

FY2022 BUDGET HEARING

Investing in Access Through Equity to Unlock Our Future



Monday, May 10, 2021

FY2022 BUDGET HEARING

NBPS GOALS



INSTRUCTIONAL FOCUS

Essential areas for growth

- 1. Access through equity
- 2. Standards-based/grade appropriate tasks and assignments
- 3. Effective instruction that fosters student thinking in the lesson
- 4. Deep student engagement and high expectations for all students
- 5. Bilingual staff

FY2022 BUDGET INVESTMENT WORKSHOPS

Timeline

- ✓ February 4, 2021:
 - Budget Workshop with Cost Center Materials
- ✓ March 4, 2021
 - Finance Sub-Committee Meeting
- ✓ April 12, 2021
 - Superintendent FY22 Budget Presentation
- May 10, 2021
 - Budget Hearing / School Committee Vote

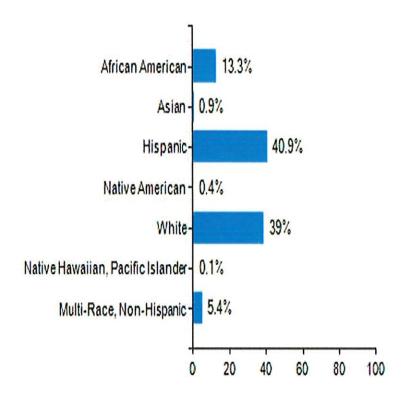


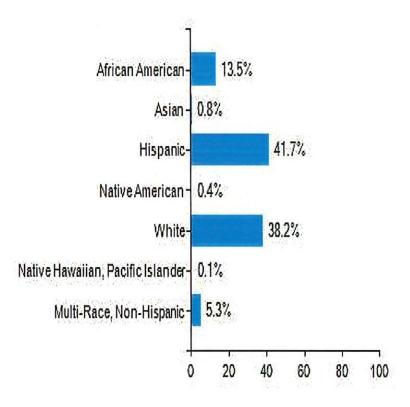
WHO WE ARE . . .

2019 – 2020

Student Race and Ethnicity

2020 — 2021 Student Race and Ethnicity

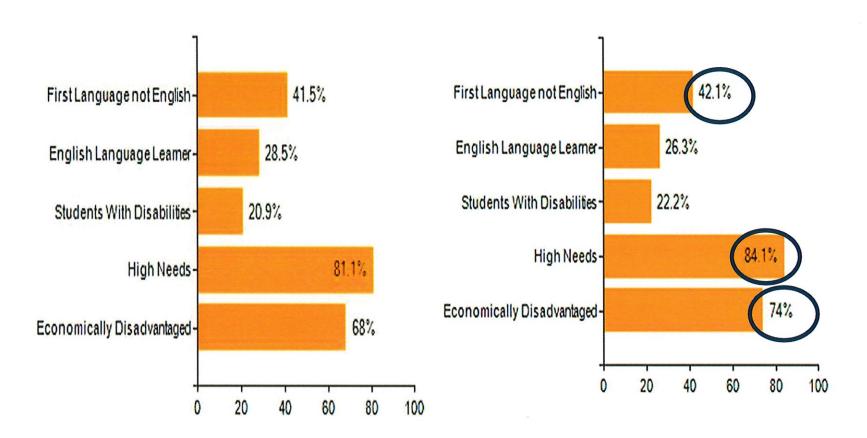




WHO WE ARE . . .



2020 - 2021 Selected Populations



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SUPPORTING INSTRUCTION AND EDUCATORS

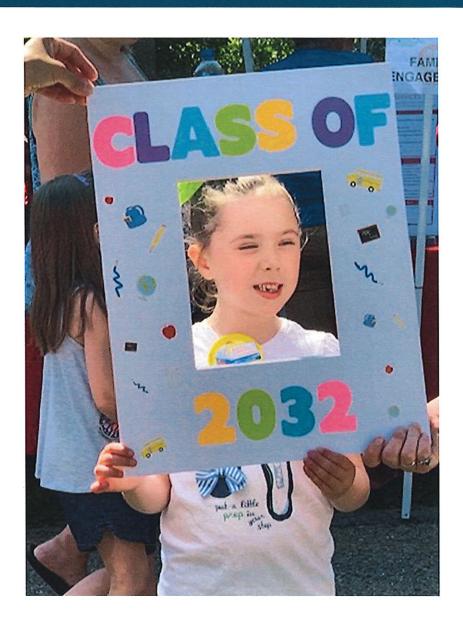
NBPS will support classroom instruction and educators, including high quality curriculum, positive learning environments, and bolstered instructional resources.

NBPS will achieve this by supporting educators through:

- a mix of professional development
- support for a K-8 literacy initiative to develop stronger reading skills
- high-quality, team-based professional development
- dual language and bilingual educations program development
- training on practices for including all students of different learning abilities
- ensuring all K-2 classrooms have a full-time paraprofessional.

THE WHY

GETTING READY FOR 2032



POPULATION TREND . . .

