



*South Portland Schools*  
**Proposed Superintendent's  
FY23 Budget**

March 30, 2022

# Tonight's Agenda

**Updates on the Proposed Superintendent's Budget**

**Board Discussion**

**Special Meeting**



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## **By the Numbers**

### ***Context for the FY23 budget***

Our enrollment has increased nearly

**7.55%**

(or 218 students) *just since October 1* of this school year. Our enrollment is currently the highest that it has been since ~~2015~~ 2014.



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# **By the Numbers**

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### ***Enrollment***

On October 1, 2021: **2,887**

Today: **3,105**

Our state subsidy for FY23 is based on a two-year average of 2,899 (October 1 enrollment in 2020 and 2021).



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- Increase of **20** students just since my first budget presentation on March 14.
- Expect to enroll **10 more** students next week, all of whom are English learners.
- Some of our current students who have gained permanent housing are likely to move to Portland schools for the 2022-23 school year, but with a continuing influx of new asylum-seeking families, we don't expect a net decrease in McKinney-Vento families.
- All indications are that South Portland hotels will continue to be housing sites.



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# **By the Numbers**

## ***Context for the FY23 budget***

### **Health Care Costs**

The MEA Benefits Trust has established

**8%**

as the maximum increase for districts statewide for FY23. The proposed budget reflect this potential increase.



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## ***FY23 Proposed Budget Highlights***

- State subsidy as of January 18, 2022: \$7.59 million (a **decrease of 14%** from FY22)
- Increase in students since October 1, 2022: **7.55%**
- Total amount to be raised by taxes: **\$47,788,176**
- Percentage increase in amount to be raised in taxes: **4.95%**



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## ***New Positions in Local Budget***

### **SPECIAL EDUCATION**

2 Teachers  
4 Ed Techs

### **ENGLISH LEARNING**

2 EL Teachers

### **OTHER**

Part-time McKinney-Vento Liaison

## ***New Positions with Other Funding Sources***

### **K-5 and MIDDLE**

ESSER\*: 7 one-year only Ed Tech positions (addressing continuing pandemic-related issues such as sub shortage, student support, etc.)

### **ENGLISH LEARNING**

ESSER: 2 one-year only EL Teachers

### **DISTRICTWIDE**

ESSER: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Coordinator#

### **SPECIAL EDUCATION**

Local Entitlement: 4 Ed Techs

\*Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief funds

#Because of the specialized experience and expertise required for this position, we expect that we will need to offer a salary between \$85-100,000 (depending on experience) for this position. Individuals with the qualifications for positions like this are in great demand currently.



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# ***Focus on Ed Techs***

## **New Positions**

### ***Local Budget:***

4 Special Education positions

### ***Local Entitlement (Special Education-specific funds):***

4 Special Education positions

### ***Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds:***

7 one-year only positions addressing continuing pandemic-related issues such as sub shortage, student support, etc.



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## ***Newly-Requested Positions Not Yet Funded***

- 13 additional new positions were requested by principals
- They are not included in the local budget
- Meeting with principals to determine priorities for funding some of those positions with ESSER funds
- Decisions on these positions by early next week.



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## ***Investing in our educators***

- \$175,000 set aside in federal funds for professional development in a number of areas (early math and literacy, trauma-sensitive practices, supporting struggling students, supporting English learners)
- About \$40,000 in individual school budgets reflecting individual professional development needs and requests
- We will have ample funds to meet any emergent needs at the school or district level



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# By the Numbers

## *Proposed Superintendent's FY23 budget*

*Budget for Capital Improvement:*  
**\$296,300**

- Funded by reserves
- Focus on health and safety and restoring our vehicle fleet
- Other major projects funded through facilities budget



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## ***Additional Notes on the Budget***

- Increase in costs of stipends is reflective of the fact that those are currently part of negotiations
- Substitute teacher expenses
  - Average budgeted amount over last five years: \$232,318
  - Expended to date this year: \$111,441
  - Pre-pandemic: Expended between 83-117% of budget
  - 7 ESSER-funded Ed Tech positions will help address sub shortage



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## South Portland Schools FY 21 Budget Summary

### PART I - BUDGET - LOCALLY SUPPORTED PROGRAMS

	FY 22	FY 23	% Change
REGULAR INSTRUCTION	23,127,883	24,161,319	4.5%
SPECIAL EDUCATION	10,975,378	11,697,907	6.6%
CAREER & TECHNICAL ED	0	0	0.0%
OTHER INSTRUCTION	1,116,250	1,173,013	5.1%
STUDENT & STAFF SUPPORT	3,479,570	3,817,035	9.7%
SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION	1,689,920	1,800,271	6.5%
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	2,686,750	2,819,808	5.0%
TRANSPORTATION & BUSES	2,299,251	2,461,739	7.1%
FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	4,731,678	5,122,187	8.3%
DEBT SERVICE	4,406,551	6,066,217	37.7%
ALL OTHER EXPENDITURES	564,067	566,800	0.5%
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b><u>55,077,298</u></b>	<b><u>59,686,296</u></b>	
ADULT EDUCATION	25,000	25,000	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$55,102,298</u></b>	<b><u>\$59,711,296</u></b>	<b>8.4%</b>

## **By the Numbers**

### ***Proposed Superintendent's FY23 budget***

The overall budget increase will be offset  
by the use of

**\$1.5 million**

from our fund balance. Thus, we are  
significantly decreasing the burden of  
taxpayers in FY23 through the use of our  
fund balance.



