

## Heyburn Elementary

### Budget-based Requests

Our primary concern is obtaining additional classroom staff to help alleviate the burdens overcrowding and provide more support to our struggling kinder students. However, #3 & #4, would also be beneficial with our numbers.

Budget Item Requests (in order of priority)	Rationale for Requests
1. Two additional certified staff	Two additional certified staff would help us maximize instructional time by minimizing discipline issues and improve our small group interventions/enhancements to students. Our current enrollment is 550 students and has remained at or near that mark on average for the past several years (last year not included since our attendance took an unusual dip to an average of 520 over the year). Current projections indicate this trend will continue. We have 30-31 students in each of our 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> grade classrooms and have had for several years. Because our 1 <sup>st</sup> through 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade classes are divided between 4 teachers, class sizes are more manageable. We are discovering that when the students are consolidated into 3 classes discipline issues that were not present in 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade are popping up in 4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> . In addition, small group instruction needed for remediation and enhancement are negatively impacted as well.
2. One additional paraprofessional	An additional parapro would enable us to offer an additional section of extended day kindergarten. The number of students entering kindergarten unprepared is increasing and we are not able to adequately meet the needs of every student needing extra help in mastering kindergarten skills.
3. Additional hours for our bookkeeper/secretary	With the increase in students, there is an increased need in our office to meet the needs of students, staff and parents.
4. Full-time assistant principal	A full-time assistant principal would enable us to better serve the needs of our behavior students. This year alone we have had 141 reports of discipline. A majority of those have been in our

	younger grades this year that continue to need additional support.
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