

FY'21 School Committee Budget

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Agenda

FY'21 Budget Guidelines

Funding Special Education

Budget Process / Architecture

Budget Drivers

New Budget Requests Within Guidelines

Impact of Budget Reductions

FY'21 Capital Budget

Budget Guidelines

Board of Selectmen Guideline

3.50%

Additional appropriation for special education

School Committee Guideline

Up to 4.25%

Additional appropriation for special education





Special Education Funding: Our Approach

Isolate variability of special education revenue and expenses / reduce impact on general ed. budget

Budget based on known expenses:

- Out-of-district placements

- Transportation

No reserves are included in the FY'21 Voted Budget

If needed, seek a supplemental fund for unanticipated costs

Maintain Spec. Ed. Reserve/Stabilization balance

Budget Guidelines - Spec. Ed.

Special Education Additional Appropriation	
Category	Amount

Special Education Reserve / Stabilization

Fiscal Year	Revenue	Expense	Balance
FY'18	\$108,000	\$1,887	\$106,113
FY'19	\$662,978	\$8,337	\$760,754
FY'20 Estimated	\$93,237	\$485,545	\$368,446
FY'21 Proposed	\$483,007	\$0	\$851,453

We anticipate using Reserve / Stabilization funds to cover a current year Special Education deficit (approximately \$483,007).

We recommend the replenishment of the Reserve Fund in the amount we anticipate using in FY'20 - \$483,007. With limited future School Based Medicaid receipts, replenishments will need to be built into the annual budget process.

FY'21 Voted Budget

Category	Salary	Expenses	Total	% Change	% Change Cum.
FY'20 Adjusted Budget	\$68,817,105	\$7,966,825	\$76,783,930		
FY'21 Level Service	\$2,599,956	\$782,741	\$3,382,701	4.41%	4.41%
FY'21 Strategic Plan	\$104,663	\$0	\$104,663	0.14%	4.55%
FY'21 Other Critical Need	\$90,162	\$18,199	\$108,361	0.14%	4.69%
Sub-Total	\$71,611,886	\$8,767,765	\$80,379,651	4.69%	
Health Benefits	\$0	(\$25,000)	(\$25,000)	(0.03%)	
Spec. Ed. Funds	\$0	(\$664,203)	(\$664,203)	(0.87%)	
Total with Health Benefits	\$71,611,886	\$8,078,562	\$79,690,448	3.79%	
Total without Health Benefits	\$71,611,886	\$8,103,562	\$79,715,448	3.82%	

Budget Process

Meetings with Town Leaders

- | July 2019 through December 2019

- | School Committee, Board of Selectmen, Advisory, Town and School Administration

- | Discussions of how to meet mandated Special Education costs outside of guideline

Budget Process

Academic Council (Kick-Off on September 24, 2019)

Ñ Review School Committee guidelines

Ñ Develop Level Service Budget

Ñ Build priorities beyond Level Service for Strategic Plan and Other Critical Needs

