

# School Board Work Session

## Budget Priorities Discussion Summary

December 9, 2020 • 7:00pm



### BOARD PILLARS

- 1 EQUITY
- 2 ORGANIZATIONAL CULTURE
- 3 INSTRUCTIONAL PRACTICES
- 4 SAFETY

Reynolds School Board met for the regular work session on December 9, 2020 through a public virtual meeting. The agenda included a presentation from the Superintendent of Schools and the Director of Financial Services to review the results from various community input sessions for Board discussion of budget priorities for the 2021-22 school year.

Summary results were presented to the Board and key themes from that input were determined. The Board deliberated all community and staff input themes and then prioritized the themes to give the administration guidance for development of the 2021-22 budget.

### Presentation of Budget Theme Summaries:

#### Budget Goals & Priorities Input Sessions

2 Live Virtual Sessions (10/15/2020, 11/05/2020)

Online Virtual Session (10/15/2020-11/15/2020)

109 Total Participation

#### Summarized Themes from Staff and Community Input:

Class Size	Salaries and Wages
Art, Music, Physical Education	Library Media
Retain Current Staff Levels	Assistant Principals
Safety	Curriculum
Mental Health Supports	Technology

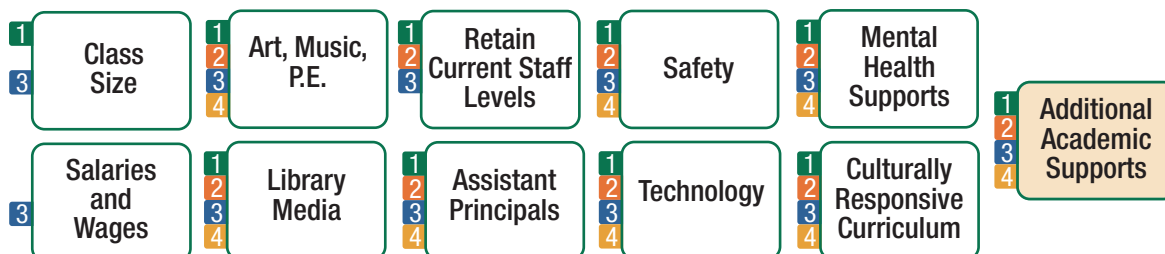
### Discussion:

Each summarized theme was categorized into one or more of the Strategic Plan Goal Topics to ensure prioritized themes are aligned with the Reynolds School District Strategic Plan.

During this discussion, key considerations for budget priorities based on community and staff input were evaluated. After careful discussion, the Board voted to add one category, Additional Academic Supports, to reflect the need to budget for supports focused on learning loss during closures, specifically for our most impacted students.

#### Strategic Plan Goal Topics

- Goal Topic #1: **Marginalized Students**
- Goal Topic #2: **Culturally Responsive Instruction**
- Goal Topic #3: **Student and Staff Wellness**
- Goal Topic #4: **Professional Development**



### Prioritization of Budget Themes:

Board members were advised by the Director of Financial Services that the 2021-2022 was expected to be a constraint budget due to anticipated level funding from the previous year, while accounting for increased overhead and staffing costs. Understanding that all the identified budget themes hold priority, the board was advised that it was important to identify the highest priority themes while in a constraint budget to give guidance in developing the budget.

Individual board members were asked to identify their top three priorities for funding for the 2021-2022 school year while in a constraint budget. Results were tabulated to determine which themes were identified the most. After careful review and discussion, the Board determined the following budget themes should be used by administration in developing the 2021-22 Reynolds School District budget.

### Prioritized Themes: (in order of Board priority)

- 1  
2  
3  
4  
Mental Health Supports
- 1  
2  
3  
4  
Additional Academic Supports
- 1  
2  
3  
4  
Culturally Responsive Curriculum

The Superintendent of Schools and administration will use the Board's prioritized themes as guidance to make recommendations to the Budget Committee and Board when developing the proposed 2021-22 budget.

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Internal/External Input Sessions

(live) October 15, 2020  
November 5, 2020  
(online) Oct. 15-Nov. 15, 2020  
April 8, 2021  
April 15, 2021  
April 29, 2021

Budget Workshop Information Session #1  
Budget Workshop Information Session #2  
Proposed Budget Published

1st Budget Committee Meeting  
2nd Budget Committee Meeting  
3rd Budget Committee Meeting (if needed)  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Conduct Budget Hearing  
Enact Resolutions: Adopt Budget

May 6, 2021  
May 13, 2021  
May 20, 2021  
June 23, 2021

Impose and Categorize Taxes

OCTOBER/  
NOVEMBER

Community and staff  
Budget Goals &  
Priorities Input  
Sessions are held.

DECEMBER

Board gives  
administration  
direction on priorities  
to begin 2021-22  
budget planning.  
Districts submit  
enrollment and early  
revenue estimates to  
ODE for 2020-21.

JANUARY

Board adopts  
budget priorities.  
Update of 2020-21  
working budget and  
prepare 2021-22  
budget database.

FEBRUARY

Update revenue  
estimates and fixed  
cost impacts.  
Meetings with  
budget team,  
principals, and  
directors to develop  
budget plans.

MARCH

Development of  
draft budget  
framework with  
"snapshot in time"  
information.  
Continued review of  
revenue and  
expense estimates.

APRIL

Buildings and  
departments finalize  
end-of-year  
spending plan.  
Budget Information  
Workshops are held.  
Proposed budget  
prepared for Budget  
Committee.

MAY

Proposed budget  
presented to Budget  
Committee for  
review at public  
Budget Committee  
Hearings.  
Budget Committee  
approves budget  
and recommends to  
Board for adoption.

JUNE

Board holds public  
hearing.  
Board adopts  
budget for  
2021-22.

**PATH TO ADOPTED BUDGET**

### **Budget Workshops**

Please join us for one or more of these information sessions to learn more about how the school district budget process works in Oregon!

Public welcome.

**April 8, 2021 -or- April 15, 2021**

**6:00pm**

For virtual meeting information, please visit:  
[www.reynolds.k12.or.us/district/2021-22-budget](http://www.reynolds.k12.or.us/district/2021-22-budget)