

# SOUTH HUNTERDON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

South Hunterdon  
Regional High School  
Lambertville Public School  
West Amwell Twp. School  
Stockton Borough School

April 29, 2019  
7:00PM



# BOARD OF EDUCATION

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## **ADMINISTRATION**

Superintendent – Dr. Louis T. Muenker  
Business Administrator - Kerry Sevilis  
Principals – Jennifer MacKnight, David Miller, Wanda Quinones  
V. Principal/Athletic Director – Jason Miller  
Director of Curriculum – Geoff Hewitt  
Supervisor of Math – Andrew Harris  
Director of Special Services– Cheryl Blankman

# FOUNDATONS OF BUDGET

- Strategic Planning Process
- District Goals
- Board Goals
- State Aid

# MISSION STATEMENT

The South Hunterdon Regional School District is committed to providing all students with enriching and challenging educational experiences in a positive, caring, and respectful environment. In partnership with our communities, we strive to ensure our young people achieve their highest potential as contributing individuals both locally and in a changing world.

# STRATEGIC PLAN

1. Curriculum/Instruction; Teaching and Learning (includes technology and professional development.
2. Social –Emotional Learning
3. Finance/Facilities
4. Communications/Community Engagement

# DISTRICT GOALS 2018-19

- To continue to focus on curricular alignment to the New Jersey Learning Standards in every subject area K-12 to ensure all students' academic growth and achievement.
- Increase student achievement as evidenced by examples at all levels of student growth as measured by effective assessments, with specific emphasis on mathematics K-12.
- To continue to expand district initiatives in the area of Social Emotional Learning/Mindfulness K-12 including provisions for professional development for out staff.
- To continue to revise and update our safety and security measures to ensure the well-being of all student and staff.

# BOARD GOALS 2018-19

- Implementation of a board calendar to monitor and measure progress toward goal achievement with specific date identified for review of progress at board meetings and to ensure the timely completion of all evaluation that are the board's responsibility.
- Maximize board effectiveness by having board members making every effort to attend all board and committee meetings, coming well prepared, having done their homework.
- Continue board member attendance at school and community events and expand opportunities for ongoing community engagement and increasing 2-way communication with all stakeholders.
- To create an Ad Hoc Board committee to recommend to the Board by June 2019, two options for facilities that are educationally sound and fiscally responsible to enable our district to remain viable into the next decade and beyond.

# FOCUS: ADDITIONS

- Instruction:
  - Maintain Small class size PreK-12
  - Add 1.0 MS Math
  - Add 1.0 Speech
  - Add 1.0 10 month Athletic Secretary
- Programs and Continued Focus
  - Maintain support for overnight outdoor environmental science camp for six graders.
  - Maintain support for Title I tutoring.
- Strengthen curriculum through articulation and new curricula.
- Middle school teams emphasizing differentiation of instruction.



# Continued

- Maintain offerings in AP classes.
- Support educational needs of identified special education and ELL students.
- Maintain/upgrade guidance services with a focus on transitioning students to college and careers via Naviance program.
- Maintain athletic offerings in grades 7-12.
- Maintain and improve facilities: Roof replacements, painting, parking, field maintenance, HVAC systems and all aspects of building maintenance.
- Solar field initiative/cost savings

# CHALLENGES

- Continued merging of building level practices and procedures with regionalized district.
- Facilities – Comprehensive study of all 4 building sites, HVAC systems, window walls, roofs, etc.
- Budget within negotiated contracts, salaries, benefits
  - 2018-2021 – New teacher, paraprofessional, secretary and custodian contract has been ratified .

## CHALLENGES (Continued)

SEMI Reporting (Spec. Ed. Medicare Incentive)  
Additional State reporting

Maintain infrastructure - summer projects

- HS –HS Well Room Renovation - \$340,000
- HS Student Parking\* - \$530,000
- District Security communications - \$250,000

Maintain Shared Services Savings

- MRESC, HCESC, Hunterdon County, Del-Val HS

# TOTAL EXPENDITURES

11 – Current Expenses +1.85%	\$	21,408,575
12- Capital Outlay -52.12%	\$	1,134,746
General Fund -3.62%	\$	22,543,321
20-GRANTS	\$	348,781
40-DEBT 0.38%	\$	<u>1,722,369</u>
<b>TOTAL -3.54%</b>	\$	<b>24,614,471</b>

# CURRENT EXPENSES

<b>3 Year History</b>			
	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>Increase / (Decrease) from prior year</b>	<b>Pct. Diff.</b>
19-20 Tentative	\$21,408,575	\$389,044	1.85%
18-19 Revised	\$21,019,531	\$818,290	4.05%
17-18 Original*	\$20,201,241		

