

SUMMARY OF OVERRIDE DEVELOPMENTS

GOVERNING BOARD – OCTOBER 6, 2015

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- ✘ 10% of our Maintenance and Operations Budget
- ✘ Originally passed in 2005; renewed in 2009 and 2014
- ✘ Allows us to continue to address issues first presented to the voters in 2005

OVERRIDE CATEGORIES:

- ✘ Class size reduction
- ✘ Elementary art, music, p.e.
- ✘ Electives at the middle school level
- ✘ AP, IB, and Cambridge programs at the high schools
- ✘ Academic intervention
- ✘ Facilities and technology staff
- ✘ Attracting and maintaining staff

OVERRIDE BUDGET

- ✘ Funds depend on our Maintenance and Operations Budget (M & O)
- ✘ 10% of total M & O
- ✘ First year: \$7,077,656
- ✘ Highest amount: \$8,026,688
- ✘ Current year: (estimated) \$6,911,488
- ✘ Difference between highest and current: \$1,115,200

CLASS SIZE REDUCTION

- ✘ Given harsh budgetary cuts of the past several years, we have worked to help keep class sizes as low as possible.
- ✘ Some issues are difficult to resolve because of scheduling and other related issues.
- ✘ At the elementary level, primary class sizes are targeted.
- ✘ Last year, 30 positions; this year, 31

ELEMENTARY ART, MUSIC AND P.E.

- ✘ Prior to the 2005 passage of the override, classes varied from site to site.
- ✘ With the passage of the override, all elementary schools offer increased time per week in art, music, and p.e. to students.
- ✘ Classes are taught by specialists in those fields.

ELECTIVES AT THE MIDDLE SCHOOL

- ✘ Classes originally funded by override funding include:
 - + STEM classes
 - + Odyssey of the Mind
 - + Computer Programming
 - + Spanish Level I at La Cima and AMS

AP, IB, AND CAMBRIDGE COURSES

- ✘ Amphi has built a strong Advanced Placement course selection for students
- ✘ AP courses available have gone from 10 to 27 during the last 10 years.
- ✘ IB program is supported at CDO
- ✘ Cambridge program is supported at AHS
- ✘ Internship programs remain in place

INTERVENTION PROGRAMS

- ✘ All schools can apply for before school and after-school tutoring funds targeting students for academic support.
- ✘ Intervention options are not limited to remedial programs; for example, accelerated math options were used by a number of schools, and book study groups are in place.
- ✘ Sometimes interventions can occur during the day.

SUPPORT FOR FACILITIES/TECHNOLOGY

- ✘ Funds are used to support an HVAC position at facilities.
- ✘ Funds are used to support a technology position.

ATTRACT AND MAINTAIN STAFF

- ✘ A portion of all our employees' salaries is paid for with override funds.