



# WASHINGTON CENTRAL UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

FY 21-22 BOARD FINAL PRESENTATION

MARCH 1, 2021



#### STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

- CORE KNOWLEDGE
  - LITERACY
  - MATH CONTENT & PRACTICES
  - GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP
  - SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY & CONTENT KNOWLEDGE
  - PHYSICAL EDUCATION & HEALTH
  - ARTISTIC EXPRESSION
  - FINANCIAL LITERACY

- TRANSFERABLE SKILLS AND BEHAVIOR
  - CREATIVE & PRACTICAL PROBLEM SOLVING
  - INFORMED, INTEGRATED & CRITICAL THINKING
  - ENGAGED CITIZENSHIP
  - WORKING INDEPENDENTLY & COLLABORATIVELY
  - EFFECTIVE & EXPRESSIVE COMMUNICATION
  - SELF-AWARENESS & SELF-DIRECTION

## WASHINGTON CENTRAL UUSD SCHOOL BOARD GOALS 2020-2021

- IMPROVING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
- BUILDING BOARD GOVERNANCE
- COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

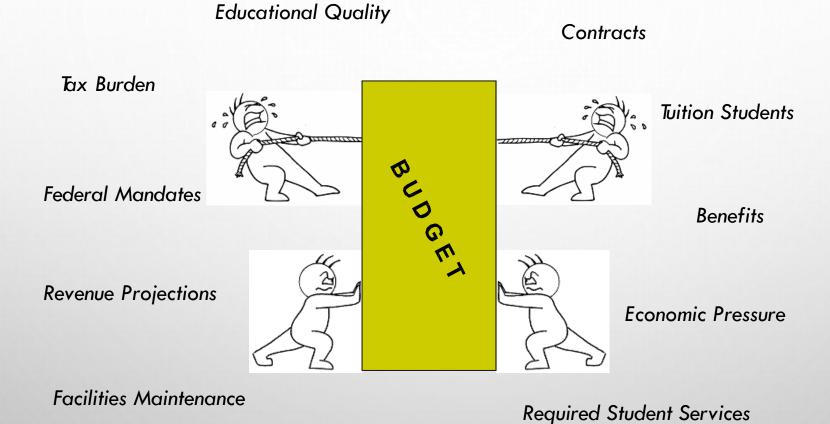


#### **CELEBRATION**

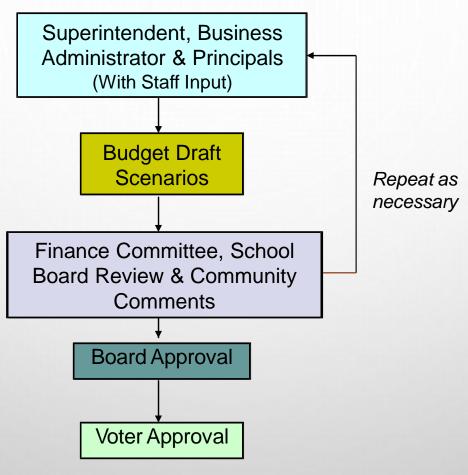
- 1 OF 5 DISTRICTS IN VERMONT TO REOPEN FULLY FOR LIVE IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION FOR GRADES PK- 8
- CREATED MORE ROBUST AND COMMUNITY CENTERED REMOTE LEARNING OFFERING FOR STUDENTS
- WORKING TO ALIGN OUR INSTRUCTIONAL APPROACHES FOR TEACHING MATH AND LITERACY
- PROVIDED ALL STUDENTS WITH INCREASED ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY

- WORKING TO DEVELOP OUR OWN PERSONAL CARE ASSISTANTS AND BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS
- SCHOOL BOARD IS COMMITTED TO THE STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS FOR CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT
- CREATION OF ASSESSMENT PLAN TO TRACK STUDENT ACADEMIC PROGRESS
- WCUUSD RECEIVED FIVE CARES/COVID RELIEF FUNDS GRANTS TOTALING \$4.3 MILLION