\*17-18 audit surplus - \$2,084,355 put into CR

# GENERAL FUND – Current Expenses

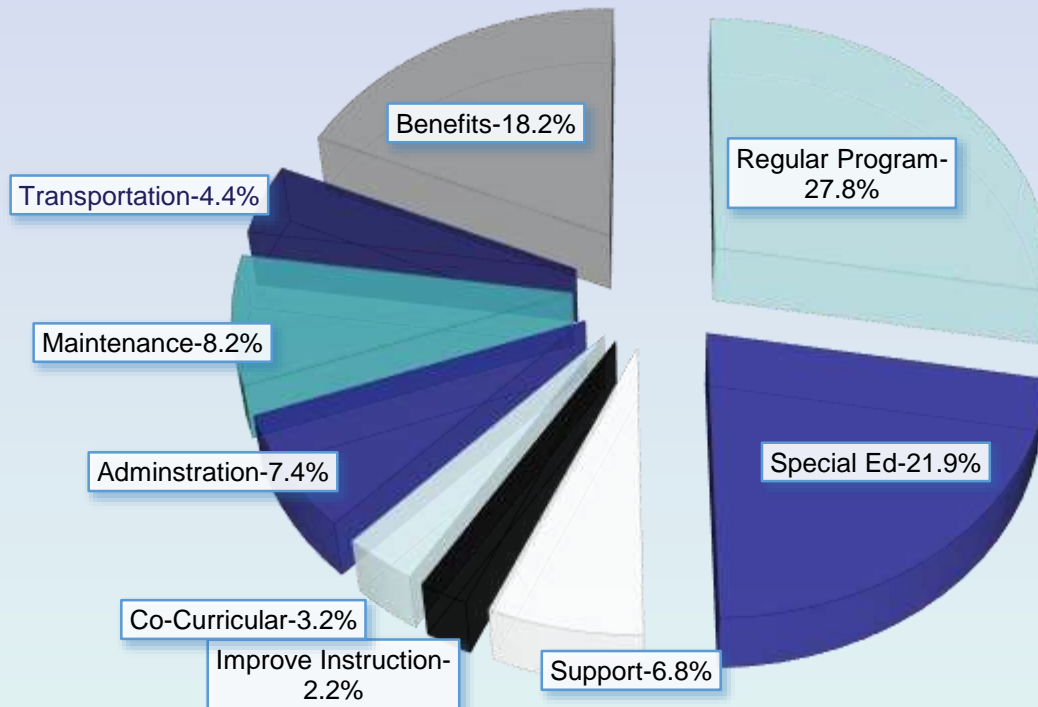
Major increases			
MS Teacher salaries	\$ 67,164	5.23%	Salary increase + Add 1.0 FTE
Purchase services	\$ 22,840	54.7%	Newsela Pro, Splash Math, Seesaw
Lease purchase	\$ 33,584	27.7%	Additional Chromebook L/P
Out of District Tuition	\$ 95,979	7.72%	Possible 1 new student
Athletics	\$ 34,510	10.14%	Salary increases + 1.0 secretary
Improve Instruction	\$ 63,521	19.8%	Full year of new Math Supervisor + additional summer writing
Health Benefits	\$ 113,715	3.08%	5.0% health increase, 15% reduction in staff contributions

# GENERAL FUND – Capital Outlay - \$2,370,046

## Budgeted Withdrawals

HS Well Room Renovation	\$ 340,000
HS Student Parking Lot	\$ 530,000
District communication System Upgrade	\$ 250,000
Increase Capital Reserve-Interest	\$ 1,000
Withdrawal transfer to Debt	\$ 0
Debt Service SDA Charge	\$ 13,746.

# GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES



Maintenance includes Security



# DEBT

## **Mandates:**

- Referendum approved by taxpayers
- Legal obligation to pay the debt through:
  - WAS – 2022
  - HS – 2026
  - SBS – 2020
- Refinancing when savings amounts to 3% (2014 and 2015)

## **Interest Factors:**

- Earnings - Diminishing interest on Building Fund bank accounts

# DEBT

Expenditures			
	2018-19	2019-20	Increase/ (decrease)
Principal	\$1,323,872	\$1,374,995	\$51,1233
Interest	\$392,046	\$347,374	\$(44,672)
TOTAL	\$1,715,918	1,722,369	\$6,451

# TAX LEVY ADJUSTMENTS

	Allowed	Using
2% Tax Levy	\$358,241	\$358,246
Adjustment for increase in Health Care Costs	\$53,093	\$53,093
Banked Cap Expiring 18-19	\$128,359	\$75,266
Total allowable Tax increase*	\$539,693	\$486,605
* Before going to voters		2.72% increase

