

# School Board's Funding Request: \$13.3M Gap

#### **ANTICIPATED REVENUES**

	\$259,574,863	
Federal	\$618,000	0.2%
State	\$63,569,018	27.9%
Local	\$195,387,845	71.9%

#### PROPOSED EXPENDITURES

Instruction	\$193,546,507	70.9%
Admin/Attend & Health	\$17,163,290	6.3%
Technology	\$8,949,935	3.3%
Building Services	\$24,107,332	8.8%
Facilities	\$2,314,947	0.8%
Transportation	\$17,811,538	6.5%
Transfers	\$9,006,536	3.3%

\$272,900,085

# PLAN FOR HIGHER REVENUES

We **anticipate** that state revenues will improve, and we may apply one-time revenues.

# TECHNICAL UPDATES

Incorporate new requirements of state budget, update costs, and include other technical changes.

#### MAKE REDUCTIONS

We are exploring alternatives for budget reductions.

If reductions are needed to balance the budget, we will make those decisions in April.\*

<sup>\*</sup>The budget we adopt in April is a plan; it is not set in stone. As we acquire new information or in response to needs, we can make changes throughout the year as part of managing our budget.

#### **PLAN FOR HIGHER REVENUES +\$9.7M**

- General Assembly Budget adds about +\$4.8M in State Revenues
- Board of Supervisors Proposed Budget adds about +\$2.9M in Local Transfer
- Recommend one-time Transfer from Special Revenue Fund Contingency +\$1.0M
- Recommend additional Use of Fund Balance +\$1.0M for one-time Reserve

#### **TECHNICAL CHANGES & UPDATES TO EXPENDITURES +\$0.1M**

Reserve: Plan an Expenditure Contingency from Potential Fund Balance	+\$1,000,000
2023-24 Redistricting Study: Update staffing allocations and budget	-\$200,000
Staffing Standards: Update Art to 0.5 FTE minimum, Music to 0.5 FTE minimum	+\$30,000
Compensation Proposal: Include Academic Leadership Compensation Program Increase	+\$300,000
Social Emotional Supports Proposal: Update Cost	-\$100,000
PREP: Reduce Budgeted Payment for Piedmont Regional Education Program	-\$500,000
Technology Replacement: Update for new vendor costs and technical changes	-\$400,000

#### **TECHNICAL CHANGES & UPDATES TO EXPENDITURES (-\$0.3)**

#### **State Budget Changes:**

Update English Learner Staffing Standards	+\$360,000
Reduce Transfer to VPI Bright Stars	-\$400,000
Reduce Group Life Insurance Rate	-\$250,000

# Planned Approach to Closing the Funding Gap: EXPENDITURES

#### **STRATEGIES**

**3.** Review organizational structures and programs for effectiveness, efficiency and streamlining.

1. Plan operating budget (non-personnel) reductions first.

**4.** Reduce number of budgeted positions.

**2.** Analyze historical spending and adjust for underspent areas.

**5.** Prioritize proposals for funding, keeping in mind that they may need to be modified.

#### **MAKE REDUCTIONS -\$1.9M**

#### (1) Defer Replacement Cycles

- Defer replacement of K-2 iPads (\$700,000)
- Defer transfer to Vehicle Replacement Fund (\$200,000)

#### (2) Pause Hiring of Vacant Positions

- Central Office / Department Based Positions (\$500,000)
- Reduce vacant Foreign Language in Elementary Schools positions (\$250,000)
- Eliminate Assistant Principal Intern Program (\$200,000)

#### **MAKE REDUCTIONS -\$1.6M**

#### (3) Increase student to teacher budgeted ratios by 0.5 for School-Based Positions (-16.3 FTE)

- By formula, proposed student to teacher ratios: One FTE per [20.05] K-3, [22.25] 4-5, [23.5] 6-12
- Class size reduction ratios will remain: One FTE per [70] Free & Reduced Lunch
- Projected average class sizes for 2024-25 (based on above factors):

