

SY21-22 Budget Study Session

Business Services

Goals for Today

- Have a space dedicated to focus specifically on the district's budget as we understand it today – things will continue to change over the next few months
- For the board and our community to better understand two conflicting ideas:
 - The impact of declining enrollment on revenue, and our proposed plan for addressing that
 - The major opportunity and risks of significant new one-time federal stimulus funding
- For the board to be able to provide high-level strategic guidance on the district's proposed budget, before voting on the budget in a few months
 - This guidance is important for us as we begin making staffing changes for next year



Executive Summary

Longer term, we are working towards three broad major goals

Strengthen core programming

- Pre-pandemic our core academic programming was not effective enough
- We outlined a significant amount of changes to make in our strategic plan

Respond to the pandemic

- Coming out of the pandemic we need to accelerate learning and find new ways to support our students
- We need to do this in a way that maximizes short term impact but is long term sustainable

Recruit and Retain Highly Effective Team Members

- Our staff make significantly less than surrounding communities; we need to address compensation while strengthening teacher performance systems, evaluation, and developing a plan to celebrate high-performers
- This needs to be done sustainably through reducing costs and brining in new revenue through leases



Executive Summary

Tactically, this budget navigates towards those longer term goals

- This is an unusual budget, in that we have significant one-time new money and a need to reduce our base spending in line with enrollment
- We have seen significant enrollment declines which are resulting in the need for enrollment-related reductions (target reduction of \$3-4m)
 - Working within a total allocation, principals have worked to draft balanced school budgets (~\$1-2m)
 - Central office departments proposed significant reductions (~\$1-3m)
 - Keeping enrollment and total expenditure aligned is essential to a sustainable path to raises
- We have seen significant amounts of new federal funds which we are working on allocating over the next five years (which creates a need for large short term surpluses)
 - If we are able to spread this money out, it could be a \$3-5m for five years, after which it would zero-out



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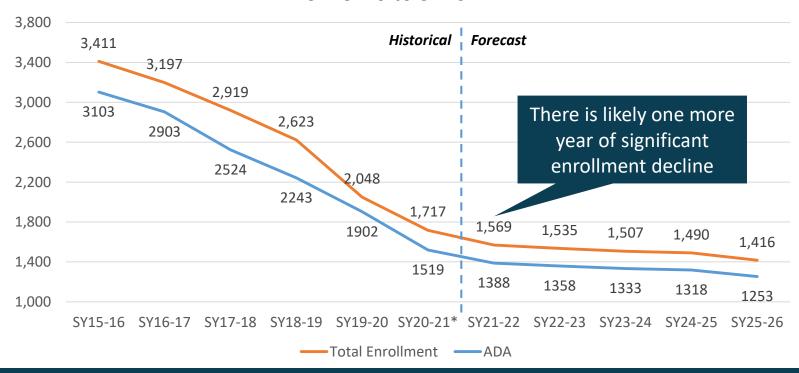
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Our enrollment and projected ADA is projected to decline in the next couple of years

RCSD Historical Enrollment vs Overall District FTEs,

SY15-16 to SY20-21

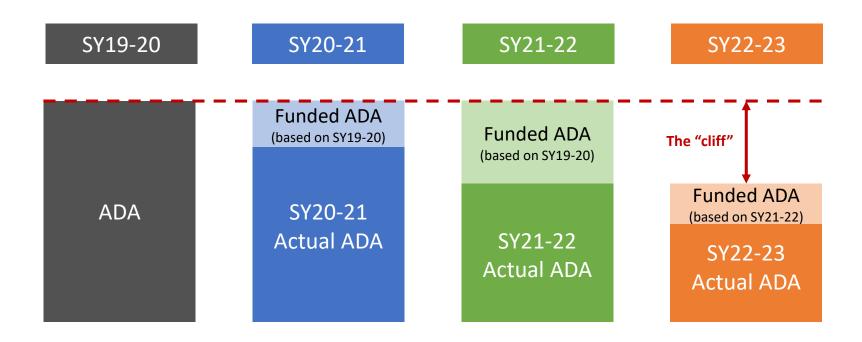


This is important because our LCFF Allocation is determined by the ADA times by the LCFF per-student allocation. Essentially, in a normal year, this would mean a 20% decrease in LCFF funds....



