

## Building Brighter Futures Together at the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board



# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, BUDGET PUBLIC AGENDA

Tuesday, July 21, 2020, 7:00 pm Zoom Meeting

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**Delegation 3.1** Miriam Rabkin and Marianne Ariganello- For Our Kids - Ottawa/Gatineau

Environmentally-responsible Personal Protective Equipment - PPE: What are the current plans for the use of PPE? Will staff be using masks while in the classroom? Will the school be providing masks for students? Or only for students that become ill at school? We would like to propose that schools choose masks that are reusable (cloth masks) or at the very least disposable masks that are biodegradable. The typical disposable masks are made from non woven polypropylene or similar polymer and will not break down in our landfills. Since Ottawa public health has approved the use of cotton masks as acceptable options, there is less need to choose disposable plastic masks.

2) Alternative transportation: We ask that the OCDSB support and promote active transportation and public transportation. Given that physical distancing is difficult in school buses and expanding the existing bus fleet would add significant cost to transportation budgets, we propose that the existing program, Walking School Bus, be expanded to allow for safe, lowcost, equitable and active transport for children across the OCDSB. This is also in better alignment with an equal start as many students from lower socio-economic backgrounds may not have the means to travel to school outside of a school bus or walking/biking. Given the multitude of benefits to active transportation, including greater focus and improved mental health, there are many reasons that this should be promoted. Ottawa City Councillor Riley Brockington has submitted a motion to increase the safety around schools to increase active transportation for both walking and biking so that the promotion of active transportation can be done safely. Active transportation is also aligned with the statement to the Minister of Education from the Ontario Active Student Travel Council. We would also like you to consider expanding the walking school bus to include ways that students can travel to school via scooter or bike. Young children may not be able to walk far, but many can easily use a scooter. This would thus expand the capacity of the program. As an active promoter of biking, we are certain Envirocentre would be willing to provide support and guidance on how to expand or add a "rolling" school bus program to the existing programs. How much money is already being committed to the walking school bus for this year? Are there currently any plans to increase this amount due to the restrictions for the school buses? If so, by how much?

We would also like to inquire about the Green Climate Fund. It was approved in June 2019 and launched in early 2020. How many applications were submitted? What were the proposed projects and estimated budgets for those projects? What schools participated in the submission of a project? What were the criteria used to determine which projects were funded?

Lastly, we encourage as much outdoor time as possible in the context of learning for the coming year - for the wellbeing of teachers and students, physical and mental, with a bonus that it will connect our children to nature and make even stronger ties for the future. We are happy to work together with the district and educators to identify ways that this could happen to complement the curriculum.

We look forward to working with the OCDSB in the future when the COVID pandemic starts winding down, to build a future for our children that is not only sustainable but also provides opportunities for environmental learning and leadership.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Miriam Rabkin Marianne Ariganello

### For Our Kids - Ottawa/Gatineau

## **Background material:**

### **Masks**

• For mandatory mask wearing, Ottawa public health provides information on cloth masks in their Q&As: https://www.ottawapublichealth.ca/en/public-health-topics/masks.aspx

## **Active Transportation**

- A motion was passed by Riley Brockington to support a greater focus on active transportation: <a href="http://rileybrockington.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/N-Motion-Brockington-Active-Transportation-School.pdf">http://rileybrockington.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/N-Motion-Brockington-Active-Transportation-School.pdf</a>
- Ontario Active School Travel council statement:
   <a href="https://ontarioactiveschooltravel.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Council-Statement-and-Guidelines-for-School-Reopening-Combined-Final-18-June-2020.docx.pdf">https://ontarioactiveschooltravel.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Council-Statement-and-Guidelines-for-School-Reopening-Combined-Final-18-June-2020.docx.pdf</a>



# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (BUDGET) Report No. 20-063

21 July 2020

2020-2021 Staff-Recommended Budget

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## **PURPOSE:**

1. To present and seek approval of the 2020-2021 Staff-Recommended Budget.

## **CONTEXT:**

2. The Committee of the Whole Budget (COW Budget) has had several meetings this year which have helped to inform the process for the development of the 2020-2021 Staff-Recommended Budget. To date, the Committee has received an overview of the District's projected financial position for the current year, discussed challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic and were presented with possible areas of focus and investment in 2020-2021. In addition, members of the Committee have expressed opinions regarding priorities for the OCDSB in the coming year. In developing its recommendations, staff has considered those suggestions as well as input provided by principals and others throughout the year.

The development of a budget is always complicated because of the necessity to rely on estimates. Line items for both revenues and expenses rely on the estimates of enrolment, general price increases and trends in staff recruitment, retention and benefit costs. The capacity to use the accumulated surplus in balancing the budget also relies on forecasts of the current year's financial results. A conservative approach has been employed in establishing the budget recommendations.

This year's budget process has been complicated by the timing of the release of information from the Ministry of Education through its memorandum 2020 B08: Grants for Student Needs (GSN) Funding for 2020-21. The delay was the direct result of the provincial government's focus on its response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The memo, which was released on 19 June 2020, provides information about funding for 2020-2021. Complementing the memo is the annual technical paper that supports the provincial announcement with enhanced detail on funding benchmarks.

Of particular importance is the Education Finance Information System (EFIS). EFIS uses the District's student and staff demographics, along with school facility information, to estimate the funding that will be provided to support students and allocated in alignment with the Board's strategic plan and provincial regulatory framework. Access to EFIS was also provided on 19 June 2020. Populating the system with the District's information has provided highly accurate funding projections.

As outlined further in this report, this year's budget is focused on providing services to students; however, the increased use of the District's accumulated surplus is reflected in the recommendations in response to a number of unique circumstances. These include:

- the need to establish a budget provision to respond to COVID-related cost pressures and expectations regarding healthy work and learning spaces;
- the provision of enabling technologies amid potential pandemic outbreaks;
- offsetting a one-time funding shortfall relating to the Ministry's secondary teacher classroom staffing ratio and that established by the District's collective agreement with the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (OSSTF); and
- addressing anticipated revenue losses resulting from decreased international student enrolment.

The 2019-2023 Strategic Plan, a copy of which is attached as Appendix A, has guided the development of the budget recommendations. Staffing enhancements are, for the most part, aligned to provide students with excellent learning opportunities reflective of the caring, supportive and innovative culture envisioned by the Board. The recommendations also reflect the District's commitment to the responsible stewardship of environmental, human and financial resources.

## 3. Consideration of the Ministry's Budget Requirements

While budget preparation has continued, school districts have also been developing back to school plans in conformity with broad Ministry guidelines. It has become increasingly obvious that school districts will need additional funding to address needs such as the significant distribution of personal protective equipment (PPE), cleaning and disinfecting supplies, as well as enhanced cleaning practices.

The recommended budget is designed to carry the District through to the fall when there will be better information available to review existing estimates, as well as enrolment projections. In addition, staff anticipates that there may be additional announcements regarding revisions to the GSN to support COVID-19 related costs and a safer return to school.

As recently as 20 July 2020, the Ministry has indicated that the province will be assisting with the procurement and provision of PPE on behalf of school boards. There has been no discussion of the potential manner of the inter-governmental recovery of those costs.

Despite all of these uncertainties, the Board is required to adopt a "compliant" budget prior to 01 September 2020. The *Education Act* states:

## Board shall adopt estimates

232 (1) Every board, before the beginning of each fiscal year and in time to comply with the date set under clause (6) (c), shall prepare and adopt estimates of its revenues and expenses for the fiscal year. 2009, c. 34, Sched. I, s. 4.

### Same

(2) Where final financial statements are not available, the calculation of any amount for the purposes of this Act or the regulations shall be based on the most recent data available. 2009, c. 34, Sched. I, s. 4.

## Balanced budget

(3) A board shall not adopt estimates that indicate the board would have an invear deficit for the fiscal year. 2009, c. 34, Sched. I, s. 4.

### Exception

- (4) Despite subsection (3), a board may adopt estimates for a fiscal year that indicate the board would have an in-year deficit for the fiscal year if,
  - (a) a regulation is made under subsection 231 (2) and the estimated inyear deficit would be equal to or less than the maximum amount determined in accordance with that regulation;
  - (b) the Minister has approved a deficit under clause 231 (1) (b) and the estimated in-year deficit would be equal to or less than the amount approved by the Minister;
  - (c) an in-year deficit is permitted as part of a financial recovery plan under Division C.1; or
  - (d) the board is subject to an order under subsection 230.3 (2) or 257.31
  - (2) or (3). 2009, c. 34, Sched. I, s. 4; 2019, c. 7, Sched. 20, s. 3.

## Minister's approval

(5) In deciding whether to grant his or her approval for a fiscal year for the purpose of clause (4) (b), the Minister shall consider the factors set out in subsection 231 (3). 2009, c. 34, Sched. I, s. 4

As noted elsewhere, a budget with a deficit of no more than 1.0% is deemed compliant. In the case of the budget currently recommended by staff, the approval of the Minister will be required and staff is in the process of obtaining that approval.

Should additional information arise regarding funding or the Ministry's response to the proposed deficit elimination plan, members of COW Budget will be immediately advised.

## **KEY CONSIDERATIONS:**

## 4. Budget Risk

Annually, staff evaluates significant risk factors that could affect next year's financial outcomes. Variability in projected enrolments (and consequently funding) is always considered, as well as assumptions around future cost pressures in response to unforeseen service needs. Key risks include:

- enrolment variability;
- fluctuations in revenues and expenses;
- normal in-year budget pressures; and
- the political environment.

Repercussions of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic represent a significant uncertainty that permeates all key risk areas.

## 5. Enrolment Variability

Student enrolment projections for the school year are one of the most critical elements affecting budget development. Enrolment is measured twice each year and reflected as average daily enrolment (ADE). The enrolment projections are based on trends, knowledge of changing municipal demographics and District initiatives such as the opening of new schools, boundary and program changes, as well as the opening of new schools by other school districts. On a system basis, enrolment projections have usually been close to 1.0% of actual enrolment; however, there can be larger school-by-school variances that can create staffing pressures or savings opportunities.

The District continues to experience enrolment growth and staff is cautiously optimistic that this will continue, but it is unlikely to be as robust as what has been experienced in the past three years. The recommended budget shows projected 2020-2021 day school ADE of 74,354. This number represents an ADE increase of 735 (1.0%) relative to the 2019-2020 budgeted ADE of 73,619.

Increased enrolment is accompanied by additional funding and, potentially, additional student support costs. Should enrolment be greater than projected, staff would proceed with the mandatory teacher and early childhood educator (ECE) staffing required by the collective agreements and/or regulation. If necessary, a report identifying any additional required investments would be presented to COW during the 2020-2021 school year.

It must be acknowledged that concerns regarding potential adverse health consequences that may result from a COVID-19 infection may influence enrolment decisions. As directed by the Board, plans are being developed based on a number of learning scenarios which include the full reopening of schools and a continuation of the learn-at-home strategy. However, a significant unknown is the pandemic's effect on enrolment, particularly in the kindergarten programs. It is possible that some children, in both the junior and senior kindergarten programs, may instead opt to defer entering the school system for a period of time. Any enrolment loss would reduce related funding, but strategies to offset the revenue loss would be pursued.

## 6. Fluctuations in Revenues and Expenses

The revenues and expenses in the recommended budget have been prepared based on recent experience and influenced by assumptions regarding both known and anticipated changes. For example, compensation costs will increase as a result of increased staffing levels as well as the general wage increase for unionized staff provided for by recently ratified central agreements. Although the additional budget provisions are believed appropriate, there are always fluctuations in the actual staffing patterns as compared to the assumptions used for budget purposes. These fluctuations create variances that must be monitored on a continual basis in an effort to improve budget accuracy and to mitigate any adverse financial consequences.

## 7. In-Year Budget Pressures

From time to time, departments and schools must respond to emerging needs not specifically provided for in the annual budget. In the past, the District has had to address pressing health, safety and student accommodation issues, provide additional staff resources to support students in special education programs and respond to extenuating weather-related maintenance needs that created spending pressures. Monitoring actual performance in relation to the Board's approved budget allows for the identification of opportunities to reallocate resources to meet such needs.

## 8. Political Environment

Significant costs have been incurred by all levels of government in response to the pandemic. These costs include wage replacement and supports, additional costs for multi-faceted health needs and expanded requirements for PPE. Many of these pressures, which are expected to continue for some time to come, have been accompanied by significant revenue losses for each level of government as a result of the ensuing economic downturn.

These large deficits will have to be managed in future years. It can be expected that all levels of government will be looking for opportunities to reduce costs. It is likely that the District may have reduced funding in future years and this will translate into a need to identify savings in all areas of the District's services while continuing to respond to the needs of students and families.

## 9. Summary of Changes in the Operating Budget

Table 1 compares the total revenues and expenses for 2020-2021 with the current year. The deficit is expected to be \$17.2 million. The larger deficit is attributable to a combination of lower than expected revenue enhancements and increased expenses. These changes are elaborated upon in the following sections.

Table 1 – Comparison of Staff-Recommended Budget to Approved Budget

	2020-2021 Recommended Budget	2019-2020 Approved Budget	Change	Increase
	\$	\$	\$	%
Revenues	991,165,070	971,802,494	19,362,576	2.0
Expenses	1,008,346,935	980,245,968	28,100,967	2.9
Deficit	17,181,865	8,443,474	8,738,391	

Appendix B presents a summary of planned expenses by funding envelope. The amounts shown in the summary are expanded upon in the subsequent sections.

## 10. Revenues

As illustrated in Table 1, a projected revenue increase of \$19.4 million is expected in 2020-2021. This is a 2.0% increase over the revenue budgeted for 2019-2020. The increase reflects the additional revenue generated by enrolment growth, funding of the negotiated wage increases provided for by ratified collective agreements, and new funding provided by the Supports for Students Fund (SSF) grants. The total increase in GSN revenue, net of revenue deferrals, is \$30.8 million.

It is important to highlight that a significant shortfall is expected in relation to secondary classroom teacher funding reflected in the GSN. The recently ratified collective agreement with secondary teachers assumes a student to classroom teacher ratio of 23:1. However, academic staffing was initially based on the previous collective agreement formulae (approximately 22:1) which resulted in 58.0 FTE unfunded positions. A subsequent staffing update identified savings in teacher assignments which reduced the unfunded positions to 38.0 FTE or approximately \$4.1 million. These positions will be supported using the accumulated surplus.

The increased GSN funding is offset by various reductions in non-grant revenues including a significant \$4.9 million decrease in international student fees, a \$5.7 million reduction in deferred capital contributions, a \$2.1 million decrease in Priorities and Partnerships Fund (PPF) grants (some of which were transferred to the GSN) and other miscellaneous revenue reductions totaling \$2.0 million. The reductions are offset by an anticipated one-time revenue increase of \$3.3 million resulting from the transition to employee life and health trusts (ELHTs) and the wind-up of the benefit plans previously managed by the District.

The anticipated revenues are summarized in Appendix C.

## 11. Expenses

There has been significant discussion during COW Budget meetings around the importance of ensuring that resources are allocated in a manner that enhances the cultures of innovation, caring, and social responsibility as identified in the District's 2019-2023 Strategic Plan.

A key task when developing the annual budget is an assessment of how the limited resources can best be used to achieve the desired outcomes. The staff-recommended budget attempts to balance needs to:

- align with the strategic priorities identified by the Board for improving student achievement and well-being;
- meet Ministry, regulatory and collective agreement obligations related to the number and/or the nature of positions established by the District;
- maintain, to the extent possible, existing core services and supports provided by teachers and support staff; and
- prioritize services and supports for students who may be at risk, students who
  have traditionally been underserved by typical structures, and students with the
  highest needs.

The net increase in expenses for 2020-2021 in comparison to last year's approved budget is \$28.1 million, which is a 2.9% increase.

The most significant cost increase relates to the cost of living adjustment established by ratified collective agreements. Each agreement provides for an annual 1.0% wage increase retroactive to 01 September 2019. The effect of the wage increase in the 2020-2021 Staff-Recommended Budget is a 2.0% increase relative to the wage base shown in last year's approved budget. Adjustments to the employer's contribution to benefit plans administered through ELHTs ranged from 1.0% to 4.0%, annually. In total, these compensation adjustments account for over \$17.9 million of the increase in budgeted expenses.

The recommended budget also reflects enhanced staffing in response to increased enrolment and specialized classes, additional staffing enabled by the union-specific SSF grants, and additional staffing in response to specific needs such as special education and information technology security. Recommendations reflect a total of 218.93 additional FTE, which if fully approved, would increase the staff complement to 8,370.16 FTE.

Most of the identified staffing adjustments have been previously approved by the Board through three reports, as follows:

- Report 20-031, Academic Staffing for 2020-2021;
- Report 20-050, Revised Secondary Teacher Staffing for 2020-2021; and
- Report 20-058, Administrative and Support Staffing for 2020-2021.

Academic staffing recommendations have increased the teacher and school administration complement by 59.52 FTE while administrative and support staffing approvals account for an additional 126.45 FTE. A further 32.96 FTE are recommended for approval within the budget document and, of these, 21.0 FTE would be supported by the SSF grant for elementary teachers.

