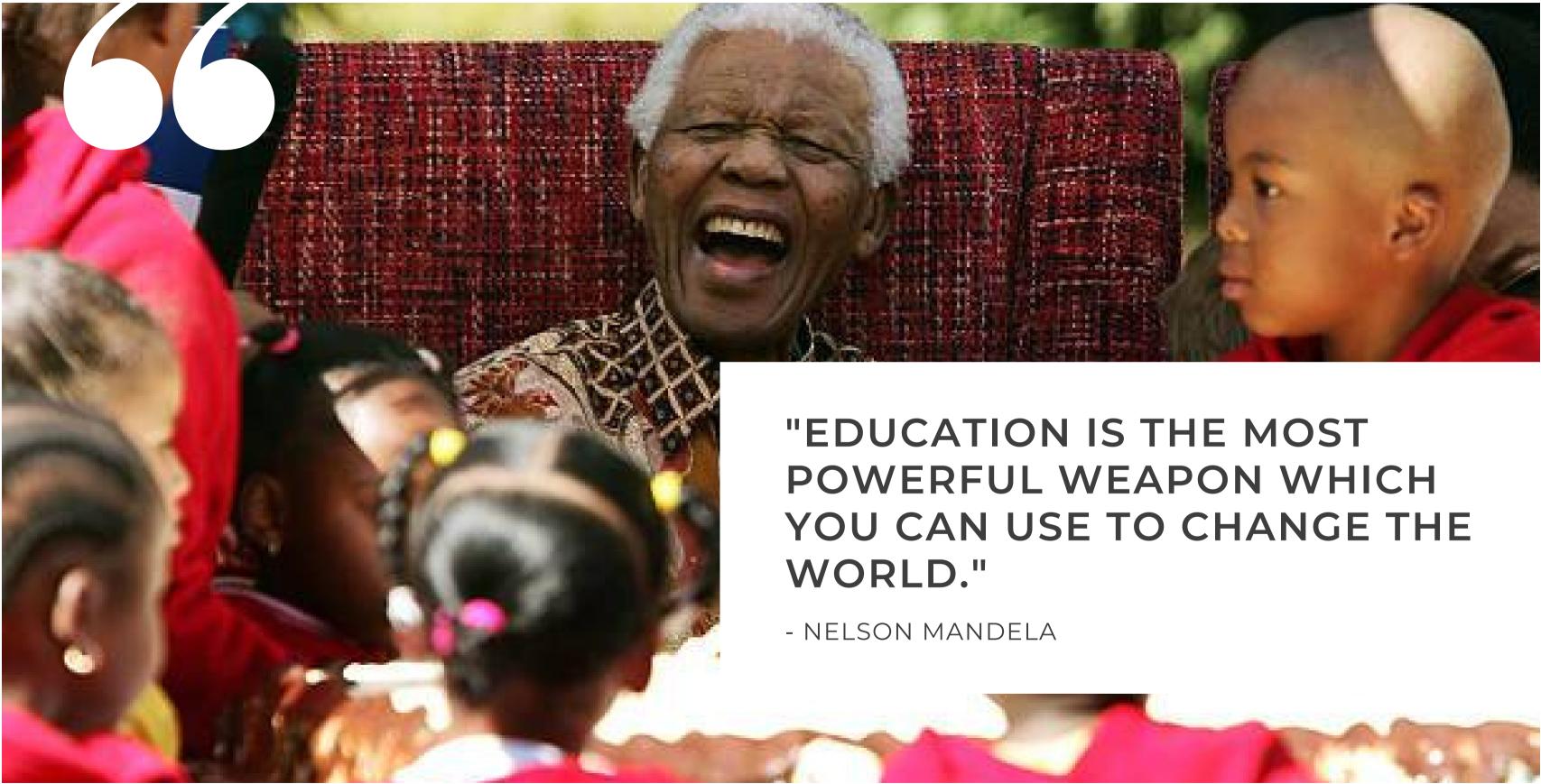
Student Highlights

- 2022-23 Budget Overview

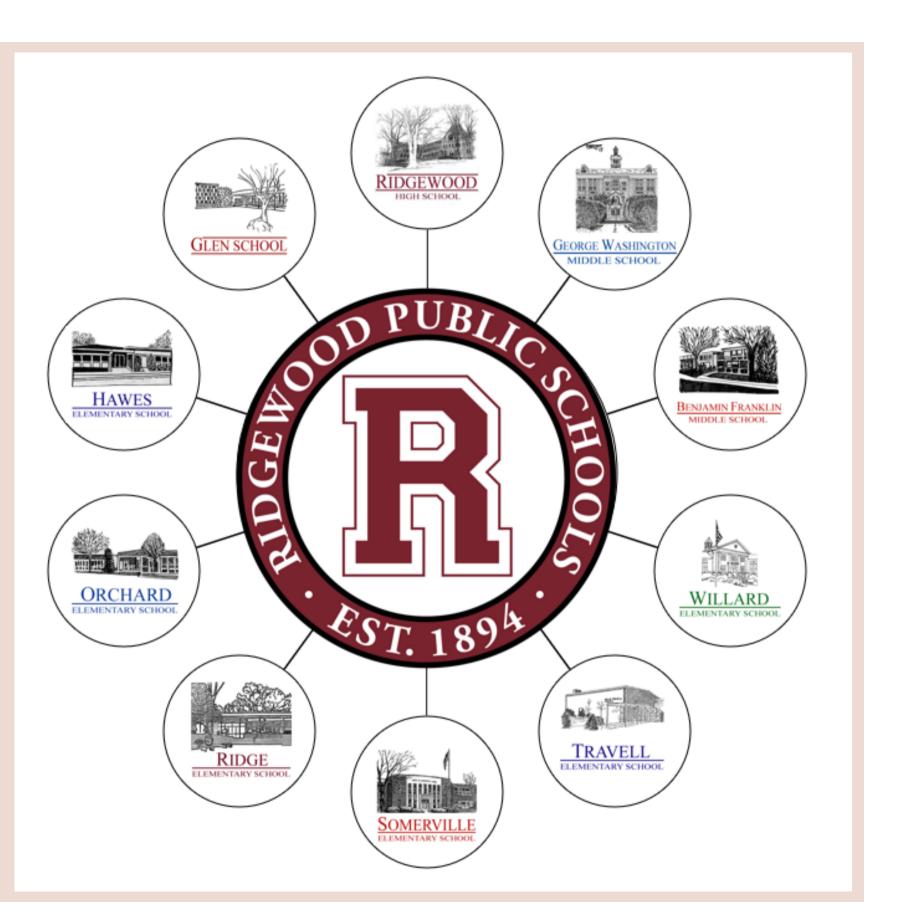


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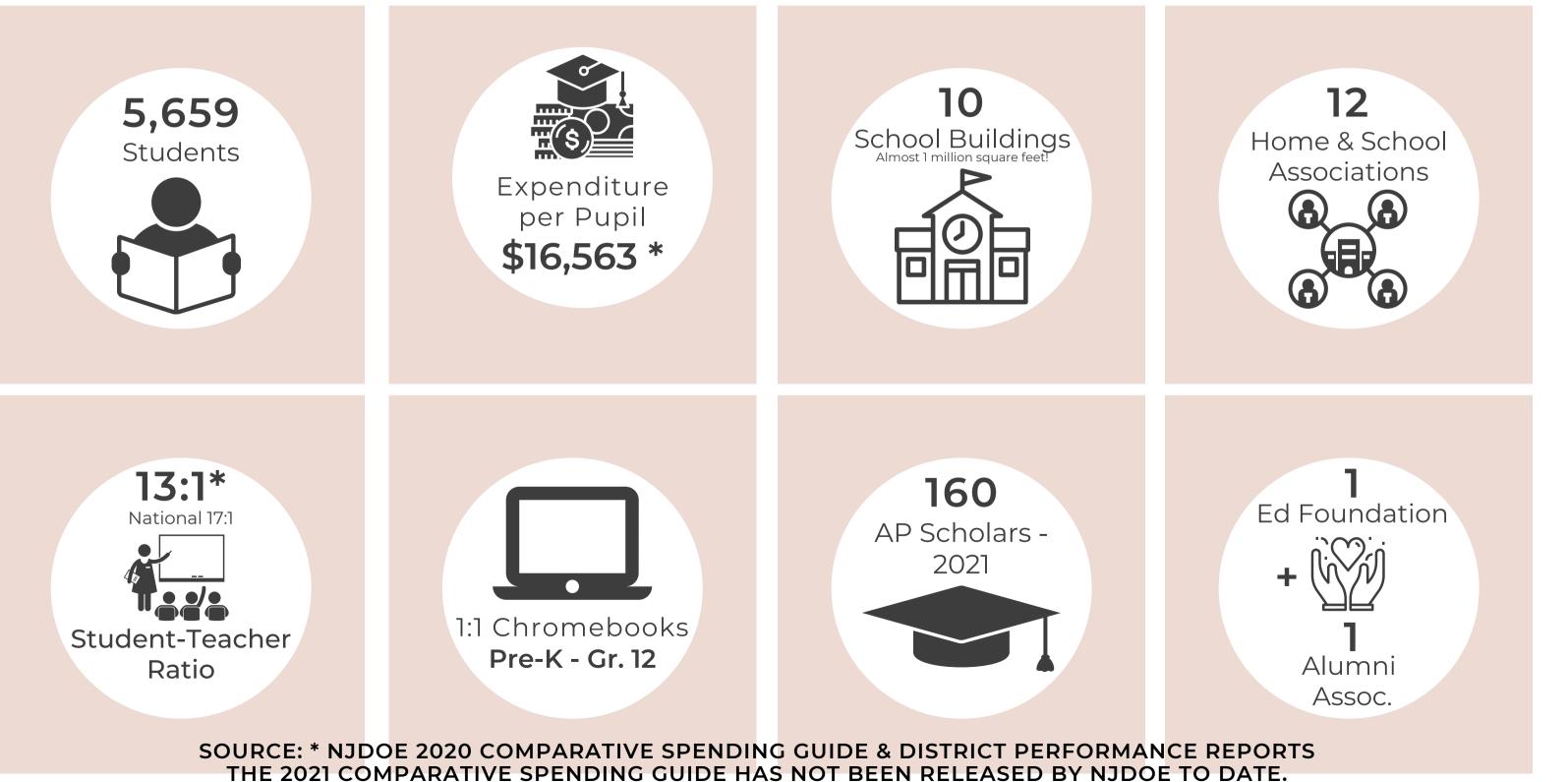
The Ridgewood Public Schools, committed to a tradition of excellence and innovation, in partnership with the community, provide a rich and challenging learning environment, enabling students to maximize their unique potential to become lifelong learners and productive, responsible citizens.



A Tradition of Excellence



OUR DISTRICT BY THE NUMBERS



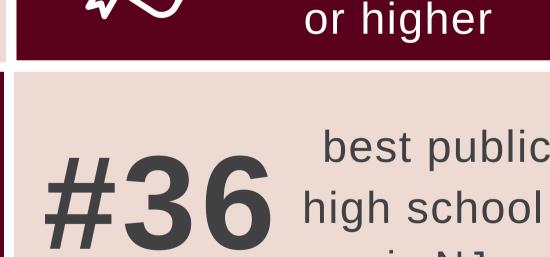


DID YOU KNOW?

#7 best school district in NJ NICHE BEST SCHOOLS **#13** best places to teach in NJ **#24** best public high schools in NJ

AP courses AP

78%



best public in NJ

of our teachers

have earned a

Master's Degree

or higher



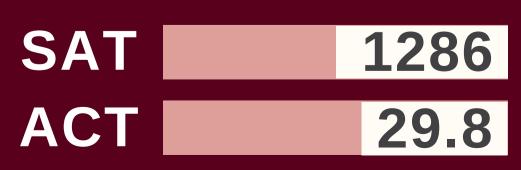
6 Honors courses 2 Academy Programs and **3** Integrated Programs

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award-winning co-curricular activities and clubs

SAT and ACT scores exceed state and national levels



CLASS OF 2021 STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS



1 -NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR

2 - COLLEGE SPONSORED MERIT SCHOLARS

8 - NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR FINALIST

22 - NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP COMMENDATION 488 STUDENTS TOOK 1,122 AP TESTS *

855 - STUDENTS WITH 3+ ON AP TESTS *

75 - AP SCHOLARS *

33 - AP SCHOLARS * WITH HONORS

186 STUDENTS WERE AWARDED 454 SCHOLARSHIPS, 42.5% OF 2021 GRADUATES RECEIVED \$102,550 SCHOLARSHIPS AT THE SENIOR AWARDS. **

NOTES: * AP DATA INCLUDES JUNIOR AND SENIORS. ** SOME SCHOLARSHIP ORGANIZATIONS GAVE STUDENTS CHECKS DIRECTLY; THOSE AMOUNTS ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THIS TOTAL. ALSO NOT INCLUDED IS SCHOLARSHIP MONEY GIVEN TO STUDENTS FROM COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES.