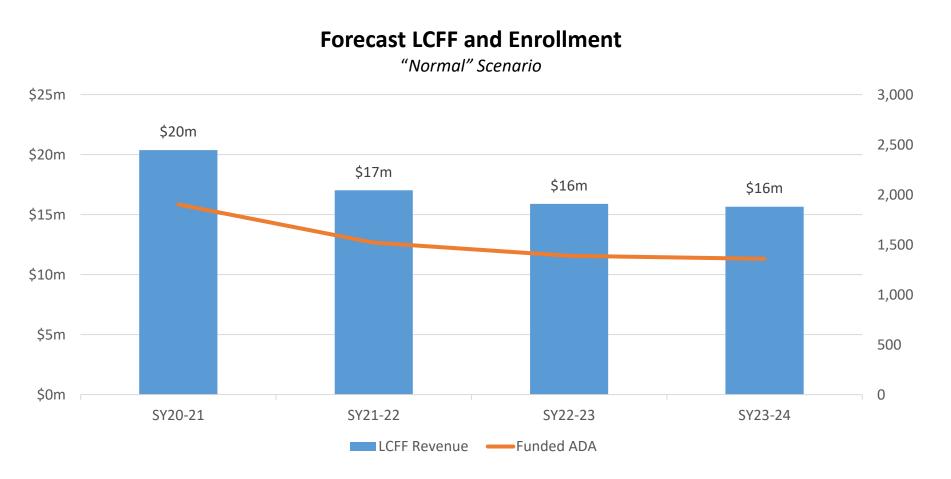
The proposed budget effectively holds districts with declining enrollment harmless next year, creating a cliff in \$Y22-23

Funded ADA from SY19-20 through SY22-23





For RCSD, that means that in 'normal times', we would see a revenue drop next year due to our projected declining enrollment...





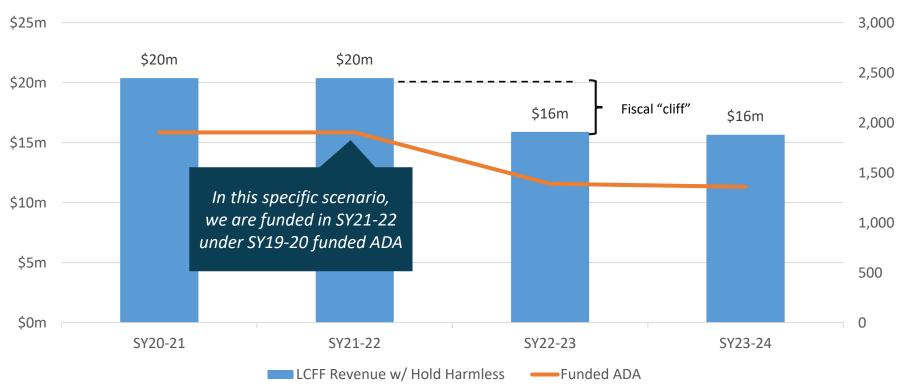
Note: Funded ADA is the prior year ADA, for example SY20-21 is funded under SY19-20 ADA; also, COLA has not been added to these calculations for simplification purposes

Source: Internal Data

... but instead we'll see an artificial bump in SY21-22 funding followed by a ~\$4m "cliff" when funding returns back to normal

