Rochambeau and Memorial Middle School Budget Workshop

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Region15 Public Schools Mission Statement

The mission of Region 15, a collaborative community committed to excellence, is to educate every student to be productive, ethical, and engaged in a global society through proven and innovative learning experiences supported by its strong community whose decision-making is based on the best interest of all students.
A Focus on Instructional Practices at the Middle Level
Supported through 2019-2020 Budget

❖ Continued focus on Readers and Writers Workshop in ELA
   ➢ Additional resources to support purchase of high interest reads for ELA classroom libraries

❖ Targeted Professional Development to support differentiation in Math
   ➢ Work on increasing strategies to meet all students’ needs

❖ Increased Inquiry opportunities in Social Studies and Science
   ➢ Materials and resources to support NGSS implementation
   ➢ Online resources in social studies to support Inquiry

❖ World Language: Strategies to enhance target language use

❖ Integration of technology across subject areas

❖ Ongoing Professional Development to support teachers
Increased and Improved Access to Technology

❖ Purchase of new and replacement ChromeBook Carts increasing access to technology for students and staff
❖ Expansion of licensing for digital resources and informational databases through library media
  ➢ Shift from a textbook model to a subscription model for resources
  ➢ Access to non fiction text based resources (Newsela) -leveled to support student needs
  ➢ Access to web based videos and text (Discovery Education) to support curriculum related topics across discipline areas (particularly in science and social studies)
❖ Increased STEM Opportunities for students (particularly through Technology Education and Computer courses)
❖ Increased Digital Media offerings for students through Library Media
Social Emotional Learning

- Continuing to support the Teaming Model at the Middle Level
- Restorative Practice Implementation (staff and students)
- RULER Training for staff (professional development time)
- Proposal of the K-8 Social Worker
- Exploration of a Middle School Advisory Program
- Continued work to support Developmental School Counseling program and career pathways for students
- Health program for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students
Middle School Highlights

- Relatively flat budget requests across department areas in both buildings
- 19-20 Budget supports continued program improvement without compromising students and staff needs

Middle School Programming/Instructional Material reflected in other budget areas

- Professional Development lines reflected in school budgets and Assistant Superintendent’s Budget
- Purchase of ChromeBooks through Director of Technology Budget
- Curriculum Development through Assistant Superintendent’s Budget