Selected Populations (2018-19)



| Title | % of District | % of State |
|----------------------------|---------------|------------|
| First Language not English | 40.4 | 21.9 |
| English Language Learner | 28.7 | 10.5 |
| Students With Disabilities | 20.9 | 18.1 |
| High Needs | 80.3 | 47.6 |
| Economically Disadvantaged | 66.1 | 31.2 |

Selected Populations (2019-20)



| Title | % of District | % of State |
|----------------------------|---------------|------------|
| First Language not English | 41.5 | 23.0 |
| English Language Learner | 28.5 | 10.8 |
| Students With Disabilities | 20.9 | 18.4 |
| High Needs | 81.1 | 48.7 |
| Economically Disadvantaged | 68.0 | 32.8 |

Selected Populations (2020-21)



| Title | % of District | % of State |
|---|----------------|------------|
| First Language not English | 42.1 | 23.4 |
| English Language Learner | 26.3 | 10.5 |
| Students With Disabilities | 22.2 | 18.7 |
| High Needs | 84.1 | 51.0 |
| Economically Disadvantaged NBPS FY2022 Budget Hea | ring: May 76.0 | 36.6 |

POVERTY IMPACT

How Poverty Impacts: Affects Behavior and Academic Performance

The Risk Factors of Poverty

Socioeconomic status forms a huge part of this equation. Children raised in poverty rarely choose to behave differently, but they are faced daily with overwhelming challenges that affluent children never have to confront, and their brains have adapted to suboptimal conditions in ways that undermine good school performance.

Let's revisit the most significant risk factors affecting children raised in poverty:

- Emotional and Social Challenges
- Acute and Chronic Stressors
- Cognitive Lags
- Health and Safety Issues

Combined, these factors present an extraordinary challenge to academic and social success.

- This reality does not mean that success in school or life is impossible
- A better understanding of these challenges points to actions educators can take to help students succeed

These pillars are needed to ensure that all children receive a high-quality education.

Access is the act of providing opportunities to students so they can maximize their learning experiences. Inclusive teaching practices transcend all student learning groups and tap into an individual's gifts. After many first-hand classroom observations and discussions, my understanding of our needs and rationale for our current processes continues to increase. However, for the immediate, providing more instructional guidance and allowing for flexible thinking will allow teachers to use their creativity to effectively educate our children.

MINDSET

ACCESS AND EQUITY

Access: the act of providing opportunities to students so they can maximize their learning experiences.



Poverty is a changeable condition, is it not a culture.

BUT

► The single greatest difference maker for a student is a teacher with high expectations.

Eric Jensen: We must be mindful that students living with limited means often have less access to needed resources that will assist them in making progress.

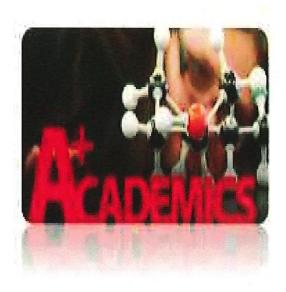
FISCAL 2022 BUDGET HEARING

LEVERAGING PARTNERSHIPS TO CREATE OPPORTUNITIES

- EXPANSION OF ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES:
 - Middle School Enhancement
 - Foreign Languages (added in FY20)
 - Algebra I
 - Civics Education
 - Dual Enrollment
 - International Baccalaureate Program (reviewing the process)
- CURRENT AND POTENTIAL PARTNERSHIPS:
 - Greater NB Youth Alliance (over 50 partners)
 - City Childcare Providers
 - District Leadership Collaborative Project
 - UMass-Dartmouth, Lesley U., Bristol CC, Bridgewater St. U.
 Tabor Academy
 - Boston College (Lynch Leadership)
 - Harvard University (Intern)

THE WORK

Instructionally



Operationally



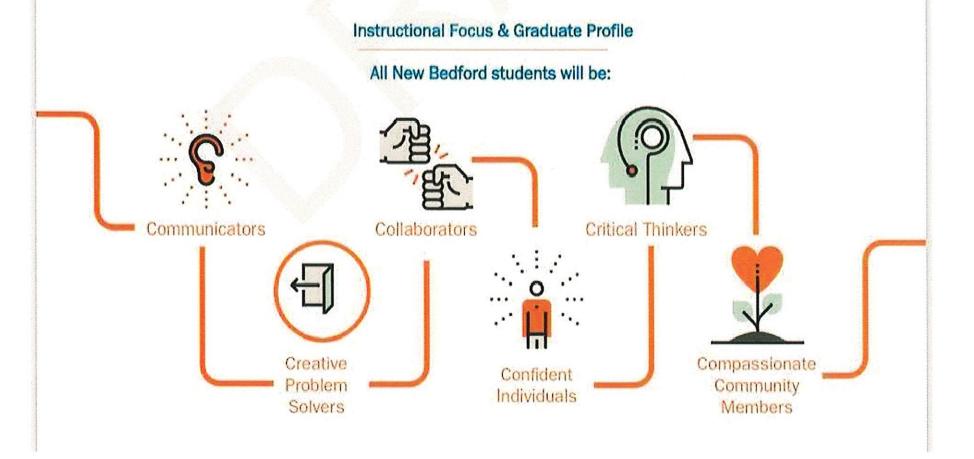
Culturally



INVESTMENT: GRADUATE PROFILE

Beliefs

Our New Bedford community believes in developing compassionate, civic-minded individuals by fostering strong positive relationships between students, staff, family, and community; developing a safe, supportive, respectful school climate, and providing engaging, high-quality teaching and learning for all students and staff.



