JTPS Budget Presentation

SY 2021-2022

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How has the State aid adjustment impacted JTPS?

Estimates based on 2021-2022 Equalization Aid Calculations

BUDGET YEAR	GENERAL FUND STATE AID	CURRENT YEAR INCREMENTAL LOSS
18-19	15,508,649	-554,620
19-20	14,315,347	-1,193,302
20-21	12,063,605	-2,251,742
21-22	9,272,081	-2,791,524
22-23	6,657,856 (Estimated)	-2,614,225 (Estimated)
23-24	5,032,284 (Estimated)	-1,625,573 (Estimated)
24-25	4,518,945 (Estimated)	-513,339 (Estimated)

Prior Years' Budget Challenges

- Drastic and unpredictable increases in health care
- Increase in number of homeless students (tuition, transportation)
- Increase in special education students enrolling in our district (teachers, aides, transportation)
- Increase in number of students at vocational schools due to the number of satellite academies (no school aid received, tuition costs, transportation)
- Increase in number of students sent for evaluations: risk to self/others, chemical screens, etc.
- All while the cost of doing business continues to increase

Prior Years' Budget Responses

- Eliminated instructional, support & administrative positions
- Removed all facility improvement projects from operating budget
- Reduced supply accounts
- Reduced staff professional development spending
- Discontinued upgrades to student & staff laptops, impacting overall technology device management program
- Removed purchase of two buses & facilities equipment from replacement schedule, impacting overall fleet management
- Initiated tuition for our inclusive preschool disabled program
- Implemented a parking fee for High School student drivers
- Implemented activity participation fees at High School & Middle School

21-22 Initial Budget Reduction Considerations

• Staff Reductions

- Elementary = 10 teaching staff members
- Middle School=1 elective teacher
- Middle School=1 school counselor
- High School=2 teaching staff members
- District=1 speech therapist
- District=math supervisor
- Changes to elementary world language program
- Transition from contracted services to in-house behaviorist
- Exclude any operational, facilities, technology spending
- Closing Milton School and seeking rental revenue

Impacts on the 21-22 Budget Development

- All benefit-eligible staff members will move to the SEHBP effective July 1

 Represents estimated \$1.4 million in savings to the district
- ESSER 1-3 funding will enable the district to maintain certain eligible programs, upgrade student technology and complete HVAC maintenance that would otherwise be funded through the general budget or Capital Reserve
- NJ passed a law to allow districts to carry over up to 4% (rather than 2%) of excess surplus into the following year's budget for SY21 and SY22
- Expected reduction in 9th grade enrollments in MCVTSD academies
- OOD Special Education Placements will be reduced by four students
- Staff retirements

2021-2022 Budget Response

- Minimize the impact of state aid funding loss on student achievement
- Allocate staffing and resources to support post-COVID acceleration of learning & student services
 - Elementary class sizes
 - Maintain Elementary World Language program
 - MS/HS elective offerings
 - Maintain student support services, i.e. counseling
- Adjustments based on enrollment trends
 - Closing Milton School
 - Staffing
 - Transportation Routing
- Maintain district operations
 - Resume purchasing to maintain district technology, transportation & facilities fleets

2021-2022 Budget Breakdown



Budgeted Revenues					
Funding Source	21-22 Estimate	20-21	21-22 vs. 20-21 \$ Change	21-22 vs. 20-21 % Change	
Local*	48,046,880	47,147,789	899,091	1.91%	
State*	9,950,064	12,691,870	-2,741,806	-21.60%	
Federal	956682	1466041	-509,359	-34.74%	
Other	1953933	1439518	514,415	35.74%	
Total	60,907,559	62,745,218	-1,837,659	-2.93%	

*includes debt repayment

2021-2022 Budget Breakdown

Budgeted Expenses % of Total Category 21-22 Instruction 38.3% 23,305,175 **Employee Benefits** 17.5% 10,669,667 Facilities 8.9% 5,414,678 Student Services 8.5% 5,192,962 6.6% Transportation 4,018,354 Tuition 5.9% 3,618,288 Centralized Support & Admin 2,616,198 4.3% 4.1% Debt Service 2,483,164 School Administration 2,261,735 3.7% Curriculum & Instruction 1.4% 873,796 0.8% Capital 453,542 Total 60,907,559



Tax impact - What will it cost?

Average Home Assessed Value =

\$319,133

Annual Increase = \$28.50

Monthly Increase =

\$2.37*

*This includes the cost of debt repayment.

The future of JTPS budgets

- We have been planning this year for the reduction in next year's State aid and strongly advocating for adjustments to S-2
- We have continued to make annual staffing adjustments due to declines in student population
- We will continue to look at additional sources of funding such as grants, gifts, etc. for support, revenue for alternate use of Milton School
- Reductions will continue through the 2024–2025 school year culminating in a loss of \$11 million/year as compared to the original state aid allocation from the 2018–2019 school year

*May fluctuate due to enrollment

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