#### **Competing Pressures Within and Across Schools**







#### WCUUSD ENROLLMENT TRENDS



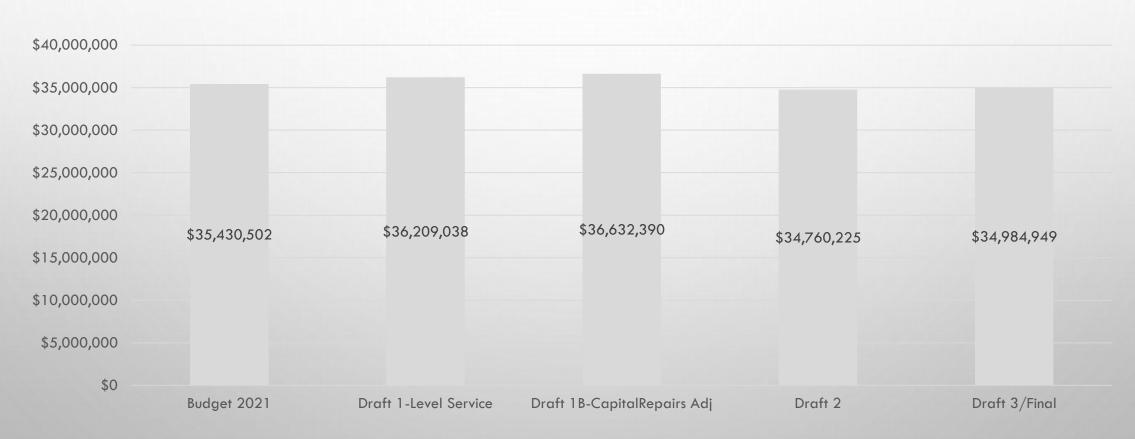


#### WCUUSD SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

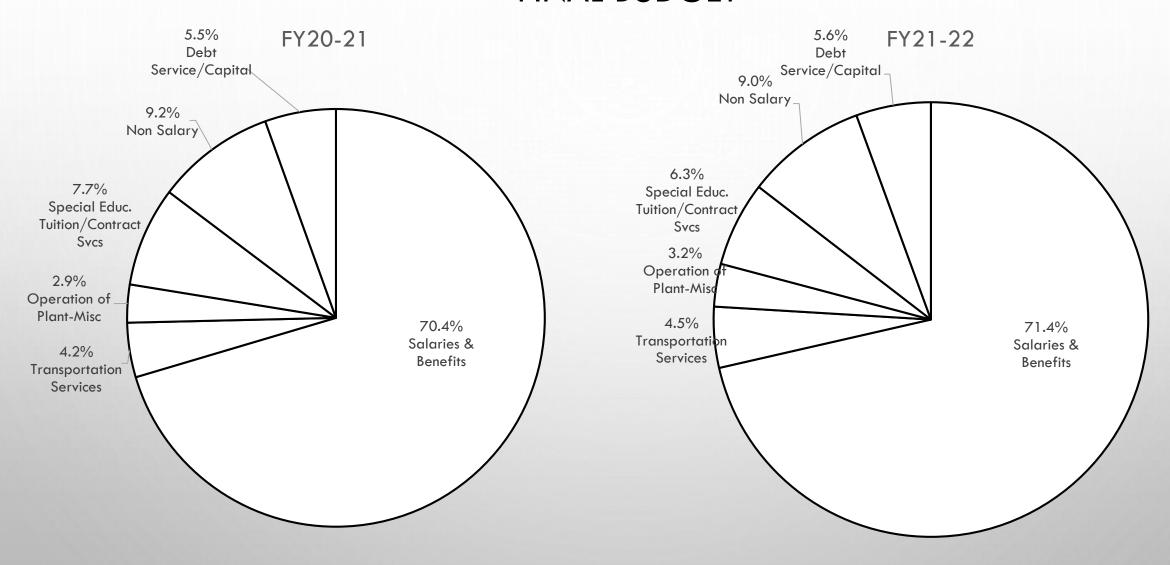
- Was 1574 now 1487 Students PK-Graduation
- Declining Enrollment
- Excellent Administration, Faculty and Staff
- Dynamic Student Body
- Innovative Educational Opportunities