52 - AP SCHOLARS WITH DISTINCTION *

15 - NATIONAL AP NATIONAL SCHOLAR AWARD *

88.7% ARE ATTENDING A 4-YEAR COLLEGE 5.8% ARE ATTENDING A 2-YEAR COLLEGE

HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

DUFFIELD STEAM INITIATIVE

Tech entrepreneur Dave Duffield (RHS '58), a pioneer who helped shape the software industry and founder of innovative companies including Workday, PeopleSoft and Ridgeline, is giving back to his high school alma mater in support of a substantial STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics) Initiative. The Ridgewood High School Alumni Association (RHSAA) presented the Board of Education with a \$635,000 gift from the Dave & Cheryl Duffield Foundation at the regular public meeting on May 10, 2021. This grant, which is the result of the development efforts of the RHSAA, is the largest, single donation awarded to Ridgewood High School in the district's history.

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DUFFIELD



SUSTAINABLE JERSEY FOR SCHOOLS

5 Schools achieved Sustainable Jersey for Schools bronze-level certification: Ridge Elementary School, Somerville Elementary School, Travell ElementarySchool, Benjamin Franklin Middle School and Ridgewood High School



NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Two Ridgewood High School students, Krisha Anant and Lydia Hyunsuh Han, were named among the 16,000 Semifinalists, the highest-scoring entrants in each state representing less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors. In addition to the two Semifinalists, thirty-two students from Ridgewood High School were designated as Commended Students.

GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL CANDIDATES

We are proud to announce the 2022 Ridgewood High School Governor's School candidates: Rutgers University – School of Engineering & Technology - Kevin Park and Lauren Pires; Drew University – School of the Sciences - Lucas Wang and Chloe Cho



NATIONAL DEBATE TOURNAMENT (RHS)

Two RHS students are ranked in the top 30 of high school public forum debaters, and 4 RHS students received silver bids, qualifying them for the national Tournament of Champions.



HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS



COLLEGE BOARD RECOGNITION

Salma Ceballos was recognized by the College Board's National Hispanic Recognition Program for her outstanding achievement on her PSAT/NMSQT. Salma is an RHS senior awaiting admission decisions at multiple highly competitive universities. Tierney Johnson is an RHS junior who was recently recognized by the College Board's National African American Recognition Program for her outstanding achievement on her PSAT/NMSQT. Tierney is so deserving of this prestigious accomplishment.

WILLIAM P. LAUDER JUNIOR INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Two Ridgewood High School students, Nicholas Cho (Grade 11) and Joshua Fishkin (Grade 10) were accepted into The William P. Lauder Junior Internship Program, a highly competitive program offered by the University of Southern California Shoah Foundation - The Institute for Visual History and Education. Only forty students, in grades 7-11, are selected from a nationwide pool to participate in a "dynamic and unique learning opportunity to engage with testimonies personal stories - from survivors and witnesses of genocide."

DECA (RHS)

HS DECA achieved gold-level certification for their school-based enterprise and will be recognized at DECA's Internation Career Development Conference in Atlanta, GA

ALL-COUNTY BAND

15 RHS Band members have been selected through competitive audition to perform in the 2022 All-Bergen County High School Band - highest number of students from any one school.



YOUNGARTS MERIT AWARD

RHS student Jiah Lee is one of 720 artists across the nation to be selected by YoungArts for artistic achievement in visual, literary, and performing arts.



HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS



RHS INVENTEAM

Four RHS InvenTeam members Emily Truszkowski, Clare Walicki, Elliott Ewell, and Hailey Haglid, were invited to speak about "Inventors and Sustainability" at the MIT-BioGen BioTech in Action Program. Their 40-minute presentation about the evolution of their invention, the Solar Aqua Tech (SAT) Water Bottle, reached over 200 high school students across the United States and internationally. The team's work has taken place during three school years, beginning in 2019-2020 with their most recent achievement of first place at the NJ STEAM Tank Challenge.



RIDGEWOOD ARTS FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

The Ridgewood Arts Foundation presented a fall scholarship to RHS student Celina Kim.

2021 NJ STEAM TANK COMPETITION

Seven teams from the RHS Applied Engineering Club recently competed in the finals of the 2021 Virtual STEAM Tank Challenge sponsored by the New Jersey School Boards Association and the U.S. Army. At the Virtual Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, October 27, all seven teams were recognized for outstanding achievement with Solar Agua Tech winning first place and a \$2,500 prize in this prestigious competition.

FACULTY AWARDS/NEWS

- Tim Monahan, 2021 Exemplary Educator (NJDOE)
- Medha Kirtane, 2021 New Jersey History Teacher of the Year (Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History)
- Anjali Shah Selected to attend "The Mathematics of Perspective in Art, and Academy for Teachers master class led by Sarah Hart, University of London professor of mathematics
- Dave Bailey and Danielle Wood presented Fostering Future Leaders the Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence National Conference 2021 in Orlando, FL
- George Marge, M.S. CCC-SLP, the speech-language pathologist at Willard Elementary School, was awarded a second Award for Continuing Education (ACE) from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. It is given to a select group of individuals who have met the requirements of the ACE by earning seven ASHA Continuing Education Units (CEUs) which is equivalent to 70 contact hours in a thirty-six month period.





Fall

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

- Sectional Champions
- North Jersey Champions
- North Jersey Finale Champions
- BCCA Large School Team of the Year
- Bergen County Group A Champions
- Freedom Division Champions

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

- Sectional Champions
- North Jersey Champions
- North Jersey Finale Champions
- Freedom Division Champions
- BCWCA Large School Team of the Year
- National Rank: 20

GIRLS TENNIS

- Freedom Division Coach of the Year: Joe Staunton
- Sectional Champions (undefeated season 12-0)

Winter

BOYS BASKETBALL

Team of the Year

BOYS WINTER TRACK

GIRLS WINTER TRACK

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

CHEER

GIRLS SKI

Please Note:

2020-2021 SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

• Named BCCA Large School

• Big North Champions

• Big North Champions

• Sectional Champions

• First Place - Varsity Music -Large Schools at National Cheer Competition

• Conference Champions

• Girls Volleyball is typically a Fall sport, however in 2020, it was moved to late winter/early spring due to COVID. • Many of the 2020-21 post-season competitions were canceled due to COVID.

