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**AGENDA FOR MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2021 AT 6:00 PM
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

The Milford Board of Education will hold this meeting electronically and in-person in the Milford High School Auditorium. Social distancing is required for all of those attending in-person.

Public may access this electronic meeting at the following link:

<https://milford.webex.com/milford/onstage/g.php?MTID=ec0563f66937f5f49f5042109579662ba>

Event password: board

Event Number: 120 805 1856

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It is anticipated that the board will open a regular session meeting and adjourn into executive session during the beginning portion of this meeting for the reasons identified below, then adjourn into a regular session meeting at approximately 7:00 pm.

1. Call to Order by President

2. Roll Call

_____ Mr. Rony Baltazar-Lopez

_____ Dr. Adam Brownstein

_____ Mr. Scott Fitzgerald

_____ Mr. Kristopher Thompson

_____ Mrs. Jean Wylie

_____ Mr. David Vezmar

_____ Mr. Jason Miller

3. Adjournment to Executive Session Action Item

A. Personnel Matters – See 29 Del. C § 10004(b)(9)

1. Discussion of the personnel report and the competencies of staff recommended for hire.

2. Discussion of Leave of Absence Request Case 2021-001

B. Discussion of Tax Exemption Request Case 2021-7

4. Return to Open Session (anticipated at 7:00 pm) Action Item

5. Introduction of Visitors

6. **Pledge of Allegiance**
7. **Approval of Minutes**
 - A. Regular Meeting Minutes for August 2, 2021 [Action Item](#)
8. **Changes to Agenda**
9. **Public Comment**
10. **Superintendent's Report**
 - A. Recognitions
 - B. Referendum Presentation
 - C. Upcoming Community Presentations
 - D. Approval of Notice of Special Election [Action Item](#)
 - E. Disabled Veterans Property Tax Credit [Action Item](#)
 - F. 2021-2022 School Resource Officer Agreement Addendum with City of Milford [Action Item](#)
11. **Hispanic Heritage Month Proclamation Introduced by Mr. Rony Baltazar-Lopez – Read Only**
12. **Statement Regarding Face Coverings Introduced by Mr. Scott Fitzgerald – Read Only**
13. **Business – Dr. Sara Croce**
 - A. Monthly Revenue and Expenditure Reports as of July 31, 2021 [Action Item](#)
 - B. MSD Financial Position Report [Action Item](#)
 - C. Tax Exemption Request Case 2021-7 [Action Item](#)
14. **Return to School Update – Dr. Bridget Amory, Dr. Brittany Hazzard, Mr. Jon LoBiondo**
15. **Buildings and Grounds – Mr. Mike Sharp**
 - A. Engineering Services for Milford High School Turf Fields Replacement [Action Item](#)
 - B. Milford Central Academy Modular Purchase [Action Item](#)
16. **Board Discussion**
 - A. Revised Board Policy 5110 Eighth Grade High School Interscholastic Athletics Participation Pilot [Action Item](#)
 - B. Revised Draft Board Policy 4215 Work Rules for Non-Certified Personnel – Read Only
 - C. Delete Board Policy 4222 Milford School District Driver Minimum Duties – Read Only
 - D. Delete Board Policy 4302(b) Local Salary Supplement: Technology Assistants – Read Only
 - E. Revised Draft Board Policy 4302(c) Local Salary Supplement: Technology Specialists – Read Only
 - F. Revised Draft Board Policy 4303(b) Local Salary Supplement: Chief Custodian – Read Only
 - G. Revised Draft Board Policy 4304 Local Salary Supplement: Food Service Manager – Read Only
 - H. Revised Draft Board Policy 4323(a) Local Salary Supplement: Cafeteria Workers – Read Only
 - I. Revised Draft Board Policy 4328 Salary Schedule: Bus Driver/Bus Aide on District Owned Buses – Read Only
17. **Personnel – Dr. Jason Peel**
 - A. Personnel [Action Item](#)
 - B. Leave of Absence Request 2021-001 [Action Item](#)
18. **Adjournment [Action Item](#)**



MILFORD SCHOOL
DISTRICT BOARD OF
EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – AUGUST 2, 2021

<u>Board Members</u>	<u>Admin. Present</u>	<u>Public</u>	<u>Public</u>	<u>Public</u>
Mr. J. Miller, President	Dr. Peel	T. Blocker	J. Arthur	J. Rowan
Mr. R. Baltazar-Lopez, Vice President	Dr. Amory	T. Gerken	E. Cintron	E. Duke
Dr. A. Brownstein	Mrs. Hallman	B. Tebberi	E. Roche	C. Stevenson
Mr. S. Fitzgerald	Dr. Kilgore	T. Chilton	A. Walls	S. Simon
Mrs. J. Wylie	Dr. Gaglione	J. Morg	S. Greene	D. McKee
Mr. D. Vezmar	Mr. Sharp	D. Yoder	L. Passwaters	J. Hill
	Ms. Forrest	H. Fitzgerald	J. Neiburg	K. Sharp
		D. Saxon	K. Fitzhugh	Y. White
Dr. K. Dickerson, Executive Secretary		D. Reisinger	C. Mumford	M. Mackert
		K. Mumford	L. Jones	S. Marvel
		M. Pagluighi	B. Johnson	
		P. Hertiage	T. Brannan	
		A. Youmans	R. Henry	
		M. Thompson	K. Voshell	
		K. Conway	J. Dodd	

Media: Terry Rogers, MilfordLive

The Regular Meeting of the Milford Board of Education was called to order by President Mr. Miller at 6:30 PM on Monday evening, August 2, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE BY MR. VEZMAR/SECONDED BY MRS. WYLIE to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:31 PM. **Motion passed unanimously.**

MOTION MADE BY MR. VEZMAR/SECONDED BY MRS. WYLIE to adjourn Executive Session at 7:02 PM. **Motion passed unanimously.**

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION MADE BY MR. VEZMAR/SECONDED BY MR. FITZGERALD to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for July 19, 2021. **Motion passed unanimously.**

CHANGES TO AGENDA - None

PUBLIC COMMENT – Mr. Miller reminded the audience of the process for public comments.

Mr. Yoder expressed his opinion that students should not wear masks in school. Ms. Fitzgerald expressed her opinion that students should wear masks in school. Ms. Mumford expressed her opinion that mask wearing in school should be optional and the parent's choice. Mr. Pagluighi expressed his opinion against students wearing masks in school.

PERSONNEL

Personnel Updates

MOTION MADE MR. FITZGERALD/SECONDED BY MR. BROWNSTEIN to accept the Personnel Report as presented during Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION MADE BY MR. BALTAZAR/LOPEZ/SECONDED BY MR. VEZMAR that the Regular Meeting of the Milford Board of Education held on Monday, August 2, 2021 adjourn @ 7:25 PM. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Kevin Dickerson, Executive Secretary

