

April 24, 2023

To: Dr. Josh Swanson, Superintendent

From: The Business Office Re: Capital Budget

This is the second reading of the capital outlay and building fund budgets for fiscal year 2022. The documents presented include no changes from the March board meeting.

In keeping with the 2023-24 budget timeline, the capital outlay and building fund budgets are brought to the board for discussion in March and for approval in April. This timeline allows for adequate planning and implementation of projects needed for the 2023-24 school year. Most of the larger projects included within the capital budget are spent during the summer months, so approval of this budget is needed earlier than the general operating budget in order to secure bids and quotes.

There are four budget areas within the capital outlay and building funds, mostly due to legal restrictions on the use of the designated revenue streams. Each budget area has its own revenue source and corresponding expenditures aligned to meet the Minnesota Department of Educations' (MDE) guidelines on appropriate use. See the attached table which shows a breakdown of the budget areas, including the funding source and proposed expenditures along with a summary of the revenue, expenditures and fund balances for fiscal year 2024.

The expenditure budgets comprise of planned projects to be undertaken in the coming year. They represent the district administrations' recommendation of priority projects necessary to achieve the district's academic & facility goals for fiscal year 2024. The budget recommendation is a culmination of the input and prioritization process, which included site administrators, department administrators with direct oversight of the budget areas, and the superintendent's cabinet. Where applicable, the department of education has reviewed and given its approval of certain projects, including health & safety and long-term facility maintenance projects.

Tonight, we are requesting the board approve the capital outlay and building budgets as presented.



Category	Revenue/Funding Source	Expenditures
Capital Outlay & Building Funds		
Operating Capital	State funding formula (split between State Aid and Levy) per Adjusted Pupil Unit (APU) based upon building age and square footage	<ul> <li>Minor building and equipment repair and replacement</li> <li>Annual bus replacement cycle</li> <li>Updated radios for the buses</li> <li>New pickup with plow for grounds</li> <li>Aerie stadium press box computer system</li> <li>EPHS PAC lighting board</li> <li>Early childhood motor room equipment/furniture</li> <li>Curriculum adoption needs, new course development</li> <li>Music instrument replacement</li> <li>Custodial equipment</li> <li>Annual snow removal, dome setup/takedown, inspections</li> </ul>
	Lease levy	Costs for leased spaces as approved by the MDE
Long-Term Facility Maintenance (LTFM)	Proceeds from 2020 & 2022 bond sale & annual levy	<ul> <li>MDE Approved Deferred Maintenance Projects such as:</li> <li>EPHS activity center roof replacement</li> <li>EPHS &amp; ASC restroom refreshes</li> <li>Districtwide energy updates for plumbing fixtures</li> <li>Flooring replacement</li> <li>Roofing, paving, parking lot repairs</li> <li>Door/hardware replacement</li> </ul>
Health & Safety (LTFM)	Annual levy for MDE health & safety related projects	<ul> <li>MDE Approved Projects such as:</li> <li>Program management staff</li> <li>Training (blood-borne pathogen, first aid, CPR, vaccine)</li> <li>Personal protective equipment</li> <li>Elevator, fire &amp; other inspections</li> <li>Equipment, lighting, and hazard replacements/repairs</li> <li>Annual playground re-surfacing</li> </ul>
Capital Project Levy (Technology)	Voter approved annual levy	<ul> <li>Technology staff salary &amp; benefits</li> <li>Student &amp; staff devices</li> <li>Other technology equipment &amp; peripherals</li> <li>Flight simulator</li> <li>Infrastructure needs (servers, wiring, switches, fiber)</li> <li>Software &amp; licenses</li> </ul>
Designing Pathways (Bond)	Voter approved bond referendum	<ul> <li>Safety and security updates</li> <li>Emergency radio replacement</li> <li>Districtwide furniture</li> <li>Final CMS construction closeout</li> </ul>