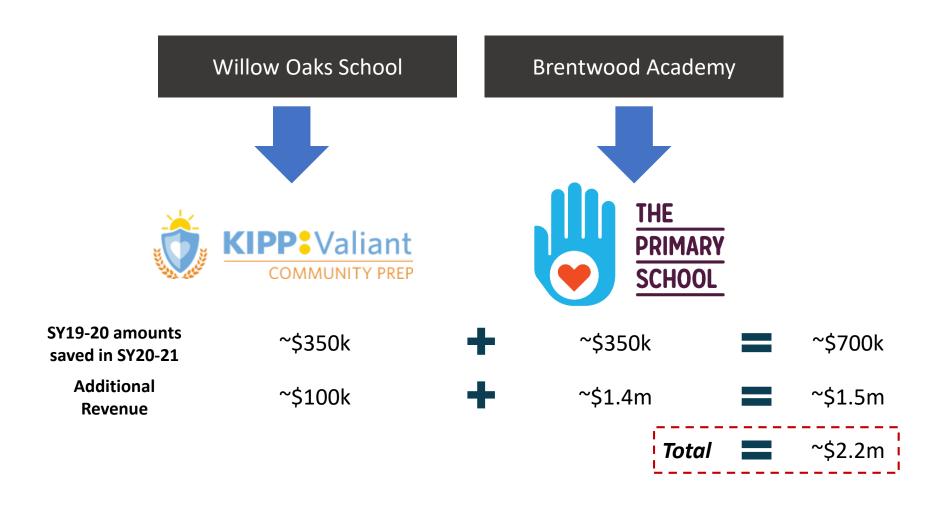
Forecast LCFF and Enrollment

"Hold Harmless" Scenario





In anticipation of this enrollment decline, we closed Willow Oaks and Brentwood Academy, which has saved us ~\$682k in relevant costs





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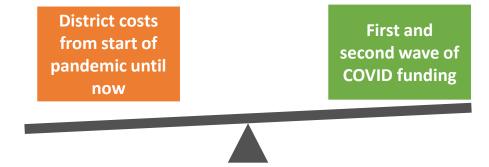
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At the last presentation, we shared a recent report that found the first wave of stimulus largely offset cost increases...

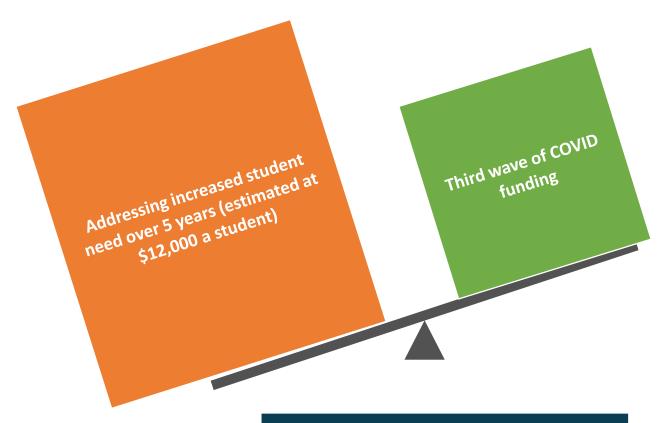
Existing Needs Were Largely Balanced With Prior Stimulus Funds...





... but left an \$18m gap in addressing learning acceleration

... However, expected learning acceleration costs currently dwarf existing new stimulus funding





This is approximately to scale

The various recent stimulus packages have largely met the report's estimate of need

Between the stimulus funding and REF's commitments, we have close to ERS' estimate of funding

Addressing increased student need over 5 years (estimated at \$12,000 a student)

The recent stimulus bills have provided an amount of stimulus largely in line with ERS' estimate



We are working on spending down the remainder of the first round of COVID funding and are preparing for the next wave of funds

Stimulus Funds Received by RCSD in SY20-21

Fund name	Source	Amount allocated	Status	Spending deadline
Learning Loss Mitigation Fund (LLMF)	CARES Act	\$3.0m	Spent	May '21
ESSER I & GEER I	CARES Act	\$1.0m	Spending down	Sep 2022
ESSER II & GEER II	Dec COVID Relief Bill	\$3.4m	Spending down	Sep 2023
ESSER III	American Rescue Plan	\$7.5m	Planning	Sep 2024
In-Person Instruction Grants	AB86	\$0.5m*	Planning	Aug 2022
ELO Homeless Grant	AB86	\$0.9m	Planning	Aug 2022
Expanded Learning Opportunity Grant	AB86	\$1.5m	Planning	Aug 2022
Total This does no	t include	\$17.7m	0(\$10.227	or student for