#### WCUUSD BUDGET SUMMARY OF DRAFTS

#### **Expenditure Budgets**



### PERCENTAGE OF EACH EXPENSE CATEGORY TO THE TOTAL FINAL BUDGET



### HIGHLIGHTS OF FINAL BUDGET CHANGES NET IMPACT ON TAXES -1.00%

- SALARY AND BENEFITS .16%
  - NEGOTIATED ITEMS-SALARY, HEALTH INSURANCE 1.93%
  - STAFFING CHANGES INCLUDING EARLY RETIREMENT (2.54%)
  - SPECIAL EDUCATION STAFFING .77%
- NON SALARY ITEMS (1.42%)
  - SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS-TUITION/PROF SERVICES(1.24%)
  - SCHOOL-WIDE BUDGETS(.35%)
  - PRE-K EXPENSES/SCHOOL WIDE BUDGET(.27%)
  - DEBT SERVICE/CAPITAL TRANSFER(.00%)
  - TECHNICAL CENTER /STUDENT TRANSPORTATION .16%
  - OPERATION OF PLANT REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE .28%
- REVENUES(.25%)
  - FUND BALANCE .41%
  - STATE SUPPORT .11%
  - TUITION/MISCELLANEOUS INCOME (.67%)
  - SPECIAL EDUCATION REIMBURSEMENTS (.10%)



#### COMPONENTS OF THE TAX RATE

- SCHOOL DISTRICT EXPENSE BUDGET
- EQUALIZED PUPIL COUNT
- PROPERTY YIELD AMOUNT —SET BY LEGISLATURE
- STATE TAX RATE —SET BY LEGISLATURE
- COMMON LEVEL OF APPRAISAL FOR EACH TOWN

## WCUUSD TAX RATE PROJECTIONS USING BUDGET 21-22

Prepared by Lori T. Bibeau, WCUUSD Business Administrator Using information as of: February 4, 2021

#### Includes Local Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)

Towns	Common Level of Appraisal	Tax Rate FY20-21	Tax Rate FY21-22	Increase (Decrease)
Berlin	108.77%	\$1.723	<b>\$1.567</b>	(\$0.155)
Calais	93.93%	\$1.8 <i>57</i>	\$1.81 <i>5</i>	(\$0.043)
East Montpelier	94.18%	\$1.893	\$1.810	(\$0.083)
Middlesex	95.89%	\$1. <b>7</b> 95	\$1 <i>.77</i> 8	(\$0.01 <i>7</i> )
Worcester	99.55%	\$1 <i>.77</i> 0	\$1. <b>7</b> 12	(\$0.057)

NOTE: All Town's start with an equalized tax rate of \$1.7047 and an equalized tax rate <u>decrease</u> of 7.1 cents. The local Common Level of Appraisal impacts the actual tax rate which is why the amounts differ by Town.



WHAT CLARIFYING QUESTIONS DO YOU HAVE?

WHAT INFORMATION WOULD HELP YOU SUPPORT THIS PROPOSED BUDGET?

WHAT ARE YOUR IDEAS FOR INFORMING COMMUNITY MEMBERS ABOUT THIS BUDGET?

#### **BUDGET PROCESS AND NEXT STEPS**

- SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS
  - NOVEMBER 4-BUDGET DRAFT 1
  - DECEMBER 16-BUDGET DRAFT 2
  - JANUARY 6 -FINALIZE THE BUDGET
- COMMUNITY BUDGET FORUMS & INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS
  - DECEMBER 2
  - JANUARY 13
  - FEBRUARY 17
  - <u>MARCH 1</u>
- TOWN MEETING MARCH 2



#### SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS 2020-2021

SCOTT THOMPSON, CHAIR

FLOR DIAZ-SMITH, VICE CHAIR

JONAS ENO-VAN FLEET, CLERK

DIANE NICHOLS-FLEMING

**GEORGE GROSS** 

LINDY JOHNSON

CHRIS MCVEIGH

DOROTHY NAYLOR

JAIEL PULSKAMP

STEPHEN LOOKE

KARI BRADLEY

JONATHAN GODDARD

JILL OLSON

KAROLINE MAY

