

**FY 2022 BUDGET: SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET WORKSHOP PRESENTATION****Building/Program: Pownal Elementary School****What key issues and priorities are you trying to address in your proposed budget?**

We are requesting to increase the RTI math teacher's time by an additional one day a week (.2).. Administrators have identified the need to increase student support as a priority for the FY22 budget. At PES, our current Response to Intervention program has struggled to meet the wide span of student needs in kindergarten through fifth grade. Due to our small size, we only have .9 of a position. Our priority has been on literacy support. This year we were able to shift .2 (7 hours a week) to math support. Having a separate teacher focused on math has had a positive impact on student achievement for students needing support. Currently, the schedule provides enough time to work with 2 targeted grade levels. We are hoping with the additional time, it will allow us to increase math support for all students who are not currently meeting math benchmarks. PES is the last elementary school in RSU 5 to have RTI teachers dedicated by content specialty.

Our second request is funding for a Civil Rights Team Stipend. This club is a great way to build student leadership while supporting the district equity goal.

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

The increased RTI time will help Pownal Elementary School meet Board Strategic Goal 2: All RSU 5 students regularly engage in meaningful student centered learning. Objective 2.3 Provide strong support for professional practices that foster collaboration and staff voice, and strengthen instruction to meet the needs of all learners.

The Civil Rights Team stipend aligns with Board Strategic Goal 1: All RSU 5 students experience a joyful learning climate that is safe, nurturing, and fosters curiosity. Objective 1.4 Strengthen diversity, equity and inclusion practices

**FY 2022 Projected Enrollment / Class Size Ratio by Grade**

Grade	Students	Teachers	Class Size
Pre-k	16	.5	16
Kindergarten	15	1	15
First Grade	14	1	14
Second Grade	15	1	15
Third Grade	15	1	15

<b>Fourth Grade</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Fifth Grade</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>6.5</b>	

<b>Staffing Adjustments to Budget in FY 21</b>	<b>Staffing Adjustments to Budget in FY 22</b>
Increased our .4 Pre-Kindergarten teacher to .5	Increase the current .2 Math RTI Teacher to .4  Civil Rights Team stipend

**Other significant FY 22 requests in budget and need (Supplies, Equipment, etc).**

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