



March 22, 2021

To: Dr. Josh Swanson, Superintendent  
From: The Business Office  
Re: FY 2021-22 Budget Assumptions

The fiscal year 2021-22 budget process continues as scheduled per the budget timeline. Department and school site budgets have been submitted and the district staffing process has begun. The attached document contains the budget assumptions as discussed at the January 25, 2021 school board meeting. We are recommending the following changes to the budget assumptions:

- Cost increases for utilities have decreased from a 4.0% increase to a 2.0% increase, saving approximately \$25,000.
- Cost increases for general and instructional supplies have decreased from a 2.0% increase to holding these categories flat, saving approximately \$40,000.

No changes have been made to the other recommended assumptions, below are a few highlights:

- Class sizes to remain the same, which reflect reductions in grades K-4 over the past 5 years
- No change to the general basic formula aid. The recent state forecast is more favorable, but the legislative outcome is still unpredictable.
- Enrollment decrease of 35 students from the current year
- No student fee increases

The business office continues working on the first draft of the 2021-22 budget to be presented at the May 24, 2021 school board meeting.