

BEAVERTON 2012-13 Beaverton School District Budget Survey **Summary of Results**

The Beaverton School District asked the community to prioritize components of our K-12 educational program. The results are summarized below. Nearly 3,800 online surveys were completed and over 1,000 comments were received. This input will help inform the District Budget Planning Team that is charged with preparing a proposed budget for 2012-2013, including reductions of \$40+ million.

PRIORITIES

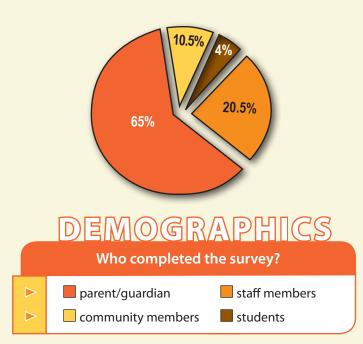
Ranking from highest through lowest priority (This input is advisory and will help inform the budget development process.) 1 Great Teachers: Prioritize high quality instruction by providing teachers the support and time to focus on student achievement. 2 **Class Size:** Prioritize class size. 3 Electives/Specials: Prioritize specials (elementary music, PE and library) and elective courses (secondary). <u>/</u> | College & Career Ready: Prioritize all students

meeting grade level expectations for College and Career Readiness in math, reading, writing, science and social studies.

5 Safety: Prioritize ensuring a safe and caring learning environment for students and staff.

 (\mathbf{i}) Technology: Prioritize enhanced learning through technology tools in the hands of students and teachers. Provide a system that clearly communicates the level of academic progress of students to parents, and a secure district-wide technology structure.

- 7/ Length of School Year: Prioritize maintaining the length of the school year to maximize days for students.
- Extracurricular Opportunities: Prioritize extracur- \mathbb{R}^{2} ricular activities and athletics.
- 9 Community Engagement: Prioritize the recruitment of volunteers in schools, the engagement of parents, and the coordination of real-life learning opportunities for students outside of school.



COMMENTS

Overall themes from community members, parents, high school students & staff

- Balance budget by cutting days, have quality over \triangleright quantity.
- \triangleright Keep class size manageable.
- All areas are important, it is hard to prioritize, this was a difficult task.
- \triangleright Effective teachers make all the difference on how well a child does in school.
- \triangleright Community Engagement - partner with Tualatin Hills Park and Recreation District (THPRD) for club sports.

Next Steps - Please stay engaged in the process. There are more ways to continue to provide input and to stay informed. A Budget Listening Session is planned for February 13 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at Aloha High School Commons. In addition, two budget teaching sessions will be conducted in every school during the month of March. Parents and community members are encouraged to attend.

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