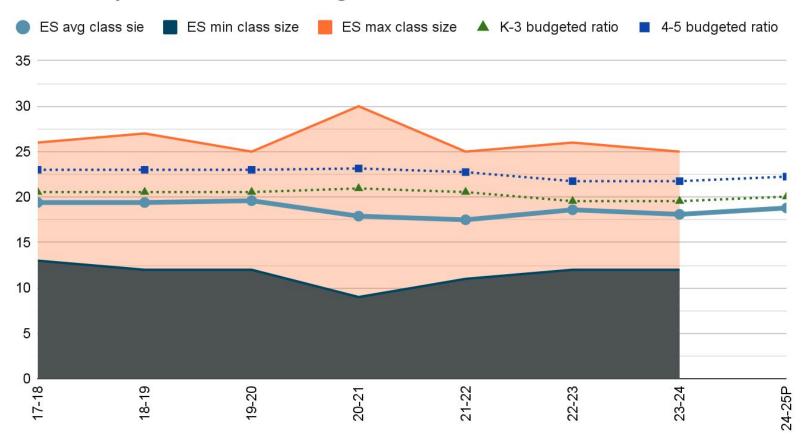
**18.8 Elementary Schools** 

20.8 Middle Schools

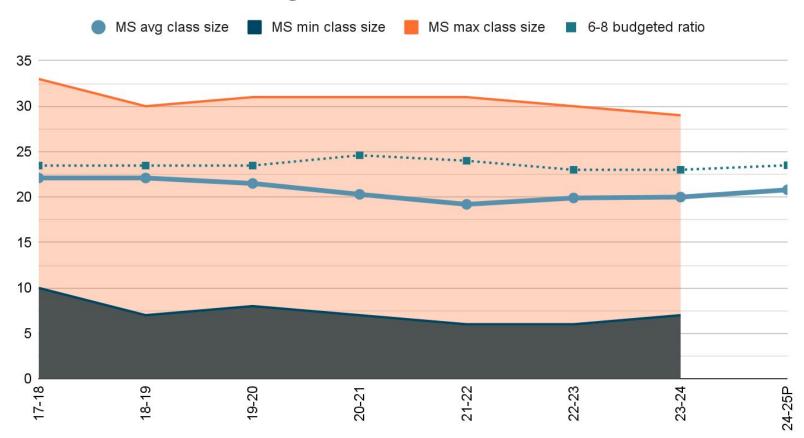
21.9 High Schools

Planning for reductions are ongoing and various applications for the reductions will be considered

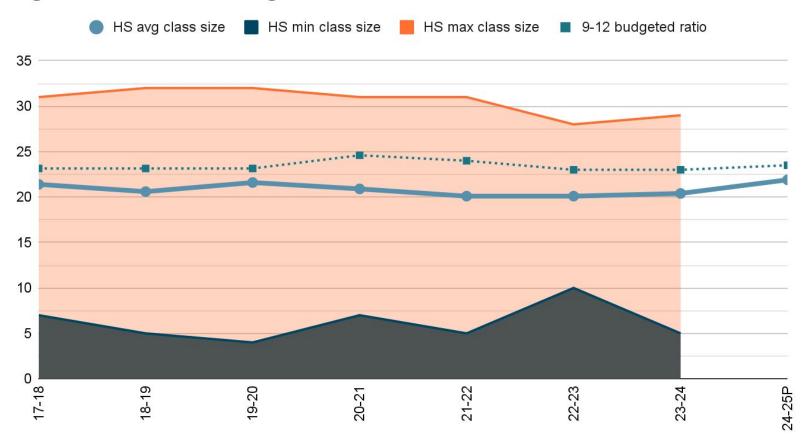
#### Elementary Class Size and Budgeted Ratios



#### Middle Class Size and Budgeted Ratios



#### High Class Size and Budgeted Ratios



# **Addressing Our Funding Gap: Summary Proposal**

# PLAN FOR HIGHER REVENUES

# TECHNICAL UPDATES

#### MAKE REDUCTIONS

Update local, state, and one-time revenues.

Update costs, and include other technical changes.

Defer replacement cycles, pause hiring, and increase budgeted student to teacher ratios

~\$9.7M Revenue Increase

~\$0.2M Expenditure
Decrease

~\$3.4M Expenditure
Decrease

**Total ~\$13.3M Change to Close Funding Gap** 

#### **Discussion**

- 1. What clarifying questions do you have?
- 2. What other information would you like?
- 3. Is there anything you would like to see differently on April 11?

# **Next Steps**

**APRIL 11** Approve balancing scenario

**APRIL 25** Adopt Budget

**MAY 1** Board of Supervisors sets tax rates, adopts

and appropriates budget

JULY 1 Fiscal Year 2024/25 begins

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As needed Amend budget and appropriation