Theresa Blocker, Recording Secretary

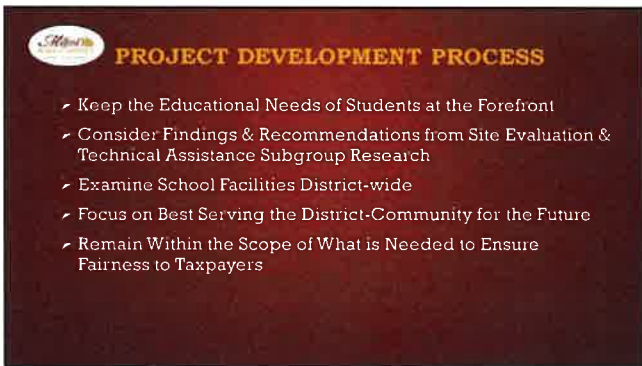
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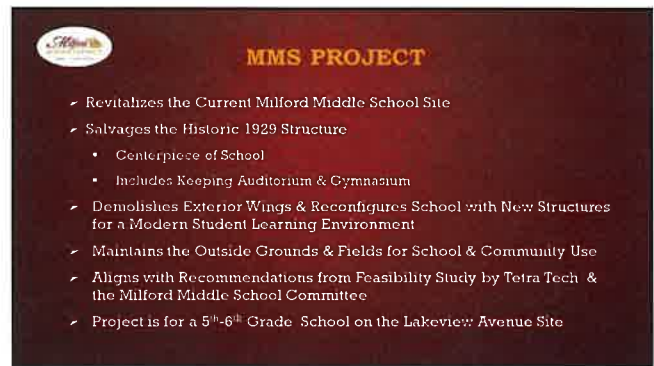
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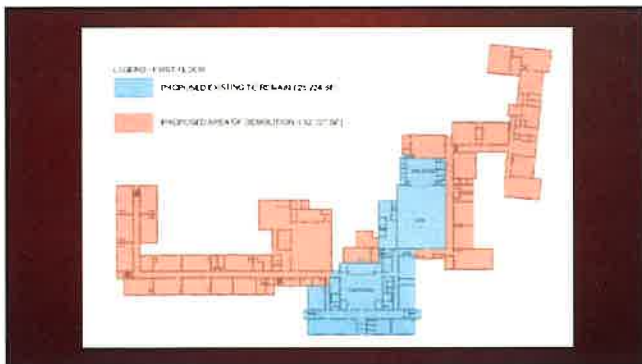
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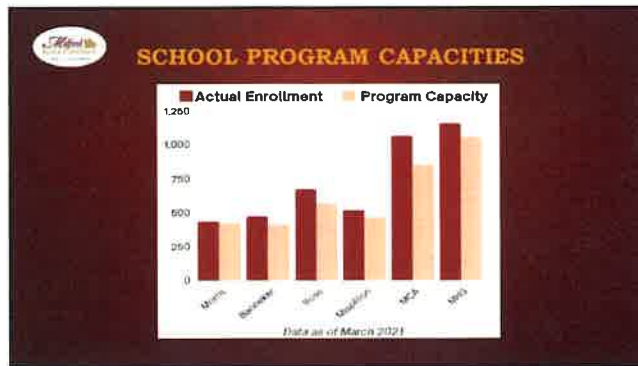


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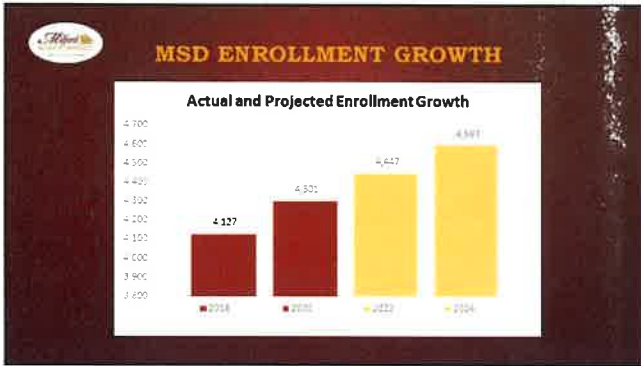
MSD GROWTH

- All Schools Over Program Capacity (85% of School Capacity)
- 2021 Enrollment Increased to 4,324 as of March 2021
 - 2018-2020 Growth Rate - 1.68%
- Projected School Enrollment Demonstrates Continued Growth
 - August 2021 Milford Central Academy Enrollment = 1,136
 - August 2021 Milford High School Enrollment = 1,183
 - 2024 Projection PreK-12th = 4,507
- Significant City of Milford Growth in Housing Units & Residents

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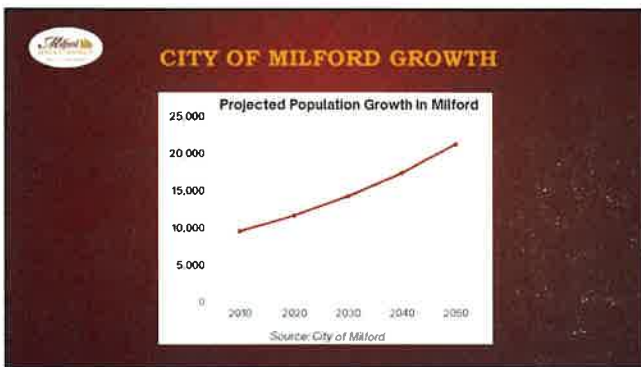
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City of Milford Growth Projections

Table 1. Milford Population Projection Scenarios

Scenario	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050
1 - Recent Growth Boom Continues	9559	11,667	14,278	17,359	21,179
2 - Historic 30-Year Growth Rate	9559	11,180	13,029	15,211	17,758
3 - Growth Follows Kent County Projections	9559	10,655	11,369	11,940	12,383
4 - Growth Follows Sussex County Projections	9559	11,127	12,064	12,547	12,867

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- EDUCATIONAL ASPECTS**
- Supports the educational needs of middle level students
 - Creates smaller school environment for 5th - 8th Graders
 - Merges all elementary feeder schools in a smaller environment
 - Supports developmental similarities between 5th & 6th Graders
 - Better serves the socio-emotional & learning needs of the middle level student & provides enhanced support for specific student needs during the transition to the middle level
 - Assists with overall school climate in the middle grades
 - Promotes leadership skills and self-confidence for middle level students in a smaller setting

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- PROPOSED GRADE LEVEL CONFIGURATIONS**
- PreK-K
 - Morris Early Childhood Center
 - Grades 1 - 4
 - Benjamin Banneker Elementary School
 - Lulu Ross Elementary School
 - Mispillion Elementary School
 - Grades 5-6
 - Milford Middle School Site
 - Grades 7-8
 - Milford Central Academy
 - Grades 9-12
 - Milford High School

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COMMUNITY ASPECTS

- Utilizes & revitalizes existing district resources & property
- Creates space & flexibility for future growth across the district at all levels
- Dedicated Historical Marker would remain at the school site
 - Honors *The Milford 11* & signifies one of the first integration attempts in a Delaware school for educational equality
- Creates open recreational space with athletic fields and playground, large gymnasium and auditorium
- Provides classroom space in center of city for educational and workforce development partnerships
- Brings value to the Greater Milford Area

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LOCAL COST IMPACT

Cost Estimates for 1,000 Student Middle School Renovation:

- Square Feet: 132,910
 - State Construction Formula Dictates Cost Per Square Foot
- Estimated Cost: \$57,270,453*
 - State Share (74%): \$42,380,185
 - **Local Share (26%): \$14,890,318**

*Approximate 5% Escalation in Costs Each Subsequent Year


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SCHOOL TAX RATE

- Four Separate Components
 - Current Expense Tax
 - **Debt Service Tax**
 - Match Tax
 - Tuition Tax

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DEBT SERVICE TAX

- The proposed project only impacts the debt service component of the total overall tax rate
- This tax rate provides revenue to pay principal and interest payment associated with bonds sold for major capital improvements, such as new construction, additions & renovations
- Set by referendum vote for capital projects
- Rate fluctuates annually depending on bond payment schedule
 - 20-year bond schedule for proposed project

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DEBT SERVICE TAX IMPACT

- If referendum approved by district-community, project would commence in Fall 2022
 - Project takes approximately 3-4 years to complete
 - Year 1 – Site Development & Design
 - Year 2 – Construction
 - Year 3 – Final Preparation
 - Phased cost impact over three years beginning in FY22
 - With expiration of a current bond obligation in 2023, **debt service tax would decrease in Year 1**
 - **Debt service tax would increase in Years 2 and 3** before gradually declining over the remainder of the 20-year bond schedule

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DEBT SERVICE TAX IMPACT

Year	Fiscal Year	Cumulative Amount of Annual Tax Increase as a Result of this Proposed Bond Issuance to Fund Major Capital Improvements	Estimated Total Annual Tax Rate as a Result of this Proposed Bond Issuance to Fund Major Capital Improvements	Projected Increase/Decrease in Annual Tax Rate as a Result of this Proposed Bond Issuance to Fund Major Capital Improvements
Kent County				
1	FY 2023	0.0491	0.1516	(0.0108)
2	FY 2024	0.1266	0.2512	0.1017
3	FY 2025*	0.1478	0.2479	0.0126
4	FY 2026	0.1452	0.2439	(0.0120)
5	FY 2027*	0.1448	0.2421	(0.0116)
Sussex County				
1	FY 2023	0.0511	0.4283	(0.0297)
2	FY 2024	0.1477	0.7146	0.2871
3	FY 2025*	0.4121	0.7114	0.0347
4	FY 2026	0.3661	0.7175	(0.0318)
5	FY 2027*	0.3309	0.6827	(0.0423)

*The 10% of Assessed Property Value

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WHAT IS ASSESSED VALUE?