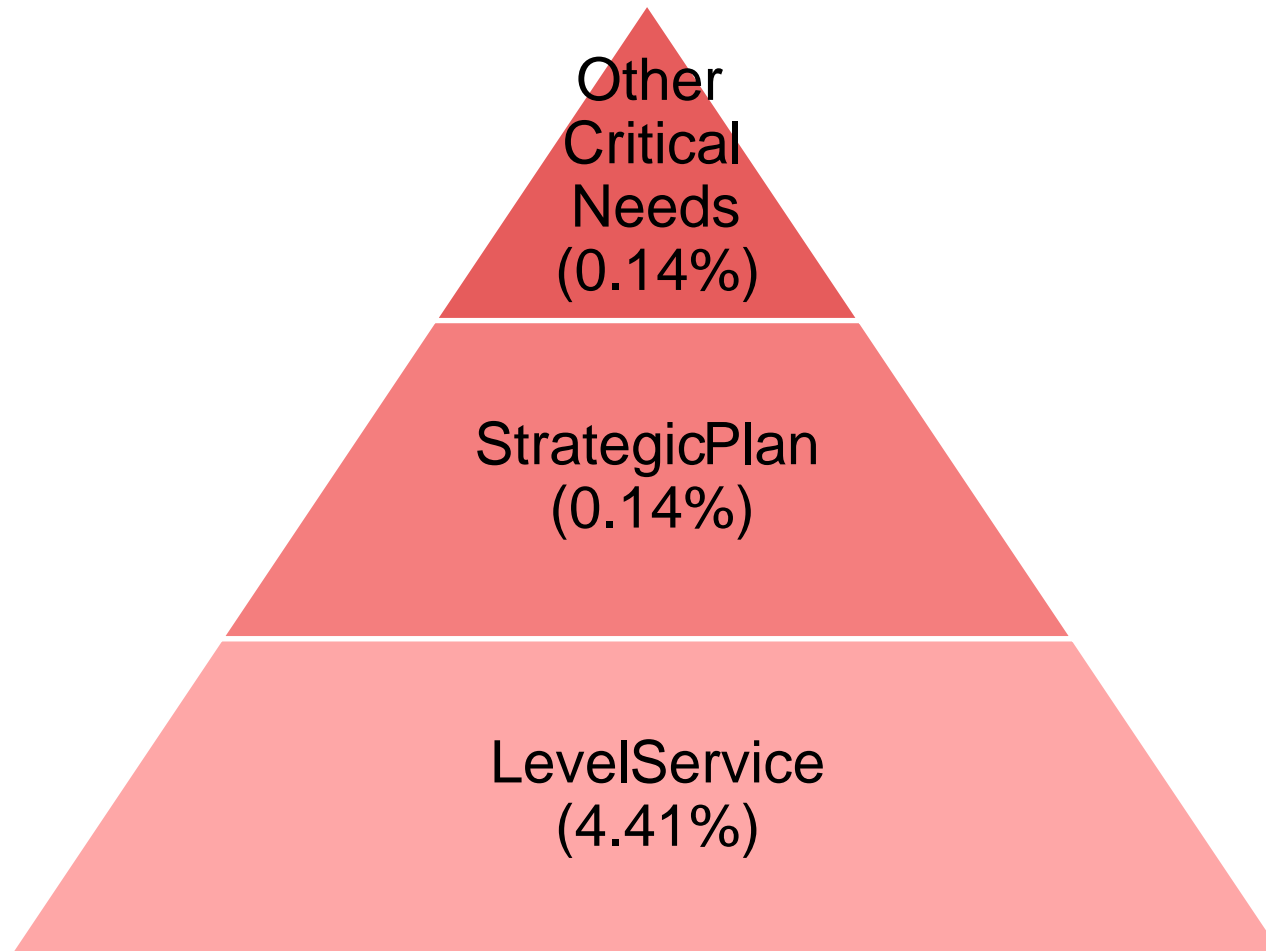
Ñ Identify savings/offsets to cover any new requests

Ñ Must have a clear, defensible rationale for all requests

Budget Process



Budget Process: Architecture



Budget Drivers: Enrollment

Level	FY'20 Oct. 1 Actual	FY'21 Projected	Variance
K - 5	2,094	2,060	-34
6 - 8	1,165	1,140	-25
9 - 12	1,499	1,490	-9
Total	4,758	4,690	-68

Budget Drivers: Compensation

Collective Bargaining Agreements expire at the end of SY'21-22

Ñ WTA Units A, B and C

Ñ WEPSA Units A and B

Cost Impact of Current Staff \$2,891,298

Ñ Steps 4.17%

Ñ Lanes 10.2% 7.7% 7.0%

Budget Drivers: Compensation

New positions are added based on mid-scale (1.0 FTE):

Professional Staff (Masters, Step 8)

Ñ Salary: \$74,759

Ñ Benefits: \$20,000



Special Education: OOD Placements

School Year	SY'15-16	SY'16-17	SY'17-18	SY'18-19	SY'19-20
Out of District	57	47	48	46	45
Settlements	9	<u>11</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>11</u>
Total	66	58	62	58	56

The distribution of total placement numbers across the various placement types is:

	SY'19-20	SY'20-21
Collaborative Placement	14 Students	14 Students
Private Day School	29 Students	27 Students
Residential In-State	14 Students	19 Students
Out-of-State	3 Students	3 Students

Special Education: OOD Placements

Placement	FY'20 Voted	FY'20* Adjusted	FY'20 Variance	FY'21 Request	FY'21 Variance
In-State Schools	\$0	\$51,299	\$51,299	\$0	(\$51,299)
Out-of-State	\$85,653	\$320,413	\$234,760	\$231,717	(\$88,696)
Collaborative	\$592,281	\$934,693	\$342,412	\$1,043,521	\$108,828
Prof. Services	\$17,087	\$58,561	\$41,474	\$58,561	\$0
Private Day	\$2,147,882	\$2,290,680	\$142,798	\$2,584,041	\$293,361
Residential	\$3,207,755	\$3,748,977	\$541,222	\$3,438,245	(\$310,732)
Total	\$6,050,658	\$7,404,623	\$1,353,965	\$7,356,085	(\$48,538)

The FY'20 Adjusted Budget includes \$483,007 in the Residential category which represents the expenses we anticipate will need to be covered by the Reserve / Stabilization

Circuit Breaker Reimbursement

FY	FY'17	FY'18	FY'19	FY'20 Budget	FY'21 Budget
Budgeted	\$2,988,362	\$3,341,578	\$3,540,980	\$2,964,307	\$3,319,681
Actual	\$2,851,857	\$2,944,086	\$2,917,950	\$3,007,954	
Gap	(\$136,505)	(\$397,492)	(\$623,030)	\$43,647	
%	70%/73%	72%/72%	72%/74.5%	73%/75%	75%

Tax-Exempt Lease Purchase (TELP)

Municipal Modernization Change to TELPs

Lease/Purchase Agreements (G.L. c.44, §21C) – The Act inserts a new section requiring a recommendation of the chief executive officer and a two-thirds vote of the legislative body to authorize a tax-exempt lease purchase agreement (“TELP”). Provided that an appropriation for the TELP is made in the first fiscal year, any TELP so approved is considered binding on the municipality as if the municipality had authorized debt.

School Use:

Replacement of vans (wheelchair and non-wheelchair)
Purchase of WHS Multi-Functional School Activity Bus (MFSAB)



FY'21 Level Service Positions

FY'21 Level Service Expenses







FY'21 Other Critical Need Expenses

School	Program Expense Description	Cost
District	Nurse Medical Supplies	\$2,725
District	Perf Arts.: Instructional Materials and Equipment Maintenance	\$3,272
District	Spec Ed.: Assistive Technology Equipment	\$1,712
Elementary	Art Professional Development Conference	\$1,400
Schofield	Principal Instructional Materials	\$330
WHS	Principal Dues	\$400
WHS	Principal Professional Development	\$1,400
WMS/HS	Fitness and Health: Equipment Maintenance	\$2,000
WMS/HS	World Lang. Field Trip Transportation, Seal of Biliteracy Proctors	\$4,960
Sub Total		\$18,199



Impact of 3.5% Budget Increase

Summary

Category	FTE	Cost	Benefits
Other Critical Needs Category	(3.20)	(\$108,361)	(\$22,500)
Strategic Plan Category	(1.40)	(\$104,663)	(\$20,000)
Level Service Category	(0.50)	(\$26,344)	\$0
Impact of 3.50% Budget	(5.10)	(\$239,368)	(\$42,500)

The potential reductions have not been vetted by the School Administration and School Committee. The items listed in these slides are potential reductions to illustrate the impact of a 3.5% budget increase.