Spring

BASEBALL

• Freedom Division Champions

GIRLS LACROSSE

• Bergen County Champions

BOYS TRACK & FIELD

- Big North Champions
- County Relay Champions
- County Group A Champions

GIRLS TRACK & FIELD

- County Group A Champions
- Sectional Champions



ACADEMICS ENHANCING & UPDATING CURRICULUM STANDARDS



New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS)

- World Languages (9/2022)
- Social Studies (9/2022)
- Skills (9/2022)

Curriculum revisions in these areas will be necessary to align course content with the new state standards. Also necessary are instructional resources for students including online license renewals, new text purchases, and classroom library enhancements to support the integration of new standards.



• Visual and Performing Arts (9/2022) • Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key

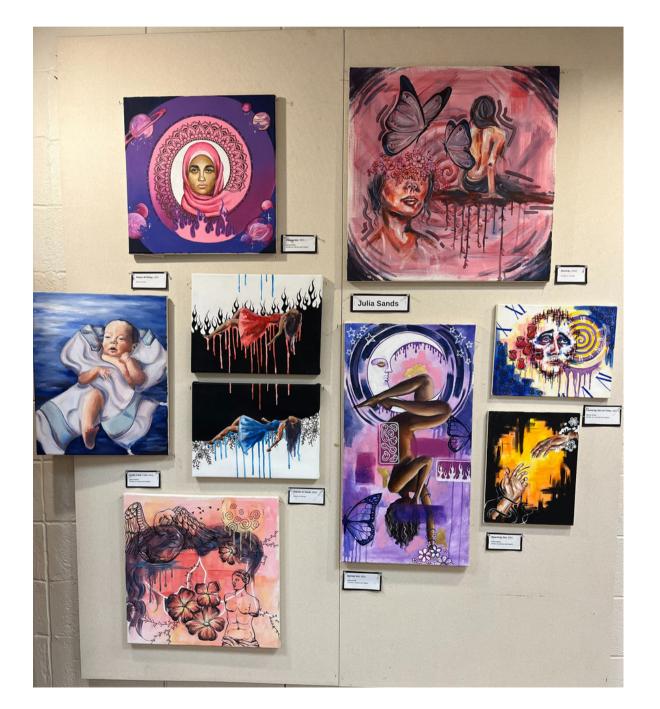
Areas of Focus

- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- Great Schools Partnership
- K-5 Inquiry-Based Science Pedagogy
- Department and School-Based Professional Days
- IMSE Training (Multisensory Reading) for New Staff
- Summer Professional Development Program
- AP Summer Institutes
- Attendance at Professional Conferences (NCSS, SHAPE America)
- New Teacher Induction Program



ACADEMICS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TO SUPPORT OUR STRATEGIC PLAN

INNOVATIVE ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING



- Resources
 - Mystery Science (K-5)
 - Sadlier Grammar (K-5)

 - Tell Me Your Story Ebooks
- Programs
 - American Humanities
- New Courses
 - Unified PE
 - AP Studio Art I
 - Statistics with Finance

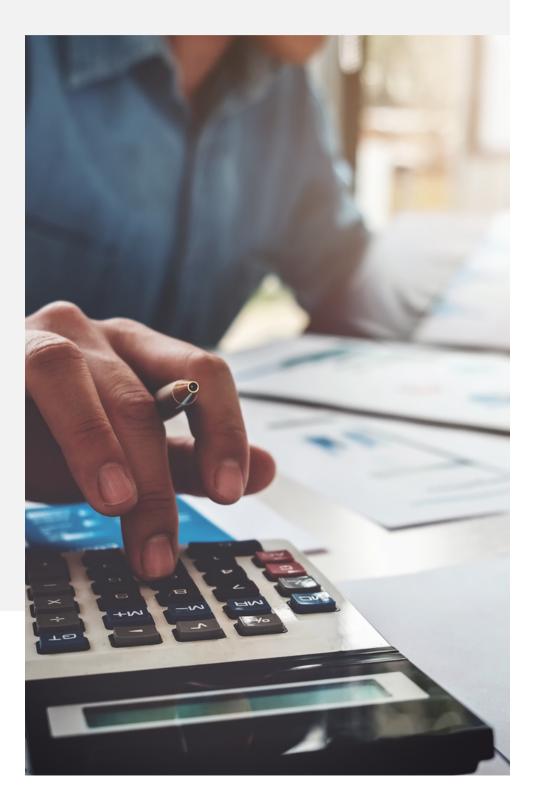
 - Program (ESLIP)
 - Ridgewood Leaders

Integration of New Instructional

• Expansion of 6-8 DEI Classroom Libraries Expansion of Interdisciplinary

 Advanced Algebra with Trigonometry • English as Second Language Integration

BUDGET OVERVIEW



The 2022-2023 Budget:

Provides necessary district staff, academic offerings, extra-curricular activities, and transportation