Significant non-compensation adjustments have been made. As previously mentioned, a provision has been identified to support incremental costs that may be incurred as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The provision is \$4.0 million and is in addition to the

custodial positions that will be created using the SSF grant specifically identified for the Plant Support Staff Unit (PSSU). The provision would be used to support enhanced cleaning protocols and supply consumption, to offset extraordinary cost increases for supplies and protective equipment, to acquire additional resources that may be needed to ensure safe learning and work environments, and to ensure continuity of learning in the face of localized illness in schools. Financial reports will be provided to the Board during 2020-2021 summarizing the incremental costs incurred due to the pandemic.

A significant reduction in amortization expenses has also been shown in the recommended budget. The reduction, totaling \$5.1 million, relates to updated information on the District's tangible capital assets. As a reminder, during 2018-2019, the Ministry directed all school boards to review the remaining service life (RSL) of major capital assets using a prescribed methodology. The RSL is used in determining the expenses (and associated revenues) reported in a year based on straight-line amortization rules. The review identified that significant investments made in recent years had extended the RSL of many schools, which in turn, has resulted in lower amortization expenses in 2020-2021 and subsequent years. A corresponding decrease in deferred capital contribution revenue has also been reported in the recommended budget.

The changes in expenses are summarized in Appendix D based on cost groupings. Appendix E expands on these changes with additional detail including explanations of how and/or why a change was recommended. Appendix F presents a comparative expense summary by program area.

Also attached as Appendix G is a copy of Report 20-037, Reflecting on the Board Retreat-Discussing Equity in Programming. This report focuses on Board and senior staff discussions about the importance of equity and programming at the District. This information is attached as an example of the information that is considered during the budget development process.

## 12. Capital Budget

The 2020-2021 Capital Budget is a high-level spending plan that identifies the cumulative amount of planned spending by funding source. Total capital spending authorization is expected to be \$97.9 million.

Use of funding identified as education development charges (EDC), school condition improvement (SCI), school renewal and accumulated surplus have either been previously approved by the Board with expected completion in 2020-2021 or are subject to further Board approval. Such approvals may be submitted individually (e.g., land acquisition) or be identified as part of the Facilities department's comprehensive capital spending program.

Of the total capital budget, \$12.8 million has been identified to acquire physical assets such as furniture, equipment and computers. These assets, commonly referred to as minor tangible capital assets (MTCA), are supported by the use of GSN funding that has been set aside for such investments. If not used during the school year, the GSN funds identified for MTCA will be redirected to support operating costs in accordance

with Ministry requirements. Acquisitions using MTCA are subject to procurement limits and processes authorized by Board policy.

Table 2 summarizes the anticipated capital spending capacity as presented in the 2020-2021 Staff-Recommended Budget.

Table 2 – Capital Spending Capacity by Funding Source (amounts in millions)

	Ministry Grants	MTCA Funding	Accum. Surplus	EDC	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Capital Priorities	21.1				21.1
Land (Development Charges)				5.8	5.8
School Renewal	8.0				8.0
School Condition Improvement	46.5				46.5
Child Care Capital	1.4				1.4
Administration Buildings			0.7		0.7
Portable Purchases			1.6		1.6
Furniture and Equipment		12.8			12.8
	77.0	12.8	2.3	5.8	97.9
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Almost all capital funding sources have strict guidelines on the types of eligible expenses that may be incurred. For example, EDC are collected solely for the acquisition and/or servicing of land for new schools or for major renovations to existing schools. Similarly, school boards are required to direct 70% of their SCI funding to address major building components (e.g., foundations, roofs, windows) and systems (e.g., plumbing and heating, ventilation and air conditioning). The remaining 30% of SCI funding can be used to address the above listed building components or, alternatively, building interiors and surrounding site components (e.g., utilities, parking and pavements). SCI spending is restricted to depreciable assets and must also be reported to the Ministry in its prescribed format. Other capital grants have similar restrictions.

The most flexible funding source is the MTCA allocation established using the GSN operating allocation. The use of the funding is highly flexible in that any unused money can be used for any operating need, but it is also the only grant funding specifically identified for the acquisition of furniture and equipment, including computers.

Questions have been asked regarding the ability to repurpose capital grants to support other high-priority initiatives in response to pandemic-related challenges. Staff has consulted with the Ministry regarding the potential to use SCI and school renewal grants to support the extraordinary costs that are anticipated in the coming year. Expenses envisioned would include plexiglass partitions to enhance safety in school offices, modifications to HVAC systems to improve fresh air circulation, more frequent HVAC maintenance activities including filter replacement, and temporary alterations to learning spaces including classroom furnishing costs. At this time, the Ministry has not indicated a willingness to modify how the grants can be used. Discussions with the Ministry will continue as will staff's efforts to pursue opportunities that best utilize the funding in accordance with existing spending restrictions.

## 13. <u>Accumulated Surplus</u>

An accumulated surplus is the excess of revenues over expenses that has resulted over time.

The *Education Act* allows the Board to use its accumulated surplus to balance its operating budget, but it also restricts the use in any school year to 1.0% of the operating grants provided by the Ministry. This amount is \$8.8 million for 2020-2021. Approval to use accumulated surplus in excess of this amount must be obtained from the Ministry.

Table 3 presents the components of accumulated surplus and shows the anticipated use and alignment of the projected 2020-2021 net operating deficit of \$17.2 million. The District's recommended budget deficit is almost double that permitted without additional approval. The Ministry has been advised of the circumstances underlying the increased reliance on the accumulated surplus and a formal application has been submitted requesting Ministry approval of the additional funds.

Table 3 – Accumulated Surplus Available for Compliance

·	Projected as at	Projected as at	Change
	31 Aug 2021	31 Aug 2020	increase (decrease)
	\$	\$	\$
Available for compliance			
Restricted-committed capital	10,438,731	8,785,584	1,653,147
Internally appropriated			
Extended Day Program	685,616	940,000	(254,384)
Budgets carried forward	1,656,145	1,656,145	-
Business Systems	500,000	2,000,000	(1,500,000)
Contingencies	5,000,000	17,200,000	(12,200,000)
Unappropriated	1,364,820	6,245,448	(4,880,628)
	19,645,312	36,827,177	(17,181,865)

The most recent forecast presented to COW Budget was used to project the accumulated surplus available at 31 August 2020. The forecast was recently updated to reflect anticipated government funding to support compensation costs incurred by the Extended Day and Child Care programs during the closure period. The additional funding is estimated to be \$4.1 million.

## 14. In-Year Deficit Elimination Plan

The Ministry requires that a board approve a deficit elimination plan when a district is projecting an adjusted in-year deficit. The plan must identify how the adjusted deficit will be eliminated within two fiscal years. The adjustment relates to the amortization of Board-approved committed capital projects incurred between 01 September 2010 and 31 August 2019.

The District's adjusted in-year deficit is projected to be close to \$16.5 million. The District's deficit elimination plan will be included with the 2020-2021 Staff-Recommended Budget. It is influenced by the amount of accumulated surplus available that can be used to manage the elimination of the deficit.

## **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**

15. For 2020-2021, the recommended budget reflects positive changes in the level of services for students while also addressing a number of one-time pressures relating to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The budget contains previously approved increases in the number of teachers in response to enrolment growth, more specialized classes for students with special needs, increases to supports in Learning Support Services (LSS) including additional educational assistants (EA) and additional staffing to address the ongoing behavioural and mental health issues that are impacting students.

The 2020-2021 Staff-Recommended Budget anticipates increased use of the District's accumulated surplus in an amount that exceeds the level specifically authorized by the *Education Act*. This amount, commonly referred to as the 1.0% compliance limit, restricts its use to \$8.8 million. Additional Ministry authorization to use the accumulated surplus to support District operations is required.

## **COMMUNICATION/CONSULTATION ISSUES:**

16. The delayed announcement of funding details and the restrictions on the use of accumulated surplus has made this a most unusual year from a budget development perspective. Opportunities for broader public consultation were limited as a result of the need to focus on responding to the public health emergency. However, staff has continued to take into account the advice received from COW Budget, Board advisory committees, as well as principals and other staff. Information regarding pandemic-related challenges received from Ottawa Public Health, the Ministry and other organizations has also been considered as part of the overall budget recommendations. As in past years, recommendations have been guided by the Board's strategic plan.

Under normal circumstances, the 2020-2021 Budget would have been approved by the Board before the end of June 2020 as required by the Ministry, but the provincial government's focus on responding to the pandemic delayed the GSN announcement until close to the end of June. The Ministry has extended the budget approval timeline to 19 August 2020. The remaining scheduled meeting dates for COW Budget are as follows:

21 July 2020	Presentation of the 2020-2021 Staff-Recommended Budget
11 August 2020	Delegations/questions/budget debate
13 August 2020	Delegations/questions/budget debate
18 August 2020	Delegations/questions/budget debate

Provision has been made for a Special Board meeting to immediately follow the 18 August 2020 COW Budget meeting, once a recommendation has been approved.

The District website includes a landing page for financial information with quick links to both the current budget and budgets for prior years. Relevant supporting information such as budget questions and answers is also available. The webpage has been updated so that focus is placed on the development of the 2020-2021 Budget. Access

to all public documents, such as budget reports and presentations, is easily obtained from the webpage.

As has been done in the past, an email link for budget questions and comments has been established. While individual responses are not always possible, every effort is made to respond to questions in a timely manner.

## STRATEGIC LINKS:

17. The 2019-2023 Strategic Plan focuses on creating a culture of social responsibility that continues to foster responsible stewardship of financial resources. The Board's stewardship of the District's financial resources continues to be one of its primary functions and the budget will set the operating plan for the coming year. An effective debate leading to approval of the budget is a cornerstone of sound governance practice. The progress made in rebuilding its accumulated surplus, and continuing to enhance services to students is a credit to the efforts of the entire District. This has allowed the OCDSB to develop a budget that mitigates some of the immediate impacts of this year's funding challenges and financial demands, allowing time for a more complete review of how to move forward in the face of anticipated resource reductions in future years.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

- A. THAT the unconsolidated 2020-2021 operating budget of \$1,008.3 million as presented in Report 20-063, 2020-2021 Staff-Recommended Budget and detailed in the 2020-2021 Staff-Recommended Budget Binder be approved, subject to Ministry authorization to use the accumulated surplus in the amount required to balance the budget;
- B. THAT the 2020-2021 capital budget of \$97.9 million as presented in the 2020-2021 Staff-Recommended Budget Binder, be approved; and
- C. THAT the In-Year Deficit Elimination plan as presented in the 2020-2021 Staff-Recommended Budget Binder, be approved.

Mike Carson	Camille Williams-Taylor
Chief Financial Officer	Director of Education and Secretary
	of the Board

## **APPENDICES**

Appendix A – 2019-2023 Strategic Plan

Appendix B – Enveloping by Program Area

Appendix C – Comparative Summary of Grants and Other Revenues

Appendix D – Summary of Changes in Operating Expenses

Appendix E – Explanation of Changes in Operating Expenses

Appendix F – Comparative Summary of Operating Expenses by Program Area

Appendix G – Report 20-037, Reflecting on the Board Retreat-Discussing Equity in Programming

## Educating for Success — Inspiring Learning, Developing Well-Being and Building Social Responsibility

Recognizing that learning, well-being and equity are the core of our work, our strategic plan is focused on building a culture that supports and engages students, staff and community. Our new plan has three key objectives —

to create a Culture of Innovation, a Culture of Caring, and a Culture of Social Responsibility. Each objective has one of three goals — one with a student focus, one with a staff focus and one with a system focus.

These goals are supported by strategies that will guide our work; outcomes that describe the change we want to happen; and key performance indicators that will help us to measure our progress.

## **Culture of Innovation**

We will build a learning community where innovation and inquiry drive learning.



- Champion high learning expectations for all students in all programs;
- Promote collaborative environments which foster innovation and creativity;
- Modernize instruction and administrative processes.

**Goal-oriented** 

### **Desired Outcomes:**

#### For Students

- Improved student achievement;
- Increased graduation success in all pathways;
- Increased sense of relevance and motivation for students;

#### For Staff

- Increased capacity to support personalization of learning;
- · Increased leadership capacity; and

#### For System

 Improved business processes and efficiency.

## **Strategies:**

- Establish targets for student achievement;
- Provide professional learning and tools to support quality instruction and collaboration:
- Create conditions to support creativity, innovation and evidencebased practice;
- · Modernize learning and enhance student experience; and
- Optimize resources and technology to modernize business processes.

## **Culture of Caring**

We will advance equity and a sense of belonging to promote a safe and caring community.

## Goals

- Prioritize the dignity and well-being of students in inclusive and caring classrooms:
- Champion and nurture a safe, caring and respectful workplace; and
- Build authentic engagement with and among our communities

### **Desired Outcomes:**

#### For Students

- Improved equity of access, opportunity and outcomes;
- Improved student well-being;
- Enhanced student safety;

#### For Staff

- Improved employee well-being;
- Improved employee engagement;

#### For System

- Increased parent voice;
- Increased community partnerships; and
- More representative workforce.

## **Strategies:**

- Build system capacity in equity and inclusive practice to support education, engagement and reconciliation with historically marginalized groups;
- Provide learning opportunities and resources to support student well-being;
- Foster conditions to improve workplace safety and employee well-being;
- Enhance communications and develop mechanisms to build employee engagement; and
- Build system capacity to support parent and family engagement at the classroom, school and district levels.

## **Culture of Social Responsibility**

We will strengthen our community through ethical leadership, equitable practice, and responsible stewardship.



## Goals

- Remove barriers to equity of access, opportunity, and outcomes;
- Model responsive and ethical leadership and accountability; and
- Foster progressive stewardship of the environment, and humar and financial resources.

### **Desired Outcomes:**

#### For Students

- Improved social and emotional skills;
- · Increased student voice;
- Improved student behaviour;
- Reduced disproportionate representation;

#### For Staff

- Improved leadership capacity;
- Improved employee engagement and recognition;

#### For System

- · Improved decision-making;
- Improved governance practices; and
- Improved environmental practice and reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.

## **Strategies:**

- Support and encourage the development of our Exit Outcomes and life skills in all students;
- · Build leadership capacity and succession plans;
- Build system capacity in environmental stewardship, resource allocation and risk management; and
- Collect and use data to inform instructional practice, policy, and decision making.

**EXIT OUTCOMES** — What we want for our graduates

**CHARACTERISTICS** 

**SKILLS** 

Innovative/ Creative

Enveloping by Program Area

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	Grants and Other Revenues	Expenses	Difference
	\$	\$	\$
Instruction	610,714,263	610,461,645	252,618
Instruction - Special Education	117,889,731	131,395,684	(13,505,953)
Continuing Education	12,332,640	10,908,889	1,423,751
Transportation	44,163,065	46,901,818	(2,738,753)
Facilities/Learning Environment	93,305,590	96,614,211	(3,308,621)
Central Administration	23,081,975	21,600,432	1,481,543
Amortization	56,104,376	56,764,826	(660,450)
Staff Secondments	6,270,668	6,590,648	(319,980)
Net Interest Charges for Debt and Capital Works	7,024,378	6,576,014	448,364
Extended Day and Child Care Programs	20,278,384	20,532,768	(254,384)
Total	991,165,070	1,008,346,935	(17,181,865)

