

State College Area SD Athletic Department

Report to the Board of Directors
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SCASD Mission Statement

To ensure every student has opportunities to grow, thrive and fulfill their potential through caring, responsive education.

Goal: School Climate and Culture

- Create professional development pathways for culturally responsive coaching, teaching and learning practices with all stakeholders.
 - [Positive Coaching Alliance](#) partnership
- Streamline Communication pathways and processes for students, coaches, department staff and families.
 - *ParentSquare platform*

Budget Review

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|---------------------------|---------------|
| 2018-19 Budget Allotment: | \$2,161,803 |
| 2019-20 Budget Allotment: | \$2,242,062 |
| 2020-21 Budget Allotment: | \$1,737,263 * |
| 2021-22 Budget Allotment: | \$1,708,220 * |
| 2022-23 Budget Allotment: | \$2,008,216 |
| 2023-24 Budget Allotment: | \$2,076,364 |
| 2024-25 Budget Allotment: | \$2,072,558 |
| 2025-26 Budget Request: | \$2,093,855 |

* COVID adjustments

Budget Request

Budget Request: \$2,093,855

Proposed Increase: 1.0% increase of \$ 21,297

Budget Review

Highlights:

1. Contractual salary and benefit increases
2. Official's rate increases (per conference agreement)
3. Increase in athletic trainer fees
4. Technology fees including online registration & scheduling platforms
5. Addition of new and emerging sports
 - a. 9th GVB: experienced meaningful growth in year 2, greatly expanded their competition schedule, numbers are strong
 - b. Girls Wrestling: also experienced growth in year 2, participation numbers grew and the competition schedule expanded and included a home dual match at Rec Hall
 - c. Girls Flag FB: evaluating as an emergent IM program as other school districts build their programs as well.
6. Considerations for salaries for club sports coaches

The State College Area School District Athletic Department has taken and continues to take steps to improve the overall budget operation process and to function in a fiscally responsible manner while providing, to the best of our ability, an expanding, engaging and quality interscholastic athletic experience for all participating student-athletes, our student body, staff, as well as our families.

To that end, the athletic department has:

1. explored opportunities for additional new revenue through advertisements and sponsorships. ([Sponsorship revenue data and tracking](#))
2. continued collaboration with booster clubs in order to provide needs beyond budget.
3. continued a transparent budgeting process in order to more effectively and efficiently purchase equipment and supplies for team needs.
4. continued to offer and support a variety of club and intramural opportunities

Areas in which the athletic department continues to monitor and evaluate:

1. inventory of equipment and supplies including organizing storage spaces
 - a. appreciative of new space in Physical Plant Building
2. evaluating the existing uniform rotation system for teams in order to efficiently calculate years when uniforms need to be replaced as well as monitoring and supporting equity
 - a. [Uniform Rotation Schedule](#)
 - b. [What is Covered & Not Covered by SCASD](#)
3. review of replacement needs for repurposing and expanding athletic spaces and venues (ie: equipment, goals, mats, nets...)
4. strategic decisions re: transportation options
 - a. combining teams on buses when possible
 - b. scheduling tri-meets / tournaments to reduce the number of out of town events
 - c. firm guidelines for modes of transportation
5. review and evaluate new and emergent sports opportunities (ie: girls flag fb, girls wrestling, MS baseball...)
6. adoption of 50+/- SC Lions athletes: community 7-8 grade division is discontinuing

Athletics Revenue and Expense

| Expenses | 2021-2022 | 2022-2023 | 2023-2024 |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Salaries | 661,910.06 | 671,195.36 | 680,211.90 |
| Benefits | 270,241.31 | 272,640.02 | 272,915.25 |
| Professional Services | 431,602.03 | 504,383.42 | 526,144.68 |
| Purchased Property Services | 13,288.80 | 10,228.76 | 17,810.70 |
| Other Purchases Services | 28,599.47 | 32,654.41 | 34,812.17 |
| Supplies/Equipment | 93,492.59 | 158,181.02 | 191,180.45 |
| Other Expenses | 21,660.47 | 21,588.80 | 21,957.20 |
| Total Expenses | 1,520,794.73 | 1,670,871.79 | 1,745,032.35 |
| Revenue | 109,482.50 | 133,444.62 | 129,512.64 |
| Net Expense | \$1,411,312.23 | \$1,537,427.17 | \$1,615,519.71 |

Title IX Guidelines / Measurements

Proportionality: The percentage of male and female athletes must be substantially proportionate to the overall enrollment of male and female students at the institution.

or

History and Continuing Practice of Program Expansion: If a school does not meet proportionality, it can still be in compliance if it has a history and continues to expand its athletic programs for the underrepresented female or male athletes (whichever gender is underrepresented).

or

Full and Effective Accommodation of Interests and Abilities: This prong focuses on whether the school is meeting the interests and abilities of its students. This prong requires schools to assess whether the underrepresented gender has enough interest and ability to support additional athletic programs.

