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Westfield Public Schools
A Tradition of Excellence
Budget Presentation

Dr. Margaret Dolan
Dana Sullivan
March 12, 2019
# Budget Calendar

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<th>DAY</th>
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<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>December 4</td>
<td>Board Workshop – Budget Discussion</td>
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<td>Board Meeting- Budget Discussion</td>
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<td>Thursday</td>
<td>March 7</td>
<td>Receipt of State Aid Information</td>
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<td>Public Board Meeting – Budget Presentation/Adoption of Tentative Budget</td>
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<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>March 20</td>
<td>Budget Due to County Office</td>
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<td>April 25</td>
<td>Advertisement for Public Hearing appears in Westfield Leader</td>
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<td>Public Hearing on Budget- Adoption of Final Budget</td>
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All meetings will be held at 7:30 pm in the Board Room located at 302 Elm Street, unless otherwise indicated.
Budgetary Goals

- Maintain class sizes within policy guidelines
- Maintain funding for:
  - Recently approved courses
  - School resource officers
- Provide funding for:
  - Health & wellness coordinator
  - Recess requirements
- Maintain fund balance at 2%
- Stay within 2% CAP plus eligible waivers
## Revenue Operating Budget

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<th>Proposed 19-20</th>
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<td>$98,644,716</td>
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<td>State Aid</td>
<td>$4,803,581</td>
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<td>Special Education Medicaid</td>
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<td>Other Revenue</td>
<td>$908,250</td>
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<td><strong>Total Operating Budget</strong></td>
<td><strong>$105,142,413</strong></td>
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Sources of revenue 2019-2020
Operating budget

Local Tax Levy $101,420,397

- Tuition, Student Activity Fees, Misc $534,892
- Interest $500,000
- Extraordinary Aid $975,000
- State Aid $4,281,274
- Fund Balance $750,000
## State Aid 2019-20 and 2018-19

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<td>Debt Service</td>
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Basic State Aid Formula vs Actual 2019-2020

State Aid Received for 2019-20

Aid per State Formula

Amount due to Westfield if state formula was fully funded

- $4,281,274
- $7,310,830
History of State Aid Received Since FY 2009-2010

Total State Aid lost over past decade = $18,147,775
Estimated Tax Impact

- Budget is at state mandated tax levy CAP
- Tax levy increase is 2.8%
- Increase to average homeowner is approximately $275
How the operating budget is spent 2019-2020

- Salaries & Benefits: 82%
- Outside Providers; Behaviorists, OT, PT & Legal: 3%
- Cleaning, Repair, Maint & Rentals: 1%
- Supplies, Materials & Equip: 4%
- Transportation & Insurance: 4%
- Out of District Tuition: 6%
Total Staffing 2019-2020

- Teachers - Regular Ed 47%
- Special Ed Teachers & Paras 30%
- Nurses, Guidance & Librarians 7%
- Principals, Supervisors & Secs 6%
- Operations 3%
- Maintenance 7%
Expenditures
Analysis of Increase from 18-19 Budget
to 19-20 Budget

Increase in salaries $ 1,403,193
Increase in health insurance $ 1,676,270
Increase of 1.0 health and wellness coordinator $ 67,000
Increase of 2.1 teachers at elementary level for enrollment $ 141,726
Increase in other areas of budget $ 30,961
TOTAL INCREASE $ 3,319,150
Cost Containment

- Self Insured Medical and RX Plans
- Coordinated Transportation to Out of District Placements
- Cooperative Purchasing
- Solar Panels on Five Schools
- Shared Services with Town of Westfield
- In District Special Education Programs
- Reduction in Workers Compensation Claims and Costs
Westfield Compared to Similar School Districts

Cost Per Pupil

Source: NJDOE Taxpayer’s Guide to Spending 2016-2017 Audited Data
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