- The value of your home on which your property taxes are calculated
- Calculated by respective County tax assessment office
- Based on formula from 1974 in Sussex; 1986 Kent County (last property reassessment)
- No direct correlation between assessed value & market value
- Assessed value can be found by searching for your name on the following county websites:

[Sussex County Property Tax Information](#)
[Kent County Property Tax Information](#)

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EQUALIZATION

- Milford School District is split between Kent & Sussex Counties
- The Assessment-to-Sales Ratio Study for Division III Equalization Funding report is used as a means of "equalizing" tax rates
- Formula is applied so that an identical property in Kent or Sussex County is taxed the same
- Assessed values in Kent County are higher than in Sussex County
 - Rate is lower, but tax is the same



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ASSESSED VALUE COMPARISON



House 1
 • Located in MSD - Kent County
 • Last Property Assessment - 1986
 • Assessed Value \$57,934

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House 2
 • Located in MSD - Sussex County
 • Last Property Assessment - 1974
 • Assessed Value \$20,500

• Milford School District Proposed Debt Service
 Year 1 (\$6.11) annual decrease
 Year 2 \$38.99 annual increase
 Year 3 \$7.83 annual increase

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DEBT SERVICE TAX IMPACT EXAMPLES

Proposed Community Member Tax Impact Examples*				
Kent County Assessed Property Value Examples	\$29,250	\$37,934	\$86,478	\$114,457
Sussex County Assessed Property Value Examples	\$30,350	\$20,500	\$30,600	\$40,500
Increase/(Decrease) - Year 1	(\$3.09)	(\$6.11)	(\$8.12)	(\$12.07)
Increase/(Decrease) - Year 2	\$29.74	\$58.90	\$87.82	\$116.36
Increase/(Decrease) - Year 3	\$3.70	\$7.33	\$10.94	\$14.48
Increase/(Decrease) - Year 4	(\$3.50)	(\$6.94)	(\$10.35)	(\$13.71)
Increase/(Decrease) - Year 5	(\$3.39)	(\$6.72)	(\$10.04)	(\$13.28)

*Projects Increase/Decrease in Annual Tax Rate as a result of this proposed project

1. Seniors are eligible for the Senior Property Tax Credit and can complete the application at: [State of Delaware Division of Accounting](#)


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WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE

- All residents of the Milford School District who are U.S. citizens & at least 18 years of age
- Residents do not have to be property owners to be eligible to vote
- Voters must provide identification at the polling place

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VOTING LOCATIONS

Date: October 27, 2021 Time: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

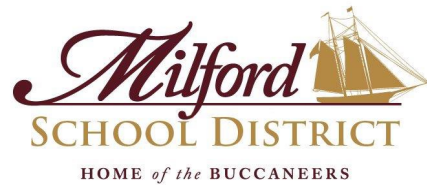
Benjamin Banneker Elementary
Lulu M. Ross Elementary
Milford High School
Morris Early Childhood Center (Lincoln)

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QUESTIONS?

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Referendum Community Meetings

Milford School District will share information regarding the upcoming referendum and answer questions from the community.

Please join us:

- **Wednesday, August 18th** at 6:30pm in the Milford Central Academy Cafeteria
- **Thursday, August 19th** at 6:30pm in the Mispillion Elementary School Gymnasium
- **Friday, August 20th** at 10 am in the Milford Central Academy Cafeteria
- **Tuesday, August 24th** at 6:30 pm in the Morris Early Childhood Cafeteria
- **Wednesday, August 25th** at 10 am in the Mispillion Elementary School Gymnasium
- **Wednesday, September 1st** at 6:30 pm in the Benjamin Banneker Elementary School Gymnasium

If your community, neighborhood, church group, or organization would like an individual presentation please contact us at referendum@msd.k12.de.us or call Trish at 302-424-8830.

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION IN MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
TO AUTHORIZE THE DISTRICT TO LEVY OF ADDITIONAL TAXES AND TO ISSUE BONDS**

Notice is hereby given that a special election will be held on October 27, 2021, in the Milford School District, in the State of Delaware, pursuant to resolutions duly adopted on August 23, 2021, by the Board of Education of said school district in accordance with provisions of Chapters 19, 20, and 21 of Title 14 of the Delaware Code. This Special Election will be held in order to permit the voters of said school district to vote for or against the following:

Authority to Issue Bonds

Authorization to issue bonds in the amount of \$14,890,318 for Major Capital Improvements. The bonds are to be financed through an increase in property taxes and represent 26% of the total cost of \$57,270,453 for construction, additions, and renovations, which include:

- Planning, construction, and equipment for renovation of the Milford Middle School property for a new 1000 student school.
- Legal fees, architectural fees, contingencies and costs of supervision and auditing incidental to and accruing from said program.
- Milford School District spans parts of Sussex County and Kent County. The amount of each annual tax increase that would be imposed in each county as a result of the proposed bond issuance, depending upon market conditions, is estimated as follows over the twenty years the bonds will amortize:

For Sussex County

Year	Fiscal Year	Amount of Annual Tax Increase as a Result of this Proposed Bond Issuance to Fund Major Capital Improvements	Total Annual Tax Rate as a Result of this Proposed Bond Issuance to Fund Major Capital Improvements	Projected Increase/Decrease in Annual Tax Rate as a Result of this Proposed Bond Issuance to Fund Major Capital Improvements
1	FY 2023	0.0511	0.4283	(0.0297)
2	FY 2024	0.3577	0.7156	0.2873
3	FY 2025	0.4121	0.7514	0.0357
4	FY 2026	0.3963	0.7175	(0.0338)
5	FY 2027	0.3809	0.6847	(0.0328)
6	FY 2028	0.3661	0.6529	(0.0318)
7	FY 2029	0.3516	0.5808	(0.0721)
8	FY 2030	0.3376	0.4624	(0.1184)
9	FY 2031	0.3240	0.3425	(0.1199)
10	FY 2032	0.3108	0.3108	(0.0317)
11	FY 2033	0.2980	0.2980	(0.0128)
12	FY 2034	0.2856	0.2856	(0.0124)
13	FY 2035	0.2735	0.2735	(0.0121)
14	FY 2036	0.2618	0.2618	(0.0117)
15	FY 2037	0.2505	0.2505	(0.0113)
16	FY 2038	0.2395	0.2395	(0.0110)
17	FY 2039	0.2288	0.2288	(0.0107)
18	FY 2040	0.2185	0.2185	(0.0103)
19	FY 2041	0.2085	0.2085	(0.0100)
20	FY 2042	0.1988	0.1988	(0.0097)

NOTE: Amounts (rounded) are in cents/\$100 of assessed value. Tax rates are estimates based on several factors including interest rates. Retirement of existing debt will offset annual tax increase in future years. The "Annual Tax Rate" is based on the District's current debt service rate (\$0.4580 per \$100 of assessed value) and several other factors including market interest rates. The calculations in the above table were prepared without regard to any future referenda that may be pursued by the District.

For a Sussex County property in the district assessed at \$20,500, the increased debt service cost to the homeowner is as follows over the first five of the twenty years the bonds will amortize, and accounting for debt retirement:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
\$-(6.11)	\$58.90	\$7.33	\$-(6.94)	\$-(6.72)

For Kent County

Year	Fiscal Year	Amount of Annual Tax Increase as a Result of this Proposed Bond Issuance to Fund Major Capital Improvements	Total Annual Tax Rate as a Result of this Proposed Bond Issuance to Fund Major Capital Improvements	Projected Increase/Decrease in Annual Tax Rate as a Result of this Proposed Bond Issuance to Fund Major Capital Improvements
1	FY 2023	0.0181	0.1516	(0.0105)
2	FY 2024	0.1266	0.2532	0.1017
3	FY 2025	0.1458	0.2659	0.0126
4	FY 2026	0.1402	0.2539	(0.0120)
5	FY 2027	0.1348	0.2423	(0.0116)
6	FY 2028	0.1295	0.2310	(0.0112)
7	FY 2029	0.1244	0.2055	(0.0255)
8	FY 2030	0.1195	0.1636	(0.0419)
9	FY 2031	0.1146	0.1212	(0.0424)
10	FY 2032	0.1100	0.1100	(0.0112)
11	FY 2033	0.1054	0.1054	(0.0045)
12	FY 2034	0.1010	0.1010	(0.0044)
13	FY 2035	0.0968	0.0968	(0.0043)
14	FY 2036	0.0926	0.0926	(0.0041)
15	FY 2037	0.0886	0.0886	(0.0040)
16	FY 2038	0.0847	0.0847	(0.0039)
17	FY 2039	0.0810	0.0810	(0.0038)
18	FY 2040	0.0773	0.0773	(0.0037)
19	FY 2041	0.0738	0.0738	(0.0035)
20	FY 2042	0.0703	0.0703	(0.0034)

NOTE: Amounts (rounded) are in cents/\$100 of assessed value. Tax rates are estimates based on several factors including interest rates. Retirement of existing debt will offset annual tax increase in future years. The "Annual Tax Rate" is based on the District's current debt service rate (\$0.1621per \$100 of assessed value) and several other factors including market interest rates. The calculations in the above table were prepared without regard to any future referenda that may be pursued by the District.

