



# Woodbridge School District

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TO: Christine Syriac, Interim Superintendent of Schools  
FROM: Al Pullo Jr., Director of Business Services & Operations  
DATE: October 7, 2020  
SUBJECT: FY 20-21 Financial Report for Month Ended September 30, 2020

## **General Budget:**

### **FY2021:**

We are currently projecting a deficit of \$136,525 through the month ended September 30, 2020. Projections can change significantly in either direction, as staffing recruitment and final placements remain ongoing.

Included in the projected deficit is the superintendent search process costs in the amount of \$10,000. The current projection also includes the cost of four long term substitutes to provide in-building instruction in the support to our distance learning classrooms, in the amount of \$287,600.

Partially offsetting cost overruns are projected salary savings from a variety of sources (i.e. retirements, unpaid leaves of absence). Additional areas of savings include:

- \$21,067 in savings from the credit received for the School Resource Officer redeployed during the summer months with no programs in session.
- \$15,000 anticipated savings in instructional supplies due to distance learning model
- \$7,500 anticipated savings in professional development due to off-site workshops being conducted remotely.
- \$58,000 in savings for ESY program staffing and transportation being funded with FY2020 surplus funds.

## **Special Funds:**

**School Lunch Program:** The School Lunch program is running an operating loss of \$17,305 which is an additional \$5,747 operating losses for the month of September. Contractual wage payments account for the majority of program expenses to date. Our daily sales are down approximately 50% as compared to last year. The trend is highly concerning, and an area that we are closely monitoring for mitigation strategies. The district elected to participate in the USDA waiver program affording free lunches to all students in the district, to which we have seen a minimal < 20 remote learners participate in the program. At this time, the program is

set to expire on 12/31/2020. The board of education will need to subsidize any program losses. It is our hopes that participation in the USDA waiver will not only benefit Woodbridge households, but also reduce the amount of anticipated subsidy required of the board.

Extended Day: The Extended Day program is running an operating loss of \$35,229, which represents \$1,775 net operating losses for the month of September. The program has resumed during September, with revenues covering the majority, but not all, operating expenses. Included in year to date expenses is \$16,593 in unemployment charges, which reflect claims paid through the month of July. We have been informed that the federal and state subsidies will be forthcoming in October. However, we continue to experience a high level of claimants filing for benefits.

Field Trips: No activity to report.

Summer Enrichment Program: As mentioned in prior month reporting, Summer Enrichment Program also was not in session during the summer months. There were expenses realized, primarily labor costs, for the planning of the program.

Expendable Trust: Summer Scholars ended the program with a small surplus of \$905 which will be added to fund balance and available for FY2021-22 program needs.

Student Activity: No items to report