Comparative Summary of Grants and Other Revenues

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	2020-21	Budget minus	Change	2019-20	2019-20
	Budget	PY Budget	from PY	Budget	Rev Est
	\$	\$		\$	\$
GSN Operating Allocations					
Pupil Foundation-ADE only	417,061,422	31,439,886	8.2%	385,621,536	385,425,261
School Foundation	54,326,824	815,615	1.5%	53,511,209	53,403,779
Special Education	103,140,937	1,893,432	1.9%	101,247,505	101,177,962
Language	36,647,317	1,939,366	5.6%	34,707,951	34,812,797
Rural and Small Community Allocation	197,694	3,213	1.7%	194,481	194,481
Learning Opportunity (includes mental health leader)	20,113,906	670,127	3.4%	19,443,779	19,078,676
Adult Education, Continuing Ed, Summer School	6,987,933	(686,800)	-8.9%	7,674,733	7,121,869
Cost Adjustment / Teacher Qualification and Exp.	79,153,040	(22,774,856)	-22.3%	101,927,896	98,261,195
ECE Qualification and Experience Allocation	3,776,930	(120,312)	-3.1%	3,897,242	3,827,749
New Teacher Induction Program (NTIP)	675,500	164,288	32.1%	511,212	511,212
Restraint Savings (Regulatory)	(279,158)	(250 120)	0.0%	(279,158)	(279,158)
Transportation	43,537,476	(358,120)	-0.8%	43,895,596 20,747,693	43,064,411
Administration and Governance	20,304,976	(442,717) 1,462,735	-2.1% 1.9%	78,484,394	20,734,389 78,189,544
School Operations Community Use of Schools	79,947,129 1,073,525		-0.5%	1,078,910	1,078,910
Indigenous Education Allocation	3,054,479	(5,385) 770,794	33.8%	2,283,685	2,710,885
Mental Health and Well-Being (Safe and Accepting)	2,569,591	664,431	34.9%	1,905,160	1,902,757
Supports for Students Fund	6,871,859	6,871,859	34.9% n/a	1,905,100	1,902,737
Program Leadership	998,303	998,303	n/a	_	-
Permanent Financing of NPF (Board 55 Trust)	2,523,115	990,303	0.0%	2,523,115	2,523,115
Fernialient Financing of NFT (Board 55 Trust)	882,682,798	23,305,859	2.7%	859,376,939	853,739,834
GSN Capital Allocations and Revenue Adjustments	002,002,790	25,505,659	2.7 70	009,070,909	000,709,004
School Renewal (Operating)	5,087,333	_		5,087,333	5,087,333
Interest on Capital Projects (OFA)	4,501,263	(104,306)	-2.3%	4,605,569	4,666,219
Temporary Accommodation	1,228,470	369,339	43.0%	859,131	1,091,329
Deferred Revenue - Special Education	(954,514)	36,815	-3.7%	(991,329)	(925,270)
Deferred Revenue - Minor Tangible Capital Assets	(12,762,265)	7,225,607	-36.1%	(19,987,872)	(12,794,398)
Trustees' Association Fee	43,316	- ,==0,00.	0.0%	43,316	43,316
Other Adjustments: Strike Savings Reduction	-	_	n/a	,	,
Net GSN Revenue Deferrals and Transfers	879,826,401	30,833,314	3.6%	848,993,087	850,908,363
Non-GSN Revenues					
Priorities and Partnerships Fund	2,625,401	(2,057,207)	-43.9%	4,682,608	4,650,805
Other Provincial Grants (LBS, ESL, OYAP)	2,870,657	(167,153)	-5.5%	3,037,810	2,919,069
Ontario Works, Breakfast Program	1,724,139	65,635	4.0%	1,658,504	1,782,994
Federal Grants (LINC)	2,486,646	-	0.0%	2,486,646	2,486,646
Investment Income	800,000	(200,000)	-20.0%	1,000,000	1,000,000
Community Use and Facility Rentals	4,046,328	(44,144)	-1.1%	4,090,472	4,103,404
Extended Day Program Fees	17,888,719	(61,887)	-0.3%	17,950,606	17,888,719
Child Care Centre Fees	1,791,000	-	0.0%	1,791,000	1,791,000
Staff on Loan (Compensation Recoveries)	6,270,668	(739,993)	-10.6%	7,010,661	7,010,661
Miscellaneous Revenue-Realizable	3,765,835	(217,147)	-5.5%	3,982,982	3,936,803
OCENET Student Fees	6,424,100	(4,936,900)	-43.5%	11,361,000	10,974,000
OCENET (capital return / facilities fee)	840,800	(659,200)	-43.9%	1,500,000	1,100,000
Solar Power Generation	450,000	(50,000)	-10.0%	500,000	500,000
Manulife Benefits Surplus-One Time Revenue	3,250,000	3,250,000	n/a	-	1,500,000
	55,234,293	(5,817,996)	-9.5%	61,052,289	61,644,101
Deferred Capital Contributions (re Amortization)	56,104,376	(5,652,742)	-9.2%	61,757,118	56,858,067
Revenues for Compliance Purposes	991,165,070	19,362,576	2.0%	971,802,494	969,410,531

Summary of Changes in Operating Expenses

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Approved 2019-2020 Budget						980,245,968
Contractual Changes Increase in Compensation Base Net Increase in Statutory Benefits Increase in Employee Life and Health Trust						13,057,431 2,408,688 2,472,452 17,938,571
Changes in Costs - Appendix A Covid-19 Response Fund Adjustment for Declining Enrolment Increase in Workplace Safety and Insurance Board Change in Compensation Base Including Salary Differential Change in Cross-Departmental Savings Early Learning Assistants (Adjustment to Market)					4,000,000 (977,220) 696,541 (2,496,790) (500,000) 498,866 1,221,397	
Changes in Grants, PSAB and Legislation - Appendix B Priorities and Partnerships Fund Continuing Education Amortization on Capital Assets Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) Benefit Adjustment Specialized Equipment Amount (SEA) OCENET - Contractual Services Ottawa Student Transportation Authority (OSTA) - Net change in projection Debentures & Long-Term Loans Change in Secondments					(851,520) (782,049) (5,067,057) 895,107 136,559 (1,969,774) 856,862 (212,754) (739,993) (7,734,619)	
Staffing: Board Decisions - Appendix C						
Elementary Academic Staffing Secondary Academic Staffing School Administration Administration & Other Education Workers-Supports for Students Funds	Genera FTE 49.26 (6.33) 2.50 71.05 52.40 168.88	I Instruction Amount 5,084,519 (694,559) 350,504 4,193,107 3,301,209 12,234,780	Spec E FTE 4.42 7.67 2.00 3.00 - 17.09	Ed/Central Amount 469,740 823,443 298,434 280,734 - 1,872,351	FTE 53.68 1.34 4.50 74.05 52.40 185.97	5,554,259 128,884 648,938 4,473,841 3,301,209 14,107,131
Recommended Changes in Staffing - Appendix D  Schools Elementary Teachers (Supports for Students Fund) Early Learning Assistants -Extended Day Program Reduction in Special Education System Classes  Administration Community Partnership Position (Self-Funded) Human Rights and Equity Advisor (Funded by PPF in budget base)  1.00 2.00 32.96					2,226,991 373,744 (32,248) 2,568,487 - - - 2,568,487	
Total Increase in Operating Expenses					218.93	28,100,967
Recommended 2020-2021 Budget						1,008,346,935

## Ottawa-Carleton District School Board 2020-2021 Staff-Recommended Budget Explanations of Changes in Operating Expenses

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		FTE				
		Required				
		by		Supports		
		Regulation		for		
Appendix		or	Board	Students		
Ref	Area of Investment	Agreement	Decision	Funding	Total	Amount

Academic staffing plan has two components. The first component is staffing to meet regulated class size requirements or obligations included in the underlying collective agreement for the bargaining unit.

The second component reflects Board decisions that allocate staff resources in alignment with the strategic plan. As discussed in the academic staffing report, all discretionary positions are reviewed to ensure that the area of focus continues to be relevant with recommended changes being prioritized to areas of need. Recent investments focused on English as a Second Language, special education and Indigenous Education. This year, the majority of the investments align with the priority area of Innovation in support of high learning expectations in all programs, including special education programs.

Changes to the regulated class size at the secondary panel were agreed to as part of the recently ratified central agreements. This change, which was announced after the secondary staffing process had already commenced, would have reduced the regulated staff complement by 58.0 FTE. Prudent management of staffing allocations is expected to allow for a reduction of only 20.0 FTE in the coming year.

Note that secondary academic staffing included 5.0 FTE that were approved in anticipation of Supports for Students Funding (SSF). For the purposes of this presentation, these positions have been reported in the SSF grouping of position to ensure a comprehensive view of this funding's impact on staffing.

С	Elementary Academic Staffing	45.26	8.42	-	53.68	5,554,259
D	Elementary Academic Staffing - Adjustment	-	(0.30)	-	(0.30)	(32,248)
С	Secondary Academic Staffing	2.34	13.00	-	15.34	1,639,478
С	Secondary Academic Staffing - Adjustments	(20.00)	(5.00)	-	(25.00)	(2,697,521)
		27.60	16.12	-	43.72	4,463,968

The increase in the complement of principals and vice-principals was presented as part of the academic staffing report. The positions provide operational support and leadership to schools or support central portfolios, such as promoting concussion awareness and prevention and implementing the Commit to Kids program.

O	Principals and Vice-Principals	-	4.50	-	4.50	648,938

The District's kindergarten classes are supported by educator teams that include teachers and ECEs, regardless of class size. The increased complement reflects the additional staff complement assigned to support the kindergarten program.

C Early Childhood Educators 17.79 17.79 953,27
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The number of school office staff is influenced by school-based enrolment fluctuations. The reduction is the result of the school-based enrolment adjustments as well as a the elimination of an office administrator position following the closure of J.H. Putman Public School.

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ſ	С	School Office Support Staff	(2.90)	(2.90)	174,716)

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		Required				
		by		Supports		
		Regulation		for		
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Students serving a long-term suspension or expulsion participate in the safe schools program. Each student in the program has an action plans outlining their personalized academic and social emotional goals. The addition of professional support staff aligns Ministry requirements so that each student's day will now include formal program delivery to support their social emotional goals.

С	Social Worker - To Support Safe Schools	-	0.80	-	0.80	81,754
С	Psychologist - To Support Safe Schools	-	0.50	-	0.50	61,935
		-	1.30	-	1.30	143,689

Significant investments in special education supports have been made in recent years. The staff-recommended budget includes additional adjustments to reflect the addition of new specialized classes and to formalize mid-year increases approved by the Board during 2019-2020.

C Educational Assistants - Specialized Classes	-	19.00	-	19.00	1,113,462
C Educational Assistants - 2019-2020 Decision	-	25.00	-	25.00	1,441,136
	-	44.00	-	44.00	2,554,598

The Extended Day Program operates on a fee for service, not-for-profit basis. The approved staffing complement, which aligns with mandated staffing levels for the program, was increased to reflect anticipated enrolment growth. A cautious approach to staffing the positions will be taken given the uncertainty regarding the level of participation that the COVID-19 pandemic has caused.

С	Early Childhood Educators	-	10.86	-	10.86	581,933
D	Early Learning Assistants	-	10.26	-	10.26	373,744
Α	Early Learning Assistants Market Adjustment					498,866
		-	21.12	-	21.12	1,454,543

A review of the Business and Learning Technologies (B&LT) department was completed in 2018-2019. Based on the review, the addition of two team leader positions that would focus on network security and on supporting student and staff learning through the use of technology, respectively, were recommended. In addition, to improve services to all schools, school-based Instructional Student Support Technicians have been re-assigned to work as B&LT Field Technicians to provide technology support based on families of schools. The positions have been converted to 12-month FTEs which has resulted in a small cost increase.

С	School Technicians	-	(16.00)	-	(16.00)	(988,038)
С	B< Field Technicians	-	16.00	-	16.00	1,122,364
С	B< Security and Authentication	-	1.00	-	1.00	103,906
С	B< Learning Technology Specialist	-	1.00	-	1.00	103,907
		-	2.00	-	2.00	342,139

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		FTE				
		Required				
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		Regulation		for		
Appendix		or	Board	Students		
Ref	Area of Investment	Agreement	Decision	Funding	Total	Amount

The District has received a Priorities and Partnerships Funds (PPF) grant to establish a senior leader position to further build capacity in fostering a culture that advances human rights and maintains respectful working and learning environments. The staff-recommended budget also includes an administrative support position to assist with initiatives which support the mandate. The cost of the Human Rights and Equity Advisor is already accounted for in the PPF budget.

D	Human Rights and Equity Advisor	-	1.00		1.00	-
С	Support for Human Rights and Equity Advisor	-	1.00		1.00	72,921
		-	2.00	-	2.00	72,921

Supports for students funding was provided to local school districts as part of the central agreement reached earlier this spring between OPSBA, the Crown and OSSTF. Funds from this system investment must be used to create additional permanent positions within the applicable bargaining units to address special education, unique learning needs, mental health initiatives and employees who play a role in promoting safe, healthy and caring schools. The specific needs are to be determined in consultation with the respective bargaining unit.

С	Educational Assistants	-	-	19.50	19.50	1,135,596
С	Facilities Learning Environment	-	-	16.60	16.60	1,072,942
С	Educational Support Professionals	-	-	15.00	15.00	949,434
С	Professional Student Services Personnel	-	-	1.30	1.30	143,237
D	Elementary Teachers	-	-	21.00	21.00	2,226,991
С	Secondary Teachers	-	-	11.00	11.00	1,186,927
		-	-	84.40	84.40	6,715,127

Communities disadvantaged by socioeconomic realities are provided with additional financial supports referred to as RAISE funding. The creation of a Community Partnership Officer using the existing centrally administered RAISE budget provision is proposed. The position would directly assist RAISE schools with identifying sustainable community partnership opportunities. Resulting initiatives would included expanded learning opportunities, improved student achievement and enhanced student well-being.

D	Community Partnership Officer	-	1.00	-	1.00	-
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	Total Staffing Approvals	42.49	92.04	84.40	218.93	17,174,484

A cost of living increase, applicable to both wages and benefits, was incorporated into the central agreement reached earlier this spring between OPSBA, the Crown and OSSTF. Similar adjustments are available for union exempt employees. The cost increase applicable to 2020-2021 is included in the budget to ensure financial capacity to address the resulting obligations.

	Change	Compensation adjustments (contract settlements, increments)	17,938,571
	Α	Change in compensation base and salary differential	(2,496,790)
L			15,441,781

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		FTE				
		Required				
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The District is obligated to pay eligible employees a retirement gratuity when they terminate employment. Obligations also exist in cases where the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board has determined a liability exists in regards to a workplace injury. These obligations are subject to an annual actuarial review. The incremental costs are influenced by various factors including changes in the rates of interest used in valuation calculations. The amounts reflect the actuarial increase in the liability for these benefits.

Α	Actuarial Valuation of Employee Future Benefits (Gratuities)	696,541
В	Actuarial Valuation of Workplace Safety and Insurance Board Obligations	895,107
		1,591,648

The District completed a review of the remaining service life (RSL) of major capital assets using a prescribed methodology in 2018-2019. The RSL is used in determining the expenses (and associated revenues) reported in a year based on straight-line amortization rules. The review identified that significant investments made in recent years had extended the RSL of many schools, which in turn, has resulted in lower amortization expenses in 2020-2021 and subsequent years.

B	Reduced Tangible Capital Assets Amortization Expense	(5,067,057)
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The District has benefitted from the enrolment of international students over the past number of years. The students contribute to a diverse school community and foster an appreciation of other world cultures. The COVID-19 pandemic is expected to result in a significant reduction in enrolment which will result in lower revenues. There are corresponding decreases in administrative fees paid by the District to the Ottawa-Carleton Education Network. A compensation savings provision attributable to teaching staff has been identified.

В	Reduced OCENET Administrative Fees	(1,969,774)
Α	International Student Staffing Costs Declining Enrolment Adjustment	(977,220)
		(2,946,994)

A provision has been identified to support incremental costs incurred as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The provision will be used to support enhanced cleaning protocols and additional supply consumption, to offset extraordinary cost increases for supplies and protective equipment, to acquire additional resources that may be needed to ensure safe learning and work environments, and to ensure continuity of learning in the face of localized illness in schools.

Α	Provision for COVID-Related Expenses and Adjustments	4,000,000

The District receives grants for specific purposes including those supported by the Ministry through its PPF. The funding is directly tied to the level of expenses. The recommended budget reflects a net reduction in the level of funding confirmed for the year; however, as in past years, additional funding announcements are anticipated during 2020-2021 and will be reflected in financial updates.

В	Net Reduction in Programs Supported by Priorities and Partnerships Funds	(851,520)
В	Net Reduction in Continuing Education Programs	(782,049)
В	Increased use of Special Equipment Allocation Funding	136,559
		(1,497,010)

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		Regulation		for		
Appendix		or	Board	Students		
Ref	Area of Investment	Agreement	Decision	Funding	Total	Amount

Transportation of the District's students is provided by the Ottawa Student Transportation Authority (OSTA). The OSTA Board has approved a budget reflecting cost increases relating to compensation, supplies and rental expenses, and the cost of student transportation contracts. The cost increase does not reflect any potential adjustments that may result from COVID-19 related service level modifications.

R	Transportation Contracts	856.862
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A review of operating budget provisions will be completed during the year. The objective is to identify savings in supplies and services totaling \$500,000. In addition, the retirement of debit obligations will result in a \$212,754 reduction in debt service costs relative to the current year.

Α	Cross-Departmental Operating Savings	(500,000)
В	Debt Charges	(212,754)
		(712,754)

At times, District staff may take assignments in other organizations. The individual remains an employee of the Board during the assignment and costs are recovered from the host organization. The number of individuals participating in such arrangements are expected to decrease for 2020-2021.