PREVIOUS KEY TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENTS

KEY INVESTMENTS: Technology

- ✓ Additional Networks School-wide Internet Access
- ✓ Munis
- ✓ Microsoft Enterprise Agreement Microsoft 365
- ✓ ASPEN- Student Information System
- ✓ E-Plus-Cisco VoIP (phone system)
- ✓ TeachPoint- Educator Evaluation
- ✓ West Interactive Web Hosting/ Communication Application
- ✓ School Dude
- ✓ Frontline AESOP



FY2022 INVESTMENT PRIORITIES

Priority Programs which are aligned with our focus areas and support the goals, objectives and outcomes in our Strategic Plan:

- Increase student ACCESS to supports create more equitable opportunities
- **Expanded** access to full-day, high-quality pre-kindergarten for 4-year-olds, including potential collaboration with other local providers
- Research-based early literacy programs in Pre-K and early elementary grades
- Academic Rigor: Early College programs (under-represented in higher education)
- Support educators to implement high-quality, aligned curriculum
- **Diversify** the educator/administrative workforce (recruitment and retention)
- Leadership pipeline development programs for schools
- **Staffing to expand** student access to arts, athletics, and enrichment, and strategic scheduling to enable common planning time for teachers
- Strategies to recruit and retain educators/administrators in hard-to-staff schools and positions
- Facilities improvements to create healthy and safe school environments

STUDENT OPPORTUNITY ACT

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

The ESSER Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund and Student Opportunity Act (SOA) Development Plan will focus on the following:

Continuation of our evidence-based plan:

Our four commitments to close achievement gaps among all student subgroups.

- Talent Development
- Conditions for Student Success
- Enhanced Core Instruction
- Targeted Student Supports

Will:

- Intentionally focus on student subgroups to achieve at the same high levels as their peers
- Adopt, deepen or continue specific evidence-based programs to
 - o close opportunity and achievement gaps for student subgroups
 - allocate resources to support these programs
- Monitor success in reducing disparities in achievement among student subgroups with a small number of metrics and targets
- Engage families, particularly those families representing student subgroups most in need of support, about how best to meet their students' needs



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FY2022 INVESTMENT PRIORITIES

CONTINUED INVESTMENTS FOR THE FUTURE:

| ☐ Strengthen Staff Development |
|---|
| ☐ Maintain and Enhance Student Services |
| ☐ Upgrade our Learning Spaces |
| ☐ Address Yearly Contractual Increases |
| ☐ Create a Healthy Organization (climate and culture) |
| ☐ Expand Social Emotional Supports (teaching and learning process) |
| ☐ Enhance Instructional Leadership (administrator, teacher support) |
| ☐ Leverage Dedicated Parents and Supporters |
| ☐ Eliminate the Opportunity Gap |

BUILDING ON FY2021 INVESTMENT PRIORITIES

FOCUSED INVESTMENT FOR THE FUTURE - RECAP:

| Strengthen Staff Development |
|---|
| Appropriate Class Sizes (PreK-12) |
| Maintain and Enhance Student Services |
| Upgrade our Learning Spaces |
| Competitive Staff Salaries |
| Maintain a Healthy Organization (climate and culture) |
| Expand Social Emotional Supports (teaching and learning process) |
| Enhance Instructional Leadership (administrator, teacher support) |
| Engage and Empower Parents and Supporters |
| Create Equity |

ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS (2020)

Community Feedback Sessions/Forum: CONNECTING THE FOCUS

The sessions will focus on reviewing the district goals and serve to solicit feedback regarding the increased funding stipulated by the Student Opportunity Act.

- Community Engagement w/students (Boys & Girls Club): Feb. 10
- Staff Feedback Sessions: Feb. 11, 24, 26
- Planning Team Sessions: Feb.14 and March 13
- Community Engagement Forum: Feb. 27
- Community (YWCA) March 3
- Buttonwood Senior Center: March 4
- Community Organizations: March 16



IN THE CLASSROOM

Over 600 classrooms visited – so far this year

- Exciting displays of learning
- Excellent examples of student engagement
- Instructional dialogue in classes throughout NBPS
- Trends and patterns illustrating that Instruction is more targeted and aligned to the DESE standards
- Technology is being effectively infused into the daily lessons
- Students are demonstrating more critical and analytical thinking skills
- Students are being challenged more with higher level assignments