additional support from REF

~\$10,327 per student for 1717 students

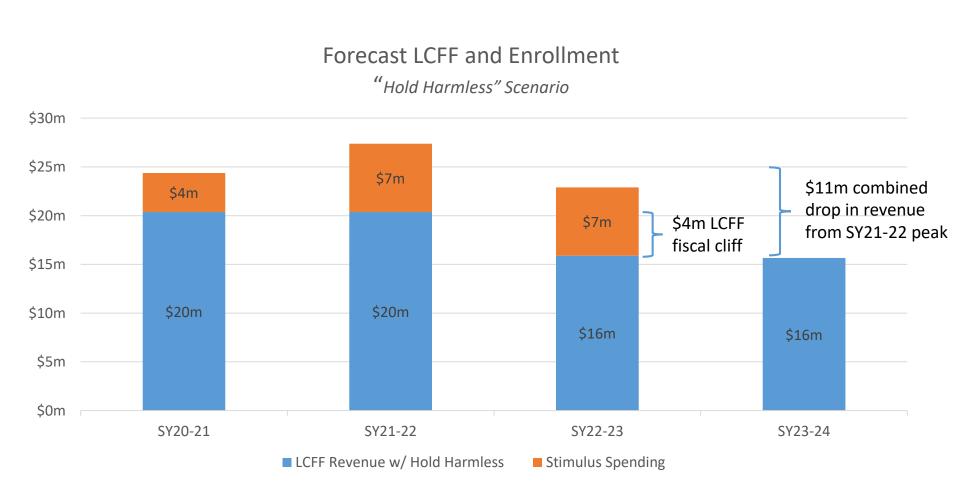


We have been working to create a proposed and draft budget to spend our stimulus funds over the next five years

Initiative	Total Amount	Timeframe in Years
Extended day expansion at elementary schools	\$4.5m	5
High dosage tutoring	\$3.0m	5
Class size reduction in fourth and fifth grade	\$2.5m	5
Summer school	\$2.0m	5
Acceleration academies	\$1.5m	5
School discretionary funds	\$1.5m	5
Technology upgrades and expansion	\$0.8m	2
Intervention and/or ELD teachers	\$0.8m	3
Instructional materials	\$0.6m	2
MOT and safety supplies (including antigen testing)	\$0.5m	2
Learning acceleration coordination and evaluation	\$0.5m	5



However, the timeline to spend the stimulus funds is aggressive, and creates a larger fiscal cliff <u>if spent over two years</u>





Note: This is a simplified look, excluding federal funds, REF, and other funding sources and just focused on LCFF and stimulus funds to highlight the major changes in the budget.

We are proposing smoothing the spending out over a few years which will result in ~3 years of surpluses, followed by ~3 years of deficits

Forecast Proposed Total Revenue and Total Expenditure





Three years of savings (through surpluses)

Three years of planned deficits

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SY21-22 Core Budget Overview

While we are making significant investments through stimulus funds, we are also proposing \$3-4m in total reductions

This section focuses only on enrollment related revenue (no stimulus funds)

Core Overview

- This year we allocated funding on a per-pupil basis to schools at the same rate as SY20-21

 resulting in a lower overall target for schools to budget within
- Central office directors were asked to propose significant reductions
- Overall, we focused on reducing nonpersonnel spending ~\$1.8m
- We have increased our percent of budget spent on personnel by ~3%
- To help make this transition smoother, we offered a retirement incentive for staff

Total District Budget

	SY20- 21	SY21- 22	\$ Change	% Change
Schools	\$16.2m	\$14.6m	-\$1.6m	-10%
Central Office	\$23.7m	\$21.8m	-\$1.9m	-8%
Total	\$39.9m	\$36.4m	-\$3.5m	-9%

This is our draft estimate with what we know right now – depending on the May budget revise, evolving needs, COVID, personnel changes or various other factors this will



Note: COVID-related revenues for SY20-21 were removed for purposes of parity Source: Internal Data

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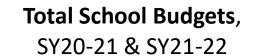
This year we moved our budgeting process earlier and made school budgets more based on a per-student rate

- This year we have done a significant amount of work trying to **put expenditures in the right buckets** (e.g. moving Playworks to school budgets or clarifying that core curriculum should be on C&I's budget)
- We estimated projected enrollment numbers and created draft budget allocations based on a constant per-pupil rate and shared that in December
- Principals worked to balance their budget and staffing pieces within those constraints, with feedback from cabinet and others
 - We focused not balancing the budget within specific funding sources (knowing that we may need to move things between funding sources due to the stimulus funds) – this funding source alignment something we are currently working on now
- We are also working through the LCAP process which is identifying additional areas for investments and reduction



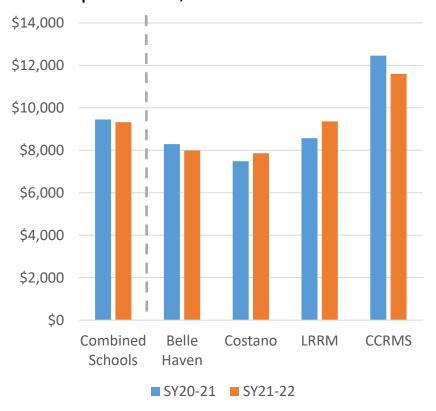
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While total school budgets have decreased – per pupil budgets have remained largely consistent