Ь	Reduction in Staff Secondments	(739,993)

Total Increase in Operating Expenses	28,100,967

## Comparative Summary of Operating Expenses by Program Area

	2020-21			2019-20					
In \$ Millions							Variance	% Spent	
EXPENSE CATEGORY	Budget	Budget minus PY Budget	Change from PY Budget	Budget	Revised Estimates	Forecast	Forecast minus Budget	Forecast over Budget	
Instruction									
Salaries and Benefits	686.6	27.7	4.2%	658.8	657.4	647.5	(11.4)	-1.7%	
Salaries and Benefits (Occasional Teachers)	17.4	0.3	2.0%	17.0	18.0	18.5	1.4	8.4%	
Staff Development, Supplies and Services	29.6	2.3	8.5%	27.3	27.4	17.2	(10.0)		
Fees, Contractual and Rentals	8.4	(2.0)	-19.5%	10.4	10.4	12.3	2.0	18.8%	
Instruction Sub-Total	741.9	28.3	4.0%	713.5	713.3	695.5	(18.0)	-2.5%	
Continuing Education									
Salaries and Benefits	10.0	(0.7)	-6.7%	10.7	10.5	10.4	(0.2)	-2.3%	
Staff Development, Supplies and Services	0.5	(0.0)	-2.9%	0.5	0.6	0.5	(0.0)	-7.8%	
Fees, Contractual and Rentals	0.5	-	0.0%	0.5	0.5	0.4	(0.1)	-21.6%	
Continuing Education Sub-Total	10.9	(0.7)	-6.3%	11.6	11.5	11.3	(0.4)	-3.3%	
Transportation									
Salaries and Benefits	1.3	0.1	7.7%	1.2	1.2	1.2	-	0.0%	
Staff Development, Supplies and Services	0.5	0.1	26.3%	0.4	0.4	0.4	-	0.0%	
Fees, Contractual and Rentals	45.1	0.7	1.5%	44.5	44.5	40.3	(4.2)	-9.4%	
Transportation Sub-Total	46.9	0.9	1.9%	46.0	46.1	41.9	(4.2)	-9.1%	
School Facilities									
Salaries and Benefits	54.2	2.6	5.0%	51.6	51.8	51.5	(0.2)	-0.3%	
Staff Development, Supplies and Services	26.4	1.5	6.2%	24.9	25.4	25.2	0.3	1.2%	
Fees, Contractual and Rentals	9.0	0.5	5.4%	8.5	10.0	10.0	1.5	17.2%	
Other/Temporary Pupil Accommodation	1.9	-	0.0%	1.9	3.0	3.0	1.1	56.9%	
Interest Charges on Capital	4.1	(0.2)	-5.0%	4.3	4.3	4.3	-	0.0%	
School Facilities Renewal Expense	5.1	-	0.0%	5.1	5.7	5.7	0.6	11.9%	
School Facilities Sub-Total	100.7	4.4	4.6%	96.3	100.1	99.6	3.3	3.4%	
Central Administration									
Salaries and Benefits	17.7	0.4	2.4%	17.2	17.4	15.1	(2.2)	-12.5%	
Staff Development, Supplies and Services	2.1	-	0.0%	2.1	2.1	2.1	(0.1)		
Fees, Contractual and Rentals	1.8	(0.2)	-11.9%	2.1	1.9	1.2	(0.8)	-40.1%	
Central Administration Sub-Total	21.6	0.2	0.8%	21.4	21.5	18.4	(3.1)	-14.3%	

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Comparative Summary of Operating Expenses by Program Area

		2020-21				2019-20		
In \$ Millions							Variance	% Spent
EXPENSE CATEGORY	Budget	Budget minus PY Budget	Change from PY Budget	Budget	Revised Estimates	Forecast	Forecast minus Budget	Forecast over Budget
Other								
Extended Day Program Compensation	17.1	0.8	5.1%	16.3	15.2	13.0	(3.3)	-20.2%
Extended Day Program Supplies/Int Svcs	1.4	-	0.0%	1.4	1.1	1.3	(0.0)	-2.1%
Child Care Program Compensation	1.9	0.1	2.9%	1.9	1.9	1.6	(0.3)	-13.7%
Child Care Program Supplies/Int Svcs	0.1	-	0.0%	0.1	0.1	0.0	(0.1)	-64.4%
Recoverable Compensation (Secondments)	6.6	(0.7)	-10.1%	7.3	7.3	7.3	-	0.0%
Remedy Payments and Legal Provisions	-	-	0.0%	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!
Fifty-Five Board Trust (Capital and Interest)	2.5	•	0.0%	2.5	2.5	2.5	-	0.0%
Other Sub-Total	29.6	0.1	0.5%	29.5	28.1	25.8	(3.7)	-12.4%
Amortization								
Ministry Approved Projects	56.1	(5.7)	-9.2%	61.8	56.9	56.9	(4.9)	-7.9%
Board Approved Projects	0.7	0.6	783.4%	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.3	416.8%
Amortization Sub-Total	56.8	(5.1)	-8.2%	61.8	57.2	57.2	(4.6)	-7.4%
Grand Total	1,008.3	28.1	2.9%	980.2	977.8	949.6	(30.6)	-3.1%

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Finance 2020.07.14 (numbers may not add due to rounding)

Appendix G to Report 20-063

24 March 2020

# Committee of the Whole (Public) Report 20-037

Reflecting on the Board Retreat - Discussing Equity in Programming Key Contact: Camille Williams-Taylor, Director of Education

## **PURPOSE:**

1. To report out on recent Board/Senior staff discussions about the importance of equity and programming at the OCDSB.

## CONTEXT:

2. As part of the Board's governance strategy, the Board and senior staff meet annually to allow for shared professional learning and relationship building – an opportunity for generative discussion on key issues absent of any decision. Building on recent Committee discussions regarding the English with Core French program, this was an opportunity to reflect on our strategic priorities, discuss challenges and identify unconventional ideas for further consideration. After a rich discussion, there was a recognition that poverty is a major factor affecting outcomes for students, and that there is a need for a more comprehensive strategy to address equity in programming, with poverty mitigation specifically in mind.

## SUPPORTING OUR STRATEGIC PLAN:

3. As a District, we have committed to advancing equity and a sense of belonging to promote a safe and caring community. One of our goals for this work is to champion and nurture a safe, caring and respectful workplace. To achieve this goal, we must examine inequities in our programming, devise solutions, and take action. This report addresses the first steps by providing a summary of Board and Staff thinking around current inequities, challenges and solutions.

### **KEY CONSIDERATIONS:**

4. Observations about English with Core French

Recent discussions, media articles, and interviews have focused on the English Program with Core French. Across the province, the high demand for French immersion programming has impacted English programs in terms of access, streaming, and risks of marginalization of certain students. Reflecting on these issues, the following key observations were made and discussed:

- Our community places a high value on French education with the perception of future opportunities for students;
- Disproportionate distribution of students with very high special education needs in English/core French programs;
- Disproportionate distribution of English Language Learners (ELLs), with ELLs more frequently enrolled in with English than in Middle French Immersion (MFI) or Early French Immersion (EF);
- Non-viable and marginally viable programs;
  - Low enrolment;
  - Imbalance in dual track;
- Student discipline; Review data to determine whether there is a disproportionate number of student suspensions between programs;
- Students from English/core French programs pursue applied pathways at a higher rate than students in French immersion programs;
- Student achievement performance of the 10 lowest performing schools grade 3 EQAO, 8 are English/core French schools; this is the same for grade 6 EQAO;
- English/core French program schools are more often situated in low socioeconomic communities.
- 5. Following this discussion, participants broke into small groups to identify key challenges in the context of four broad themes: resource allocation, program and learning, geography/planning/ facilities, and community values/choice. After the identification of key issues, the discussion shifted to address the question: "How can we improve outcomes for students in English with Core French?". This brainstorming session focused on opportunities for change considering unconventional ideas and imaginable solutions, without limiting ideas by feasibility and existing constraints. This "blue sky" approach allowed participants to think outside of the box and share imaginable reactions to the challenges identified without being bound by what is necessarily practical given current system/structural restrictions. Examples from the discussion are highlighted below.

## **Challenges & Opportunities for Change:**

## **Resource Allocation**

(financial, human, special allocations)

Challenges & Opportunities:

- Cohort size, multi-grade classes;
- Number of students with special education needs;
- Number of ELLs:
- Defining the right resources;
- Consistent staffing (administration, teachers, support staff);
- Compliance requirements;
- Funding.

Opportunities for change included the notion of additional support through central staff, school staff, and community partners/organizations. There was also discussion of class structures/combinations and financial differentiation for schools and school-based staff.

## **Program & Learning**

(program offerings, instructional quality, special needs, ELL)

Challenges & Opportunities:

- Some existing structures restrict opportunities to engage in experiential learning;
- What can we "take off" of plates of teachers/administration for greater focus of most impact.

Opportunities for change included a discussion on class size, rich experiential learning opportunities, intentional intervention, differentiated staffing, training opportunities (specialized PD for teachers), and high expectations.

## Geography/Planning/Buildings

(gentrification, geography, access, building condition)

Challenges & Opportunities:

- Some schools are not big enough;
- Dual what happens to English in dual track schools;
- Transportation;
- Rural Schools;
- Additional Ideas bigger of nucleus of kids in English, targeted investment in buildings.

Opportunities for change included a closer look at the intersection between socio-economic status and/or ELL and the English/Core French program, with a proposed strategy being to focus on those with the greatest need. The discussion included tracking and pairing schools / blending classes. There

were also suggestions for community engagement and social connections.

## **Community Values/Voice**

(choice, perception, engagement)

Challenges & Opportunities:

- Structures to effect change are different;
- Racism, bias, and classism are important considerations;
- Students with special education needs face additional challenges;
- Desire for the best for your child;
- Differing parental expectations of the system;
- Parent voice:
- Choice, parents can choose location not school;
- Level of parent knowledge about programs.

Opportunities for change included the need to name, recognize, and deal with racism, classism, and bias in relation to the English with Core French Program. There was discussion of brand management, program ambassadors, OCDSB staff being equipped with knowledge/resources to promote the program, moving to a client experience model, and getting to understand and know our students through an intake with families.

- 6. Key aspects of the discussion acknowledged the following:
  - Parents choose programs because they want the best learning opportunity for their children:
  - A largely unspoken truth is that program choice may not be solely be based on French language development but also a desire to ensure their children are with the "best learners" and not the "distractors" and there may be elements of systemic racism and classism inherent in this;
  - While every student can access any OCDSB elementary program option, the reality is that single track English school are more likely to be located in areas with lower socio-economic status which may affect the ability of families to choose programs offered outside of the neighbourhood school;
  - Currently, single track English program schools are more likely to have lower enrolment which can result in double and triple tracking classes;
  - There is a need to promote a culture of caring and a culture of high learning expectations for all students in all programs.

The complexity of these issues cannot be overstated. A number of "opportunities for change" surfaced as possible strategies which could lead to changes in practice. Some of these strategies represented "big decisions" or significant changes in resource allocation, while others represented changes in practice which could be introduced incrementally at either the school or system level.

What became apparent in the discussions was the connection between the current challenges and opportunities for change and the District's strategic priorities to ensure high learning expectations for every student in every program; to ensure the dignity and respect of every student; and the need to remove barriers to equitable access to student learning and well-being.

## 7. Recognizing Poverty as a Common Barrier

Throughout the two days of discussion, issues of poverty continued to surface as a common barrier to student success. Discussion ensued about how a comprehensive strategy could be used to better support students and families and lead to higher achievement outcomes.

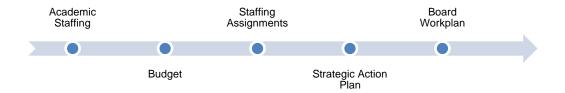
Putting students at the core of the discussion creates a way to frame the issues, challenges and proposed ideas. Most importantly, it refocuses the discussion from a "programming problem" to a student achievement challenge – what can we do to better meet the needs of our students living in the most challenging circumstances? With this in mind, participants then began a discussion on how considerations for transformation integrate with the priorities in our strategic plan.



**Equity in Programming** 

## 8. Decision Points and Practice Points

As the time together drew nearer to close, the group considered how the discussions could inform future decisions and practice. The District's key annual decision making points are described on the following continuum:



The group was challenged to walk away from the retreat and take the time to reflect on the discussions and consider how these discussions, and the need to address poverty in a more comprehensive way, might be considered in future key decision making points.

Decision making in this regard may occur incrementally over a longer period of time. Members also reflected on the importance of incorporating our shared learning from these discussions into our everyday practice. How can we, as system leaders, address some of the systemic issues, barriers and bias associated with poverty and challenge ourselves and our organization to keep a greater focus on improving outcomes for our highest needs students?

## 9. Next Steps

Since the retreat, staff has been reflecting on what was learned and how this learning could inform our practice, action and decisions going forward. While there is a need to bring the rich perspectives of others into these discussions, the Director has engaged the senior team in additional reflections on the discussion in order to inform our short-, mid-, and long-term planning. The design process has begun to not only influence practice but also perspective and approach more broadly, which could apply to staffing, budget, and programming recommendations this year and in subsequent years. Targeted for this fall, staff is looking to share a design approach for poverty mitigation.

### **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**

10. Throughout the discussions, there was clarification about resource allocation practices and what decisions informed current practices, what structures and/or processes determine or impact resource allocation, what kind of information is required, and what implementation strategies are necessary to reconsider resource allocation. An important observation in the discussion was a

recognition that because resources have been allocated in a particular way in the past, does not mean that is the only (or best) way. However, making changes to the way resources are allocated can be complex and requires courage to overcome the fear of change. Recognizing that need will always exceed available resources, the importance of allocating resources effectively was heavily emphasized. Also noted was the need to align resource allocation with the Board's strategic priorities, particularly in areas where the Board is trying to drive changes in culture – this may require additional central resources to champion the change and facilitate the work for school based staff. This is also critical to effectively focus on instructional leadership rather than administration. Additional central resource allocation may also create leadership development opportunities and contribute to succession planning.

## **COMMUNICATION/CONSULTATION ISSUES:**

11. Communication was an issue that surfaced throughout our discussions. How we present and market our programs has a big impact on the community perceptions about program quality. There was a growing recognition of the need to name issues of racism, classicism and bias more directly rather than speaking in more general terms about social streaming or program choice.

There was also considerable discussion about how we as an organization need to do more work within the system to ensure our own people have knowledge and resources to promote all programs and more importantly to recognize the potential of every student for any program.

Finally, there was recognition of the importance of shifting from a transactional service delivery model to a client service experience model with the service level based on community need. This is particularly important in the intake process with all families – this process should be the starting point to our strategic priority of building authentic engagement.

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

The following guiding questions are continuing to inform our thinking:

- What is the next step in mitigating the impact of poverty on student achievement and well-being?
- How can this discussion inform upcoming decisions, such as academic staffing, budget, and future Board work plans?
- How will this discussion translate into key actions to support our strategic priorities of innovation, caring and social responsibility?

Michele Giroux	Camille Williams-Taylor
Executive Officer	Director of Education
	Secretary to the Board









#### 2020-2021

# Staff-Recommended Budget

21 July 2020

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#### **Comparative Budget Summary**

		2019-2020 Approved	Re	2020-2021 ecommended
		Budget		Budget
Revenues				
Grants for Student Needs, Capital Grants and Deferred Capital Contributions	\$	911,149,804	\$	935,332,112
Priorities and Partnerships Fund and Other Revenues	·	40,911,084	· .	35,554,574
Board Programs:		, , , , , , , , ,		,,-
Extended Day Program and Infant, Toddler & Preschool Childcare Program		19,741,606		20,278,384
Total Revenues	\$	971,802,494	\$	991,165,070
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Expenditures				
By Funding Envelope:	•	740 540 444	_	744 057 000
Instruction	\$	713,510,111	\$	741,857,329
Continuing Education		11,641,670		10,908,889
Transportation		46,044,956		46,901,818
Facilities / Learning Environment		92,015,012		96,614,211
Central Administration		21,428,731		21,600,432
Amortization		61,831,883		56,764,826
Other:				
Extended Day Program and Infant, Toddler & Preschool Childcare Program		19,654,177		20,532,768
Debt Repayment		6,788,768		6,576,014
Staff on Loan		7,330,661		6,590,648
Total Expenditures	\$	980,245,968	\$	1,008,346,935
Projected Surplus (Shortfall)	\$	(8,443,474)	\$	(17,181,865)

Use of Reserves	_	2019-2020 Approved Budget	Red	2020-2021 commended Budget
Appropriated Reserves				
Amortization on Board Approved Projects	\$	74,767	\$	660,451
Capital Projects - Business and Learning Technologies		8,218,707		
Environment Climate Initiative - Board Decision 10 June 2019		150,000		
Total Use of Reserves	\$	8,443,474	\$	660,451

#### **Net Enveloping - Table**

#### Summary

	Grants and Other Revenues	Approved Expenditures	Difference
Instruction	\$ 610,714,263	\$ 610,461,645	\$ 252,618
Instruction - Special Education	117,889,731	131,395,684	(13,505,953)
Continuing Education	12,332,640	10,908,889	1,423,751
Transportation	44,163,065	46,901,818	(2,738,753)
Facilities/Learning Environment	93,305,590	96,614,211	(3,308,621)
Central Administration	23,081,975	21,600,432	1,481,543
Amortization	56,104,376	56,764,826	(660,450)
Staff Secondments	6,270,668	6,590,648	(319,980)
Net Interest Charges for Debt and Capital Works	7,024,378	6,576,014	448,364
Extended Day and Child Care Programs	20,278,384 20,532,768		(254,384)
Total	\$ 991,165,070	\$1,008,346,935	\$ (17,181,865)