FY2022 INVESTMENT PRIORITIES

Curriculum

- Benchmark Assessment Tool (accurately measure student growth)
- O Literacy Focus (3rd grade focus / reading comprehension and writing)
 - Upgrading our resources (materials)
- Special Education and EL
 - ■Space Options (internal/external)
 - ■Tier 1 Support, Special Education and EL
- Literacy Enhancement
 - ■Reading Comprehension Program / Writing Strategies with MATH focus
 - ■K-8 School Based Literacy Leadership
- Physical Education (health)
- Music Program (offerings, scheduling / instruments)

INVESTING IN THE FUTURE: FY2022 BUDGET PRIORITIES

FOCUS:

FY2022 Budget for the Future:

- ✓ Create Opportunities
- ✓ Build Staff Capacity
- ✓ Effective Student Services
- ✓ Quality Learning Spaces
- ✓ Create competitive Salaries



INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE

INVESTMENT PRIORITIES

Technology

- Professional Development
- Software
- Hardware

Human Capital

- Capacity Building
- Curriculum
- Special Education

Extra-Curricular Activities

- Academic Clubs (after/before school)
- Athletics
- Performing Arts Program
- Enhanced Music Program (scheduling / instruments)

Facilities (grounds) – Standard of Care

- Continue Developing a Master Facilities Implementation Plan
- School Internal and External
- MSBA Projects



FY2022 INVESTMENT PRIORITIES

KEY Human Capital Investments from FY2020

(school-based)

ITEM DESCRIPTION

School Adjustment Counselors

Foreign Language Teachers

Coaching and Instructional Support Services

Paraprofessionals

Dual Language Paraprofessionals

Assistant Principal

Health and Physical Education Teachers

Technology Integration Managers Classroom Support

Professional Learning (Coaching and Instructional Support Services)

Reference for progress - District (FTE):

District increases will restore three district-wide support positions:

- Math Coordinator eliminated in recent budget cycles
- · Special Projects, Exec Director supported with grant funding to ensure district and grant duties do not conflict
- · Special Education Supervisor position previously grant funded
- Nurses at all schools / Adjustment Counselors to schools (mid-year)

BUILDING ON FY2020 and FY2021: INVESTMENT PRIORITIES

KEY Human Capital Investments

ITEM DESCRIPTION

Instructional Technology Specialist – Classroom Support
Assistant Executive Director for Special Education and Student Services

Assistant Executive Directors for English Language Learners
Professional Learning (Coaching and Instructional Support Services)

Curriculum, Data and Assessment Manager – English Language Arts

Curriculum, Data and Assessment Manager: K-12 Enrichment and Accelerated Programs

BUILDING ON FY2021 INVESTMENTS

Budget Investment Priorities FY2021:

We will continue our initiatives to enhance New Bedford Public Schools as a whole.

Main buckets – Academics, Operations and Culture/Climate.

> Staffing Levels

- Class size (appropriate levels)
- School Counselors

> Personnel Development

- Bilingual support (language workshops/classes)
- Standards-Based Instruction
- o Instructional Leadership Development
- Data Management/Information Systems
- Educational Equity
- Social Emotional Development



BUILDING ON FY2020 INVESTMENTS

KEY Human Capital Investments

(implemented 2021)

INVESTMENT

School Adjustment Counselors (FTE: 5.0)

Foreign Language Teachers (FTE: 3.0)

Coaching and Instructional Support Services

Paraprofessionals (based on students: FTE10.0 - 12.0)

Dual Language Paras (FTE: 4.0)

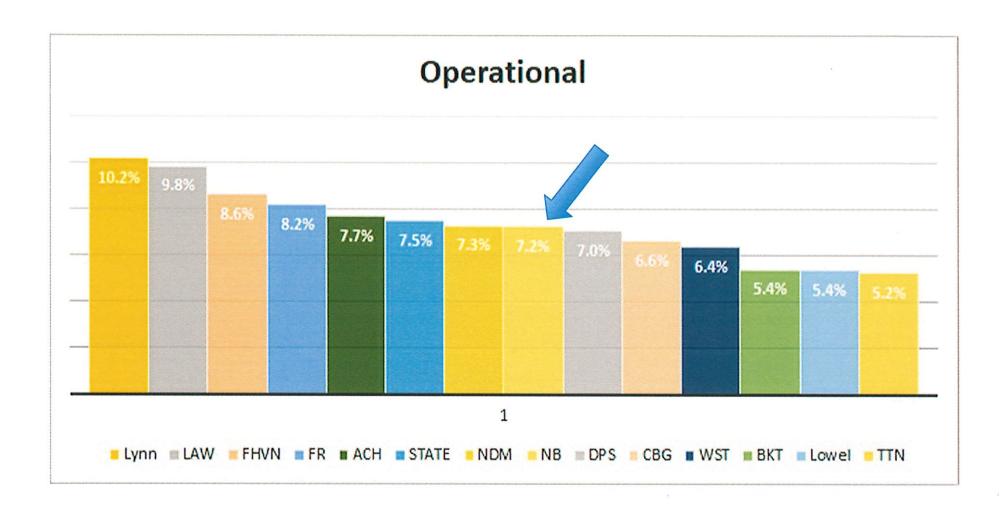
Assistant Principal (FTE: 1.0)

