

HALIFAX AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

**- PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET
FOR 2020-2021**

**SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE
ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM**

MARCH 24, 2020

-BUDGET FACTS-

-Income:

\$20,430,904

-Assumes the board does not raise taxes. Accounts for proposed State Budget increase in Basic Ed and Special Ed Funding.

-Expenses:

\$20,476,301

-Zero based budgeting. Accounts for increases to pension and salaries for HESPA, HEA, and administration. Considers inflation and comprehensive plan initiatives. Uses adjusted Act I Index of 3.78% to estimate healthcare costs. Accounts for the “snowball effect” of savings from retirements and attritions.

-Proposed Budget Deficit:

(\$45,397)

-FUND BALANCE FACTS-

-COMMITTED FUND BALANCE-

-Health Insurance & PSERS :	\$1,797,108.00
-DCTS Debt Payment Fund:	\$98,968.00
-Other Committed Funds	\$34,716.00

TOTAL: \$1,930,792.00

-UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE-

***TOTAL: \$306,028.00**

Does NOT take into consideration projected 19-20 operating surplus.

-FORCES IMPACTING THE 2020-2021 BUDGET-

- **Federal Funding:** Level Funding for Federal Grant Programs
- **State Funding:**
 - Projected Increase in Basic Ed and Special Ed Funding (total increase of \$88,930)
 - Impact of Vouchers and School Choice?
 - Pension Reform?
- **Cyber-Charter School Tuition:** (reform?)
 - Projecting cost of \$587,000: *decrease of \$40,000 from the 18-19 budget.*
- **Inflation:** 2.6% (base index), 3.5% (adjusted index)

-FORCES IMPACTING THE 2020-2021 BUDGET-

- **Medical Benefits: (3.78% Rate Increase)**
 - **Total Obligation:** \$2,514,400.49
 - Premiums (2,386,025.49) + HSA (128,375.00)
 - Total increase: \$62,631.41
- **PSERS: (still no reform at the state level):**
 - **Total Obligation:**
\$2,579,410.50
 - **Amount Reimbursed by State:**
\$1,289,705.25
 - **Amount HASD Pays:**
\$1,289,705.25
 - **Amount of New Money needed by HASD for 2019-2020: \$23,852.** *Attrition strategy helps to keep PSERS increase low.*
- **Curriculum Purchase for Elementary:**
 - Increased in Curriculum and Instruction Budget by \$71,000.

-COMPREHENSIVE PLAN INITIATIVES-

- **Technology for Student**

Achievement: *continued from 19/20.*

- “Develop an educational program that includes (1) virtual learning (2) blended learning (virtual and face to face instruction) and (3) face-to-face instruction with electronic resources”
- K-3 Tablet Initiative
- Computer Replacement Program
- 1-1 Mobile Computing: 6-12
- Blending Learning Grants
- Live Streaming of Events
- Extra days for the Technology Integration Specialist

- **Facilities Improvement Plan:**

continued from 19/20.

- Continue to consult with Finance and Operations to address equipment needs.
- “Develop and implement a facilities improvement plan for all district buildings.”
 - Facility equity for all District buildings.
 - Address repairs needed at HES.
 - Scoping Audit: next steps for HES and Enders-Fisherville.

-COMPREHENSIVE PLAN INITIATIVES-

- **Poverty as a barrier to student achievement; communicating with families in poverty; differentiation strategies for all learners; inventory of resources for the community; parent outreach programs.**
 - Data confirms “sense of urgency” to provide more resources to youngest customers.
 - Continue using PreK Counts Grant to support a classroom at Halifax ES for 3 and 4 year old students. 20 students served.
 - Continue partnering with all early care providers via a PreK Advisory Committee so district is better prepared to serve incoming kindergarten students.
- **Multi-year fiscal plan to sustain financial priorities; increase consortium opportunities with neighboring school districts to share resources, reduce costs, and maintain academic and athletic opportunities.**
 - Continue to develop and share elective courses along with academic and enrichment courses like Advanced Placement and College in the High School when appropriate.
 - Project financial health of district in 3 and 5 year increments.
 - Continue the public & private partnerships: HWEF, local school districts, business & industry.

-BUDGET PROCESS TIMELINE-

- Budget Review Period: 3/24/20 thru 4/28/20.
 - Community submits questions to superintendent.
 - Administration continues to revise the budget.
 - Budget Update: Tuesday, April 14, 2020
 - Budget Update: Tuesday, April 28, 2020
 - Proposed Budget Approved: Tuesday, May 12, 2020
 - Final Budget Approved: Tuesday, June 9, 2020
- *Email questions to HatfieldD@hasd.us*