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Approved 2019-2020 Budget	\$	980,245,968
Contractual Changes		
Increase in Compensation Base (Provincial Negotiations - Funded by Province)	\$	13,057,431
Net Increase in Statutory Benefits		2,408,688
Increase in Employee Life and Benefit Trust (Funded by Province)		2,472,452
Sub-Total	\$	17,938,571
Changes in Costs - Details on Appendix A		
Sub-Total	\$	1,221,397
Changes in Grants, Public Sector Accounting Board (PSAB) & Legislation - Details on Appendix B	[	
Sub-Total	\$	(7,734,619)
Board Decisions: Academic Staffing - Details on Appendix C		
Elementary Teachers	\$	882,612
Elementary Teachers - Impact of Average Daily Enrolment (ADE) based changes		4,671,647
Administration - Schools		648,938
Secondary Teachers		(120,076)
Secondary Teachers - Impact of Average Daily Enrolment (ADE) based changes		230,873
Secondary Teachers - Collective Agreements / Legislative based changes		18,087
Sub-Total	\$	6,332,081
Board Decisions: Administrative Staffing - Details on Appendix C		
Administrative and Support Staff	\$	3,695,280
Administrative Staffing - Impact of Average Daily Enrolment (ADE) based changes		778,561
Sub-Total	\$	4,473,841
Board Decisions: Supports for Students - Details on Appendix C		
Sub-Total	\$	3,301,209
Changes in Staffing - Details on Appendix D		
Recommended Changes in Staffing	\$	2,568,487
Sub-Total	\$	2,568,487
Recommended 2020-2021 Budget	\$1	1,008,346,935



#### Appendix A & B - Changes in Cost & Changes in Grants<sup>2</sup>

Description	Amount			
Covid 19 Response Fund	\$ 4,000,000			
Adjustment for Declining Enrolment	(977,220)			
Workplace Safety Insurance Board Liability Actuarial Adjustment				
Change in Compensation Base Including Salary Differential				
Change in Cross-Departmental Savings				
Early Learning Assistants ( Adjustment to Market)	498,866			
Total	\$ 1,221,397			

Numbers may not add due to rounding

#### Changes in Grants, PSAB and Legislation - Appendix B

Description	Amount		
Priorities and Partnerships Fund	\$ (851,520)		
Continuing Education	(782,049)		
Amortization on Capital Assets	(5,067,057)		
Employee Future Benefits Liability Actuarial Adjustment			
Specialized Equipment Amount (SEA)			
OCENET - Contractual Services	(1,969,774)		
Ottawa Student Transportation Authority (OSTA) - Net change in projection	856,862		
Debentures & Long Term Loans	(212,754)		
Change in Secondments	(739,993)		
Total	\$ (7,734,619)		



#### **Board Decisions: - Elementary Academic Staffing**

Position Description
Increase in Coaches - English Literacy
Increase in Coaches - General Support
Increase in Special Education System Classes
Increase in Learning Support Consultant (LRT)
Learning Support Teacher (LST) (Approved in 2019-2020)
Decrease in Teachers for Hearing and Visually Impaired
Sub-Total Sub-Total
Average Daily Enrolment (ADE) based changes
Total

Board Approval	(
31-Mar-20	
31-Mar-20	4
	4

Teachers General Instruction					ners ducation	
FTE	Amount			FTE	1	Amount
2.00	\$	206,436		-	\$	-
2.00		206,436		-		-
-		-		3.87		415,994
-		-		0.50		53,746
-		-		1.00		107,492
-		-		(0.95)		(107,492)
4.00	\$	412,872		4.42	\$	469,740
45.26	\$	4,671,647		-	\$	-
49.26	\$	5,084,519		4.42	\$	469,740
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	Total								
	FTE		Amount						
-	2.00	\$	206,436						
-	2.00		206,436						
ŀ	3.87		415,994						
3	0.50		53,746						
2	1.00		107,492						
2)	(0.95)		(107,492)						
)	8.42	\$	882,612						
_	45.26	\$	4,671,647						
)	53.68	\$	5,554,259						



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Board Decisions	: Secondary <i>I</i>	Academio	Staffing					
Position Description	Board Teachers Approval General Instruction				eachers al Education	Total		
		FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	
School within a College Program	31-Mar-20	1.00	\$ 106,393	-	\$ -	1.00	\$ 106,393	
International Baccalaureate Program - Semester System (Merivale HS)	31-Mar-20	0.83	88,306	-	-	0.83	88,306	
Increase in Coaches - Math Support	31-Mar-20	1.00	106,393	-	-	1.00	106,393	
English as a Second Language/Literacy Development (OCENET Funded)	31-Mar-20	0.17	18,087	-	-	0.17	18,087	
Increase in Adult High School (Over 21)	31-Mar-20	2.33	247,896	-	-	2.33	247,896	
Net Increase in Teachers for Hearing and Visually Impaired Students	31-Mar-20	-	-	1.33	142,787	1.33	142,787	
Increase in System Classes / Program Teachers	31-Mar-20	-	-	5.34	573,297	5.34	573,297	
Increase in Learning Support Consultant (LST)	31-Mar-20	0.00	-	1.00	107,359	1.00	107,359	
Basic Classroom Allocation - Class Size Ratio	24-May-20	(20.00)	(2,158,009)	-		(20.00)	(2,158,009)	
Program Enhancement - Support for Student Fund	24-May-20	6.00	647,415	-		6.00	647,415	
Sub-Total		(8.67)	\$ (943,519)	7.67	\$ 823,443	(1.00)	\$ (120,076)	
Average Daily Enrolment (ADE) based Changes	31-Mar-20	2.17	\$ 230,873	-	\$ -	2.17	\$ 230,873	
Collective Agreement / Legislative based changes	31-Mar-20	0.17	18,087	-	_	0.17	18,087	
Sub-Total		2.34	\$ 248,960	-	\$ -	2.34	\$ 248,960	
Total		(6.33)	\$ (694,560)	7.67	\$ 823,443	1.34	\$ 128,884	
Total Academic Staff		42.93	\$ 4,389,959	12.09	\$ 1,293,183	55.02	\$ 5,683,143	



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#### **Board Decisions: School Administration** Board **Central Support Position Description** Schools Total Approval FTE FTE Amount FTE Amount Amount Increase in Central Principals to Support Superintendents 31-Mar-20 2.00 \$ 298,434 2.00 298,434 Increase in Secondary Vice-Principals 31-Mar-20 67,508 0.50 67,508 0.50 Increase in Elementary Vice-Principals 267,558 267,558 31-Mar-20 2.00 2.00 Vice-Principal to Principal - Family Reception Centre 31-Mar-20 15,438 15,438 2.50 335,066 2.00 \$ 313,872 Total 4.50 648,938

Numbers may not add due to rounding

Board Decisions: Administration & Other								
Position Description	Board Approval	Schools		Cent	ral Support	Total		
		FTE	Amount	FTE	FTE Amount		Amount	
Social Worker - To Support Safe Schools	22-Jun-20	0.80	\$ 81,754	-	\$ -	0.80	\$ 81,754	
Psychologist - To Support Safe Schools	22-Jun-20	0.50	61,935	-	-	0.50	61,935	
Educational Assistants - Specialized Classes	22-Jun-20	19.00	1,113,462	-	-	19.00	1,113,462	
Educational Assistants - Maintain 2019-2020 Decision	22-Jun-20	25.00	1,441,136	-	-	25.00	1,441,136	
Early Childhood Educators - Extended Day Program	22-Jun-20	10.86	581,933	-	-	10.86	581,933	
School Technicians	22-Jun-20	(16.00)	(988,038)	-	-	(16.00)	(988,038)	
Business and Learning Technologies Technician	22-Jun-20	16.00	1,122,364	-	-	16.00	1,122,364	
B< Team Leader - Security and Authentication	22-Jun-20	-		1.00	103,906	1.00	103,906	
B< Team Leader - Learning Technology Specialist	22-Jun-20	-		1.00	103,907	1.00	103,907	
Support for Human Rights Equity Advisor	22-Jun-20	-		1.00	72,921	1.00	72,921	
Sub-Total		56.16	\$ 3,414,546	3.00	\$ 280,734	59.16	\$ 3,695,280	
Elementary Office Administrator (ADE Based)	22-Jun-20	(1.00)	\$ (68,952)	-	\$ -	(1.00)	\$ (68,952)	
Elementary Office Assistants (ADE Based)	22-Jun-20	(2.00)	(100,384)	-	-	(2.00)	(100,384)	
Elementary School Technician (ADE Based)	22-Jun-20	0.10	(5,380)	-	-	0.10	(5,380)	
Early Childhood Educators (ADE Based)	22-Jun-20	17.79	953,277			17.79	953,277	
Sub-Total		14.89	\$ 778,561	0.00	\$ -	14.89	\$ 778,561	
Total		71.05	\$ 4,193,107	3.00	\$ 280,734	74.05	\$ 4,473,841	

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#### **Support for Student Fund Position Description** Educational Assistants Facilities Learning Environment **Education Support Professionals** Professional Services Student Personnel Elementary Teachers - 21.0 FTE Recommended for Approval Secondary Teachers 11.0 FTE (5.0 FTE March Board & 6.0 FTE May Board) Total

Board Approval
22-Jun-20
22-Jun-20
22-Jun-20
22-Jun-20
N/A
March/May

Schools					
FTE	Amount				
19.50	\$ 1,135,596				
16.60	1,072,942				
15.00	949,434				
1.30	143,237				
-	-				
-	-				
52.40	\$ 3,301,209				

Central Support			Total		
FTE	Amount	FTE Amount			
	\$ -	19.50	\$ 1,135,596		
-	-	16.60	1,072,942		
-	-	15.00	949,434		
-	-	1.30	143,237		
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-	\$ -	52.40	\$ 3,301,209		

Numbers may not add due to rounding

Summary	of Board Decisions
Position Description	Genera
	FTE
Elementary Academic Staffing	49.26
Secondary Academic Staffing	(6.33)
School Administration	2.50
Administration & Other	71.05
Student Support Fund	52.40
Total	168.88

General Instruction					
FTE	Amount				
49.26	\$ 5,084,519				
(6.33)	(694,560)				
2.50	335,066				
71.05	4,193,107				
52.40	3,301,209				
168.88	\$12,219,341				

Special Education Central Support					
FTE Amount					
4.42	\$ 469,740				
7.67	823,443				
2.00	313,872				
3.00	280,734				
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17.09	\$ 1,887,789				

Total						
FTE	Amount					
53.68	\$ 5,554,259					
1.34	128,883					
4.50	648,938					
74.05	4,473,841					
52.40	3,301,209					
185.97	\$14,107,130					



#### Appendix D – Recommended Changes in Staffing<sup>6 of 122</sup>

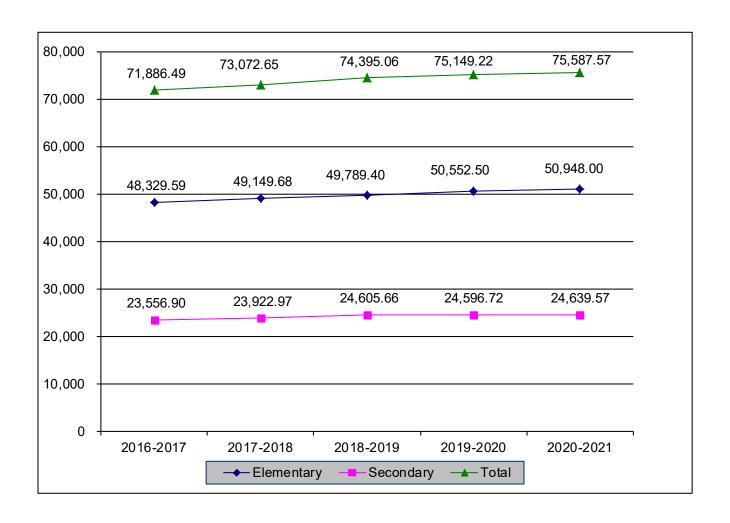
Description	FTE	Amount
Schools		
Elementary Teachers (Student Support Fund)	21.00	\$ 2,226,991
Early Learning Assistants -Extended Day Program	10.26	373,744
Reduction in Special Education System Classes	(0.30)	(32,248)
Sub-Total	30.96	\$ 2,568,487
Administration		
Community Partnership Position (Self- Funded)	1.00	N/A
Human Rights and Equity Advisor (Funded by PPF in budget base)	1.00	N/A
Sub-Total	2.00	\$ -
Total	32.96	\$ 2,568,487



#### **Average Daily Enrolment - Table**

	2016-2017 Actual	2017-2018 Actual	2018-2019 Actual	2019-2020 Revised	2020-2021 Projection
Elementary Students					
Junior Kindergarten	4,372.93	4,502.59	4,523.78	4,458.00	4,440.00
Senior Kindergarten	4,719.69	4,697.70	4,774.14	4,851.50	4,758.50
Grades 1 to 3	14,659.90	14,796.35	14,920.95	15,082.50	15,241.00
Grades 4 to 8	24,520.57	25,094.04	25,504.03	26,091.50	26,454.50
Sub-Total	48,273.09	49,090.68	49,722.90	50,483.50	50,894.00
Tuition Paying	56.50	59.00	66.50	69.00	54.00
Total Elementary Students	48,329.59	49,149.68	49,789.40	50,552.50	50,948.00
Secondary Students					
Under age 21	22,057.93	22,350.70	22,922.31	23,091.29	23,491.37
Age 21 and over	834.63	827.02	897.35	756.43	748.20
Sub-Total	22,892.56	23,177.72	23,819.66	23,847.72	24,239.57
Tuition Paying	664.34	745.25	786.00	749.00	400.00
Total Secondary Students	23,556.90	23,922.97	24,605.66	24,596.72	24,639.57
Grand Total	71,886.49	73,072.65	74,395.06	75,149.22	75,587.57

#### **Average Daily Enrolment – Chart**

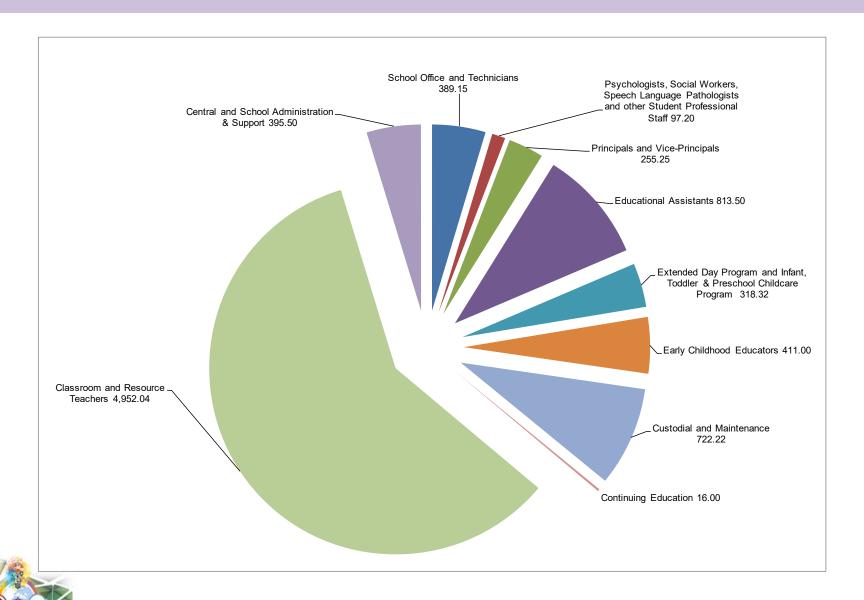




# Staffing by Full-Time Equivalency (FTE) Charte 49 of 122

Staffing Group	2019	-2020	2020-2021		
Stanning Group	FTE	% Total	FTE	% Total	
Classroom and Resource Teachers	4,876.31	59.82%	4,952.04	59.16%	
Educational Assistants	750.00	9.20%	813.50	9.72%	
Custodial and Maintenance	705.62	8.66%	722.22	8.63%	
Early Childhood Educators	393.20	4.82%	411.00	4.91%	
School Office and Technicians	393.05	4.82%	389.15	4.65%	
Central and School Administration & Support	374.50	4.59%	395.50	4.73%	
Extended Day Program and Infant, Toddler & Preschool Childcare Program	297.20	3.65%	318.32	3.80%	
Principals and Vice-Principals	250.75	3.08%	255.25	3.05%	
Psychologists, Social Workers, Speech Language Pathologists and other Student Professional Staff	94.60	1.16%	97.20	1.16%	
Continuing Education	16.00	0.20%	16.00	0.19%	
Total	8,151.23	100.00%	8,370.17	100.00%	

#### Staffing by Full-Time Equivalency Pie Chart age 50 of 122



	Elementary Teachers	Secondary Teachers	Principals and Vice- Principals	Professional Student Services Personnel	Educational Assistants	Early Childhood Educators (Core and EDP)	Education Support Professionals	Facilities Learning Environment	Union Exempt (Includes ITP Program)	Total
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Approved 2019-2020 Staffing	3,171.64	1,705.67	251.75	94.60	750.00	602.35	627.05	708.62	239.56	8,151.24
Secondary Teachers includes 1.0 FTE approved FTE Dual Credit Support Worker										
Collective Agreement / Legislative based Changes										
Elementary Teachers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.00
Secondary Teachers	-	0.17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.17
Sub-Total	0.00	0.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.17
ADE Based Changes (Approved by Board)										
Elementary Teachers	45.26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	45.26
Secondary Teachers	-	2.17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.17
Elementary Office Staff	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3.00)	-	-	(3.00)
Elementary Library Technicians	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.10	-	-	0.10
Early Learning Assistants - Extended Day Program	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	10.26	10.26
Early Childhood Educators - Core Program	-	-	-	-	-	17.79	-	-	-	17.79
Sub-Total	45.26	2.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	17.79	(2.90)	0.00	10.26	72.58