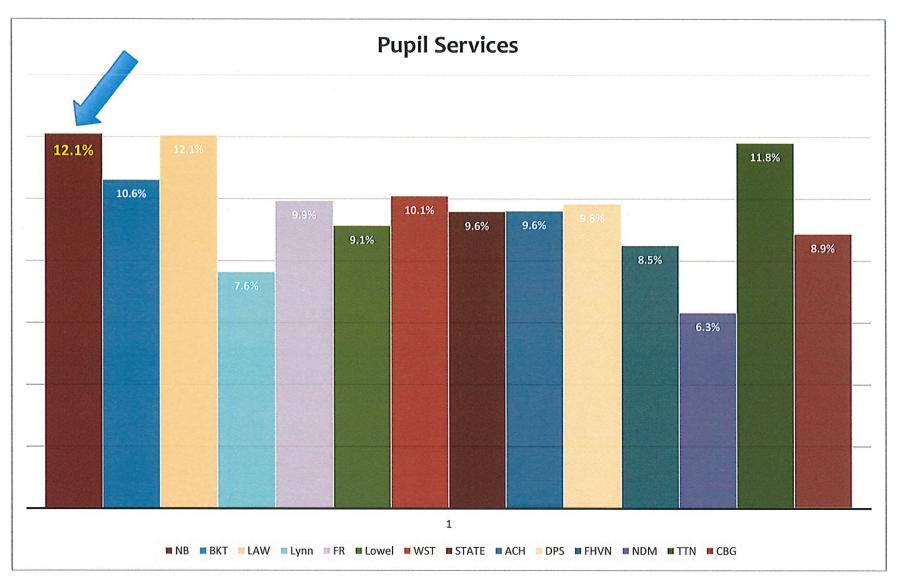
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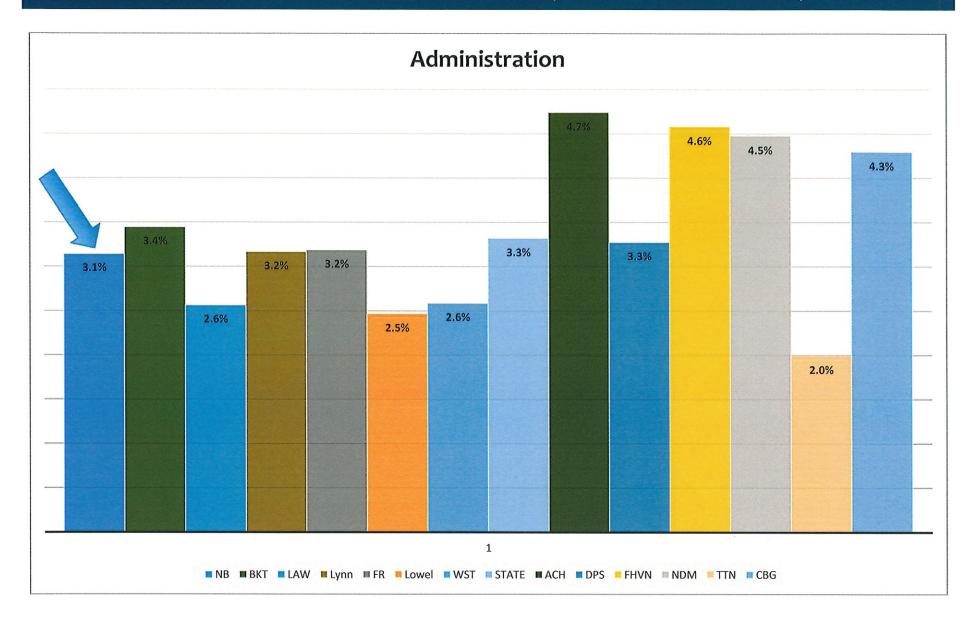
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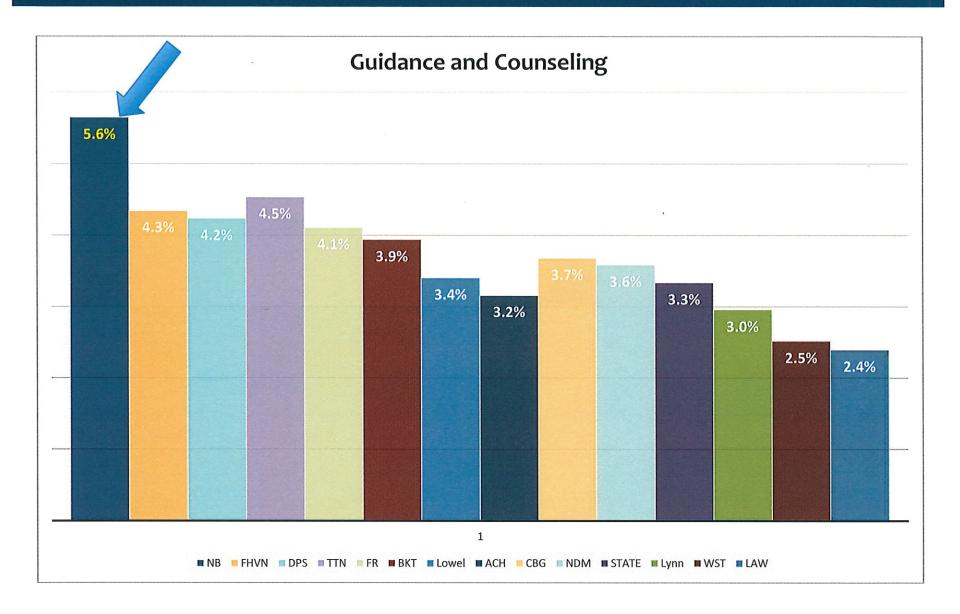
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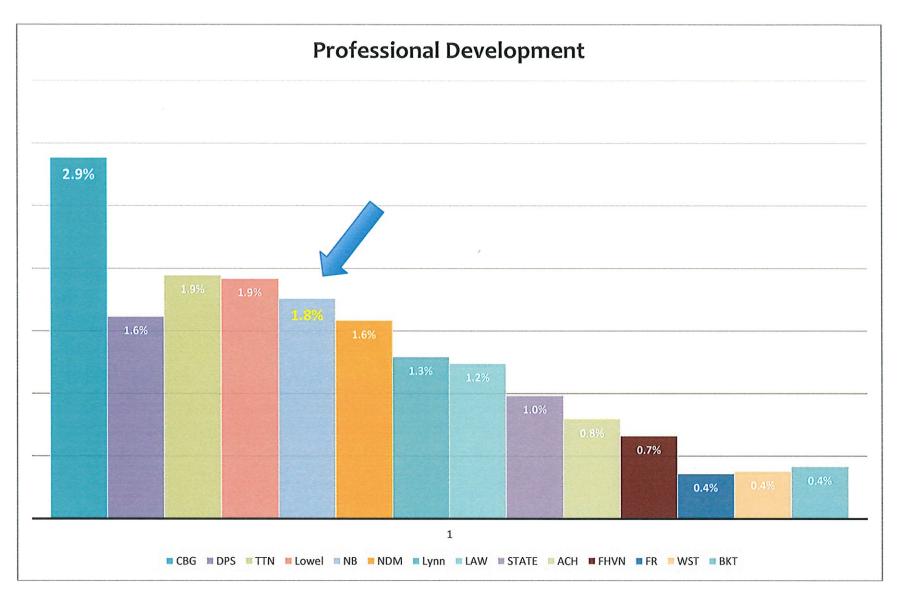