School Based **Per Pupil** Expenditure, SY20-21 & SY21-22





Overall, excluding stimulus funding, we are planning on spending \$1.6m less on school budgets next year

SY21-22 Preliminary School Budgets

Overall, we are reducing budgets by \$1.6m while the expenditure per student is expected to remain relatively constant

Overall Trends

- Overall, shifts from nonpersonnel to personnel limited the reduction in staff – future enrollment declines may result in more staff reductions
- The overall ratios of students to teachers remained approximately the same (this will decrease with the new elementary class size reduction teachers)
- New investments in VPs and reading specialists
- Reductions in some supplemental programming

	SY2	0-21	SY2	1-22
Enrollment	1,717		1,569 (estimat	ted enrollment)
# of Teachers	102	17 students / teacher	87	18 students / teacher
Personnel Spend	\$14.3m	\$8.3k / student	\$13.2	\$8.4k / student
Non-Personnel Spend*	\$2.2m	\$1.1k / student	\$1.5m	\$0.9k / student
Combined Budget	\$16.5m	\$9.4k / student	\$14.7m	\$9.3k / student

^{*}Non-personnel includes contracts with Rhythm and Moves, Playworks, and CASSY



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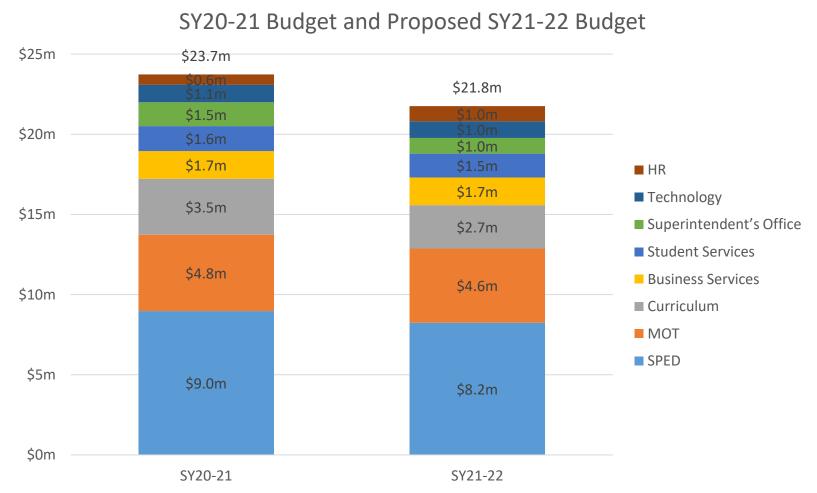
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SY21-22 Preliminary Central Office Budget Overall, we are proposing \$1.9m in central office reductions





Does not include additional federal funds carryover or stimulus funds

SY21-22 Preliminary Central Office Budget Each department has material reductions to their core budgets

	SY20-21	SY21-22	\$ Change	% Change	Major Changes
Business Services	\$1.7m	\$1.7m	-\$.04m	-2%	 Phase-out of long term financial plan (\$100k reduction) and possible staff reduction (\$120k) One time cost increase to retirement incentive and a substantial anticipated insurance increase (\$65k)
Curriculum	\$3.5m	\$2.7m	-\$0.8m	-23%	 Includes core curriculum purchases declining in line with overall enrollment Per-pupil
HR	\$0.6m	\$1.0m	\$0.3m	54%	 Includes district wide substitute budgets returning to normal
МОТ	\$4.8m	\$4.6m	-\$0.1m	-3%	 Reduction in custodians, contracted bus route, and a laborer (\$240k) \$450k Increase in utilities (including an increase in vehicle fuel)



SY21-22 Preliminary Central Office Budget Each department has material reductions to their core budgets

	SY20-21	SY21-22	\$ Change	% Change	Major Changes
SPED	\$8.9m	\$8.3m	-\$0.6m	-7%	 Budget reflects significant reduction in non-public school tuition costs (\$350k), external contractors (\$150k), and legal settlements (\$100k) Overall special education enrollment is declining slower than district enrollment
Student Services	\$1.6m	\$1.5m	-\$0.07m	-4%	1 FTE reduction40% of budget is ASES funding
Superintendent's Office	\$1.5m	\$1.0m	-\$0.5m	-34%	 Reduction in legal fees (\$100k), outside consultants (\$300k), and 1 FTE
Technology	\$1.1m	\$1.0m	-\$0.06m	-6%	 Reflects slight reduction in districtwide internet and phone costs and a 0.5 FTE reduction
Total	\$23.7m	\$21.8m	-\$3.5m	-9%	



