

**2018-2019
Board of
Education
Budget**

Approved January 23, 2018



What is 21st Century Learning in Portland?

- ★ Readers and Writers Workshop in Grades K-5, with Ongoing Work to Implement in Grades 6-8
- ★ Science Curriculum That Emphasizes Inquiry and Problem-Solving
- ★ New Mathematics Programming in Development
- ★ Active Intervention Teams at all Grade Levels
- ★ Effective Use of Assessments to Monitor Student Growth (beyond grading)
- ★ Focus on Culture and Climate in Developmentally Appropriate Ways at all Grade Levels

Budget Priorities

- ★ **Portland Public Schools Teaching and Learning Priorities**
- ★ **Curriculum- K-12 Curriculum Aligned with Connecticut Core Standards and New Frameworks (C-3 Social Studies Framework & NGSS Science)**
- ★ **Assessment- Summative & Formative Assessments Aligned to Standards**
- ★ **Instruction- Clearly Articulated 21st Century Instructional Practices**

Curriculum Priorities

- ★ Atlas Rubicon and Understanding by Design
- ★ Readers and Writers Workshop
- ★ Bridges Math
- ★ Illustrative Math

Assessment Priorities

- ★ **Fountas and Pinnell Reading Assessments**
- ★ **Teachers College Running Records**
- ★ **Interim Assessment Blocks (IAB's)**
- ★ **Universal Screens and Follow-up Individualized Assessments**
- ★ **Teacher-Designed Formative and Summative Assessments**

Instructional Priorities

- ★ **Personalized and Differentiated Teaching Based on Assessment Data**
- ★ **Teaching to New and Existing Standards (NGSS, CCSS, C3 Frameworks, ACTFL, CTE, etc...)**
- ★ **Teaching that Promotes Inquiry, Growth, Mindset, Motivation, and is Culturally Responsive**

Budget Progression to 0%

- ★ **Original Budget Requests to Superintendent Resulted in an 8.12% Increase - Initial Reductions in Staff, Expenses in All Programs and All Departments**
- ★ **Superintendent's Proposed Budget to BOE Began with 2.34% Budget - Further Staff Reductions, Departmental and School Level Decreases were Made**
- ★ **BOE Unanimously Approved a 0.0% budget**

Elimination of Positions

- ★ 1.0 FTE Kindergarten
- ★ 1.0 FTE Grade 1
- ★ 1.0 FTE Grade 3
- ★ 1.0 FTE Grade 4
- ★ 1.0 FTE Secondary Teacher
- ★ 1.0 FTE Special Education Teacher
- ★ 1.0 FTE Custodian
- ★ 1.0 FTE Library Media Assistant

Departmental Reductions

- ★ Reduction of Anticipated Insurance Premium Increase from 15% to 13%
- ★ Special Education by 10%
- ★ Technology by 10%
- ★ PE/Athletics by 10%
- ★ Building Budgets by 10%
- ★ Custodial Equipment Purchase Removed

Other Budget Challenges

- ★ Escalating Special Education Costs, Including Transportation for Students with High Needs
- ★ Medical Insurance Renewal Rate at 15%
- ★ (Additional Positions May be Eliminated due to Health Insurance Increases & Special Education Costs)

Capital Needs

Health & Safety Priority Projects

- ★ Asbestos Abatement at Brownstone and Valley View School
- ★ Brownstone Window Replacement, Phase 3
- ★ Portland High School Track
- ★ Gildersleeve School Parking Lot & Security Foyer
- ★ Parking Lots at Valley View and Secondary School Resurfacing

Capital Needs

Structural & Cosmetic Projects

- ★ Painting - All Schools
- ★ Food Service Lines Replacement - Elementary Schools
- ★ Parking Lots at Valley View and Secondary School Resurfacing
- ★ Chimney Repairs - Valley View and Gildersleeve
- ★ Slate Roof Repairs - Brownstone
- ★ Carpeting - Valley View and Brownstone
- ★ Gym Flooring Refinishing - PHS/PMS
- ★ Removal of Oil Tanks - Valley View, Gildersleeve, and Brownstone
- ★ Bathroom for Preschool Classroom @ Valley View