For a Kent County property in the district assessed at \$57,934, the increased debt service cost to the homeowner is as follows over the first five of the twenty years the bonds will amortize, and accounting for debt retirement:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
\$-(6.11)	\$58.90	\$7.33	\$-(6.94)	\$-(6.72)

VOTER INFORMATION

The polls for said election will be open on October 27, 2021 at 7:00 AM and will remain open until 8:00 PM. United States Citizens eighteen (18) years of age or over who reside within the Milford School District at the time of the election shall be eligible to vote (proof of identity and residence is required) whether or not they are at the time registered voters for the purpose of a General Election. Voters may vote at any of the following designated polling places, all of which are accessible to the disabled:

Morris Early Childhood Center	8609 Third Street
Lulu Ross Elementary School	310 Lovers Lane
Benjamin Banneker Elementary School	449 North Street
Milford Senior High School	1019 N. Walnut Street

ABSENTEE BALLOT INFORMATION

You may vote by absentee ballot if you cannot vote on Election Day for one of the following reasons:

- (1) Because you are in the public service of the United States or of this State, or a citizen of the United States temporarily residing outside the territorial limits of the United States and the District of Columbia, or you are such person's spouse or dependent when residing with or accompanying the person, or you are absent from this State because of illness or injury received while serving in the armed forces of the United States; or
- (2) Because you are in the armed forces of the United States or the merchant marine of the United States, or attached to and serving with the armed forces of the United States in the American Red Cross or United Service Organizations; or
- (3) Because of the nature of your business or occupation, including the business or occupation of providing care to your parent, spouse, or child who is living at home and requires constant care due to illness, disability, or injury; or
- (4) Because you are sick or physically disabled.
- (5) Because you are absent from the district while on vacation; or
- (6) Because you are unable to vote at a certain time or on a certain day due to the tenets or teachings of your religion; or
- (7) Because you are otherwise authorized pursuant to the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) [42 U.S.C. § 1973ff et seq.] to vote by absentee ballot; or
- (8) Because you are otherwise authorized by federal law to vote by absentee ballot.

Important information and dates regarding absentee voting:

- Absentee ballots can be obtained and submitted in person or by mail.
- Complete an *Affidavit for Absentee Ballot for Public School Elections*, which can be downloaded from <https://elections.delaware.gov/information/elections/referendum.shtml>, or requested by email at absenteekc@delaware.gov, or by phone at 302-739-4498.
- If you want an absentee ballot mailed to you, send a completed affidavit to the Department of Elections, Kent County Office, 100 Enterprise Place, Suite 5, Dover, DE 19904, or email it to absenteekc@delaware.gov, or fax it to 302-739-4515, **so that it arrives no later than 12 noon, Friday, October 22, 2021.**

- Vote in person by absentee ballot at the Department of Elections, Kent County Office, 100 Enterprise Place, Suite 5, Dover, DE 19904, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. until Monday, October 25, 2021, or from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon on Tuesday, October 26, 2021.
- In order to be counted, voted absentee ballots must be received at the Department of Election, Kent County Office, 100 Enterprise Place, Suite 5, Dover, DE 19904, no later than 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 27, 2021.

Additional information regarding absentee voting is found here:

<https://elections.delaware.gov/information/elections/school/absentee.shtml>

PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION AND ADDRESS

Persons appearing to vote must present satisfactory proof of identity and address to the Election Officers at the Polling Place before being permitted to vote. Persons who do not present satisfactory proof of identity and address, may – upon majority vote of the Inspector and the two Judges – be permitted to vote.

Contact Milford School District at (302) 422-1600 with any questions you may have.

The notice of election shall remain posted until the day after the election.



Bill Text: DE HB214 | 2021-2022 | 151st General Assembly | Engrossed

Delaware House Bill 214 (*In Recess*)

Bill Title: An Act To Amend Titles 14 And 29 Of The Delaware Code Relating To Disabled Veterans School Tax Credit.

Spectrum: Bipartisan Bill

Status: (*Enrolled*) 2021-06-30 - Passed By Senate. Votes: 21 YES [HB214 Detail]

Download: Delaware-2021-HB214-Engrossed.html

SPONSOR:

Reps. Brady, Briggs King, Gray, Griffith, Hensley, Mitchell, Morrison, Shupe, Vanderwende, Yearick; Sens. Bonini, Brown, Gay, Hansen, Hocker, Lockman, Lopez, Mantzavinos, S. McBride, Pardee, Pettyjohn, Pinkney, Poore, Richardson, Sokola, Sturgeon, Townsend, Walsh, Wilson

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
151st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 214
AS AMENDED BY
HOUSE AMENDMENT NO. 1

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLES 14 AND 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO DISABLED VETERANS' SCHOOL TAX CREDIT.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

Section 1. Amend § 1917, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and insertions as shown by underline as follows.

§ 1917. Collection and deposit of school taxes.

(a) The receiver of taxes and county treasurer shall collect school taxes in the same manner and at the same time as provided by law for the collection of taxes for other purposes, and, except as provided in subsection (c) and (d) of this section, shall allow no abatement or discount upon any taxes levied for school purposes required to be collected by them. The Receiver of Taxes and County Treasurer for New Castle County only shall, after September 1 in the year in which the tax rolls shall be delivered to them, assess a penalty of 5% to taxes which are due and owing but unpaid, and shall each month thereafter add to such unpaid taxes a penalty of 1% per month until the same shall be paid. The Receiver of Taxes of Kent and Sussex Counties only shall, after September 30 in the year in which the tax rolls shall be delivered to them, assess a penalty of 1% per month until the same shall be paid.

(d)(1) If authorized by majority vote of the whole school board of the local school district pursuant to § 6102(r) of Title 29, there shall be allowed a credit against taxation in the full amount of tax liability imposed pursuant to this chapter on the valuation of any qualified property. For purposes of this subsection, "qualified property" shall mean property owned and occupied as a dwelling by and as the principal residence of a qualified person. A "qualified person" means a veteran who receives from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor agency 100% disability compensation due to a service-connected, permanent and total disability based on individual unemployability or a 100% disability rating, who is legally domiciled in this State for a period of at least 3 consecutive years. Mere seasonal or temporary residence within the State, of whatever duration, shall not constitute domicile within the State for the purposes of this section. Absence from this State for a period of 12 months shall be prima facie evidence of abandonment of domicile in this State. The burden of establishing that the claimant meets the definition of qualified person shall be upon the claimant. The receiver of taxes and county treasurer shall apply such credit after any change to the current expense tax rate pursuant to § 6102 of Title 29.

(2) No credit against taxation on the valuation of real property as provided in this subsection shall be allowed except in accordance with a form of written application prescribed by the Secretary of Finance in consultation with the receiver of taxes and county treasurer and provided by the receiver of taxes and county treasurer for use by the claimants under this subsection. Such application shall be filed with and received by the receiver of taxes or county treasurer no later than April 30 immediately prior to the beginning of that tax year.

(3) The Secretary of Finance shall have the authority to waive the date of application in the case that an individual is financially disabled defined herein as unable to manage such individual financial affairs by reason of a medically determinable physical or mental impairment (excluding impairment caused by voluntary use of alcohol or unlawful use of a controlled substance as defined in Chapter 47, Title 16) which can be expected to result in death or which has lasted or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months, but shall not include individuals for whom an individual's spouse, guardian, or any other person is authorized to act on behalf of such individual in financial matters.