Improves instructional programs; meets our contractual obligations



Addresses school safety and responsibly maintains our buildings and grounds

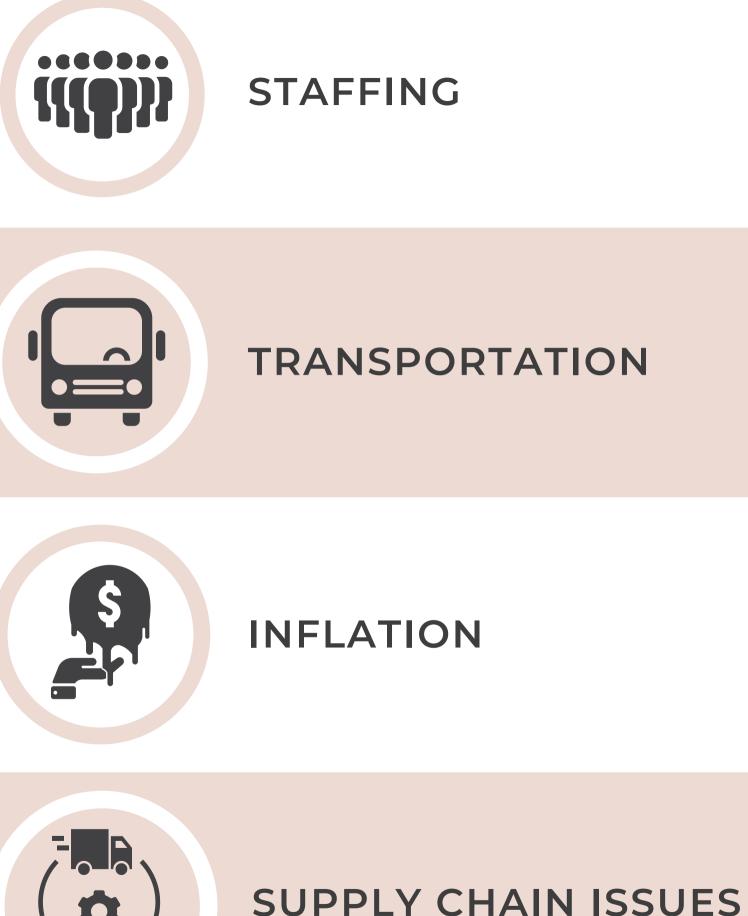


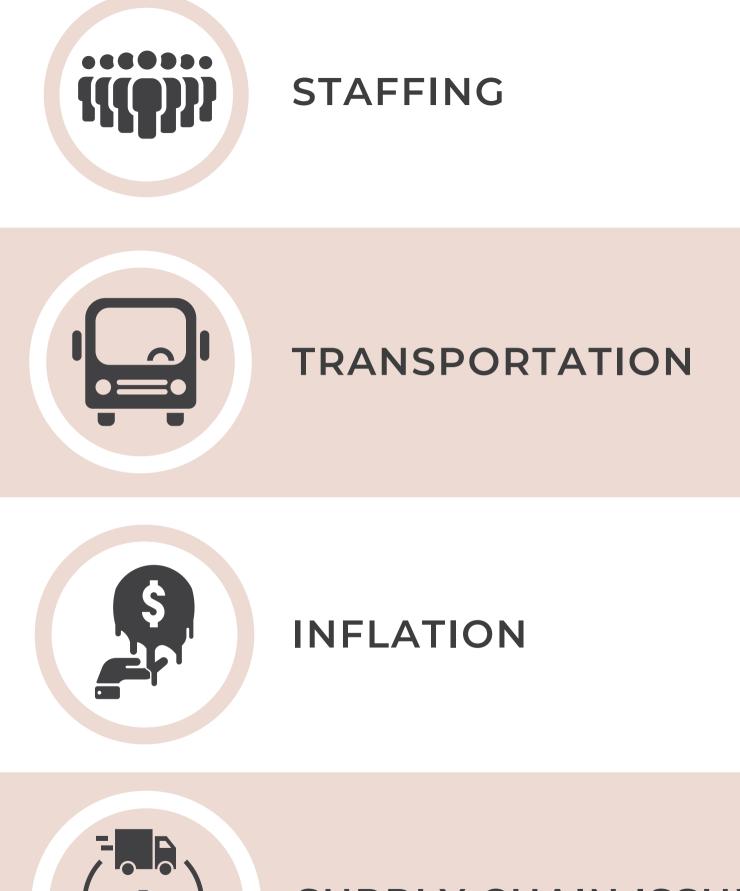
Stays within the guidelines of the New Jersey statutory state caps

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Maintains fiscally responsible budget guidelines

EXPECTED BUDGET CHALLENGES IN THE YEAR AHEAD

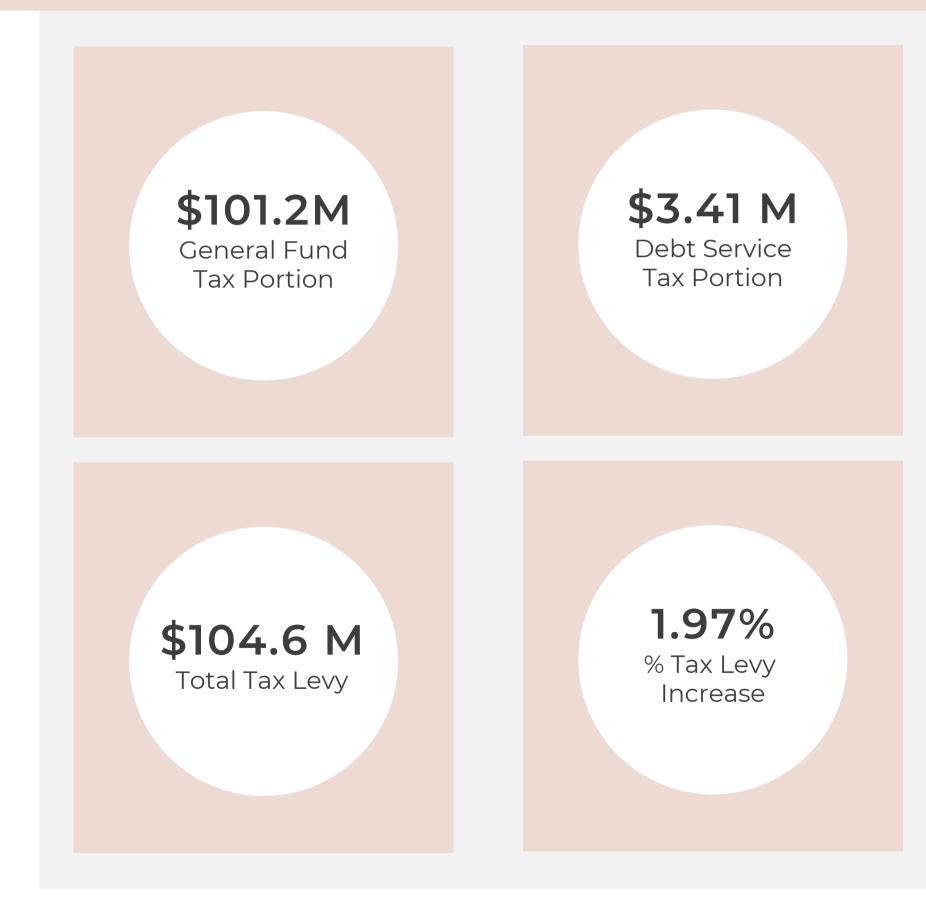






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2022-23 PROPOSED BUDGET AT A GLANCE