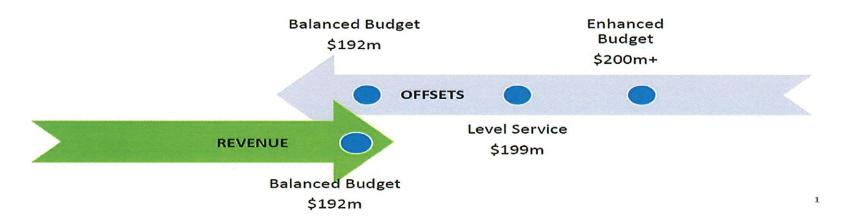




FY2022 BALANCED BUDGET

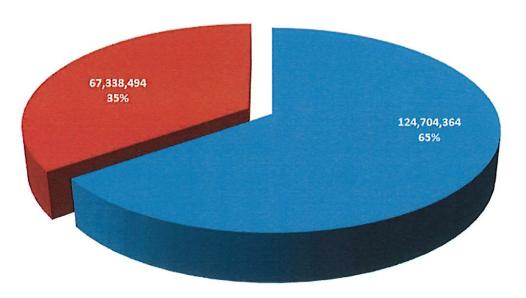


| FY20 | FY21 | FY21 | FY22 |
|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Actual Expenditures (*excluding healthcare) | Original School Dept. Budget | Revised School Dept. Budget | Operating Budget |
| \$149,415,995 | \$179,162,500 | \$185,665,633 | \$192,013,858 |



