



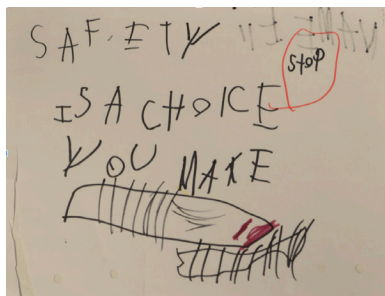
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Presentation/Recognition

Recognition of Student Winners of Metra Poster Contest

Two students were recognized for placing 2nd and 3rd in the Metra Poster Contest this spring. The Safety Poster and Essay Contest asks students to take on an advocacy role and communicate the importance of safety near the Metra tracks.

The theme for the 2021-2022 school year was “Safety Is A Choice You Make.” This theme focused on the importance of individuals being aware of their surroundings, as well as their personal safety near railroad tracks, railroad crossings, and platforms. The contest was open to all students in grades kindergarten through 12 living or attending school in Metra’s six county service area: Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry and Will.



Eli Gavin, who was in 1st grade last year at Cumberland Elementary School, received 3rd place honors and was awarded a \$100 gift certificate for his achievement.

Miriam Dudushola, who was in 4th grade last year at North Elementary School, received 2nd place honors and received a \$250 gift certificate for her achievement.



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Student Learning and Support Services Update

Launching the 2022-2023 School Year

Administration shared an update on the start of the 2022-2023 school year. A copy of the presentation can be accessed [here](#).

Review of Preliminary 2021-2022 Financial Statement and Approval of 2022-2023 Tentative Budget

The Board of Education approved the 2022-2023 tentative budget. Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Mark Bertolozzi provided the Board with a brief overview.

Property Tax Levy: The two factors that impact the levy are new property and the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The district projected a maximum of \$70 million in new property in order to capture the new developments within the district. The CPI used for the December 2021 levy is 5.0%, for taxes collected in the 2023 calendar year. With CPI being 1.4% for taxes collected in calendar year 2022, an estimated levy increase of 3.2% would normally be expected. This does not factor in new construction. As reported every year, increases in property taxes income, including FY2023 and future years, is in jeopardy due to the potential property tax freeze legislation at the state level. Moreover, with COVID-19 affecting our economy, real estate tax collections may be down from prior years. Overall, the FY2023 budget will assume revenue increases from the tax levy at a historically normal level.

Student Fees: No changes are suggested for FY2023.

Interest Income: Interest rates continue to increase with changes in interest rate policy from the Federal Reserve. The projected interest rate factor for the FY2023 budget is 1.6%, which includes newer, shorter term investments and long-term existing investments.

State: The state funding for education in Illinois is expected to be flat between FY22 and FY23. Federal funding to the states in response to COVID should keep state funding safe from reductions. Evidence Base Funding 1 (EBF) and categorical payments are expected to be mostly unchanged in FY23. After FY2024, when federal pandemic funding runs out, state funding will be the most likely funding source to be reduced.

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Federal: At this time, it appears that the district can anticipate that federal Title Funding will remain at the current FY22 levels. It has been the stated goal of the Federal Government to maintain educational funding. Also, District 62 will receive more than \$10 million in ESSER funding to combat COVID-19 over the next two years.

The Board of Education is expected to vote on the final budget in September.

Communications

Board of Education

Member Morley announced that the District 62 Education Foundation will hold a meeting on August 24. Member Massa announced ED-RED is hosting webinars throughout the summer focused on equity.

Superintendent Report

Superintendent Dr. Michael Amadei thanked the team for their efforts and hard work that has led to the start of school on August 15 and 16. Dr. Amadei added that he is genuinely excited to see students. Assistant Superintendent for Business Services Mark Bertolozzi addressed construction updates happening throughout the district this summer.