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Big Picture

- Revise our proposed budget based on board feedback, where appropriate
- Continue our robust LCAP engagement and continue to incorporate key findings from the LCAP process into

Tactical

- Begin posting and hiring for new positions
- Begin negotiating over key issues (e.g. extended day)
- Continue to revise and monitor forecast costs (e.g. partner cost increases or contractual costs) and revenue estimates

Board Involvement

 Do we want another board hearing before the budget is formally presented over the summer? Other touch-points of board engagement?



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SY21-22 Preliminary School Budgets Belle Haven Elementary School

Observations

- Overall reduction in the number of teachers in line with enrollment
- Significant shift of non-personnel spend to retain personnel
- Making a strategic investment in a new VP position
- Reduction of drama

	SY2	0-21	SY2	1-22
Enrollment	482		458 (estimated enrollment)	
# of Teachers	28	17 students / teacher	25	18 students / teacher
Personnel Spend	\$3.5m	\$7.2k / student	\$3.3m	\$7.3k / student
Non-Personnel Spend*	\$500k	\$1k / student	\$324k	\$0.7k / student
Combined Budget	\$4.0m	\$8.2k / student	\$3.7m	\$8.0k / student

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SY21-22 Preliminary School Budgets Costano School of the Arts

Observations

- Overall reduction in the number of teachers in line with enrollment
- Significant shift of non-personnel spend to retain personnel
- Making a strategic investment in a new VP position
- Reduction of drama
- Investment in reading specialists
- Costano's 4th and 5th grade are much larger than their K and 1st grade, suggesting that enrollment will continue to decline

	SY2	0-21	SY2	1-22
Enrollment	471		410 (estimated enrollment)	
# of Teachers	27	17 students / teacher	22	19 students / teacher
Personnel Spend	\$3.3m	\$7k / student	\$3.1m	\$7.5k / student
Non-Personnel Spend*	\$230k	\$0.5k / student	\$140k	\$0.3k / student
Combined Budget	\$3.5m	\$7.5k / student	\$3.2m	\$7.9k / student

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SY21-22 Preliminary School Budgets Los Robles-Ronald McNair Academy

Observations

- LRRM is a small school which has made a conscious investment in building a small-school culture
- Recruitment efforts to bring enrollment up to become a consistent two-strand school

	SY2	0-21	SY2	1-22
Enrollment	208		173 (estimated enrollment)	
# of Teachers	11	19 students / teacher	10	17 students / teacher
Personnel Spend	\$1.6m	\$7.5k / student	\$1.5m	\$8.5k / student
Non-Personnel Spend*	\$210k	\$1k / student	\$150k	\$0.9k / student
Combined Budget	\$1.8m	\$8.5k / student	\$1.6m	\$9.4k / student

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SY21-22 Preliminary School Budgets Cesar Chavez Ravenswood Middle School

Observations

- Largely maintains a significant investment from REF that allows the school to afford class size reduction, extended day, VPs in every grade, guidance counselors, social workers, and small group instructors
- Reductions in makerspace, SRO, and some vacant positions

	SY2	0-21	SY2	1-22
Enrollment	556		528 (estimated enrollment)	
# of Teachers	36	15 students / teacher	30	18 students / teacher
Personnel Spend	\$5.9m	\$10.6k / student	\$5.3m	\$10k / student
Non-Personnel Spend*	\$1m	\$1.8k / student	\$0.9m	\$1.6k / student
Combined Budget	\$6.9m	\$12.4k / student	\$6.1m	\$11.6k / student

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SY21-22 Preliminary Central Office Budget Business Services

Overview and Trends

- Includes team to oversee business purchasing, accounting, and budgeting
- Includes various districtwide initiatives (e.g. retirement incentives, property insurance, printer supplies, and reserves).
- Change includes phase-out of long term financial plan (\$100k reduction) and possible staff reduction (\$120k)
- One time cost increases due to the retirement incentive (\$600k) and longterm cost increases due to a substantial anticipated insurance increase (\$65k)

