Board of Education
Budget Development
December 16, 2019
Mission Statement

The mission of the Hopewell Valley Regional School District, in partnership with the community, is to provide a comprehensive, caring educational experience which

- Nurtures the unique talents of each individual
- Creates a fulfilled, socially responsible, life-long learner
- Develops confidence and capabilities to face the challenges of a rapidly changing world
- Promotes a culture of respect which values diversity

As partners, we will provide sufficient resources and a talented, committed staff that creates a safe environment where all individuals flourish. Through this Mission and Strategic Plan, the Board of Education expects that all students will achieve the NJ Core content Curriculum Standards at all grade levels.
Return on Your Investment

- A District-wide commitment to developing the whole child
- #16 High School in New Jersey - NJ Monthly (highest ranking ever)
- #16 School District in New Jersey - Niche Ranking (586 District)
- #26 SAT Scores Statewide (highest ranking ever)
- #185 Best School Districts in America (10,758)
- Numerous awards for our athletic program (A+ Niche rating)
- Numerous awards for our arts and music program (Rated one of the best districts for music education)
- Dedication to practical skills development with Auto Shop, Wood Shop, Engineering Lab @ CHS
- Elimination of extra-curricular participation fees
- Over 100 extra/co-curricular/club/enrichment opportunities for students in grades 6-12
- Excellent class sizes PreK-12
- Business Office recognized by Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) International
- Addressing our facility needs with the passage of our referendum by an almost 2:1 margin
- Over 80% of TMS & CHS students participate in some club/activity
- More opportunities for students to take advanced level classes
- 42 athletic teams that are competitive and provide opportunities for over 1200 students in grades 6-12
- Competitively ranked in NJ Monthly, US World & News, Newsweek, GreatSchools.org & many others
- Full Day Kindergarten
- Five different languages taught
- Late run transportation services
The Whole Child
- Over 100 clubs and activities for students in grades 6-12
- Innovative counseling programs
- Dedication to practical skills development with auto shop, wood shop, engineering lab

Academics
- Inquiry based instructional model
- More opportunities for students to take advanced level classes
- A+ Niche rating
- Excellent class sizes PreK-12

The Arts & Athletics
- Recognized by GRAMMY Org. for quality of arts program.
- A+ Niche rating for athletic programs
- Numerous state and regional titles and awards in both programs

Finance and Facilities
- Recognized by ASBO for our budgeting and accounting practices
- Referendum projects will be completed under budget
- All schools recognized by Sustainable Jersey for our Green efforts

Accolades
- #16 district in NJ (Niche)
- #16 high school in NJ (NJ Monthly)
- #26 SAT scores statewide
- NJDOE recognized High Performing school district

Return On Your Investment
What Makes HVRSD Unique?

- Small schools
- Small class sizes
- Extraordinary number of student programs and opportunities
- Extraordinary number of student support services
- A highly experienced teaching staff
- Programs that significantly exceed State minimums:
  - Art, music, world language, library, nursing, counseling and many others
### What Budget Discussions Have Already Occurred?

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All presentations are available on the HVRSD website under “Budget”
## 2020-21 Budget Discussion Schedule

**Public Board of Education Budget Discussions**

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* Draft budget documents will be presented for review. Administrator will be available to answer questions regarding any specific expenditures. The Budget process will also be shared.