3.83% Spending Increase

1.2% % School Tax Rate Increase

COMPARATIVE SPENDING

Source: 2020 NJDOE		:	18/19		19/20	19/20	19/20	19/20	19	20 Extra	Avg.
Comparative Spending	School	Sp	ending	Bu	Idgetary	Student	Faculty	Student	Cu	ırricular	SAT
Guide	Туре	pe	er Pupil	р	er Pupil	Teacher Ratio	Admin. Ratio	Admin. Ratio		cost	19/20
Bergen County Acad.	Reg 9-12		29,200	\$	28,345	10	12.4	106.1	\$	918	1353
Franklin Lakes	K-8	\$	28,995	\$	26,546	8.3	16.5	114.8	\$	142	
Saddle River	K-8	\$	24,287	\$	24,557	8.5	5.3	40		N.R.	
Pascack Valley Regional	Reg 9-12	\$	27,149	\$	23,599	11.4	10.2	98.2	\$	1,302	1169
Park Ridge	K-12	\$	26,977	\$	23,087	9.8	10.7	88.1	\$	877	1187
Teaneck	K-12	\$	27,095	\$	22,714	10.3	13.4	120.7	\$	405	1048
Northern Valley Regiona	Reg 9-12	\$	28,190	\$	22,138	9.8	10.7	83.7	\$	1,213	1249
Demarest	K-8	\$	22,643	\$	22,033	9.7	14.4	116.5	\$	243	
Ramsey	K-12	\$	23,561	\$	21,739	10.2	15.8	139.1	\$	647	1162
Haworth	K-8	\$	25,104	\$	21,690	9.7	11.5	96.8	\$	119	
Midland Park	K-12		26,503	\$	21,180	8.8	14.5	108.8	\$	811	1095
Oakland	K-8	\$	25,111	\$	20,819	9.8	12.5	102.2	\$	126	
Ramapo/Indian Hills Reg	Reg 9-12	\$	24,206	\$	20,673	10.6	10	92.9	\$	1,507	1166
Princeton	K-12	\$	24,646	\$	20,638	11.6	13.5	131.8	\$	540	1293
Old Tappan	K-8	\$	21,574	\$	20,602	10.6	10.5	94	\$	196	
Mahwah	K-12		24,983	\$	20,472	10.6	11.1	102.4	\$	536	1185
Paramus	K-12	\$	23,258	\$	20,331	11	14.5	133.1	\$	387	1164
Woodcliff Lake	K-8	\$	22,484	\$	20,294	8.9	15.3	117.7	\$	167	
Harrington Park	K-8	\$	23,915	\$	20,274	11.2	15.8	150	\$	177	
Upper Saddle River	K-8	\$	22,752	\$	20,208	9.5	13.3	109.9	\$	153	
Wyckoff	K-8	\$	22,468	\$	20,003	10.3	18	156.5	\$	75	

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COMPARATIVE SPENDING

Source: 2020 NJDOE		18/19		19/20		19/20	19/20	19/	20 Extra-	
Comparative Spending	School	Spending		Budgetary	19/20 Student	Faculty	Student	Cu	irricular	Avg. SAT
Guide	Туре	per Pupil		per Pupil	Teacher Ratio	Admin. Ratio	Admin. Ratio		Cost	19/20
Northern Highlands	Reg 9-12	\$ 23,32	2	\$ 19,802	12.5	9.4	102.9	\$	1,294	1257
Hillsdale	K-8	\$ 22,393	2	\$ 19,552	9.5	16.8	138	\$	83	
River Vale	K-8	\$ 22,18		\$ 19,255	11.2	15.5	152.2	\$	158	
Westwood	K-12	\$ 16,73		\$ 18,797	11.4	14.4	139.5	\$	516	1143
Hackensack	K-12	20,50	3	\$ 18,772	13	15.6	171	\$	420	996
Allendale	K-8	\$ 19,860		\$ 18,464	12.2	13.5	142.8	\$	193	
Garfield	K-12	19,51	7	\$ 18,372	11.4	14.9	144.9	\$	175	987
Glen Rock	K-12	21,03	5	\$ 18,104	11.1	17.8	168.4	\$	470	1222
Millburn	K-12	21,29		\$ 17,995	11.7	15	153.5	\$	384	1344
Northvale	K-8	\$ 21,362	2	\$ 17,704	10.7	11.3	105.8	\$	233	
Fair Lawn	K-12	20,31		\$ 17,694	12.4	17.6	185.9	\$	350	1176
Tenafly	K-12	\$ 20,48	7	\$ 17,475	12	17.1	179.8	\$	424	1335
Montvale	K-8	\$ 19,59	5	\$ 17,278	11.2	12.4	123.4	\$	141	
Montclair	K-12	21,61	2	\$ 17,086	11.3	19.9	189.4	\$	305	1206
Bergenfield	K-12	20,32	3	\$ 17,057	13	14.9	164.8	\$	342	1041
State Average		\$ 20,71)	\$ 17,028	11.7	14.6	147.6	\$	341	1081
Livingston	K-12	20,93	5	\$ 16,926	12.1	16.1	164.7	\$	334	1260
HoHoKus	K-8	\$ 18,42	3	\$ 16,778	12.1	9.5	99.3		N.R.	
Ridgewood	K-12	\$ 20,26)	\$ 16,563	13.1	16.5	183.8	\$	292	1289
Closter	K-8	\$ 19,05	5	\$ 15,974	12.5	15.5	170.6	\$	90	
Norwood	K-8	\$ 19,454		\$ 14,905	11.5	10	96	\$	37	