FY'21 Summary

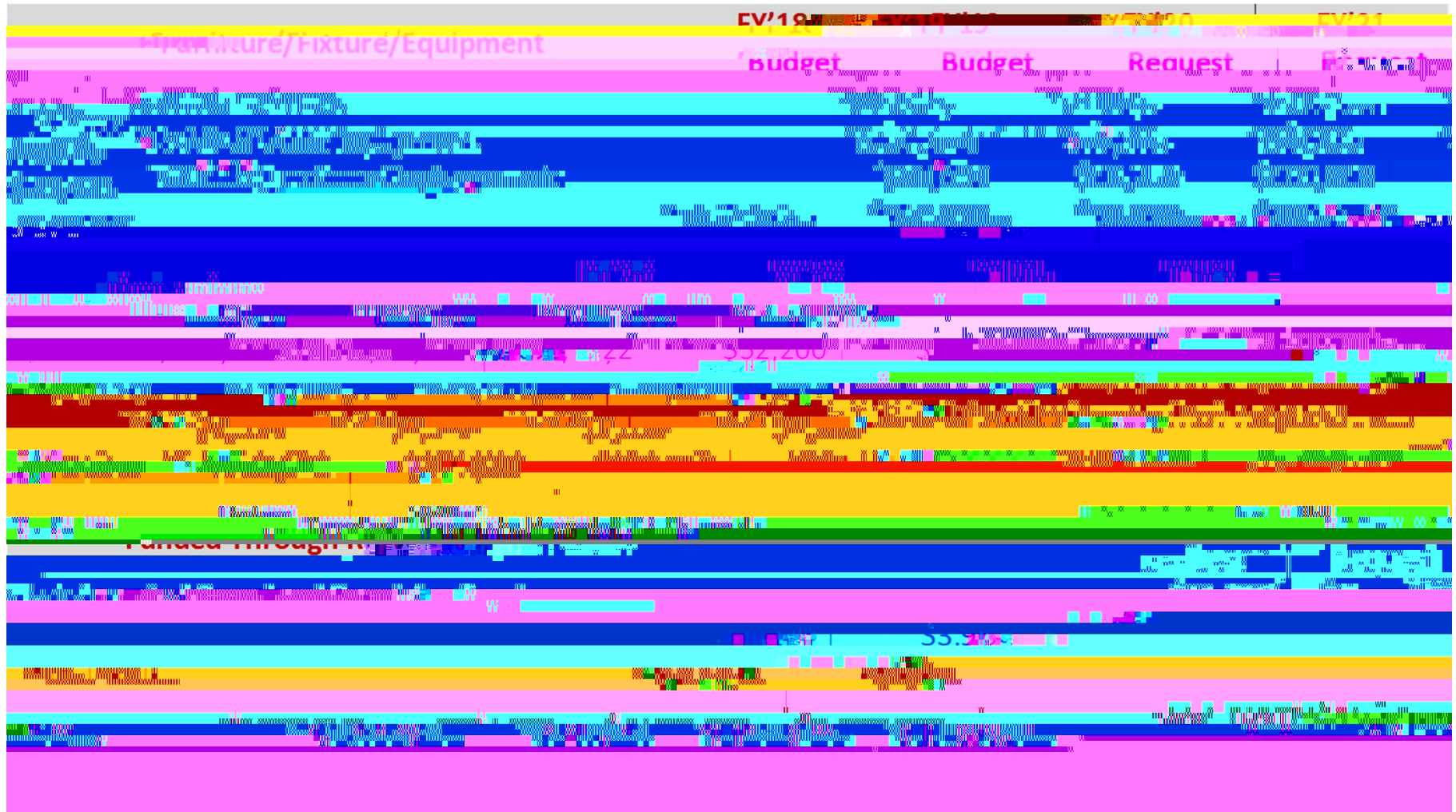




FY'21 Voted Budget

Capital Budget

Historical Cash Capital



FY'21 Cash Capital

Bates:

Furniture Replacement for 1 Grade Level	\$35,867
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Schofield:

Furniture Replacement of Teacher Desks	\$32,400
Chairs/Dollies for Auditorium	\$4,400
Music Risers	\$6,500

Wellesley Middle School:

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FY'21 Cash Capital

District:

Copier Leases / Purchases

\$51,660

FY'21 Technology Cash Capital

Technology (Replacement):

