

FY 2023 BUDGET: SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET WORKSHOP PRESENTATION

Building/Program: Freeport Middle School

What key issues and priorities are you trying to address in your proposed budget? (Administrators identified the following three focus areas: maintain class sizes, increased student support, and maintaining adequate staffing)

The Freeport Middle School budget for FY 22-23 will continue focusing on several priorities from the past few years. The proposed budget will allow for class sizes at Freeport Middle School to remain between 18-20 students per class and allow us to teach Math and ELA every day.

We will continue working as a staff on equity, diversity, and inclusion. The proposed budget will allow us to build on this foundation that has been started. There is money available for resources, curriculum, and professional development as determined to be needed. Two added leadership stipends will assist in leading this work.

The proposed FY 22-23 school budget has added a RTI ed tech. This position will help in several ways. They will work with students in small groups and push into classrooms to provide extra support, with a specific focus on executive functioning skill development. This position will also play a vital role in covering classes when teachers are out of school.

How do these priorities align with the district's four strategic objectives?

The FMS budget requests focus on RSU5 strategic goals one and two. The budget provides for class sizes between 18-20 students in all grades, including in math, reading, RTI-B interventions, and class coverage when needed.

The added leadership team stipends and the new RTI ed tech are to focus specifically on the district goal for increased student support. The additional leadership team stipends will focus on equity. This will benefit the school, allowing for greater teacher voice, increased professional development, and furthering the equity work. The additional ed tech will provide some added executive functioning skill development in small group settings and in mainstream classes. This ed tech will also help cover classes when substitute teachers are not available. The additional technical director will allow more students to participate in the tech side of our drama productions. We currently have a tech director for one of our two plays.

FY 2023 Projected Enrollment / Class Size Ratio by Grade

Grade	Students	Teachers	Class Size
6	94	5.33	18-19
7	92	5.33	18-19
8	99	5.33	19-20
Total	285	16	

Staffing Adjustments to Budget in FY 22	Staffing Adjustments to Budget in FY 23
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Civil Rights Team stipend● Technical director (drama) stipend	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 1 RTI Ed tech (\$37,000)● Two additional Leadership Team positions to support future equity work (\$4710)● Technical Director (\$1270)

Other significant FY 23 requests in budget and need (Supplies, Equipment, etc).

None