

Marysville Monarchs

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Exempted Village School District



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MEVSD Faces Budget Cuts After Levy Defeat

On November 5th, Marysville Schools' levy proposal was not approved, prompting a series of budget adjustments which will align resources with current financial realities. While the district hoped for a positive outcome, the levy's failure required the district to proceed with contingency measures approved by the Board of Education on July 25, 2024. These adjustments, affecting extracurricular fees, program offerings, and staffing, are essential to maintain a balanced budget as the district navigates the path forward.

Changes for 2025-2026



Class Sizes: We will maintain the class size caps set after the May 2023 levy failure, with Kindergarten classes at 28 students, grades 1-6 at 30 students, and grades 7-12 at 35 students.



Hiring Freeze: A hiring freeze remains in effect, except for positions essential to state and federal compliance and maintaining class size limits.



Program and Position Reductions: Adjustments across elementary, intermediate, middle, and high schools will involve reductions or eliminations in Art, Music, Physical Education, and various specialized subjects, such as STEM, Foreign Language, and advanced electives.

Immediate Changes for 2024-2025



Extracurricular Activities: Pay-to-participate fees will increase to \$235 for Show Choir & Band; \$575 for Athletics, with no cap. This adjustment will be effective for the winter sports and activities season.



School Resource Officer Program: The SRO program was eliminated in alignment with contract guidelines after Thanksgiving Break.

Looking Ahead

The District is taking steps to place a 5.5-mill, 10-year emergency property tax levy on the May 2025 ballot. The levy, which would fund daily operations, is estimated to cost \$192.50 annually per \$100,000 of home value. If the May 2025 levy passes, the district could potentially save the programs/positions at risk noted above, as well as bringing back SROs and reducing participation fees.



Marysville Schools: Giving Back to the Community This December

Marysville Schools has embodied the spirit of giving this holiday season through community service initiatives showcasing the heart and compassion of students and staff. From toy drives to volunteer efforts, the district is making a meaningful impact in Union County.

Warm Hearts, Helping Hands at Bunsold Middle School

Bunsold Middle School's 8M team created 55 blankets for hurricane victims, local families, and the Hope Center.

Creekview Intermediate's Generous Partnerships

Creekview Intermediate partnered with Marysville Grace to provide winter essentials for 10 students, joined the ELKS group to support families, and organized a toy drive.

Hope Center Toy Drive

Marysville High School's Management Principles class led a toy drive to collect new, unwrapped toys for the Hope Center.

Student-Athletes Support Community Initiatives

Local student-athletes and symphonic choir members volunteered at the annual Care Train of Union County auction, helping to raise gifts, food, and financial support for families in need.

Raymond Elementary School's Holiday Giving Tree

Raymond Elementary's annual Giving Tree provided gifts and essential items for 21 students across nine families.

Early College High School Students Bring Joy to Local Families

Early College High School students collected toys, clothing, and essentials to bring holiday cheer to families facing challenges.

Mill Valley Elementary Shares the Spirit of Giving

Mill Valley supported over 30 families with gifts and gift cards and held a food drive for the Monarch Pantry at Marysville High School.



Marysville Schools cares. With collaboration and compassion, we lift each other up.



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