	SY20-21	SY21-22	\$ Change	% Change
Total Budget	\$1.7m	\$1.7m	-\$.04m	-2%
# of Staff	6	TBD	TBD	TBD



SY21-22 Preliminary Central Office Budget Curriculum & Instruction

Overall Trends

- Includes curriculum team, coordinators, data, and the LIMS to organize our school Curriculum
- Responsible for purchasing all core curriculum for the district – including new adoptions:
 - TK-5 NGSS;
 - o 6-8 ELA;
 - 6-8 Social Studies
- Includes \$215k for professional development
- Reduction based on decline in enrollment and overall staffing levels

	SY20-21	SY21-22	\$ Change	% Change
Total Budget	\$3.5m	\$2.7m	-\$0.8m	-23%
# of Staff	9	8	1	-11%



SY21-22 Preliminary Central Office Budget Human Resources

Overall Trends

- Includes Director and Coordinator overseeing human resources
- Includes systems to help manage our staff data and funds to help fuel our recruiting efforts to further expand our quality staff
- Approximately half of the budget goes to covering district-wide substitute costs – the increase in this budget is entirely due to the substitute budget reverting to past years

	SY20-21	SY21-22	\$ Change	% Change
Total Budget	\$0.6m	\$1.0m	\$0.3m	54%
# of Staff	2	2	0	-0%



SY21-22 Preliminary Central Office Budget Maintenance, Operations, and Transportation

Overall Trends

- Includes staff in charge of daily maintenance and operations, bus drivers, van drivers, and maintenance staff that help to keep our campuses safe and clean
- Includes districtwide trash, sewage, electric, natural gas, and water – we expect a ~\$450k increase in utilities (including vehicle fuel), partially offset by a decline in electric bills due to anticipated solar panel installation
- Despite enrollment decreases, maintenance costs will likely be similar for the next year as we are serving the same number of facilities
- Reduction in contracted bus service, new vehicle purchases, and custodians (\$240k)

	SY20-21	SY21-22	\$ Change	% Change
Total Budget	\$4.8m	\$4.6m	-\$0.1m	-3%
# of Staff	37	34	3	8%



SY21-22 Preliminary Central Office Budget Special Education

Overall Trends

- Includes staff to provide special education supports across the district including teachers, paraeducators, speech language pathologists, occupational therapists, psychologists, and administrators
- The overall number of special education students in the district has not declined as fast as overall enrollment; the district today serves a greater percentage of students in special education than in past years largely due to students with disabilities being more likely to remain with the district
- Budget reflects significant reduction in non-public school tuition costs (\$350k), a shift towards reducing reliance on external contractors (\$150k), and a end to several legal settlements (\$100k)

	SY20-21	SY21-22	\$ Change	% Change
Total Budget	\$8.9m	\$8.3m	-\$0.6m	-7%
# of Staff	41	40	-1	-2%



SY21-22 Preliminary Central Office Budget Student Services

Overall Trends

- Includes staff overseeing student enrollment, data, and reporting
- PBIS, MTSS, SEL, school climate and culture, mental health support, and health services
- Staff to work with families for engagement and involvement at class, school, and district levels
- Also includes the technology needed to communicate with parents and securely store student information
- Oversees the state ASES grant (after school program) which represents ~40% of the department's overall budget

	SY20-21	SY21-22	\$ Change	% Change
Total Budget	\$1.6m	\$1.5m	-\$0.07m	-4%
# of Staff	7.5	6.5	-1	-13%



SY21-22 Preliminary Central Office Budget Superintendent's Office

Overall Trends

- Includes our Superintendent, secretary, and strategic projects coordinator, and the school board budget
- Reduction in costs associated with legal fees (\$100k), outside consultants (\$300k), and one position

	SY20-21	SY21-22	\$ Change	% Change
Total Budget	\$1.5m	\$1.0m	-\$0.5m	-34%
# of Staff	4	3	-1	-25%



SY21-22 Preliminary Central Office Budget Technology

Overall Trends

- Includes staff responsible for operating and maintaining our district's technology – both software and hardware
- Reflects slight reduction in districtwide internet and phone costs and a 0.5 FTE reduction
- Note: Most of the technology purchases were on federal stimulus funds and so are not included here

	SY20-21	SY21-22	\$ Change	% Change
Total Budget	\$1.1m	\$1.0m	-\$0.06m	-6%
# of Staff	7.5	7	-0.5	-7%