(4) a. Where title to property on which a credit is claimed is held by claimant and another or others, either as tenants in common or as joint tenants, claimant shall not be allowed a credit against that claimant's interest in said property in excess of the assessed valuation of that claimant's proportionate share in said property, which proportionate share, for the purposes of this subsection, shall be deemed to be equal to that of each of the other tenants unless it is shown that the interests in question are not equal, in which event claimant's proportionate share shall be as shown.

b. Nothing in this subsection shall preclude more than 1 tenant, whether title be held in common or joint tenancy, from claiming a credit against the property so held, but no more than the equivalent of 1 full credit in regard to such property shall be allowed in any year, and in any case in which the claimants cannot agree as to the apportionment thereof, the credit shall be apportioned between or among them in proportion to their interests. Property held by husband and wife as tenants by the entirety shall be deemed wholly owned by each tenant, but not more than 1 credit in regard to such property shall be allowed in any year.

c. Right to claim a credit under this subsection shall extend to property the title to which is held by a partnership to the extent of the claimant's interest as a partner therein, or by a guardian, trustee, committee, conservator or other fiduciary for any person who would otherwise be entitled to claim a credit under this subsection, but not to property the title to which is held by a corporation.

d. Right to claim credit under this subsection shall be withdrawn for the subsequent tax year from any taxpayer who has not paid in full such taxpayer's property tax bill by the end of the tax year for which a credit was reported for that taxpayer to the Secretary of Finance by the receiver of taxes and county treasurer. Taxpayers who fail to pay in full their property tax bill by the end of the tax year for which a credit was reported for that taxpayer to the Secretary of Finance by the receiver of taxes and county treasurer may qualify for credits under this subsection in subsequent tax years upon the payment in full of property taxes and penalties owed prior to the beginning of the subsequent tax year. A claimant must notify the receiver of taxes or county treasurer of any modification in status that results in the claimant no longer meeting the definition of qualified person set forth in paragraph (d)(1) of this section.

e. To the extent that a claimant qualifies for a credit pursuant to both this subsection and subsection (c) of this section, the claimant shall be entitled to the credit authorized under this subsection and shall have no right to claim a credit authorized under subsection (c) of this section.

(5) The Secretary of Finance may, in consultation with the receiver of taxes and county treasurer, promulgate such rules and regulations and prescribe such forms as the Secretary shall deem necessary to implement this subsection. The Secretary may require that any return or other writing required to be filed with respect to the credit allowed under authority of this subsection be signed by the maker of such return or writing under oath or affirmation, subject to the penalties of perjury.

(6) An aggrieved taxpayer may appeal from the disposition of a claim for credit under this subsection in the same manner as provided for appeals from property tax assessments generally.

(7) Whenever the Secretary of Finance shall determine that a credit has been claimed in disregard of the conditions under which such claims may be made and for which the Secretary has authorized payment under § 1919 (e) of this title, the Secretary may assess such claimant for the amount of the credit and, unless it is shown that such disregard is due to reasonable cause and not due to wilful neglect, with a penalty of 20% of the credit claimed along with interest at 1% for any month or fraction of a month commencing on the date on which the claim for credit was filed.

Section 2. Amend § 1919, Title 14 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and insertions as shown by underline as follows:

§ 1919. Report of school tax collections and payment of collected taxes.

(d) For tax years beginning on or after May 1, 2000, each receiver of taxes and county treasurer shall report to the Secretary of Finance the amount of credits allowed under § 1917(c) of this title for that tax year within 90 days of the date of any property tax billing. Such reports shall contain such further information and be in such form as the Secretary shall prescribe. The Secretary shall pay over to the State Treasurer, no later than 30 days following receipt of such report, an amount from the Elderly Property Tax Relief and Education Expense Fund established pursuant to § 6102(q) of Title 29 equal to the allowable credits which shall be deposited into a separate account in the depository for other school moneys to the credit of the district.

(e) For tax years beginning on or after May 1, 2022, each receiver of taxes and county treasurer shall report to the Secretary of Finance the amount of credits allowed under § 1917(d) of this title for that tax year within 90 days of the date of any property tax billing. Such reports shall contain such further information and be in such form as the Secretary shall prescribe. The Secretary shall pay over to the State Treasurer, no later than 30 days following receipt of such report, an amount from the Disabled Veterans Property Tax Relief and Education Expense Fund established pursuant to § 6102(r) of Title 29 equal to the allowable credits which shall be deposited into a separate account in the depository for other school moneys to the credit of the district.

Section 3. Amend § 6102, Title 29 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and insertions as shown by underline as follows:

§ 6102. Composition of General Fund; Delaware Higher Education Loan Program Fund.

(q) (1) A special fund of the State is created in the Department of Finance to be known as the "Elderly Property Tax Relief and Education Expense Fund," to which shall be deposited \$13,000,000 received in any revenue source not otherwise committed to a special fund and from which shall be paid claims made under this subsection and § ~~1919~~ 1919(d) of Title 14. Should such claims exceed \$13,000,000 during any fiscal year, the Secretary of Finance, with the approval of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and Controller General, may transfer from the general contingency line in the Department of Education to the Elderly Property Tax Relief and Education Expense Fund the amount of such reasonably foreseen additional claims. Any balance remaining in the Elderly Property Tax Relief and Education Expense Fund at the conclusion of any fiscal year shall revert to the General Fund.

(2) Sums appropriated pursuant to this ~~section~~ subsection shall be allocated to school districts using a method that recognizes factors including, but not limited to, the number of primary residential households owned by persons 65 or over who meet the durational residency requirement of § ~~1917~~ 1917(c) of Title 14 in each school district, the relative value of residential property owned by persons 65 and over, the relative property values of each school district, the school tax rates of each school district, and the average rate of application for tax relief pursuant to this ~~section~~ subsection. The final method and allocation of these moneys shall be approved by the Secretary of Finance in consultation with the Controller General.

(3) Local school boards shall decide through majority vote of the whole school board whether to authorize a credit against taxation imposed pursuant to Chapter 19 of Title 14 on the valuation of any qualified property, as defined in § ~~1917~~ 1917(c) of Title 14. The maximum such credit shall be the lesser of 50% of such tax remaining after taking into account any exemption pursuant to Title 9 and Title 22, or \$500. The receiver of taxes and county treasurer shall apply such credit after any change to the current expense tax rate pursuant to this section. Should the local school board decide to authorize less than the maximum amount of credit against taxation, the local school board shall develop a plan for using moneys received pursuant to this subsection, provide appropriate and reasonable public notice and comment on the proposed plan, and approve the plan through majority vote of the local school board. Local school boards shall submit the approved plan to the Secretary of Finance, the Secretary of Education, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Controller General. In the event that local school boards choose not to authorize the aforementioned credit against taxation, the sums appropriated herein will result in increased state funding for education-related expenses of the school districts. Education-related expenses for the purposes of this subsection shall be defined as including, but not being limited to, computer hardware and software, library resources and other instructional materials, and minor capital improvements to school facilities. Local school boards and all other responsible parties under this paragraph are hereby directed to cause such conditions to be met as soon as practicable after the enactment of this section, but in no event later than October 30, 1999, and shall notify the Secretary of Finance and the Controller General as soon as such conditions are met. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing to the contrary, funds received pursuant to this section shall not be used for major capital improvements or debt service.

~~(r) (1) A special fund of the State is created in the Department of Finance to be known as the "Disabled Veterans Property Tax Relief and Education Expense Fund," to which shall be deposited \$1,000,000 received in any revenue source not otherwise committed to a special fund and from which shall be paid claims made under this subsection and § 1919(e) of Title 14. Should such claims exceed \$1,000,000 during any fiscal year, the Secretary of Finance, with the approval of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget and Controller General, may transfer from the general contingency line in the Department of Education to the Disabled Veterans Property Tax Relief and Education Expense Fund the amount of such reasonably foreseen additional claims. Any balance remaining in the Disabled Veterans Fund at the conclusion of any fiscal year shall revert to the General Fund.~~

~~(2) Sums appropriated pursuant to this subsection shall be allocated to school districts using a method that recognizes factors including, but not limited to, the number of primary residential households owned by disabled veterans in each school district, the relative value of residential property owned by disabled veterans, the relative property values of each school district, the school tax rates of each school district, and the average rate of application for tax relief pursuant to this subsection. The final method and allocation of these moneys shall be approved by the Secretary of Finance in consultation with the Controller General.~~

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Section 4. This Act takes effect upon enactment.

