

PROSPECT HEIGHTS DISTRICT 23 FINANCE COMMITTEE INFORMATION ITEM

Date: December 5, 2022

Subject: Discussion of the 2023-24 Extended Day Program and Recommendation of Fees

for the 2023-24 School Year

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BACKGROUND:

Each December, the Board of Education reviews the current fees charged for the Extended Day Program (EDP) and considers whether to maintain the current fee structure, increase fees or decrease fees for the following year. This communication is intended to provide an update on the status of EDP and provide a recommendation for the 2023-24 program fees.

The last fee increase was in 2018-19 and was the first in many years. EDP Director, Kris Lebrecht, and the Business Office have continued to ensure that a financially stable, quality program remains a priority. They have worked to maintain the offerings and opportunities of the Program while providing a safe and harmonious environment for our students.

Unfortunately, the start of the 2022-23 year has continued to be challenging, as we have continued to navigate a difficult staffing environment in the face of returning enrollment post-COVID. With 155 students currently enrolled in EDP, Kris has continued to do a commendable job working within her budget to provide games and supplies that meet the needs of all our students when working collaboratively or individually.

As we look towards the 2023-24 school year, Kris continues to look for innovative ways to enhance the program in a cost-neutral way and remains optimistic that the program's operations and enrollment will begin to normalize.

RECOMMENDATION

Based on the continued instability of both enrollment and staffing, and the desire to increase our participation in the coming year, the Business Office and Director of EDP recommend no change in fees for the 2023-24 school year for the Extended Day Program.