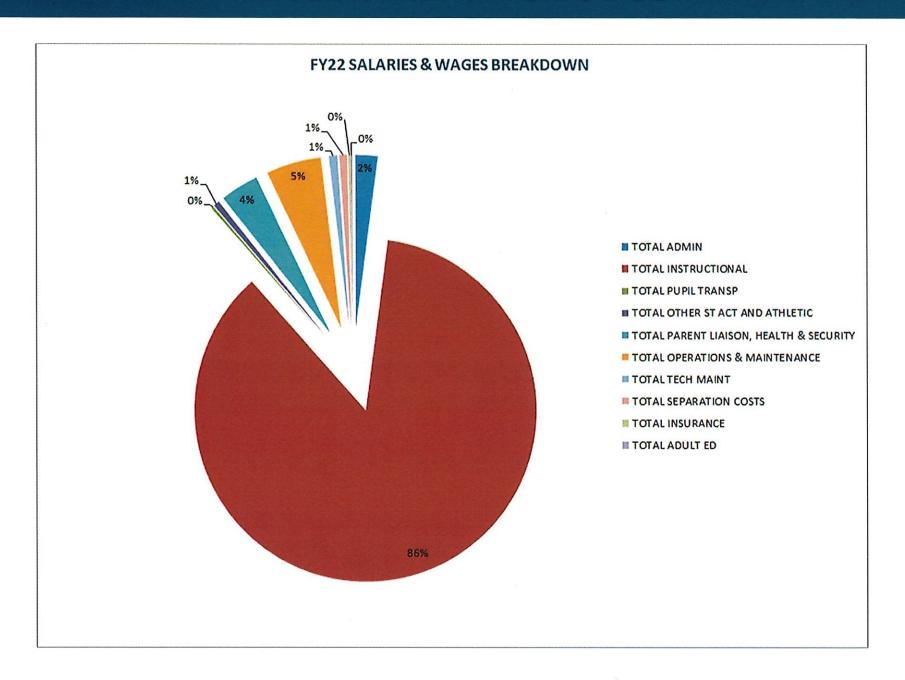
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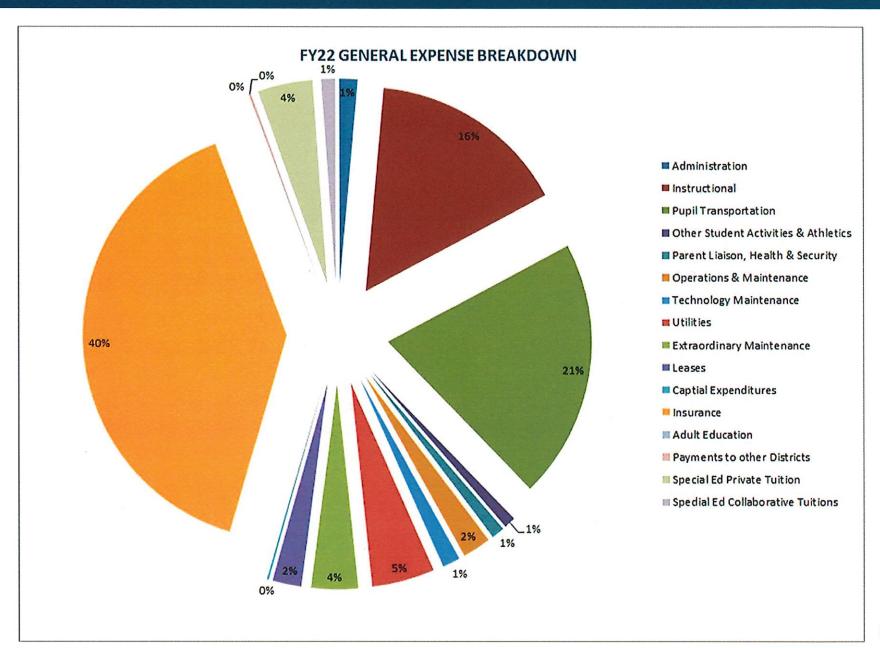


| | FY20 Actual Expenditures | FY21 Original Budget | FY21 Revised Budget | FY22 Level Service Budget | FY22 Operating Budget | % FY21 - FY22 |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Salaries & Wages | \$110,502,080 | \$115,760,901 | \$118,843,196 | \$123,278,387 | \$124,704,364 | 5.1% |
| General Expenses | \$38,913,915 | \$63,401,599 | \$66,822,437 | \$76,002,920 | \$67,338,494 | 0.8% |
| Total Budget | \$149,415,995 | \$179,162,500 | \$185,665,633 | \$199,281,307 | \$192,042,858 | 3.6% |

FY2022 OPERATING BUDGET



FY2022 OPERATING BUDGET



FY2022 NSS Votes



| Eligible Net School Spending | \$177,481,001 |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| Non-Net School Spending | \$14,756,499 |
| Total Budget | \$192,237,500 |

SUPERINTENDENT 3-YEAR INVESTMENT PRIORITIES



- ✓ Focus and Objectives
- ✓ Review Key Fiscal Year 2021 Investment Priorities
- ✓ Fiscal Year 2022 Assessment, Investment and Planning
- ✓ Investments Fiscal Year 2022/Next Steps





Continued INVESTMENTS from FY2021

Current Increased Learning Opportunities

- ✓ Fine Arts Expansion (instrument replacements)
- ✓ Physical Education and Wellness
- ✓ Middle School After School Opportunities
- ✓ Elementary Basketball League
- ✓ Robotics Team
- ✓ Summer Enrichment Camps
- ✓ Parent Engagement
- ✓ Sea Lab
- Assess the objectives and key results