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## *Proposed Superintendent's FY23 budget*

### Undesignated Fund Balance

*Even with the significant use of fund balance in the proposed budget, the projected undesignated fund balance at the end of FY23 (\$1.85 million) **exceeds the six-year average** (FY16-21) of undesignated fund balance (\$1.79 million).*



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## **Fund Balance and Reserves FY18-FY23**

	FY18	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY23
<i>STARTING UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE</i>	\$769,031	\$1,807,535	\$668,461	\$2,166,706	\$4,509,164	PROJECTED \$4,509,164
<i>BUDGETED USE OF FUND BALANCE IN BUDGET</i>	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$250,000	\$500,000	First budget*: \$1,000,000 Final budget: \$0	\$1,500,000
<i>RESERVES AT END OF FY</i>	531,213	\$1,354,275	\$1,146,172	\$421,059	PROJECTED \$421,059	PROJECTED \$1,571,059
<i>UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE AT END OF FY</i>	\$1,807,535	\$668,461	\$2,166,706	\$4,509,164	PROJECTED \$4,509,164	PROJECTED \$1,850,000
<i>TOTAL FUND BALANCE* AT END OF FY *Undesignated + Reserves</i>	\$2,338,748	\$2,022,736	\$3,312,878	\$4,930,223	PROJECTED \$4,930,059	PROJECTED \$3,421,059

\*Prior to the State's Part 2 budget for FY22, the district budgeted the use of \$1 million in fund balance.

## ***Next Steps in the Budget Process***

- ☐ April 5 School Budget Presentation to City Council
- ☐ April 12 City Council Workshop on School Budget
- ☐ May 17 Public Hearing/Approval of School Budget
- ☐ **June 14 School Budget Referendum**
- ☐ June 10 Appropriation Resolve



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*Other Slides for Reference*

## ***Newly-Requested Positions Not Yet Funded***

*Note: The Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) program will fund some of these positions.*

### ***Teachers (K-5)***

- 2 - Kindergarten
- 2 - Grade 3
- 1 - Grade 2

### ***Teachers (Middle School)***

- 1 - Grade 7 Math/Science

### ***Teachers and related positions (SPHS)***

- 1 - Math teacher
- 1 - Social Worker (General Education)
- 1 - Extended Learning/Career Pathways Coordinator (3-year position)
- Additional teachers as necessitated by enrollment increases

### ***English learning staff***

- 1 - EL Intake and Assessment
- 1 - EL Director
- 2 - EL Ed Techs (K-5 and MS)



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# ***Continuing Positions with ESSER Funding***

## **Funded for FY23 and FY24**

- 3 teachers of Social and Emotional Learning positions (K-5)
- McKinney-Vento Social Worker
- School Counselor (Memorial) (.4 FTE)
- EL Ed Tech (SPHS)

## **Funded for FY23**

- McKinney-Vento Clerk
- Multilingual Specialist (currently shared position)
- HS Learning Center Ed Tech



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## FY 23 Capital Improvement Project Plan Summary

School or Department	Proposed FY22*	Notes
Brown	\$8,000	Straighten basketball stanchions
SPHS	\$53,500	Boiler stack pipes, wayfinding signs, HVAC units, and sewer repair
District-Wide	\$70,000	Replace maintenance van
Transportation	\$160,000	New state approved bus and 10 passenger student transportation van
<b>Total CIP</b>	<b>\$296,300</b>	



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**SOUTH PORTLAND SCHOOL DEPARTMENT  
REVENUE COMPARISONS - PART I BUDGET**

<i>DESCRIPTION</i>	<i>FY20 BUDGETED REVENUES</i>	<i>FY21 BUDGETED REVENUES</i>	<i>FY22 BUDGETED REVENUES</i>	<i>FY23 BUDGETED REVENUES</i>
<i>USE OF FUND BALANCE</i>	\$250,000	\$500,000	\$0	\$1,500,000
<i>TUITION FOR STATE AGENCY CLIENTS</i>	15,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
<i>STUDENT ADM.</i>	43,000	43,000	35,000	35,000
<i>ATHLETIC SPONSORSHIPS</i>	50,000	30,000	15,000	15,000
<i>OTHER REVENUE</i>	7,920	-	-	-
<i>STATE SUBSIDY</i>	6,811,260	6,748,483	9,018,106	9,774,283
<i>MAINE CARE</i>	25,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
<i>PORTLAND TRANSPORTATION AGRMT</i>	125,000	129,500	120,000	120,000
<i>TRANSFER IN FROM BRICKHILL TIF</i>	318,717	343,028	320,796	320,796
<i>TRANSFER IN SRO/BUS/TECH RESERVES</i>	127,980	180,142	0	98,041
<i>SUB TOTAL REVENUE</i>	7,773,877	8,034,153	9,568,902	11,923,120
<i>LOCAL EFFORT - OPERATING</i>	44,582,643	45,569,902	45,533,396	47,788,176
<b><i>TOTAL REVENUE</i></b>	<b>\$52,356,520</b>	<b>\$53,604,055</b>	<b>\$55,102,298</b>	<b>\$59,711,296</b>

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## **Maine Statute: 20-A Chapter 606 B § 15689-B**

“Unallocated balances in excess of 5% of the previous fiscal year’s budget” can impact state subsidy.

Districts have three years to disburse funds that exceed the 5% standard.

5% of FY22 budget is \$2.75 million. Our current undesignated fund balance is \$4.5 million.



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