# GENERAL FUND REVENUES

Revenues = Expenditures \$22,543,321	
Misc.	\$ 166,000
Interest	\$ 2,000
Medicaid	\$ 25,758
State Aid - up \$5,263	\$ 2,372,466
Fund Balance	\$ 444,437
Capital Reserve WD	\$ 883,746
Emergency WD	\$ 250,000
Sub total	\$ 4,144,407
Difference is Tax Levy	\$ 22,543,321
minus	\$ -4,144,407
Tax Levy - up 2.72%	\$ 18,398,914

# GENERAL FUND REVENUES

Revenue History			
	2018-19 Proposed	2019-20 Proposed	Increase / (decrease)
Fund Bal	\$392,381	\$444,437	\$52,056
<b>Tax Levy 2.72%</b>	<b>\$17,912,309</b>	<b>\$18,398,914</b>	<b>\$486,605</b>
State Aid*	\$2,367,203	\$2,372,466	\$5,263
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State aid figures do not include Extraordinary aid. Extraordinary aid does not have to be used in the school budget.</li> </ul>			

# DEBT REVENUES

Revenue = Expenditures \$1,722,369	
Surplus from prior year savings	\$40,001
State Aid: Anticipated (up \$1,927)	\$357,329
Sub total	\$397,330
Difference is Tax Levy	\$1,722,369
minus	- \$397,330
Debt Tax Levy – (down \$29,755)	\$1,325,039
*6.72% of Total Tax Levy of	\$19,723,953

# REGIONAL PERCENT SHARE

<b>SFRA Allocation of Equalized Valuation 03/07/19</b>				
	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>
Lambertville	50.8189%	52.4368%	52.8264%	52.2187%
Stockton	6.4648%	6.2245%	5.9632%	5.6920%
West Amwell	42.7163%	41.3387%	41.2104%	42.0893%
57% share of Equal. Val./ 43% share of enrollment				

# ESTIMATED TAX LEVY

<b>LAMBERTVILLE</b>			
	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>
Tax Levy	\$9,591,098	\$10,003,548	\$10,238,857
Equalized Valuation*	\$779,041,297	\$788,138,955	\$777,032,029
Tax Rate/\$100**	\$1.2311	\$1.2693	\$1.3177
Avg. Accessed Home Value	\$363,155 / 100 x 1.2311 = \$4,470.80	\$363,874 / 100 x 1.2693 = \$4,618.65	\$363,348 / 100 x 1.3177 = \$4,787.84
*Estimated Equalized values (as of October) with Debt. **Based on Calendar Year.			



# ESTIMATED TAX LEVY

<b>STOCKTON</b>			
	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>
Tax Levy	\$1,198,318	\$1,178,294	\$1,135,807
Equalized Valuation*	\$94,175,943	\$94,604,402	\$90,276.531
Tax Rate/\$100**	\$1.2724	\$1.2455	\$1.2581
Home value	$\frac{\$300,000}{100} \times 1.2724 =$ \$3,817.20	$\frac{\$300,000}{100} \times 1.2455 =$ \$3,736.50	$\frac{\$300,000}{100} \times 1.2581 =$ \$3,774.30
*Estimated Equalized values (as of October) with Debt from SFRA Allocation from State. **Based on Calendar Year.			

# ESTIMATED TAX LEVY

<b>WEST AMWELL</b>			
	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>
Tax Levy	\$7,909,556	\$7,803,825	\$8,120,865
Equalized Valuation*	\$503,458,228	\$488,547,870	\$522,235,753
Tax Rate/\$100**	\$1.5710	\$1.5974	\$1.5550
Avg. Assessed home value	\$421,090 / 100 x 1.5710 = \$6,615,32	\$428,554 / 100 x 1.5974 = \$6,845.72	\$441,719 / 100 x 1.5550 = \$6,868.73
<p>*Estimated Equalized values (as of October) with Debt.  **Based on Calendar Year.  100% of home values are reassessed every year to market value</p>			

# 2019 TAX RATES

Using Average Assessed Value		
		Annual
Lambertville	increase	\$169.19
Stockton	increase	\$37.80
West Amwell	increase	\$23.01

\* Home Value / \$100 x Tax Rate

# SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

**PLEASE VOTE: Tuesday, November 5, 2019**

Lambertville: Three year term  
(vote for 1)

West Amwell: Three year term  
(vote for 1)

Stockton: Three year term  
(vote for 1)

# THANK YOU

Questions

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