	Elementary Teachers	Secondary Teachers	Principals and Vice- Principals	Professional Student Services Personnel	Educational Assistants	Early Childhood Educators (Core and EDP)	Education Support Professionals	Facilities Learning Environment	Union Exempt	Total
Board Decisions - 31 March 2020										
Elementary										
LSS-Special Education - Elementary Teachers	3.87	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.87
LSS-Special Education - Elementary-Hearing Visual	(0.95)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(0.95)
LSS-Learning Support Consultant (approved in year 2019-20)	1.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.00
LSS-Learning Resource Teacher	0.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
PAL-English Literacy Coach	2.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.00
PAL-General Support Coach	2.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.00
Secondary										
LSS - Special Education - Secondary Specialized Classes	-	5.34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5.34
LSS - Special Education - Secondary-Hearing Visual	-	1.33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.33
ESL/ELD - Net General and OCENET Funded	-	0.17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.17
Program Overlay-School within a College	-	1.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.00
PAL-Math Coach	-	1.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.00
Adult High School (over 21)	-	2.33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.33
Merivale HS Overlay - Semester System	-	0.83	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.83
LSS-Increase in Learning Consultant	-	1.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.00
Principals and Vice-Principals			4.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.50
Sub-Total	8.42	13.00	4.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.92



	Elementary Teachers	Secondary Teachers	Principals and Vice- Principals	Professional Student Services Personnel	Educational Assistants	Early Childhood Educators (Core and EDP)	Education Support Professionals		Union Exempt	Total
Board Decisions - 26 May 2020										
Secondary										
Program Enhancement-Student Support Fund	-	6.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.00
Basic Classroom Allocation - Class Size Ratio	-	(20.00)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(20.00)
Sub-Total	0.00	(14.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(14.00)

Numbers may not add due to rounding

	Elementary Teachers	Secondary Teachers	Principals and Vice- Principals	Professional Student Services Personnel	Educational Assistants	Early Childhood Educators (Core and EDP)	Education Support Professionals		Union Exempt	Total
Board Decisions - 22 June 2020										
Social Worker - To Support Safe Schools	-	-	-	0.80	-	-	-	-	-	0.80
Psychologist - To Support Safe Schools	-	-	-	0.50	-	-	-	-	-	0.50
Educational Assistants - Specialized Classes	-	-	-	-	19.00	-	-	-	-	19.00
Educational Assistants - Maintain 2019-2020 Decision	-	-	-	-	25.00	-	-	-	-	25.00
B< Security and Authentication	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.00	1.00
B< Learning Technology Specialist	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.00	1.00
Sub-Total	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.30	44.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	47.30



	Elementary Teachers	Secondary Teachers	Principals and Vice- Principals	Professional Student Services Personnel	Educational Assistants	Early Childhood Educators (Core and EDP)	Education Support Professionals	Facilities Learning Environment	Union Exempt	Total
Recommended Changes to be Approved										
Support for Human Rights Equity Advisor	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.00	1.00
Human Rights and Equity Advisor (Funded by PPF)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.00	1.00
Early Childhood Educators - Extended Day Program	-	-	-	-	-	10.86	-	-	-	10.86
Reduction in LSS-Special Education - Elementary Teachers	(0.30)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(0.30)
Community Partnership Position (Self-funded)	-	-	-	-	-	•	-	-	1.00	1.00
Sub-Total	(0.30)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.86	0.00	0.00	3.00	13.56

Numbers may not add due to rounding

	Elementary Teachers	Secondary Teachers	Principals and Vice- Principals	Professional Student Services Personnel	Educational Assistants	Early Childhood Educators (Core and EDP)	Education Support Professionals	_	Union Exempt	Total
Student Support Fund										
Elementary Teachers	21.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21.00
Educational Assistants	-	-	-	-	19.50	-	-	-	-	19.50
Facilities Learning Environment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16.60	-	16.60
Educational Support Professionals	-	-	-	-	-	-	15.00	-	-	15.00
Professional Student Services Personnel	-	-	-	1.30	-	ı	-	-		1.30
Sub-Total	21.00	0.00	0.00	1.30	19.50	0.00	15.00	16.60	0.00	73.40
Total Changes in Staffing	74.38	1.34	4.50	2.60	63.50	28.65	12.10	16.60	15.26	218.93

Recommended 2020-2021 Staffing	3,246.02	1,707.01	256.25	97.20	813.50	631.00	639.15	725.22	254.82	8,370.17



# Comparative Full-Time Equivalency (FTE) Staffirig of 122

OPERATIONS / DEPARTMENTS	2016-2017 Approved FTE	2017-2018 Approved FTE	2018-2019 Approved FTE	2019-2020 Approved FTE	2020-2021 Recommended FTE
Instructional Day School					
Elementary Principals / Vice-Principals	164.00	159.00	164.25	167.25	169.25
Elementary Teachers	2,518.12	2,565.49	2,668.97	2,704.32	2,770.58
Elementary Office Administrators & Assistants	190.50	182.00	193.50	192.00	205.00
Elementary Library Technicians	57.70	65.80	55.90	56.30	55.90
Early Childhood Educators - Full-Day Kindergarten	357.00	389.20	389.20	392.20	410.00
Administration & Support-Regular Instruction / Learning Support Services	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.00
Executive Director - OCDSB Foundation	0.50	0.00	0.00	1.50	1.50
Equity / Diversity Coordinator	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Total Elementary Schools	3,295.82	3,368.49	3,478.82	3,520.57	3,618.23
Secondary Principals / Vice-Principals	74.83	74.00	73.50	73.50	74.00
Secondary Teachers	1,460.00	1,486.99	1,541.50	1,543.33	1,536.00
Secondary Office Administrators, Assistant Administrators & Assistants	105.25	103.75	107.75	110.75	110.75
Secondary Technicians	32.00	31.00	33.50	34.00	17.50
Secondary Assistant Chef, Kitchen Helpers & Technological Studies Technician	6.00	5.00	5.50	5.50	5.50
Total Secondary Schools	1,678.08	1,700.74	1,761.75	1,767.08	1,743.75
Total Elementary & Secondary Schools	4,973.90	5,069.23	5,240.57	5,287.65	5,361.98
Associate Director, Safe Schools and Urban Priorities					
Associate Director & Administrative Assistant	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Safe Schools - Secondary Principal	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Safe Schools - Secondary Teachers	3.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Safe Schools - Student Counsellor	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Safe Schools - Itinerant Educational Assistants	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00
Safe Schools - Psychologists & Social Workers	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Urban Priorities - Psychologists & Social Workers	2.80	2.80	2.80	2.80	2.80
Urban Priorities - Student Counsellor	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Total Associate Director, Safe Schools and Urban Priorities	32.80	32.80	34.80	34.80	34.80
Other School Support Programs	18.67	16.67	18.67	18.67	18.67
Total Associate Director, Safe Schools, Urban Priorities & School Support Programs	51.47	49.47	53.47	53.47	53.47
Total Instruction	5,025.37	5,118.70	5,294.04	5,341.12	5,415.45



#### Comparative Full-Time Equivalency (FTE) Staffirf 6 of 122

OPERATIONS / DEPARTMENTS	2016-2017 Approved FTE	2017-2018 Approved FTE	2018-2019 Approved FTE	2019-2020 Approved FTE	2020-2021 Recommended FTE
Learning Support Services / Special Education					
Superintendent of Learning Support Services & Administrative Assistant	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Elementary Teachers	447.38	454.36	449.16	444.82	448.95
Secondary Teachers	116.00	121.17	133.84	135.00	142.67
Professional Student Services Personnel (Includes Regular Instruction)	72.10	74.10	83.80	83.80	86.40
Orientation Mobility Instructors / Board Certified Behaviour Analysts / Communication Disorder Assistants	0.50	0.50	1.00	6.00	6.00
Educational Assistants	644.00	672.00	699.00	729.00	792.50
Elementary Principal / Secondary Vice-Principal	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Administration & Support	7.00	7.00	7.00	8.00	9.00
Total Learning Support Services	1,290.98	1,333.13	1,377.80	1,410.62	1,489.52
Finance Department					
Chief Financial Officer & Administrative Assistant	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Budget Services	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Financial Reporting / School Support / Enterprise Resource Planning	18.50	18.50	22.50	21.50	21.50
Payroll	13.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
Supply Chain Management / Risk Management	11.50	11.50	11.50	13.00	13.00
Mail & Courier	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Document Reproduction	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Total Finance Department	55.00	56.00	60.00	60.50	60.50
Planning and Facilities					
Superintendent of Facilities & Administrative Assistant	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Custodial Services, Trades & Maintenance	712.12	709.12	711.12	711.12	727.72
Facilities Management, Design & Construction	47.00	47.00	47.00	47.00	47.00
Physical Planning	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00
Facilities & Planning Office, Real Estate & Community Use	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Admissions & Enrolment	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Total Planning and Facilities	781.12	778.12	780.12	780.12	796.72



# Comparative Full-Time Equivalency (FTE) Staffirf 57 of 122

OPERATIONS / DEPARTMENTS	2016-2017 Approved FTE	2017-2018 Approved FTE	2018-2019 Approved FTE	2019-2020 Approved FTE	2020-2021 Recommended FTE
Curriculum Services					
Superintendent of Program and Learning K-12 & Administrative Assistant	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Elementary Principals / Vice-Principals	2.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Secondary Principals / Vice-Principals	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Elementary Teachers	22.00	21.00	22.00	16.00	20.00
Secondary Teachers	13.00	13.00	13.00	14.00	15.00
Administration & Support	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Total Curriculum Services	46.00	46.00	47.00	42.00	47.00
Family Reception Centre					
Elementary Teacher	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Secondary Teacher	1.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Administration & Support	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Total Family Reception Centre	6.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Research, Evaluation and Analytics Division					
Secondary Teacher	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Administration & Support	8.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Research, Evaluation and Analytics Division (Transferred to Corporate Services effective 2017-2018)	9.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Office of the Director					
Director's Office	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	3.00
Superintendents & Administrative Assistants & Central Principals	11.00	10.50	12.00	12.00	14.00
Legal Advisor	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Total Office of the Director	15.00	14.50	16.00	15.00	18.00
Corporate Services					
Executive Officer, Administrative Assistant & Analyst	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Board Services	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Communications	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Corporate Records	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
Research, Evaluation and Analytics Division (Included in Curriculum Services prior to 2017-2018)	0.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Trustees	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Total Corporate Services	36.00	44.00	45.00	45.00	45.00

#### Comparative Full-Time Equivalency (FTE) Staffirig of 122

OPERATIONS / DEPARTMENTS	2016-2017 Approved FTE	2017-2018 Approved FTE	2018-2019 Approved FTE	2019-2020 Approved FTE	2020-2021 Recommended FTE
Human Resources					
Superintendent of Human Resources & Administrative Assistant	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Recruitment and Operations	36.00	38.50	40.50	31.50	33.50
Employee Wellness	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.00	8.00
Staff Development	1.00	2.00	2.00	3.00	3.00
Labour Relations	5.50	5.00	5.00	7.00	7.00
Occupational Health & Safety (Includes .50 FTE Elementary Teacher)	5.00	5.50	5.50	6.50	6.50
Elementary Staffing Resource Teacher	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Secondary Staffing Resource Teacher	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67
Total Human Resources	51.17	54.67	56.67	59.67	61.67
Continuing Education					
Secondary Principal	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Secondary Teacher	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Administration & Support	13.00	13.00	13.00	14.00	14.00
Total Continuing Education	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	16.00
Business and Learning Technologies					
Elementary Vice-Principal	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Elementary Teachers	4.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Secondary Teacher	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Administration & Support	85.00	90.00	87.00	87.00	105.00
Total Business and Learning Technologies	91.00	96.00	92.00	92.00	110.00
Other Departmental Expenses					
Total Staff on Loan	76.42	72.65	66.85	67.95	67.95
Early Childhood Educators	182.35	190.35	204.43	209.14	220.00
Early Learning Assistants	33.68	37.17	33.72	47.06	57.32
Administration & Support	11.00	10.75	10.75	10.75	10.75
Total Extended Day Program	227.03	238.27	248.90	266.95	288.07
Early Childhood Educators / Administration & Support	25.00	22.25	22.25	22.25	23.25
Program Coordinators	4.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Program Assistants	4.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.00
Cooks / Housekeepers	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.00	3.00
Total Infant, Toddler and Preschool Childcare Program	37.00	31.25	31.25	30.25	30.25
Total Other Departmental Expenses	340.45	342.17	347.00	365.15	386.27
Grand Total FTE	7,762.09	7,903.29	8,134.63	8,231.18	8,450.13
Reconciliation (Staff not included in Comparative Staffing)					
Trustees	(12.00)	(12.00)	(12.00)	(12.00)	(12.00)
Staff on Loan	(76.42)	(72.65)	(66.85)	(67.95)	(61.45)
Total FTE	7,673.67	7,818.64	8,055.78	8,151.23	8,370.17

#### **Revenues – Grants for Student Needs**

	2018-2019 Actual	2019-2020 Approved Budget		2020-2021 commended Budget
Grants for Student Needs (GSN)				
GSN - Operating Grants				
Pupil Foundation	\$ 406,990,556	\$ 385,621,536	\$	417,061,422
School Foundation	52,193,942	53,511,209		54,326,824
Special Education	99,073,231	101,342,495		103,140,937
French as a Second Language	18,347,444	18,366,202		19,116,745
English as a Second Language	16,737,479	16,341,749		17,530,572
Indigenous Education Allocation	2,701,080	2,283,685		3,054,479
Rural and Northern Education Allocation	188,140	194,481		229,827
Learning Opportunities	24,714,789	16,818,442		17,196,034
Program Leadership				998,303
Mental Health and Well-Being	1,875,001	1,905,160		2,569,591
Supports for Students				6,871,859
Continuing Education	6,594,033	7,314,092		6,564,092
Adult Education	3,301,329	4,390,387		3,931,913
International Student Recovery	-	(1,099,800)		(590,200)
Teacher Qualifications and Experience	84,326,458	105,825,138		82,929,970
New Teacher Induction Program	240,774	511,212		675,500
Student Transportation	41,762,550	43,895,596		43,537,476
Administration and Governance	20,844,621	20,791,009		20,348,292
School Operations (Facilities)	77,573,408	78,484,394		79,947,129
Community Use of Schools	1,064,827	1,078,910		1,073,525
Declining Enrolment Grant	-	-		
Restraint Savings	(279, 158)	(279, 158)		(279,158)
Transfer to Deferred Revenue	(10,020,969)	(20,979,201)		(13,748,912)
Total Operating Grants	\$ 848,229,535	\$ 836,317,538	\$	866,486,220
GSN - Capital Grants				
Facilities Renewal	\$ 5,693,776	\$ 5,087,333	\$	5,087,333
Temporary Accommodations	840,000	859,131		1,228,470
Interest on Ontario Financing Authority Debt	5,979,282	4,265,653		4,052,899
Interest on Non-Ontario Financing Authority Debt	2,523,115	2,523,115		2,523,115
Interest on Capital Projects under Construction	448,464	339,916	L	448,364
Total Capital Grants	\$ 15,484,637	\$ 13,075,148	\$	13,340,181
Total GSN for Operating and Capital Grants	\$ 863,714,172	\$ 849,392,686	\$	879,826,401



#### **Non Grant and Reserves**

	2018-2019 Actual	2019-2020 Approved Budget	Re	2020-2021 commended Budget
Non Grant Revenue				
Education Programs - Other and Other Revenue:				
Rentals	\$ 4,090,487	\$ 4,090,472	\$	4,046,328
Continuing Education	5,919,203	5,718,686		5,920,389
Other Ministry of Education Grants (including OYAP)	6,440,001	5,002,397		2,955,576
Staff on Loan	7,036,332	7,010,661		6,270,668
Tuition Fees	11,018,269	11,361,000		6,424,100
Interest Income	1,624,472	1,000,000		800,000
Miscellaneous Revenues	4,981,211	5,227,868		8,296,713
Specialized Program Funding	-	1,500,000		840,800
Board Programs:				
Extended Day Program	17,888,719	17,950,606		17,888,719
Infant, Toddler & Preschool Childcare Program	1,876,507	1,791,000		1,791,000
Total Non Grant Revenues	\$ 60,875,201	\$ 60,652,690	\$	55,234,293
Deferred Capital Contributions (Ministry Approved Capital)	\$ 49,672,200	\$ 61,757,118	\$	56,104,376
Total Revenue	\$ 974,261,573	\$ 971,802,494	\$	991,165,070
Use of Accumulated Surplus				
Capital Projects - Business & Learning Technologies	\$ -	\$ 8,218,707	\$	-
Board Supported Capital Projects	109,598	74,767		660,451
Use of Accumulated Surplus	\$ 109,598	\$ 8,293,474	\$	660,451
Total Revenue and Use of Accumulated Surplus	\$ 974,371,171	\$ 980,095,968	\$	991,825,521



