2019-2020 Board of Education Proposed Budget

The Wake County Board of Education approved a proposed budget for fiscal year 2019-2020 during a school board meeting May 7. The proposal requests an increase in local funding of \$48.3 million. Of that amount, \$19.6 million is due to state requirements. The proposal also includes savings of \$14.9 million by eliminating one-time costs, reducing expenses and removing programs.

Budget Highlights



Legislative Impact \$19.6 million Funds in this category will be used to cover legislative requirements such as the financial support of charter schools, costs associated with smaller K-3 classes and an increase in local costs for retirement and insurance.



New Schools \$8.2 million Funds will be used to open and operate four new schools - Green Level High, Parkside Elementary, Southeast Raleigh Elementary and Alston Ridge Middle.



Special Education \$2.7 million Most of the funding in this category will pay for pre-school teachers and assistants, transportation assistants and contracts with transportation vendors.



Non-Certified Salary Increases \$3.8 million Funds will be used to support the first year of a multi-year plan to create competitive salaries for custodians, child nutrition workers, bus drivers and skilled laborers such as fleet mechanics. HVAC technicians and clerical staff.



Deferred Maintenance \$2.5 million Funds will be used to support the first year of a multi-year plan to help reduce a backlog of work orders, many of which involve repairs to heating and cooling systems stretched beyond normal and recommended life spans.



Extra-duty Pay Increases \$3.7 million Most of the money in this category will be used to support the final year of a five-year plan to increase extra-duty pay to academic and athletic coaches.

Budget Summary

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Legislative impact Funding passed on to charter schools; Costs associated with transition to new K-3 class size legislations; Local share of state retirement and hospitalization costs; Local share of anticipated state salary increases for certified staff; Local share of anticipated state salary increases for non-certified staff.	\$19.6M Page 14
New schools Four new schools to relieve crowding. Costs include teachers, assistants, supplies, counselors, building maintenance, bus drivers, library media coordinators and various related	\$8.2M Pages 14 & 15
Enrollment accounting changes Costs related to state reimbursement formulas tied to enrollment projections.	\$2.4M Pages 15 & 16
Special education services Pre-school teachers and instructional assistants, transportation assistants and transportation vendor contracts.	\$2.7M Page 16
Continuing programs Final year of five-year schedule to increase extra duty pay for teachers and continuation of classroom trailer leases.	\$4.3M Page 16
Increasing property costs Rate increases for school security, real estate, utilities and insurance.	\$3.4M Page 17
Deferred operational needs First year of a five-year plan to increase maintenance and operations funding to industry standards and create competitive salaries for non-certified employees.	\$8M Page 17
Reductions and savings Money saved by eliminating one-time costs, reducing expenses, removing programs in various areas, and the end of specific grant funding.	-\$14.9M Pages 16 and 17
New or expanding programs Provides money for an additional assistant principal at schools with more than 900 students; continues multi-year plan to hire more social workers, psychologists, counselors and nurses.	\$2.4M Page 18
Fund Balance The amount of reserved funds approved for one-time items in previous budget.	\$10.2M Page 47
Decreased revenues Reductions in local funds that were not provided by the county, but were used to cover local program costs and must be replaced to cover recurring expenses.	\$1.8M Pages: 45-47

Grand Total: \$48.3 million