Title IX Focus Items

History and Continuing Practice of Program Expansion:

- Recent expansions include:
 - 9th Grade Girls Volleyball
 - MS and HS Girls Wrestling
 - HS Unified Bocce (reestablished status)
- Possible future expansion includes:
 - Girls Flag Football

Full and Effective Accommodation of Interests and Abilities:

- 2024 survey of 7-12 grade girls in the SCASD
 - Over 85 interested students for Flag FB
 - Many sports identified by students are already offered at the HS

Act 82 / Title IX Reports

The most recent 2023-24 Act 82 Report filing reports can be viewed on the [SCASD Athletics Act 82 Reports](#) website for the following SCASD schools:

- State College Area High School
- Mount Nittany Middle School
- Park Forest Middle School

2024-25 SCASD PIAA Sports Teams

| Fall Sports ⁽²¹⁾ | Winter Sports ⁽¹⁹⁾ | Spring Sports ⁽¹²⁾ |
|---|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cheerleading, Co-Ed Var/JV & MS ○ Cross Country, Boys Var ○ Cross Country, Girls Var ○ Field Hockey, Girls Var/JV ○ Football, Co-Ed Var/JV ○ Football, Co-Ed Gr. 9 ○ Football, Co-Ed Jr. High ○ Golf, Boys Var ○ Golf, Girls Var ○ Soccer, Boys' & Girls MNMS ○ Soccer, Boys' & Girls PFMS ○ Soccer, Boys Var/JV ○ Soccer, Girls Var/JV ○ Tennis, Girls Var/JV ○ Volleyball, Girls Var/JV & 9th ○ Volleyball, Girls MNMS ○ Volleyball, Girls PFMS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Basketball, Boys Var/JV ○ Basketball, Boys Gr. 9 ○ Basketball, Boys MNMS ○ Basketball, Boys PFMS ○ Basketball, Girls JV/Var ○ Basketball, Girls Gr. 9 ○ Basketball, Girls MNMS ○ Basketball, Girls PFMS ○ Competitive Cheer, HS Co-Ed ○ Competitive Cheer, MS Co-Ed ○ Indoor Track, Boys ○ Indoor Track, Girls ○ Swimming/Diving, Boys & Girls HS ○ Unified Bocce, Co-Ed HS ○ Wrestling, Boys Var/JV & Jr High ○ Wrestling, Girls Var/JV & Jr High | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Baseball, Boys Var/JV ○ Field Hockey, Girls MS ○ Lacrosse, Boys Var/JV ○ Lacrosse, Girls Var/JV ○ Softball, Girls Var/JV ○ Softball, Girls MS ○ Tennis, Boys Var/JV ○ Track & Field, Boys & Girls MS ○ Track & Field, Boys Var ○ Track & Field, Girls Var ○ Volleyball, Boys Var/JV <p style="text-align: center;">Sports schedules:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">74</p> |

Offerings & Participation with Local & Comparable Districts

Sports Programs offered (all levels):

| | | | |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------|----------|
| ● State College | 20 Male | 25 Female | 45 total |
| ● Altoona | 18 Male | 18 Female | 36 total |
| ● Cumberland Valley | 23 Male | 27 Female | 50 total |
| ● Chambersburg | 18 Male | 19 Female | 37 total |
| ● North Allegheny | 30 Male | 33 Female | 63 total |
| ● Hempfield (Lancaster) | 26 Male | 23 Female | 49 total |

PIAA Sports Participation Numbers

2023-24

| | 7th | 8th | 9th | 10th | 11th | 12th | Total |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|-------|
| Boys | 250 | 267 | 292 | 288 | 289 | 322 | 1,708 |
| Girls | 243 | 266 | 270 | 273 | 317 | 296 | 1,665 |
| Total | 493 | 533 | 562 | 561 | 606 | 618 | 3,373 |

Note:

- Multiple sport athletes are counted multiple times
- Not included on this participation list are:
 - team managers
 - team photographers, media teams
 - student athletic trainers