#### **Capital Budget**

						Funding	Sou	irces				Total
	Expenditures		Ministry Funding	•   •		Accumulated Surplus		Future Education Development Charges			Capital Funding	
Buildings, Additions and Portables:  Capital Priorities Full Day Kindergarten Education Development Charges School Renewal School Condition Improvement Child Care Capital Administration Building Upgrades Portable Purchases (balance)	\$	21,079,321 - 5,784,000 8,000,000 46,558,033 1,420,000 705,000 1,608,600	\$	21,079,321 8,000,000 46,558,033 1,420,000			\$	705,000 1,608,600	\$	5,784,000	\$	21,079,321 - 5,784,000 8,000,000 46,558,033 1,420,000 705,000 1,608,600
Sub-Total	\$	85,154,954	\$	77,057,354	\$	-	\$	2,313,600	\$	5,784,000	\$	85,154,954
Other Assets: Furniture, Equipment, Computer Hardware / Software Sub-Total	\$	12,794,398 <b>12,794,398</b>	\$ <b>\$</b>	<u>-</u>	\$ <b>\$</b>	12,794,398 <b>12,794,398</b>		<u>-</u>	\$ <b>\$</b>	<u>-</u>	\$ <b>\$</b>	12,794,398 <b>12,794,398</b>
Total	\$	97,949,352	\$	77,057,354	\$	12,794,398	\$	2,313,600	\$	5,784,000	\$	97,949,352



#### **Deficit Elimination Plan**

Analysis of Significant Factors	
One-Time Revenue Gain from the Return of the Former Employee Benefit Plan's Surplus	\$ (3,250,000)
Net Revenue Loss for Lower International Student Enrolment due to the COVID-19 Pandemic	2,975,000
Delayed Implementation of the 23:1 Secondary Classroom Teacher Ratio (net 38 FTE)	4,100,000
Provision for Extraordinary COVID-19 Expenses	4,000,000
Transportation Costs in Excess of Funding	2,738,753
Net Instruction Spending	5,957,660
Adjusted Deficit Subject to Deficit Elimination Plan	\$ 16,521,413
Capital Asset Amortization Supported by Accumulated Surplus	660,452
Planned Deficit	\$ 17,181,865

Deficit Elimination Plan - Fully Implemented in 2021-2022								
Revenue Increase (Decrease)								
International Student Enrolment Returns to Historic Levels	\$	2,975,000						
Reduced Spending on MTCA (Current MTCA Budget is \$13.0m)		3,974,000						
Eliminate the One-Time Revenue from the Return of the Former Employee Benefit Plan's Surplus		(3,250,000)						
Facility Rental Market Rate and Usage Adjustments		200,000						
Total Revenue Increase (Decrease)	\$	3,899,000						
Expense Decrease								
Eliminate the Provision for Extraordinary COVID-19 Expenses	\$	4,000,000						
Full Implementation of the 23:1 Secondary Classroom Teacher Ratio (net 38 FTE)		4,100,000						
Review of Discretionary Staffing Levels and Transportation Model		4,522,413						
Total Expense Decrease	\$	12,622,413						
Adjusted Deficit Eliminated	\$	16,521,413						



# Special Education – Revenues and Expenditures 63 of 122

Grant Revenues		2019-2020 roved Budget	2020-2021 Recommended Budget			
Special Education Allocation	i					
Special Education Per Pupil Amount (SEPPA)	\$	56,945,326	\$	58,658,988		
Differentiated Special Education Needs Amount (DSENA)		37,425,366		37,686,292		
Behavioural Expertise Amount (BEA)		824,514		841,703		
Special Incidence Portion (SIP)		2,700,000		2,572,000		
Specialized Equipment Amount (SEA)		3,352,299		3,381,954		
Less SEA Deferred Revenue		(991,329)		(954,514)		
Total Special Education Grants	\$	100,256,176	\$	102,186,423		
Special Education Grant Allocations						
Proportionate Foundation Allocation	\$	8,620,372	\$	9,194,346		
Proportionate Teacher Compensation Allocation	*	1,485,850	_	1,470,596		
Total Special Education Grant Allocations	\$	10,106,222	\$	10,664,942		
Special Education Other Grants						
Summer Learning Program	\$	94,990	\$	123,177		
Local Priorities Fund (Teachers, PSSP and Educational Assistants)		-		-		
Program Leadership Allocation - Mental Health Leader component		142,333		144,990		
Total Special Education - Other Grants	\$	237,323	\$	268,167		
Special Education Other Income	i					
Other Revenue from Recoveries	\$	693,539	\$	693,539		
Priorities and Partnerships Fund (PPF)		1,211,184		414,693		
Employee Life and Health Trusts (Proportionate share)		3,316,916		3,661,966		
Total Special Education Other Income	\$	5,221,639	\$	4,770,199		
Total Revenues	\$	115,821,360	\$	117,889,731		

Expenditures	2019-2020 roved Budget	2020-2021 Recommended Budget		
Staffing	\$ 115,370,887	\$	123,744,434	
Operating	8,349,762		7,651,250	
Total Expenditures	\$ 123,720,649	\$	131,395,684	
Projected Surplus (Shortfall)	\$ (7,899,289)	\$	(13,505,953)	



# **Special Education – Detailed Expenditures** Page 64 of 122

Expenditures		2020 I Budget	2020-2021 Recommended Budget			
Teaching Staff	FTE		COSTS	FTE		COSTS
Elementary Teachers	467.32	\$	49,673,795	470.75	\$	51,314,704
Secondary Teachers	128.74		13,668,808	136.42		14,843,559
Total Teaching Staff	596.06	\$	63,342,603	607.17	\$	66,158,263
Educational Assistants	729.00	\$	41,706,853	792.50	\$	46,575,462
Total Educational Assistants	729.00	\$	41,706,853	792.50	\$	46,575,462
Professional Student Services Personnel (PSSP)						
Psychologists	25.29	\$	2,768,605	25.74	\$	2,921,780
Social Workers	24.03		2,324,063	24.75		2,563,621
Speech and Language Pathologists	26.10		2,490,437	27.27		2,721,339
Orientation & Mobility Instructor, Behavioural Analysts, and						
Communication Disorder Assistant	6.00		441,136	6.00		453,359
Casual PSSP for Budget Pressures	-		40,000	-		40,000
PSSP Positions funded by Local Priorities	-		-	•		_
Total Professional Student Services Personnel	81.42	\$	8,064,241	83.76	\$	8,700,099
Total Administration and Support Staff						
Principals and Vice-Principals	5.00	\$	698,317	4.75	\$	680,153
Administration and Support Staff	14.00		1,558,874	14.00		1,630,457
Total Administration and Support Staff	19.00	\$	2,257,191	18.75	\$	2,310,610
Total Special Education Staff	1,425.48	\$	115,370,887	1,502.18	\$	123,744,434
Operating Budget						
General Operating Budget		\$	2,070,608		\$	1,970,657
Specialized Equipment for Students			2,378,970			2,515,479
Summer Learning Program			610,800			610,800
Short Term Response Fund			474,000			474,000
Occasional Teachers for Special Education Teachers			1,332,864			1,394,285
Staff Development			271,336			271,336
Other Programs / Priorities and Parterships Fund (PPF) Expenses			1,211,184			414,693
Total Operating Budget		\$	8,349,762		\$	7,651,250



#### Learning Support Services – Financial Summary 65 of 122

Revenues	2020	0-2021	202	0-2021	20	020-2021	202	0-2021	:	2020-2021
	Special	Education	Accounting	g Adjustments		ducation Ministry Totals		ols and Urban plicable to LSS)	Learning	Support Services Totals
Grants for Student Needs Grant Allocations (Foundation and Q&E) Other Grants Other Income		\$ 102,186,423 10,664,942 - 4,770,199		\$ 268,167 4,770,199		\$ 102,186,423 10,664,942 268,167 4,770,199		\$ 1,777,732		\$ 103,964,155 10,664,942 268,167 4,770,199
Total Revenues		\$ 117,621,564		\$ 5,038,366		\$ 117,889,731		\$ 1,777,732		\$ 119,667,463
Expenditures										
Elementary Teachers Ministry Totals include partially integrated classes	448.25	\$ 48,862,063	22.50	\$ 2,452,641	470.75	\$ 51,314,704			470.75	\$ 51,314,704
Secondary Teachers  Ministry Totals include partially integrated classes  Ministry Totals exclude Gifted classes that do not qualify for grant	142.67	15,523,607	14.50 (20.75)	1,577,713 (2,257,762)	136.42	14,843,559			136.42	14,843,559
Educational Assistants	792.50	46,575,462			792.50	46,575,462	21.00	\$ 1,257,052	813.50	47,832,514
Professional Student Services Personnel (PSSP): Psychologists	28.60	3,246,422	(2.86)	(324,642)	25.74	2,921,780	1.80	219,382	27.54	3,141,162
Social Workers Speech and Language Pathologists Orientation & Mobility Instructor, Behavioural	27.50 30.30	2,848,467 3,023,710	(2.75)	(284,847) (302,371)	24.75 27.27	2,563,621 2,721,339	3.00	301,299	27.75 27.27	2,864,920 2,721,339
Analysts, and Communication Disorder Assistant Casual PSSP for budget pressures Ministry Totals exclude 10% of PSSP salaries allocated to instruction	6.00	453,359 40,000			6.00	453,359 40,000			6.00	453,359 40,000
Administration and Support Staff:										
Program Evaluator Managers / Supervisors of Professional Services Braillist, Behaviour Management Technician, and	1.00 5.00	111,248 790,674			1.00 5.00	111,248 790,674			1.00 5.00	111,248 790,674
Applied Behaviour Analysis Coordinator Clerical and secretarial - CB Schools Child and Youth Worker and SIP Consultant Feeding Skills Assistant	2.00	178,179 - 128,939 25,000	1.00 3.00	66,625 186,244	3.00 3.00	244,804 186,244 128,939 25,000			3.00 3.00 - -	244,804 186,244 128,939 25,000
Principals and Vice-Principals: Principals / Vice-Principal - CB Schools Central Principal / Vice-Principal	- 2.00	- 302,117	2.75	378,036	2.75 2.00	378,036 302,117			2.75 2.00	378,036 302,117
Other										
Business and Learning Technology Technicians	-	-	2.00	143,548	2.00	143,548			2.00	143,548
Operating Expenses General Operating Budget: SEA equipment Staff Development Emergency Educational Assistance / Short term		2,444,657 2,515,479 271,336		-		2,444,657 2,515,479 271,336				2,444,657 2,515,479 271,336
Summer Learning Program Other program and PPF expenses		610,800 -		414,693		610,800 414,693				610,800 414,693
Occasional Teachers for Special Education Teachers  Total Expenses	1485.82	\$ 127,951,520	16.36	1,394,285 <b>\$ 3,444,164</b>	1,502.18	1,394,285 <b>\$ 131,395,683</b>	25.80	\$ 1,777,732	1,527.98	1,394,285 <b>\$ 133,173,416</b>
i	1405.82		10.36		1,502.18		25.80	φ 1,111,132	1,527.98	
Projected Surplus (Shortfall)  Numbers may not add due to rounding		\$ (10,329,956)		\$ 1,594,202		\$ (13,505,953)		\$ -		\$ (13,505,953)

#### **Salary Differential**

	OCDSB	Average Sa Benefits	lary and	Ministry	Difference		
	Salary	Benefits	Total	Salary Benefits		Total	
Elementary							
Teacher *	\$ 93,389	\$12,872	\$ 106,261	\$ 90,437	\$ 10,753	\$ 101,190	\$ (5,071)
Principal	129,393	\$14,768	144,161	120,980	14,159	135,139	(9,022
Vice-Principal	118,411	\$16,185	134,596	114,990	13,568	128,558	(6,038)
School Office Staff	44,902	\$14,795	59,697	45,080	13,666	58,746	(951)
Secondary							
Teacher *	\$ 94,811	\$13,435	\$ 108,246	\$ 90,566	\$ 10,326	\$ 100,892	\$ (7,354)
Principal	136,901	\$14,991	151,892	131,254	15,172	146,426	(5,466)
Vice-Principal	122,572	\$14,979	137,551	120,897	14,150	135,047	(2,504)
School Office Staff	45,470	\$14,983	60,453	47,488	14,282	61,770	1,317
Support Staff							
Educational Assistants	\$ 44,229	\$14,093	\$ 58,322	\$ 45,845	\$ 13,908	\$ 59,753	\$ 1,431
Early Childhood Educators *	41,290	\$13,532	54,822	41,517	10,545	52,062	(2,760)

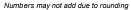
<sup>\*</sup> Ministry funding for salaries includes the Qualifications & Experience Grant

Ministry funding for benefits includes projected 2020-2021 Employee Life and Health Trust Payments

#### Extended Day Program and Infant, Toddler & Preschool Program 122

2020-2021 Projected Revenues	Extended Day Program	Infant, Toddler & Preschool Childcare Program	Total
Extended Day and Infant, Toddler & Preschool Childcare Programs			
Extended Day Fee Revenue - Regular Day Extended Day Fee Revenue - PD Days, Winter, March & Summer Break Government Contribution to Benefits	\$ 16,727,741 1,160,978 598,665		\$ 16,727,741 1,160,978 598,665
Infant, Toddler & Preschool Childcare Program	,	\$ 1,791,000	1,791,000
Total	\$ 18,487,384	\$ 1,791,000	\$ 20,278,384

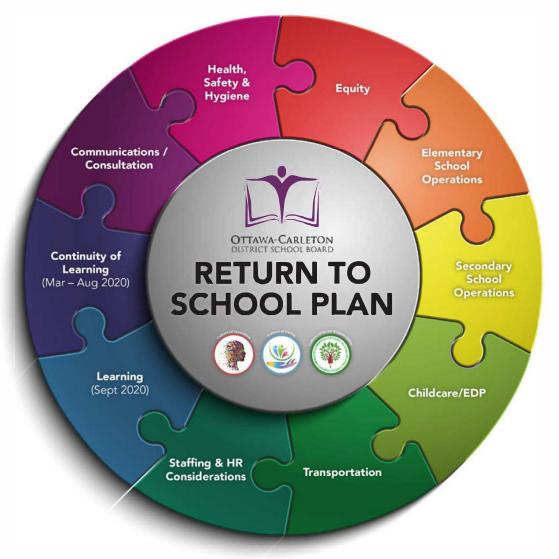
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2020-2021 Projected Expenditures	Extende	d D	Day Program		Childcare		To	otal				
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Extended Day Program	FTE		Amount	FTE		Amount	FTE		Amount			
Staffing and Operating Expenses:												
Central Staffing	10.75	\$	1,020,033				10.75	\$	1,020,033			
Early Childhood Educators	220.00		11,518,924				220.00		11,518,924			
Supply Early Childhood Educators			1,101,838						1,101,838			
Early Learning Assistants (including Supply Early Learning Assistants)	45.69		1,820,391				45.69		1,820,391			
Staff Costs - Professional Development Days, Winter, March and Summer Break			774,837						774,837			
Support for Children with Special Needs	11.64		300,000				11.64		300,000			
Snacks			457,327						457,327			
Supplies and Services			161,779						161,779			
Professional Development			107,396						107,396			
EDP Information System			300,000						300,000			
Departmental Costs:												
School Operations			333,573						333,573			
Sub-total Staffing, Operating and Departmental Costs	288.07	\$	17,896,099				288.07	\$	17,896,099			
Departmental Transfer Costs:												
Human Resources		\$	202,741					\$	202,741			
Business & Learning Technologies		Ť	199,195					*	199,195			
Finance			115,352						115,352			
Payroll			70,854						70,854			
Sub-total Departmental Transfer Costs		\$	588,142					\$	588,142			
Total Extended Day Program	288.07	\$	18,484,241				288.07	\$	18,484,241			
Infant, Toddler & Preschool Childcare Program												
Staffing				30.25	\$	1,913,527	30.25	\$	1,913,527			
Operating Expenses				50.25	Ψ	135,000	50.25	IΨ	135,000			
Total Infant, Toddler & Preschool Childcare Program				30.25	\$	2,048,527	30.25	¢	2,048,527			
Total Illiant, Toddiel & Fleschool Childcare Flogram				30.23	Ψ	2,040,027	30.25	Ψ	2,040,327			
Projected Surplus (Shortfall)		\$	3,143		\$	(257,527)		\$	(254,384)			



#### **English as a Second Language**

Projected Revenues	FTE	2019-2020 Approved Budget	FTE	2020-2021 Recommended Budget
Grant Revenue		\$ 16,341,749		\$ 17,530,572
OCENET				
Teaching Positions funded by OCENET	6.17	654,271	6.33	666,952
Total Revenue		\$ 16,996,020		\$ 18,197,524

Projected Expenditures		2019-2020 Approved Budget		d FTE		2020-2021 commended Budget
Elementary						
Classroom Teachers (Includes 0.5 FTE position funded from OCENET)	93.25	\$	9,614,075	93.25	\$	9,908,652
Vice-Principal of English Language Learners	1.00		133,700	1.00		134,630
Sub-Total	94.25	\$	9,747,775	94.25	\$	10,043,282
Secondary						
Classroom Teachers (Includes 5.83 FTE positions funded from OCENET)	36.83	\$	3,915,029	36.83	\$	3,987,142
Central Orientation Class (Academic Staff)	2.00		212,600	2.00		216,516
Sub-Total	38.83	\$	4,127,629	38.83	\$	4,203,658
Administration and Support						
Family Reception Centre	4.00	\$	283,412	4.00	\$	298,592
Multi-Cultural Liaison Contractual Services			292,500			292,500
Operating Budget			65,000			65,000
Sub-Total	4.00	\$	640,912	4.00	\$	656,092
Total Expenditures	137.08	\$	14,516,316	137.08	\$	14,903,032
Projected Surplus (Shortfall)		\$	2,479,704		\$	3,294,492













# Returning to School September 2020

Resume regular school operations as quickly, safely and sustainably as possible.