Section 5. In FY 2022, the Secretary of Finance may use up to 5% of the amount appropriated for the Disabled Veterans Property Tax Relief and Education Expense Fund established pursuant to this Act to offset administrative expenses. The Secretary of Finance shall pay over to each receiver of taxes and county treasurer an amount equal to 2% of the amount appropriated for the Disabled Veterans Property Tax Relief and Education Expense Fund established pursuant to this Act to offset administrative expenses.



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To: Kevin Dickerson, Superintendent
From: Mark A. Whitfield, City Manager
Subject: Addendum to School Resource Office Contract
Date: August 12, 2021

This Memorandum is to serve as an addendum to the City of Milford Police Department/Milford School District School Resource Office MOU Agreement made on the 1st day of July 2018. The addendum shall amend Section 1: Cost of the SRO Program, to reflect the new mutually agreed upon cost of \$125,000 per year to support two (2) School Resource Officers assigned to the Milford Schools for the calendar year July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Section 2.E shall be modified that the Police Department will provide two (2) SRO's to the School District. Section 3 Assignment of School Resource Office shall be modified to reflect that the Police Department agrees to provide two (2) School Resource Officers.

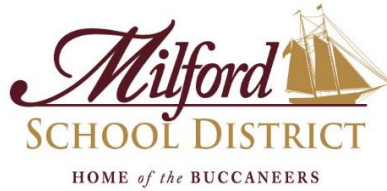
It is further agreed this Memorandum shall be in affect from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 only.

Arthur J. Campbell, Mayor
City of Milford

Date

Kevin A, Dickerson, Superintendent
Milford School District

Date



MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT PROCLAIMING THE CELEBRATION OF HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, the Hispanic heritage of the United States extends historically over five centuries and has been a consistent and vital influence in our country's growth and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic culture is tied to Iberian ancestry and our culture recognizes that Hispanics are multiracial and multicultural who can trace their historical roots to Indigenous and African ancestry; and

WHEREAS, Hispanics in Delaware are a diverse mix of first-generation immigrants and longtime residents; and

WHEREAS, the definition of Hispanic is tied to cultures across 24 countries in Latin America and the Caribbean including: The United States, Mexico, Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, Cuba, Guatemala, Belize, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, Columbia, Peru, Ecuador, Paraguay, Uruguay, Brazil, Venezuela, Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, and Spain; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month was started as a heritage week in 1968 and begins on September 15, which is the anniversary of the independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua; and

WHEREAS, 21.89 percent of students enrolled in the Milford School District are Hispanic or Latino, and students who self-identified as Hispanic or Latino also identified as American Indian or Alaskan Native, Asian, Black, Pacific Islander, and multi-racial; and

WHEREAS, 17.76 percent of students are English Language Learners, of which the majority identify as Hispanic or Latino.

WHEREAS, 65.28 percent of Hispanic students in the 2020-2021 four-year cohort graduated; and

WHEREAS, 2.6 percent of teachers self-identify as Hispanic and less than 1 percent of school leaders, including principals, assistant principals, and district leadership identify as Hispanic.

WHEREAS, Spanish is the second most commonly spoke home language in the District; and

WHEREAS, in February 2019, Milford School District hosted its first Elympics, an event providing English Language Learners an opportunity to showcase their English and academic skills in a way that is both challenging and exciting; and

WHEREAS, our Hispanic families actively participate in groups across the school district, including the newly established Building Bridges meetings; and

WHEREAS, the District collaborates and partners with organizations to provide English as a Second Language (ESL) classes to families;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Milford School District hereby proclaims September 15th, 2021, through October 15th, 2021, to be Hispanic Heritage Month.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Milford School District Board of Education strongly encourages our staff and community to observe, recognize, and celebrate the culture, heritage and contributions of Hispanics to our country, our state, our cities, and our schools.

Signed:

Jason Miller
School Board President

Dr. Kevin Dickerson
Superintendent

MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Fiscal Year 2021 Monthly Revenue Report
As of July 31, 2021
8.3% of the Fiscal Year completed

REVENUE SOURCE	Preliminary FY 2022 Budget	Actual to date	% received
STATE FUNDS			
Formula Salaries	23,788,494.08	27,815,735.00	116.93%
Cafeteria Salaries	475,416.80	534,844.00	112.50%
Division II, All Other Costs	902,811.00	147,181.00	16.30%
Division II, All Other Costs - VOC	113,042.00	84,782.00	75.00%
Division II, Energy	788,951.00	710,056.00	90.00%
Division III, Equalization	5,675,768.00	5,050,297.00	88.98%
State Transportation	2,933,384.57	1,537,505.00	52.41%
Homeless Transportation	196,566.00	98,283.00	50.00%
Foster Care Transportation	55,121.70	27,561.00	50.00%
Transportation Supply	1,000.00	1,000.00	100.00%
Related Services Cash Option	52,604.28	94,688.00	180.00%
Drivers' Education	19,113.00	17,202.00	90.00%
Unique Alternatives	238,232.26	238,232.00	100.00%
Professional Development	-	20,598.00	
Delaware Sustainment Fund	811,121.00	730,009.00	90.00%
Academic Excellence Cash Option	-	-	
Technology Block Grant	108,554.00	97,700.00	90.00%
World Language Expansion	38,451.21	-	0.00%
Education Opportunity Grant	659,612.50	1,231,277.00	186.67%
Education Opportunity Grant - Mental Health	208,147.50	208,148.00	100.00%
Student Success Block Grant - K-3	119,274.00	-	0.00%
Student Success Block Grant - Reading	162,134.00	330,148.00	203.63%
Child Safety Awareness	5,062.00	5,062.00	100.00%
Minor Capital Improvements	409,948.00	-	0.00%
Major Capital Improvements	-	-	
TOTAL STATE FUNDS	37,762,808.90	38,980,308.00	103.22%
LOCAL FUNDS			
Current Expense (tax rate)	8,884,200.00	44,172.88	0.50%
Current Expense (capitations)	200.00	-	0.00%
Athletics	10,000.00	-	
Interest	285,000.00	-	0.00%
Building Rental	4,500.00	-	0.00%
Other Local Revenue	18,500.00	-	0.00%
Sol - Systems	1,500.00	-	0.00%
Energy Curtailment	15,000.00	-	0.00%
CSCRIP	15,000.00	-	0.00%
Indirect Costs	75,000.00	5,597.47	7.46%
Cafeteria	1,250,000.00	131,623.38	10.53%
Net Choice Billings	(164,893.80)	-	0.00%
Net Charter Billings	(165,738.77)	-	0.00%
Tuition Billings	(2,100,000.00)	-	0.00%
Social Studies Coalition/Donations	107,000.00	4,985.00	4.66%
Debt Service	1,250,000.00	6,285.53	0.50%
Debt Service - County Impact Fees	78,343.00	-	0.00%
Tuition	2,800,000.00	14,078.69	0.50%
Minor Capital Improvements	273,299.00	1,373.58	0.50%
E-Rate	5,500.00	-	0.00%
Education Opportunity Match	-	-	
Extra Time Local Match	-	-	
Reading and Match Specialist Match	-	-	
Technology Maintenance Match	-	-	
Major Capital Improvements	-	-	
TOTAL LOCAL FUNDS	12,642,409.43	208,116.53	1.65%
FEDERAL FUNDS			
IDEA Part B	1,126,652.00	-	0.00%
IDEA - Preschool	55,709.00	-	0.00%
Title I	1,973,009.00	-	0.00%
Title II	353,387.00	-	0.00%
Title III English Acquisition	64,917.00	-	0.00%
School Emergency Relief (ESSERF)	-	-	
Perkins	125,895.00	-	0.00%
TOTAL FEDERAL/OTHER FUNDS	3,699,569.00	-	0.00%
GRAND TOTAL ALL FUNDS	54,104,787.33	39,188,424.53	72.43%

Milford School District
Monthly Report of Expenditures
For the month ended July 31, 2021