FY2022 INVESTMENT PRIORITIES

Budget Priorities FY2021

Main Buckets: Academics, Operations and Culture/Climate

> Staffing Levels

Class Size (appropriate levels-teachers and paras)

Personnel Development

- Standards-Based Instruction
- Instructional Leadership Development
- Data Management/Information Systems
- Educational Equity
- Social Emotional Development



DATA POINTS: OVERALL GRADUATION RATES

| DISTRICT | 2019 | 2020 | | 2019 | 2020 | |
|----------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| | 4-Year Grad. % Rate | 4-Year Grad. % Rate | % Growth +/- | 4-Year Adjust % Rate | 4-Year Adjust % Rate | Growth +/- |
| New Bedford PS | <mark>71.9</mark> | <mark>80.6</mark> | <mark>8.7 +</mark> | <mark>74.2</mark> | <mark>79.5</mark> | <mark>5.3</mark> |
| NBHS | 79.3 | 88.1 | | 82.5 | 90 | 7.5 |
| Brockton | 72.8 | 79.6 | 6.8 + | 81.5 | 82.6 | 1.1 |
| Dartmouth | 93.3 | 91.8 | 1.5 - | 94.6 | 95 | 0.4 |
| Fairhaven | 86 | 95.1 | 9.1 + | 92.1 | 95.3 | 3.2 |
| Fall River | 71.8 | 71.4 | 0.4 - | 75.2 | 74.4 | -0.8 |
| Lynn | 74.8 | 79 | 4.2 + | 81.1 | 84.5 | 3.4 |
| Taunton | 89.7 | 91.9 | 2.2 + | 92.4 | 94.4 | 2 |
| Worcester | 83.6 | 87.3 | 3.7 + | 87.2 | 89.3 | 2.1 |

2020 GRADUATION RATES (District Comparison)

| English Language Learners | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| DISTRICT | 2020 4-Year Grad. % Rate | 2019 4-Year Grad. % Rate | Change 19-20 % Growth +/- | 2018 | 2017 |
| New Bedford | 81.3 | 66.7 | 14.6 | <mark>43.3</mark> | <mark>28.7</mark> |
| Brockton | 72.7 | 57.6 | 15.1 | | |
| Lawrence | 63.1 | 56.3 | 6.8 | | |
| Lowell | 65.5 | 58 | 7.5 | | |
| Fall River | 50.9 | 52.7 | -1.8 | | |
| Lynn | 56 | 53.6 | 2.4 | | |
| Massachusetts | 68.3 | 64.6 | 3.7 | | |
| Worcester | 79.7 | 75.1 | 4.6 | | |

2020 GRADUATION RATES (District Comparison)

| Students with Disabilities | | | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|------|
| DISTRICT | 2020 4-Year Grad. % Rate | 2019 4-Year Grad. % Rate | Change 19-20 % Growth +/- | 2018 | 2017 |
| New Bedford | 62.7 | 44.3 | <mark>18.4</mark> | <mark>37-5</mark> | 34 |
| Brockton | 54.3 | 47.5 | 6.8 | | |
| Lawrence | 54 | 50 | 4 | | |
| Lowell | 56.5 | 44.6 | 11.9 | | |
| Fall River | 42.9 | 43 | , -0.1 | | |
| Lynn | 69.8 | 57.5 | 12.3 | | |
| Massachusetts | 74.9 | 73.9 | 1 | | |
| Worcester | 69.1 | 72.3 | -3.2 | | |

INVESTMENT: COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES



















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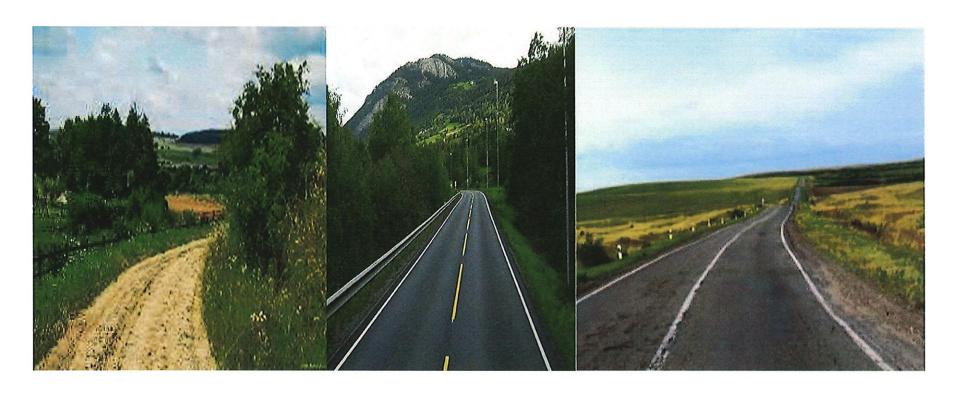






THE WORK

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TEACHING AND LEABNING

FY2022 BUDGET PRIORITIES