#### **Board Direction**

The Board has expressed a strong preference to have all students return to full-time instruction, including Extended Day Program, five days a week, with enhanced leaning and hygiene in September 2020, recognizing:

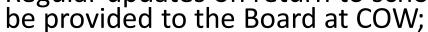
children's human right to education;

the need to develop high-level plans as required by the Ministry of Education and Board guiding principles;
importance of seeking creative solutions informed by research and best practices in other jurisdictions;

Cost estimates associated with the plans for return to school in September in the staff recommended budget;

 review of capital spending and need for regular financial reports to the Board on costs and recoveries related to pandemic;

Regular updates on return to school plans and implementation













#### **Current Timeline**

<u>Week of July 20</u> - Pre-registration survey; Meeting with Board of Trustees to present plans for submission to Ministry

Week of July 27 - Meeting with Ministry of Education to review reopening plans

Week of August 4 - Expect final Ministry direction on reopening; active communication

Weeks of August 10<sup>th</sup> -24<sup>th</sup>- Operational guidelines finalized; implementation begins











## **Guiding Principles**



Be Affordable, Adaptable, Flexible and Sustainable



Collaborate Internally and Externally



Ensure Equity of Access



Prioritize Health and Safety



Prioritize Full-time Learning at School



Provide Quality Instruction



Support Wellbeing of Students and Staff



Supportive of Family Needs





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## Ministry Update

- School Boards required to plan for full return; hybrid model; and learn at home (<u>Approach to</u> <u>Reopening Schools for the 2020-21 School Year</u>);
- More recently, province has suggested preference for 5 days/week;
- Ministry/school board teleconferences the week of July 27<sup>th</sup>. Boards to use School Board Self-Assessment Checklist to inform presentation;
- Final Ministry guidance on reopening early August;













- September start with students in school 5
  days/week, with option for home schooling for
  those who decide not to participate in in-person
- Consider safety practices, cohorting and/or stratifying school activities by age group
- Work with OPH to prioritize prevention and control measures that enable in-person school five days a week.
- Establish rapid response standards to address transmission in a school setting.











#### **Collaborative Planning**

- Local Field Office
- CODE/Ministry Meetings
- Chairs Meetings with Minister

Ministry of Education

School and Central Departments

- Program and Learning
- Learning Support Services
- Equity & Indigenous Education
- Business & Learning
   Technology
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Community Partners

**Federations** 

- Ottawa Public Health
- Ottawa Catholic School Board
- CEPEO
- CECCE

- Elementary Teachers Federation
- Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation (teachers and education workers)





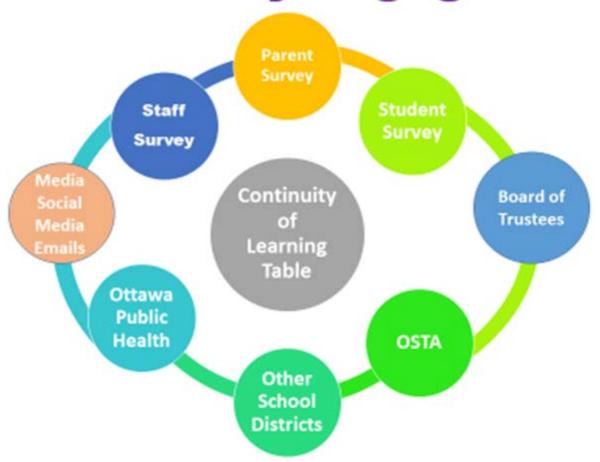
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#### **Community Engagement**













#### **Human Resources**

- Planning for successful, healthy and safe return to workplace for employees;
- Open and regular communication to answer questions, build awareness and confidence;
- Planning includes:
  - Respect for collective agreements;
  - Some continued work from home options;
  - Staff accommodations
  - Family considerations
  - Self assessments
  - Managing employee illness and leave





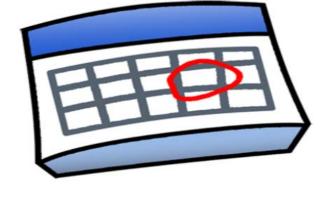






#### **School Year Calendar**

- Board approved changes;
- Ministry confirmation to come;
- 3 PA Days Aug 31, September 1 & 2;
- First day of school September 3<sup>rd</sup>;













- In July, online surveys were distributed to OCDSB staff, students (Grade 7 -12), and parents/guardians;
- The surveys collected feedback on Learn At Home and the potential return to school in September;
- Over 25,000 people participated in these surveys and reported on their experiences in remote learning, concerns about mental health and wellbeing, need for more family support and learning, and feelings about returning to school;











Highlights from Students (grades 7-12) and Parents/Guardians (K-12)

Biggest Barrier during Learn At Home

> Students: Lack of motivation

Parents/Guardians: Lack of time/ability to support What Worked Best for Students

> Students: Provision of lessons/materials

Parents/Guardians: Live conversations with educator/class Most Important for Return to School

> Students: Clarity in expectations

Parents/Guardians: Ability to work & Safety practices





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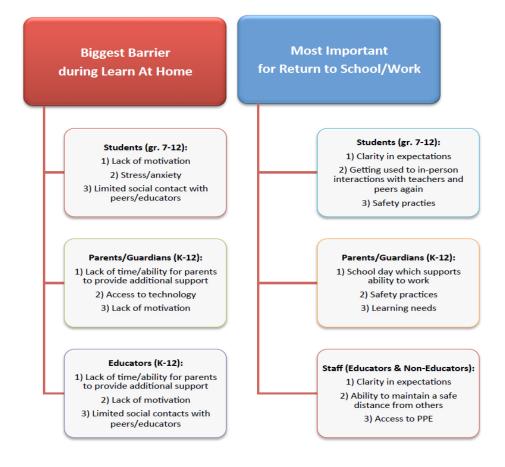
























## Planning for Three Scenarios

RETURN TO SCHOOL –

5 DAYS with enhanced public health protocols

#### MODIFIED OR HYBRID RE-OPENING

routine based on smaller class sizes, cohorting and alternative day or week delivery; and

#### AT-HOME LEARNING

with ongoing enhanced remote delivery.

FINAL DIRECTION ON THE MODEL FOR IMPLEMENTATION IS EXPECTED TO COME FROM THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION IN CONSULTATION WITH HEALTH AUTHORITIES

### **Understanding Cohorting**

- Cohorts refers to groups of students; used to assist in planning and contact tracing;
- Cohort size could be based on class size or another number;
- Cohort sizes will vary by model;
- In a full return, cohorts A and B attend school 5 days a week. In a hybrid model, cohorts A and B alternate attending school in person.
- In both models, Cohort C refers to students opting for remote learning











To achieve the full return of students to school, as a community we must make school a priority and continue to follow safety guidelines in order to keep the community spread of COVID-19 as low as possible.

The safe operation of schools will require some adaptations to regular practice particularly in the context of supporting social distancing, cohorting, and contract tracing.











Full School Day
5 Days per Week,
Face-to-Face with Enhanced Public
Health Protocols and Full Class Sizes











- Number of educator contacts will be limited.
- Physical distancing assumes a reduction in requirements from 2m.
- Enhanced daily cleaning protocols in place.
- Cohort Tracing and contact tracing in place
- Enhanced public health protocols











- School day routines & practices will be different.
- School building layout will influence implementation scenarios; expect variance by school.
- School space may be repurposed.
- The length and structure of the school day will be as close to a full-day as possible.
- Optimize outdoor spaces for learning.











- Kindergarten classes will be cohorted into smaller groups with dedicated resources for their use.
- Students from kindergarten to grade 8 will remain in their homerooms for learning and will not rotate between classes.
- **Grades 9-12** will complete 4\* courses per semester, format could be adjusted. (Non-semestered 8).











### Hybrid Model 2:3/3:2

- Students attend school 5 days out of 10.
- One cohort (A) attends school on Mondays/Tuesdays and every second Wednesday.
- The other cohort (B) would attend school Thursday and Friday and alternate Wednesdays
- Teachers providing remote learning on nonclassroom days (synchronous/ asynchronous learning).











### **Hybrid Model**

- Adapted School Day Model;
- •3 Days Face-to-Face, 2 Days Remote one week;
- 2 Days Face-to-Face, 3 Days Remote other week;











# Addressing Equity Hybrid Model

- Within a hybrid model, there would be a focus on some learners attending 5 days a week:
- Supports for most vulnerable students through differentiated delivery models.
- Special Education classes will operate as a cohort, where possible.
- English Literacy Development Class (ELD) classes at for English Language Learners.



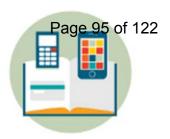








## **Remote Learning**



- Any parent/guardian can chose remote learning for 2020-2021 school year;
- Fully remote students (cohort C) will be assigned to a classroom/course to allow connection with online learning with teacher and peers;
- Collaborative group tasks can take place between cohorts A,B, and C;











### **Remote Learning**



- Focus on overall curriculum expectations;
- Google Classroom or VLE as online learning platform;
- Synchronous and asynchronous learning daily, including access to office hours;
- Difference from Learn at Home is that assessment & evaluation are ongoing, daily schedules are provided and some synchronous learning required.











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### **Remote Learning**

Synchronous learning in multicohort environment has some challenges in terms of instructional demands, equity of access, technical infrastructure and bandwidth for both provider and users.











## Confirmation of Attendance

- Parents/guardians will be asked to confirm whether their child will returning to school in-person in September or will learn remotely;
- Recognize how challenging this decision is for parents with current information;
- Recommend this occurs after Ministry confirmation of model for September;
- Online registration distributed after August 4<sup>th</sup> and returned within 7-10 days;
- Align with OSTA data collection if possible.











# Health & Safety Protocols



For People



For Buildings



For Activities

**Comprehensive Health & Safety Strategy** 











# Personal Health & Safety

- Awareness Campaign
- Daily Self-Assessment Protocol for staff and students
- Physical Distancing
- Hand Washing
- Hand Sanitizer Stations
- Respiratory Etiquette
- Masks/Face Coverings









hygiene

exercise proper hand





# Healthy & Safe Buildings

- Daily Cleaning
- High Touch Surfaces
- Designated Entry
- Traffic Flow
- Directional Signage
- Building Ventilation

#### Clean frequently touched surfaces twice per day

- In addition to routine cleaning, surfaces that have frequent contact with hands should be cleaned and disinfected twice per day and when visibly dirty.
- Examples include doorknobs, elevator buttons, light switches, toilet handles, counters, hand rails, touch screen surfaces and keypads.
- In addition to routine cleaning, check with your organization for any specific protocols for cleaning for COVID-19.





















# Healthy & Safe Activities

- Entry signage requiring self-screening prior to building access;
- Consider staggered entry/exit;
- Establish parent pick up/drop off protocols;
- Limit visitors to schools to essential visitors;
- No food sharing or gathering for meals;
- No assemblies or any other group gatherings;
- Limit field trips, extracurriculars;











### Physical Adaptations

- Shields installed in school offices;
- Restricted room uses where required;
- Redistribution of space;
- Adoption of other spaces;
- Rearrangement of desks;
- Reduction of non-essential furniture, toys, and supplies to facilitate cleaning;











# Timetable Adaptations

- Adjusted routines for daily activities;
- Staggered entry/exit;
- Curricular modifications;











#### **Outbreak Protocols**

#### **SCREENING**

All students & staff undergo screening for symptoms prior to leaving for school/work

Entry screening for all individuals entering the building

Anyone with symptoms will be directed to return home

#### **MANAGE SYMPTOMS**

Testing recommended for persons with symptoms

Protocol to be developed with OPH for managing illness which presents during school day

#### **CONTAIN OUTBREAK**

OPH is developing a Rapid Response Protocol to support schools

OPH manages contact tracing and notifications

#### **MONITOR ABSENCES**

Track student and staff absenteeism and notify OPH in the event of large increases in absenteeism





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### **Special Education**

- Supports for students with special education needs begin with summer transition program to ensure a seamless transition back to school;
- Program supports highest needs students as per Ministry directive and funding;
- Continuity of mental health supports in place to support students on existing caseloads;











### **Special Education**

- Students with special education needs in the regular classroom will attend with their cohort and receive support as per their IEP;
- Many specialized program classes have classes have smaller class size caps which supports smaller cohort sizes;
- School teams will work collaboratively with families to understand the needs and identify gaps faced by students and develop personalized programs to support them.











### **Special Education**

- Additional short-term Educational Assistant support may be provided to support student transitions in specific circumstances;
- In a hybrid model, students with special education needs will be prioritized to attend full-time;
- Some circumstances/student needs may require a differentiated approach;











# Mental Health Supports

**Take Care of Your Mental Health, too!** 



Try to unplug from media and find a balance.



You are not alone.



Take care of your body. Stay active.





Physical distancing does not mean being alone.

#### Step 4









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## Mental Health Supports

- Returning to school will require time to address students' social and emotional needs.
- All staff have a role to play in supporting students' mental health and well-being.
- Support for students at transition points (returning to school, attending a new school, entering Grade 9).











# Mental Health Supports

- For those students who require additional support, a blended model with both in-person and virtual supports, including:
  - Social emotional support groups
  - Clinical intervention
  - Crisis response
- Provide professional learning to staff to help staff identify student needs & implement appropriate strategies based on student specific needs.











### **Transportation**

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SCHOOL BUS

- Collaboration with OSTA and OCSB;
- OSTA will survey families about needs/plans for use and finalize plans;
- Encourage sustainable transportation alternatives such as active transportation;
- Support families based on need;
- Provision of services to students with special needs a particular focus;
- Possibility for disruptions/delays at start;













## Technology Support

- Chromebooks 11,000 distributed between March and June; 5000 ordered and received for September, additional 5000 included in draft budget;
- Mobile hotspots 1200 distributed and another 500 for distribution;
- **Redistribution** of some devices/wifi may be necessary;
- BYOD students welcome to bring own device wherever possible;
- Bandwith demand is an issue for district and families;











- Currently only provincial direction is for community childcare.
- Modelling is based on those directives, but school based directives for extended day and childcare are expected.











#### Full Return (without Cohort)

- Provide Extended Day Program based on family demands and operational capacity;
- Enhanced cleaning protocol;
- Extended Day Programs offered by Third-Party Providers in our schools follow the same Ministry requirements as District operated EDPs.











#### Full Return (with cohort groupings)

- Creation of welcoming and caring environments for children while encouraging physical distancing;
- Increased demand for space/classrooms to accommodate physical distancing;
- Increased demands for staffing in order to accommodate new procedures;











#### Full Return (with cohort groupings)

- Enhanced cleaning protocols;
- No self-serve or sharing of food at snack times;
   and
- Modification of the current e-registration platform to support flexible attendance and prioritization of access to care based on the recommended list from the Ministry.











#### **Hybrid Model**

- Demand for care & operator capacity to deliver care under the new guidelines are unknown.
- Classroom cohorts will mix for EDP;
- Establishment of screening processes and enhanced cleaning protocols;
- It will not be possible to offer full-day care on the days that a child is not in school; and
- Modification of the current e-registration platform.











## Organizational Readiness

- Currently developing comprehensive School Operations Resource Guide;
- Principal planning for back to school readiness;
- Planning underway for comprehensive PA Day training and school readiness;
- Staffing timelines and assignments/re-assignments;
- Notification to families about student class assignments;











### Financial Implications

- Targeted Ministry funding to OCDSB for Covid response as per budget documents;
- Support for Students Fund may offset some incremental costs, but was intended to fulfill existing needs not pandemic response needs;
- Need for additional provincial funding increases or provision of supplies to offset local costs;
- Complex increased staffing demands; unclear authority to increase, lack of funding sources, availability of qualified staff.











## Financial Implications









Personal Protective Equipment Custodial & Cleaning Supplies

Health and Safety Staff

Additional Technology

Special Education

Professional Development

Communications Supports

Permit Revenue

Loss

International Student Fees





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