

SY27 Budget Priorities: A Focus on Students and Classrooms

The most impactful investment we can make is in the people who work directly with our students every day - ensuring every child learns in a safe, welcoming environment with strong instruction, meaningful support for well-being, and the adult guidance needed for inclusion, SEL, and rigorous learning - so each student can find their path.

Budget Principles

We will anchor decisions in the following principles:

- Ensure equitable access to high-quality instruction
- Align investments with district instructional priorities
- Preserve and improve core staffing ratios
- Maintain safe, healthy learning environments
- Invest in strategies that drive both engagement and outcomes

Budget Priorities

Strong Teaching and Learning

We will protect our existing investments in high-quality instructional materials, by supporting teachers with embedded coaching and priority-aligned professional learning opportunities related to evidence-based practice.

Safe, Healthy Schools

We will strengthen support for student well-being, including social-emotional learning, behavior supports, and partnerships with community organizations. Our focus is on helping students feel safe, included, and ready to learn every day.

We will invest in building safety and long-term maintenance, including air quality, accessibility, and safety improvements. We will continue planning for future school configurations and learning space needs.

Recruitment & Retention

We will focus on retaining great teachers and staff, supporting them with training, coaching, and strong partnerships with colleges to bring new educators into the profession.

Supporting Students with Disabilities & Multilingual Learners

We will continue to strengthen special education and multilingual education by improving how programs are designed and delivered, offering more support in schools, and helping current staff learn new skills to meet student needs.