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APPROVED KEY APPROPRIATIONS

Budget Area	Description		FY23 Proposed Budget	% Change
Regular Ed	Regular Education Teacher Salaries, Supplies, Materials, Instructional Lease Payments	\$33,126,359	\$34,951,598	5.5%
Special Ed	Out-of-District Tuition, Related Support Services, Child Study Team, Special Education In-District Instruction, Special Education Transportation		\$35,390,235	9.0%
Benefits	Medical Premiums, Dental Premiums, PERS Pension Payment, DCRP, Worker's Compensation Premiums, Social Security, Tuition Reimbursement	\$14,207,797	\$14,948,550	5.2%
Facilities	Maintenance, Custodial, Grounds, Security, Energy Costs Includes Summer Maintenance Projects	\$10,685,731	\$11,674,425	9.3%
Extracurricular	After School Programs and Clubs K-12, Athletics	\$1,504,068	\$1,529,445	1.7%
Administration	General Administration, School Administration, Central Office, IT Administration, Legal, Auditors, Architect, Election Costs, Communication Costs, Guidance, Media	\$11,204,416	\$11,709,533	4.5%
Capital	Capital Projects Funded by Capital Reserve Funds, SDA Debt Payment	\$1,242,837	\$529,002	-57.4%
Other	Student Services, Curriculum/Professional Development, Community School, Other Special Schools	\$3,691,807	\$3,929,436	6.4%
Grants & Entitlements	Title I - For At Risk Students, Title II - For Professional Development, Title III - For ESL Students, IDEA - For Special Education Students, Non-Public State Entitlements, Donations, CARES, ESSER II, CRF	\$707,845	\$591,952	-16.4%
Debt Service	Principal and Interest Payments on Outstanding Bonds From Previous Referendums	\$3,593,750	\$3,575,075	-0.52%

ANTICIPATED REVENUE

	Fiscal Year 2021-22 Revised	Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (Anti	cipated)
General Fund Tax Levy	\$99,241,616	\$101,198,061	
Tuition	\$1,109,186	\$2,135,100	
Unrestricted Miscellaneous	\$1,070,561	\$1,740,170	
Interest on Accounts	\$31,316	\$31,366	FY 2023
Restricted Miscellaneous	\$483,675	\$643,645	Proposed
Rents & Royalties	\$491,251	\$510,266	Tax Levy
State (Transportation Aid)	\$620,535	\$620,535	Increase
Extraordinary Aid	\$2,842,192	\$2,842,192	of 1.97%
Categorical Special Education Aid	\$3,896,003	\$4,885,005	
Security Aid	\$447,742	\$447,742	
Other Non-Restricted State Aid	\$48,554	\$48,554	
Federal (Medicaid)	\$20,361	\$30,818	
SEMI (Special Education Medicaid Initiative)	\$5,930	\$5,930	
Title I and IIA	\$144,176	\$144,176	

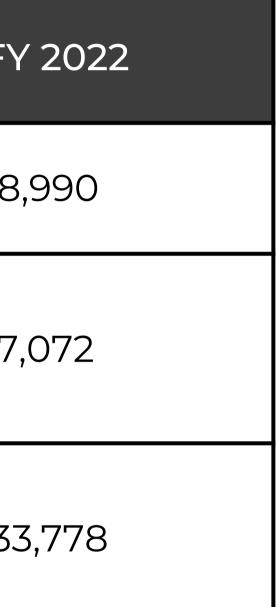


ANTICIPATED REVENUE

	Fiscal Year 2021-22 Revised	Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (Anticipated)
All Title III	\$28,227	\$28,227
Title IV (Drug Free)	\$9,276	\$9,276
I.D.E.A. Total	\$1,221,794	\$1,221,794
CARES	\$299,867	\$O
CRRSA Act (Learning Acceleration Grant)	\$25,970	\$O
CRRSA Act (Mental Health Grant)	\$4,604	\$O
ESSER II	\$335,447	\$O
Non-Public State Aid	\$14,201	\$14,201
Debt Service	\$3,459,251	\$3,417,685
Debt Service Type 2 (STATE)	\$134,499	\$133,782
Budgeted Fund Balance (Operating Budget)	\$1,575,539	\$3,196,549
Capital Reserve	\$1,242,837	\$529,002
Adjustments Prior Years Encumbrances	\$229,092	\$O
Emergency Reserve Withdrawal	\$249,564	\$O
Total Revenue	\$120,891,646	\$123,857,684

RESERVE ACCOUNTS

Account	YTD F
Capital Reserve	\$1,118
Emergency Reserve	\$377
Maintenance Reserve	\$2,73



TAX IMPACT

	Fiscal Year 2021-22	Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (Anticipated)
General Fund Tax Levy	\$99,241,616	\$101,198,061
Change Over Prior Year	\$1,936,374	\$1,984,276
Percent General Fund Tax Levy Increase	1.99%	1.97%
Debt Service Tax Levy	\$3,459,251	\$3,441,293
Increase/(Decrease) over prior year	\$441,574	-\$17,958
Percent Debt Service Tax Levy Change	14.63%	-0.99%
Asset Valuation	\$5,826,049,600	\$5,870,235,600
Increase/(Decrease) over prior year	\$5,473,000	\$44,186,000
Tax per \$100,000 of Assessed Value	\$1,703.41	\$1,723.92
Change over prior year	\$31.67	\$20.51
Percent School Tax Rate Increase	1.89%	1.20%
Average Assessed Home	\$701,664	\$702,349
Annual School Tax Payment	\$11,952.23	\$12,107.92

BUDGET DETAIL

Operating Budget

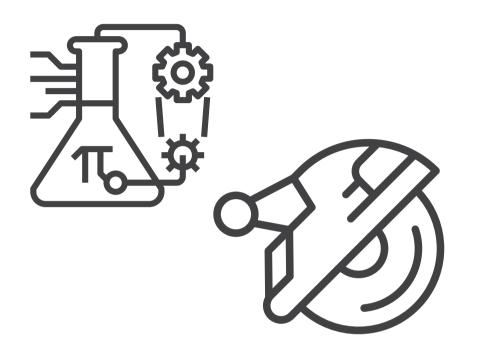
Software/Licensing *	\$486,696
Internet/Voice	\$182,940
Maintenance/Monitoring **	\$64,909
Training/Professional Development	\$32,560
Timecards	\$38,199
Hardware/Parts/Supplies	\$37,134
3rd Party Services	\$25,548
Operating Total	\$867,986

Computers (Desktops, Laptops, Chromebooks)	\$585,000
Projectors/Audio/Printers	\$247,000
Network/VoIP Infrastructure	\$70,500
Security/Building Access	\$30,000
Legal/Professional Services	\$7,500
Lease Purchase Total	\$940,000

- * Includes Skyward Student Information Systems, Wi-Fi Licenses, Security Software Licenses, CSI Accounting/ Budgeting/ Payroll/ Personnel Licenses, Microsoft Licenses, Creative Software for students & teachers, and \$100,000 benchmarked for newly mandated cyber security compliance tools.
- ** Includes Central Station Monitoring for Fire Alarm and Security, Genetec Security Camera Maintenance, Lockdown & Emergency Notification System Maintenance and TPASS Visitor Management Maintenance.