Operating Unit	Budget Line	Preliminary				
		Budget Amount	Encumbered	Expended	Budget Remaining	% Remaining
9180668A	Benjamin Banneker Elementary School	\$ 46,526.40	3,000.00	995.43	\$ 42,530.97	91.41%
9180670A	Evelyn I. Morris Early Childhood Center	\$ 48,971.80	-	696.61	\$ 48,275.19	98.58%
9180672A	Lulu M. Ross Elementary School	\$ 65,144.00	3,500.00	567.85	\$ 61,076.15	93.76%
9180673A	Misplion Elementary School	\$ 50,747.20	-	883.58	\$ 49,863.62	98.26%
9180675A	Milford Central Academy	\$ 102,334.00	10,136.15	1,684.24	\$ 90,513.61	88.45%
9180678A	Milford Senior High School	\$ 131,384.00	733.62	392.87	\$ 130,257.51	99.14%
99900000	Board Of Ed/District Expenses	\$ 9,000.00	-	-	\$ 9,000.00	100.00%
	School Resource Officer	\$ 165,000.00	-	-	\$ 165,000.00	100.00%
99900100	Legal Services, Audit and Insurance Premiums	\$ 180,000.00	1,688.00	-	\$ 178,312.00	99.06%
99900300	District Expenditures	\$ 35,000.00	-	1,468.92	\$ 33,531.08	95.80%
	School Safety and Security	\$ -	-	-	\$ -	-
	Public Relations and Communication	\$ 10,000.00	-	-	\$ 10,000.00	100.00%
	Copy Center (District Wide)	\$ 98,500.00	85,504.25	8,068.27	\$ 4,927.48	5.00%
	Student Emergency Fund	\$ 4,000.00	-	-	\$ 4,000.00	100.00%
99910100	Superintendent	\$ 1,500.00	422.36	34.36	\$ 1,043.28	69.55%
99920000	World Language Immersion (State Grant)	\$ 38,451.21	-	-	\$ 38,451.21	100.00%
	Educator Accountability (State Grant)	\$ 1,200.00	-	-	\$ 1,200.00	-
	Student Success Block Grant (Reading)	\$ 162,134.00	-	32,919.19	\$ 129,214.81	79.70%
	Opportunity Grant Mental Health	\$ 208,147.50	-	-	\$ 208,147.50	100.00%
	Education Opportunity Grant	\$ 659,612.50	-	-	\$ 659,612.50	100.00%
	Summer School	\$ 30,000.00	-	-	\$ 30,000.00	100.00%
	Translators	\$ 20,000.00	-	80.02	\$ 19,919.98	99.60%
	Extra Time Programs	\$ 30,000.00	-	-	\$ 30,000.00	100.00%
	Curriculum and Instruction	\$ 267,200.00	-	-	\$ 267,200.00	100.00%
99920700	Athletics - High School	\$ 170,000.00	30,365.30	2,600.51	\$ 137,034.19	80.61%
	Athletics - Milford Central Academy	\$ 30,000.00	-	-	\$ 30,000.00	100.00%
99920800	Driver's Education	\$ 19,113.00	-	6,191.73	\$ 12,921.27	67.60%
99930200	Tuition - Special Services	\$ 584,500.00	-	6,102.03	\$ 578,397.97	98.96%
	Tuition - Special Services - ILC	\$ 315,000.00	1,385.66	53,439.82	\$ 260,174.52	82.60%
	Unique Alternatives (State Funds)	\$ 238,232.26	-	-	\$ 238,232.26	75.63%
99930300	Special Services	\$ 49,000.00	-	2,396.86	\$ 46,603.14	95.11%
	Student Success Block Grant (K-3 Basic)	\$ 119,274.00	-	-	\$ 119,274.00	100.00%
	Special Services - State Related Services	\$ 52,604.28	-	-	\$ 52,604.28	100.00%
99940100	Contingencies and One-Time Items	\$ 500,000.00	-	-	\$ 500,000.00	100.00%
99940200	Division I/Formula Salaries	\$ 23,788,494.08	-	3,469,012.25	\$ 20,319,481.83	85.42%
99940300	Division II - Vocational	\$ 113,042.00	-	597.06	\$ 112,444.94	99.47%
99940400	Division III/Local Salaries	\$ 11,072,500.00	-	1,189,430.90	\$ 9,883,069.10	89.26%
	Union agreed Limited Contracts	\$ 385,000.00	-	2,654.06	\$ 382,345.94	99.31%
99940500	Title I	\$ 1,973,009.00	-	-	\$ 1,973,009.00	100.00%
	Title II	\$ 353,387.00	-	-	\$ 353,387.00	100.00%
	Title III	\$ 64,917.00	-	-	\$ 64,917.00	100.00%
	IDEA Part B	\$ 1,126,652.00	-	-	\$ 1,126,652.00	100.00%
	IDEA Preschool	\$ 55,709.00	-	-	\$ 55,709.00	100.00%
	Perkins	\$ 125,895.00	-	-	\$ 125,895.00	100.00%
	Homeless	\$ -	-	-	\$ -	-
	Other Federal Grants	\$ -	-	-	\$ -	-
99940600	Insurance Expense	\$ 105,153.00	-	-	\$ 105,153.00	100.00%
99940700	Social Studies Coalition/Donations	\$ 107,000.00	-	-	\$ 107,000.00	100.00%
99940810	Technology Equipment & Repair	\$ 272,800.00	5,077.92	92,540.42	\$ 175,181.66	64.22%
	Technology Block Grant	\$ 108,554.00	-	-	\$ 108,554.00	100.00%
99940900	Tuition Reimbursement - Administration	\$ 15,000.00	-	-	\$ 15,000.00	100.00%
	Tuition Reimbursement	\$ 70,000.00	-	-	\$ 70,000.00	100.00%
99950000	Personnel/Human Resources	\$ 10,000.00	422.36	34.36	\$ 9,543.28	95.43%
99960000	Child Nutrition Operations	\$ 1,190,572.80	457,145.75	248,720.94	\$ 484,706.11	40.71%
	Cafeteria Salaries	\$ 534,844.00	-	-	\$ 534,844.00	100.00%
99960100	Facilities Maintenance	\$ 90,000.00	-	419.33	\$ 89,580.67	99.53%
	Custodial Services and Supplies	\$ 90,000.00	-	10,690.88	\$ 79,309.12	88.12%
99960200	Operations and Utilities	\$ 385,395.00	7,093.78	4,711.48	\$ 373,589.74	96.94%
	Energy Division II	\$ 710,056.00	-	-	\$ 710,056.00	100.00%
99960300	State Transportation	\$ 2,933,384.57	-	-	\$ 2,933,384.57	100.00%
	State Homeless Transportation	\$ 196,566.00	-	-	\$ 196,566.00	100.00%
	State Foster Transportation	\$ 55,121.70	-	-	\$ 55,121.70	100.00%
	Transportation Supplies	\$ 1,000.00	638.44	58.52	\$ 303.04	30.30%
99960400	Transportation Internal Budget (Local)	\$ 23,000.00	1,000.00	-	\$ 22,000.00	95.65%
	Local Activities Transportation	\$ 3,000.00	-	-	\$ 3,000.00	100.00%
	Local Homeless Transportation Match	\$ 21,840.67	-	-	\$ 21,840.67	100.00%
	Local Transportation Match	\$ 325,510.63	-	-	\$ 325,510.63	100.00%
Total Operating Budget		\$ 50,749,979.60	\$ 608,113.59	\$ 5,137,392.49	\$ 45,004,473.52	88.68%
99970000	Local Debt Service	\$ 1,187,584.61	-	-	\$ 1,187,584.61	100.00%
99970200	Minor Capital Improvements	\$ 683,247.00	-	-	\$ 683,247.00	100.00%
Total Capital Budget		\$ 1,870,831.61	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,870,831.61	100.00%
Grand Total		\$ 52,620,811.21	\$ 608,113.59	\$ 5,137,392.49	\$ 46,875,305.13	89.08%

*Note: Budgets are based on the preliminary budget allocations as voted by the MSD Board of Education
Items highlighted in blue are restricted expenditures. Funds must be used for specific purpose per funding guidelines.*