High School Cost per Participant (as per 2023-24 Act 82 report)

| GIRLS | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-------------|------------------|
| Sport | No. | Total Costs | Cost/Participant |
| Basketball | 17 | \$76,074 | \$4,475 |
| Competitive Spirit | 16 | \$29,404 | \$1,838 |
| Cross Country | 40 | \$26,395 | \$660 |
| Field Hockey | 43 | \$49,953 | \$1,162 |
| Football | 1 | \$2,206 | \$2,206 |
| Golf | 5 | \$12,536 | \$2,507 |
| Lacrosse | 34 | \$38,199 | \$1,124 |
| Soccer | 30 | \$36,148 | \$1,205 |
| Softball, Fast Pitch | 28 | \$37,482 | \$1,339 |
| Swimming and Diving | 33 | \$30,542 | \$926 |
| Tennis | 40 | \$26,045 | \$651 |
| Track & Field (Indoor) | 68 | \$16,561 | \$244 |
| Track & Field (Outdoor) | 94 | \$58,725 | \$625 |
| Volleyball | 46 | \$57,396 | \$1,248 |
| Wrestling | 6 | \$44,250 | \$7,375 |

| BOYS | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-------------|------------------|
| Sport | No. | Total Costs | Cost/Participant |
| Baseball | 35 | \$43,483 | \$1,242 |
| Basketball | 28 | \$79,321 | \$2,833 |
| Competitive Cheer | 4 | \$7,351 | \$1,838 |
| Cross Country | 47 | \$26,399 | \$562 |
| Football | 87 | \$191,913 | \$2,206 |
| Golf | 20 | \$12,979 | \$649 |
| Lacrosse | 42 | \$39,968 | \$952 |
| Soccer | 54 | \$44,863 | \$831 |
| Swimming and Diving | 16 | \$15,391 | \$962 |
| Tennis | 31 | \$24,078 | \$777 |
| Track & Field (Indoor) | 87 | \$16,680 | \$192 |
| Track & Field (Outdoor) | 105 | \$54,838 | \$522 |
| Volleyball | 26 | \$45,438 | \$1,748 |
| Wrestling | 29 | \$41,356 | \$1,426 |

Middle School Cost per Participant (as per 2023-24 Act 82 report)

| GIRLS | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-------------|------------------|
| Sport | No. | Total Costs | Cost/Participant |
| Basketball | 43 | \$32,376 | \$753 |
| Competitive Spirit | 16 | \$6,978 | \$436 |
| Field Hockey | 29 | \$23,049 | \$795 |
| Soccer | 28 | \$10,291 | \$368 |
| Softball, Fast Pitch | 21 | \$19,699 | \$938 |
| Track & Field (Outdoor) | 65 | \$21,882 | \$337 |
| Volleyball | 45 | \$21,802 | \$484 |
| Wrestling | 6 | \$3,468 | \$578 |

| BOYS | | | |
|-------------------------|-----|-------------|------------------|
| Sport | No. | Total Costs | Cost/Participant |
| Basketball | 52 | \$31,632 | \$608 |
| Competitive Spirit | 1 | \$436 | \$436 |
| Football | 51 | \$38,676 | \$758 |
| Soccer | 58 | \$21,287 | \$367 |
| Track & Field (Outdoor) | 87 | \$23,091 | \$265 |
| Wrestling | 33 | \$19,073 | \$578 |

IM Sports Offered

Elementary: (2,402)

- Bowling 341
- Girls on the Run 115
- Skiing 343
- Swimming 302
- Track & Field 513
- Volleyball 471
- Fall Sports 317

Middle School: (445)

- Bowling- 120
- Skiing- 200
- Kayaking- 13
- PFMS Flag FB- 27
- Rec sports- 85

High School: (378)

- Bowling- 19
- Basketball- 284
- Skiing- 75

Club Sports Offered

High School Club Sports Teams:

- Ice Hockey (co-ed) 25
- Rugby (boys & girls) 60

Middle School Club Sports Teams:

- Ice Hockey (co-ed) 20

Club Activities Currently Supported
by Athletic Directors
(non-athletic)

High School - 63 Clubs

What is needed to host an interscholastic Event

- Means of Communication (PA System to make announcements or emergency orders)
- Emergency Action plan for venue / EMT access to venue
- Identified locker rooms / Severe Weather shelter areas
- Parking & Spectator access plans including visiting teams
- Basic Game Needs: game management staffing, coaches, officials, athletic trainers, opponents, scoreboard, bench/team areas, sports specific facility/surfaces, goals, press box, flags/markers...
- Transportation, grounds, and custodial services

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Questions?