Lease Purchase

SUMMER CAPITAL PROJECTS



STEM/WOODSHOP (PENDING) (AVAILABLE FUNDS)

Project #: 2022-2023-01

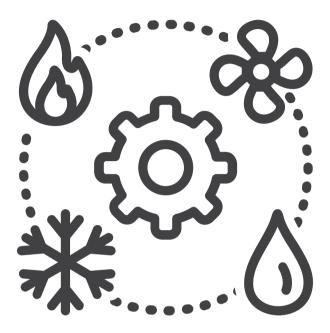
\$201,975



FOOD LAB REMODEL AT RHS

Project #: 2022-2023-02

\$202,025

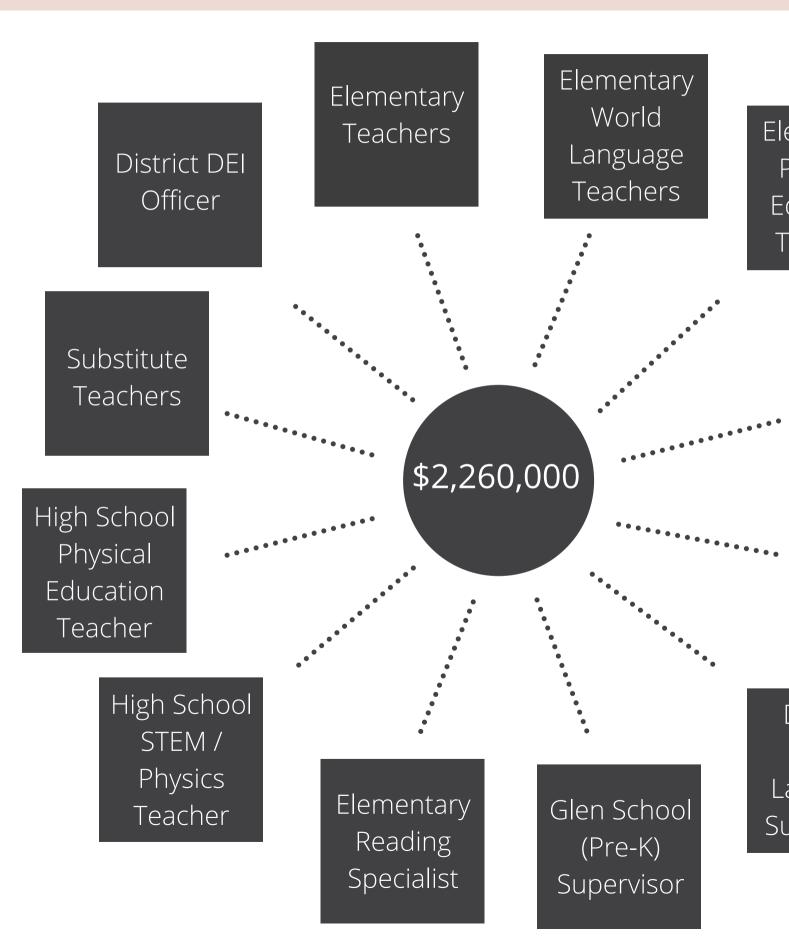


DIGITAL CONTROLLERS AT ED CENTER

Project #: 2022-2023-03

\$29,000

FUTURE WISH LIST PERSONNEL NEEDS



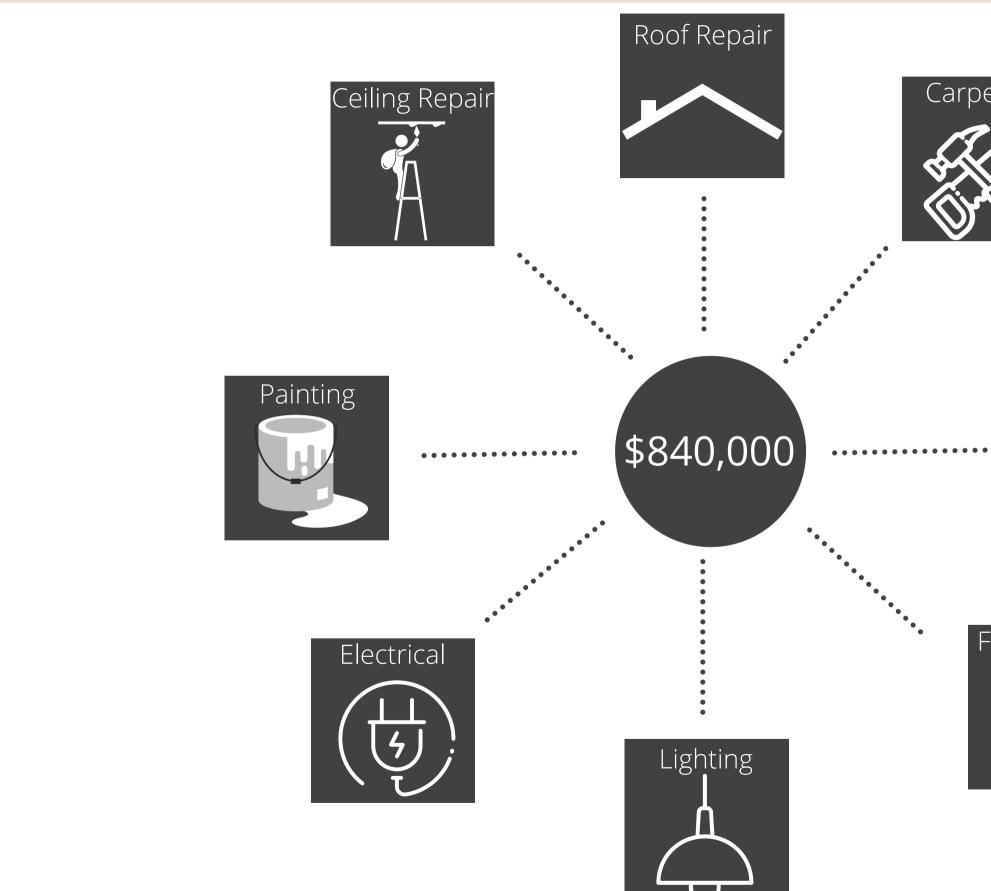
Elementary Physical Education Teachers

> Classroom Aides

High School American Sign Language Teacher

District World Language Supervisor

FUTURE WISH LIST MAINTENANCE NEEDS









FUTURE WISH LIST FACILITY NEEDS







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