Financial Position Report

as of July 1, 2022

Forecast Period: Q1-2022

District: Milford 95-18

Description	Actual Unencumbered	Encumbered	Projected Income 7/1 to 10/15	Projected Available Income through 10/15	Projected Salary 7/1 to 10/15	Projected Non-Salary 7/1 to 10/15	Projected Expenditures through 10/15	Projected Available Balance 10/15	Projected 1 month Local Payroll
Local Expenses	\$19,910,746.65	\$40,151.41	\$921,759.00	\$20,872,657.06	\$6,412,956.74	\$174,529.58	\$6,587,486.32	\$14,285,170.74	\$811,478.00
Div II	\$941,672.78	\$688,332.58	\$0.00	\$1,630,005.36	\$0.00	\$874,013.43	\$874,013.43	\$755,991.93	
Div III	\$5,050,297.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,050,297.00	\$5,050,297.00	\$0.00	\$5,050,297.00	\$0.00	
Cash Option	\$94,688.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$94,688.00	\$0.00	\$38,750.00	\$38,750.00	\$55,938.00	
Other	\$730,009.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$730,009.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$730,009.00	
Total Discretionary Fund Revenue	\$26,727,413.43	\$728,483.99	\$921,759.00	\$28,377,656.42	\$11,463,253.74	\$1,087,293.01	\$12,550,546.75	\$15,827,109.67	

Approved by Superintendent: _____

Approved by Board President: _____

Preparer: _____

Navigating Milford School Districts

Return to School Plan

2021 - 2022





Navigating into 2021 - 2022 Academic Year

Critical Components of our plan include:

- Prioritization of in-person learning opportunities
- Full five days of in person instruction
- Daily learning schedules that will maximize instructional time
- Remote learning option will be available for those who present documented medical rationale
- Following health and safety protocol guidance from Department of Public Health
- Continued guidance from Delaware Department of Education

Student Supports



- Social and emotional support through dedicated curriculum, time, and support staff
- Continued access to ongoing assessment and screening system to ensure we are targeting areas of identified need
- Strategic student groupings and course assignments to assist with addressing unique learning needs
- Continued offerings for tutoring, extended day, individualized support
- Continued one to one technology tools
- Continued access to mental health support staff and counselors

Staff Supports

- Clear and consistent communication
- Continued access to ongoing assessment and screening system to ensure we are identifying/targeting areas of identified student need
- Strategic student groupings and course assignments to assist with addressing unique learning needs with adjusted pacing guides
- Continued access to mental health support staff and counselors
- Continued professional learning dedicated to
 - Technology as a learning and management tool
 - Social and emotional learning
 - Trauma informed practices



Community and Family Supports

- Clear and consistent communication using a variety of tools
 - Email, Phone calls, Talking Points, Texts, Conferences, Meetings
- District and Building Meetings
 - Building Bridges, Community Child Care Centers, Parent / Teacher Partnerships, Citizen Budget Oversight Committee
- Opportunities to engage with our schools through professional learning:
 - Open Houses, Curriculum Nights, Tech Tutorials, Transition Events, etc.
- Continued after hour tutoring and academic supports for students
- Continued access to mental health support staff and counselors

Social Emotional Learning Supports

- **Conscious Discipline**

- Social-emotional learning
- Discipline
- Self-regulation



**Conscious
Discipline**®



- **Purpose Prep**

- Elementary:
 - Understand, manage, regulate emotions
- MS/HS:
 - SEL
 - College & Career Readiness
 - Personal Development
 - Leadership Development
 - Character Education
 - Life and Workforce Skills
 - Mental Health & Wellness
 - Restorative Justice
 - Trauma-informed Instruction
 - Intervention, and Prevention.

School Schedules for 2021 - 2022 Academic Year

Morris Early Childhood Center

- Ø Student Day: 8:45 AM – 3:30 PM
- Ø Staff Day: 8:10 AM – 3:40 PM
- Ø Buses Arrive: 8:35 AM
- Ø Buses Depart: 3:35 PM
- Ø Student Drop-off: 8:30 AM

● Elementary Schools

(Banneker/Misphillion/Ross)

- Ø Student Day: 7:40 AM – 2:25 PM
- Ø Staff Day: 7:15 AM – 2:45 PM
- Ø Buses Arrive: 7:20 AM
- Ø Buses Depart: 2:30 PM
- Ø Student Drop-off: 7:15 AM

● Milford Central Academy

- Ø Student Day: 8:35 AM – 3:25 PM
- Ø Staff Day: 8:05 AM – 3:35 PM
- Ø Buses Arrive: 8:25 AM
- Ø Buses Depart: 3:30 PM
- Ø Student Drop-off: 8:20 AM

● Milford High School

- Ø Student Day: 7:35 AM – 2:25 PM
- Ø Staff Day: 7:00 AM – 2:30 PM
- Ø Buses Arrive: 7:10 AM
- Ø Buses Depart: 2:30 PM
- Ø Student Drop-off: 7:10 AM



Transportation

MSD continues to be grateful for the relationships with our local bus contractors who are dedicated to ensure safe transportation to and from our schools.

MSD will continue providing bus transportation per state guidance including students wearing masks.

Families can expect to hear from their child's bus driver prior to the start of school.

Any questions regarding transportation can be directed to:

- Jon Lobiando at jlobiand@msd.k12.de.us
- Rose Viramantes at RViramontes@msd.k12.de.us
- 302-422-1600



To review our

Milford School District *Return to School Plan* 2021 – 2022 Academic Year

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for additional information



MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Milford, Delaware 19963

POLICY

5110

EIGHTH GRADE HIGH SCHOOL INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS PARTICIPATION

PILOT POLICY

In accordance with Delaware Interscholastic Athletics Association (DIAA) regulations and approval, rising eighth graders who have been in regular attendance at Milford Central Academy for at least one full school year immediately prior to the eighth grade are eligible to represent Milford High School in high school interscholastic athletics in all Milford High School sports except football (eighth graders are not eligible to try out for or participate in high school football). Further clarification of eighth grade eligibility includes the following DIAA provisions:

- Students who transfer into Milford Central Academy for the eighth grade are ineligible to represent the Milford High School at any level in any interscholastic sport.
- An eighth grade student who participates in a junior varsity or varsity contest at the high school level shall be ineligible to participate at the middle school level (Milford Central Academy) in the same sport during the same season.
- This policy does not preclude an eighth grade student from participating in a tryout at Milford High School while still retaining middle school eligibility.
- Sixth and seventh grade students shall not be permitted to participate on Milford High School interscholastic teams.
- Eighth grade students who are enrolled in Milford Central Academy and are eligible to participate at Milford High School begin their five years of eligibility for high school participation the first year they enter eighth grade.

This policy is intended to increase student participation in interscholastic athletics throughout the district, as well as facilitate the development of Milford School District student-athletes in interscholastic athletics and the development of Milford School District interscholastic athletics programs across the middle school and high school levels. The following is guidance for eighth grade participation in Milford High School interscholastic athletics:

- The premise of this policy is to provide advanced interscholastic athletics opportunities for eighth grade students who are able to be competitive at the high school level. Students who participate on high school sports teams should have the athletic ability and maturity to be competitive at the high school level.

- Prior to each sports season, the Athletic Director will host a parent/guardian informational meeting for parents/guardians of Milford Central Academy eighth grade students interested in participating on a Milford High School sports team during that season. This meeting will include Milford High School coaches for that sports season.
- Interested eighth graders should attend the tryout dates for the high school sports teams and be evaluated by the coaches for their ability to be able to make the team and compete at the high school level.
- Eighth graders who try out for a high school sports team are not guaranteed to make the high school team for which they try out. Eighth graders who do not make the high school team, are still eligible to try out for the Milford Central Academy team in that same sport. Eighth graders who do not make the high school team are not guaranteed selection to the Milford Central Academy team in that same sport.
- In situations where Milford High School sports teams have low numbers in the program or may not be able to fill out junior varsity and varsity teams, the Milford High School head coach may consult with the Milford Central Academy head coach, Athletic Director and Milford Central Academy principal in regards to whether there are any eighth graders with the ability and maturity to compete at the high school level. If there are any identified eighth graders, then the Athletic Director must consult with the parent/guardian and receive the parent/guardian's permission for the student to participate on the high school sports team.

This policy is to be evaluated in March ~~2021~~ 2022 for its effectiveness and possible continuation.

ADOPTED: 2/24/20