20 Desktop Replacements	\$25,250
565 Mobile Device Replac. (iPads)	\$230,650
91 Laptop Replacements	\$132,000
17 Printer Replacements	\$17,930
WiFi Coverage at Elementary	\$40,000
Server Replacement	\$150,000
UPS/Battery Replacement	\$2,000
30-40 Projector Replacements	\$60,000
2-3 Digital Video Cameras	\$2,580
20 Document Cameras	\$16,000
25 Projector Replacements (WHS)	\$47,000
15 Soundfield Systems (WMS)	\$31,440

FY'21 Technology Cash Capital

Technology (Replacement):

2 Smart Boards	\$5,000
Security Items	\$32,000
Fiber Network with MLP	\$25,000
WMS A/V Wiring Replacement HDMI	\$20,000
WHS Creston Replacement (AUD)	\$40,000
Installation Costs	\$7,500

Technology (New):

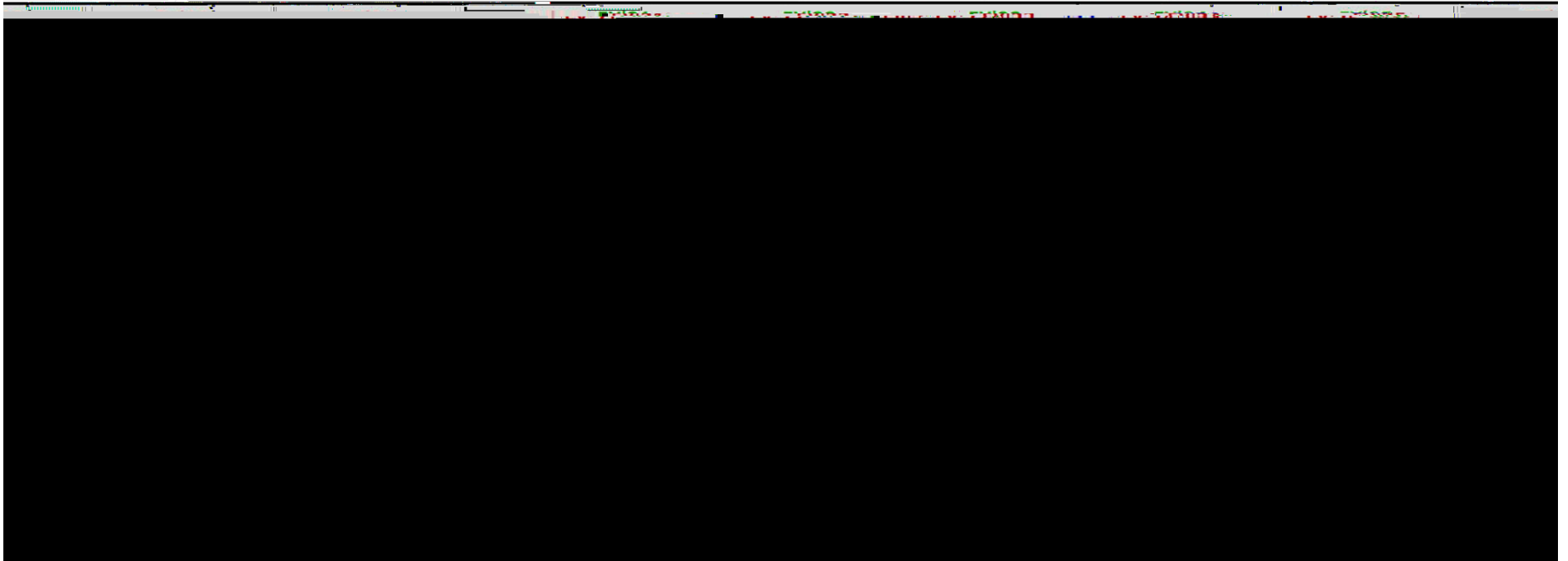
15 Computers (New Staff)	\$18,000
1:1 BYOL @ WHS	\$5,000
21 Soundfield Systems for Elementary	\$25,200
Assistive Tech: New Classrooms	\$9,000

FY'21 Revolving Funds

Facility Rental:

Hardy	\$1,329
Sprague	\$470
WMS	\$2,200

Five-Year Capital Plan



Questions?