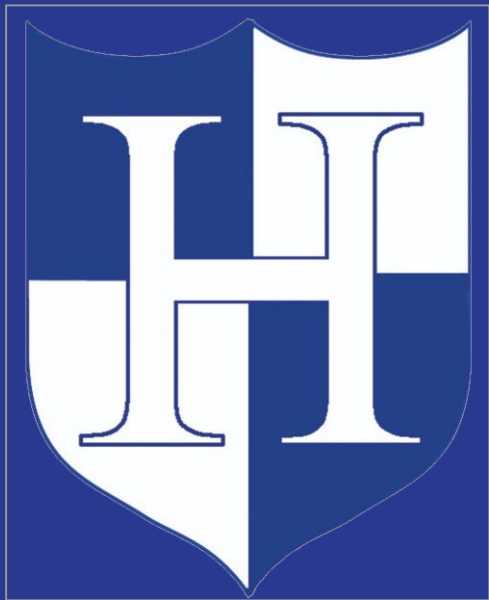




Herricks Public Schools

Foundation Aid & COVID-19 Federal
Stimulus Funds Update

June 9, 2022

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- The district sought input from various constituents on plans to use the COVID-19 Stimulus funds and additional foundation aid at budget and grant committee meetings.
- Discussions during 2022-23 budget presentations took place at Board of Education Meetings on February 17, March 10, March 24, April 7 and May 5.
- Foundation Aid increase used to keep tax levy increase to 0.5% as well as fund social-emotional learning support for students, instructional technology and facilities improvements.
- The budget approved by the voters on Tuesday, May 17 included input from the community.
- A grant committee meeting was also convened on Tuesday, June 7, 2022.
- COVID-19 Federal Stimulus funds reallocated based on current need but remain focused on learning loss, social-emotional learning supports and health & safety initiatives.

Budget Design Priorities



Align budget with district's mission and goals

Ensure the health and safety of students and staff: Covid safety protocols

Address education regulations, mandates, and legal requirements, such as APPR and the Affordable Care Act

Respect that property taxes from homeowners are the major source of revenue for the budget

Increase opportunities for use of cutting edge instructional technology

Provide efficient, cost-effective operations, and strong fiscal controls and oversight

Conduct a thorough review of all budget items: seek cost-saving efficiencies

Maintain long-term financial well-being

Use data to assess instructional programs and ensure accountability

Budget Design Priorities

- Plan staffing levels to adhere to Board of Education class size guidelines
- Ensure a wide-range of curricular offerings for all students, and strong social-emotional learning and mental health programs
- Provide varied opportunities for student involvement in athletics, music and art, and extracurricular programs
- Continue our focus on Herricks Portrait of a Graduate 6Cs Competencies
- Ensure the health and safety of students and staff
- Maintain and enhance district facilities



Foundation Aid Update

- Formula created by New York State in 2007
- “Suspended” in 2008 due to Great Recession
- Amount of aid allocated based on size, wealth, and needs of each district
- Herricks was historically underfunded in Foundation Aid, based on the original formula by close to \$6 million
- The District has advocated to local state representatives for full restoration of Foundation Aid for many years
- In spring of 2021 the state legislature made a commitment to fully restore the Foundation Aid by increasing the aid in thirds, over a three year period: 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24
- Herricks is receiving a 32.1% increase in Foundation Aid for 2022-23
- We anticipate another 32% increase in 2023-24, to bring us to the level of funding promised in the original formula
- Foundation Aid represents 70% of Herricks total State Aid

Approved 2022-2023 Budget:



- Budget to budget increase:
\$2,447,838 or 1.99% over 2021-22
- Projected tax levy increase:
**0.5% increase over 2021-22: Below Our Tax
Levy Cap of 1.61%**
- **Average Tax Levy Increase** for Herricks over
the last eight years: 1.37%

Budget Proposal Highlights - Includes Funding For:

- **Social-Emotional Learning Support for Students:**

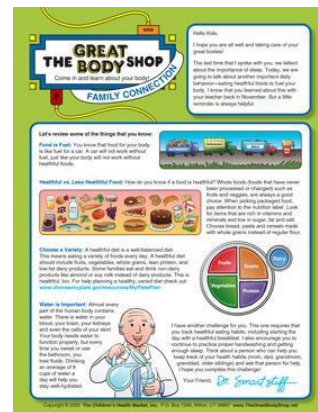
- Continued funding for Social-Emotional Learning programs such as Challenge Day
- Partnership with Northwell Health for crisis intervention and mental health center
- Additional Social Worker Staffing at the Middle School

- **Instructional Technology Improvements:**

- New equipment - Complete roll-out of 1:1 Chromebook Initiative
- Updating Equipment and Renovation of HS TV Studio
- New software and Apps for Instruction and Communication
- Network Cybersecurity Protection Upgrades

- **Facilities Improvements:**

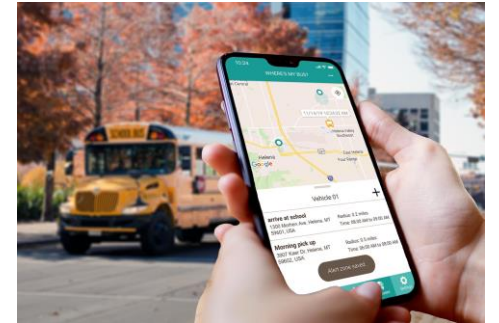
- Additional Playground Resurfacing at Denton Avenue and Searingtown
- Bathroom renovations at Searingtown and Center Street
- Art Room renovation at Searingtown and High School
- High School Library Renovation (transfer to capital)
- Additional VIP Classroom at the High School
- Technology Classroom Upgrades at the Middle School



Budget Proposal Highlights

Includes funding for:

- **Health and Safety Enhancements:**
 - BOCES health and safety services
 - PPE Supplies and Equipment
 - Covid Safety Protocols
- **Other Areas:**
 - Set of New Soccer Goals for High School (2)
 - New Plexiglass Backboards for HS Large Gym (4)
 - Replacement of Wrestling Mat
 - Replacement of musical instruments
 - New edition textbooks for Mathematics and Chinese
 - Participation in cutting edge curriculum and instruction initiatives: Tri-States Consortium and EdLeader21
 - Purchase of new school bus



Federal Grant Funding through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

	Description	Year 1 (2021-22)	Year 2 (2022-23)	Year 3 (2023-24)	TOTAL
Learning Loss	Occupational Therapist	\$71,288	\$34,441		\$105,729
	Curriculum Writing	\$20,799			\$20,799
	Summer Programs	\$21,530	\$23,022	\$23,000	\$67,552
	Recovery Services	\$12,683			\$12,683
	Behavior Specialist	\$32,793			\$32,793
	Near Pod	\$9,687	\$14,199	\$14,198	\$38,084
	1:1chromebook initiative and support	\$24,770			\$24,770
	ENL/ESL 0.5/Benefits	\$33,095			\$33,095
	Subtotal - Learning Loss	\$226,645	\$71,662	\$37,198	\$335,505
Health and Safety	Univent Reconditioning	\$167,249	\$50,937		\$218,186
	Nurse 0.5	\$28,779			\$28,779
	Community Center LED Sign	\$37,150			\$37,150
	PPE Supplies		\$68,900		\$68,900
Social Emotional	MS Wellness Center		\$96,847		\$96,847
	Total	\$459,823	\$288,346	\$37,198	\$785,367

Summer 2022 Academic JumpStart Programs:

- Ready to Rise Grade K
- Ready to Rise Grade 1
- Spanish Immersion

Note: The above information is available on the district website and reflects the initial budget submitted to the NY State Education Department. This budget was approved in November 2021 and will be adjusted to reflect actual expenditures each school year.

Federal Grant Funding through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA)

Description		Year 1 (2021-22)	Year 2 (2022-23)	Year 3 (2023-24)	TOTAL
Health and Safety	Touchless Devices	\$106,030			\$106,030
	Univent Reconditioning	\$8,918			\$8,918
Learning Loss	Curriculum Writing		\$9,495		\$9,495
Social Emotional	Northwell Partnership Mental Health Support Services	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$105,000
	MS Wellness Center		\$120,000		\$120,000
Total		\$149,948	\$164,495	\$35,000	\$349,443



Thank you!

**Any
Questions?**