

2023-24 Budget Update

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- Preliminary Budget Schedule
- Preliminary Enrolment
- Budget Assumptions
- Temporary Funding Sources
 - Partnerships and Priorities Funding Positions
 - Support for Student Fund Positions
 - COVID-19 Learning Recovery Positions
- International Student Rate Changes
- Community Use of School Rate Changes

January	Key Parameters and Assumptions to Guide Budget Development
February to May	Executive Council and Finance & Facilities Committee to receive budget information to make decisions on school-based staff to meet collective agreement timelines
March 30th	School Based Staffing Recommendations to Finance and Facilities Committee
April	Release of Ministry funding model for 2023 (actual date TBD)
May to June	Finalize preliminary budget and recommendations based on information received from Grant announcement
By June 30th	Approval of Budget and submission to Ministry

- January 30, 2023 – Key Parameters and Assumptions to Guide Budget Development approved at Board
 - Projected enrolment
 - No change in non-salary benchmarks
 - % increase in all salary and benefit benchmarks for union groups with ratified central agreements
 - \$1,000,000 contingency budget

- Improving Student Learning and Achievement
- Mental Health & Well-Being
- School Revitalization
- Special Education
- 21st Century Learning and Digital Resources

***No direct public consultation on the Budget Priorities for 2023-24 as Trustees support HWDSB's existing priorities. Opportunity for consultation may come about through budget discussions.

	2022-2023	2023-2024	Increase/ (Decrease)	Increase/ (Decrease)
	Revised Budget ADE	Projected Budget ADE	ADE	%
Elementary	37,009.00	37,440.00	431.00	1.16%
Secondary	14,198.00	14,246.25	48.25	0.30%
Total	51,207.00	51,686.25	479.25	0.90%

- 0% increase in Grants for Student Needs Revenue
- % increase in salary benchmarks for all of our union groups with ratified Central Collective Agreements and 0% increase in non-salary benchmarks
- Increase in budget expenditures based on known increases in contracts or rates – eg. statutory benefit rates, other contractual agreements or leases
- All positions funded by Support for Student Funds will not be included in the budget unless there is a ratified central agreement and local decision
- All positions funded by Priorities & Partnership Funding (PPF) and other non GSN funding will not be included in the budget until funding is confirmed by the Ministry
- All positions funded by Covid19 Learning Recovery Funding as part of 2022-23 GSN will not be included in the budget unless funding is announced

- Support for Students Fund (SSF) \$5.1 million
 - Funding received from the Ministry through Central Agreements with our Unions. All central agreements expired August 31, 2022, however the Ministry continued to fund the SSF positions for the current school year.
 - Both CUPE and OECW(COPE) have reached central agreements and the SSF continued to be funded by the Ministry until the expiration of the agreements in August 2026.
 - SSF positions need to be mutually agreed upon by the Union and the Board and this has not yet taken place with CUPE and COPE

- COVID 19 Learning Recovery Fund \$7.1 million
 - Funding received from the Ministry through the GSN for the 2022-2023 school year.
 - This was a one-year allocation to be used to hire temporary additional staffing supports including:
 - Teachers, early childhood educators, educational assistants and other education workers to address learning recovery
 - Teachers and other education workers to implement fully de-streamed grade 9
 - Supports for Special Education
 - Staff to maintain enhanced cleaning standards
 - Teachers and other education workers to deliver remote learning
 - There is flexibility in how school boards use this funding

- Partnership and Priority Funding (PPF)
 - Commitments of funding to support specific programs or initiatives
 - Supplemental to the Grants for Student Needs and is reviewed and assessed by the Ministry each year to determine if funding will continue
 - PPF released in 2022-2023 to promote learning recovery, positive mental health and the growth and development of students.
 - Examples include
 - Tutoring supports
 - Math Strategy
 - Summer Learning Special Education Supports
 - Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program (OYAP)

- Enrolment projections for Elementary schools reviewed and confirmed/adjusted by Elementary administrators by March 7.
- Enrolment projections for Secondary schools to be reviewed and confirmed/adjusted by Secondary administrators after March Break
- School Staffing for both panels to be completed based on revised enrolment
- School Based staffing to be presented to F&F March 30, 2023
- Ministry to tentatively release GSN and preliminary PPF announcements in early April; Preliminary Budget will be adjusted accordingly
- Final Budget discussions based on all information received to date to occur in April/May depending on GSN announcement

- Rationale/Benefits:
 - International Education is re-establishing relationships with new agents and countries due to the decline in International Students post COVID.
 - Since we currently pay only one year of commission rates, students who stay more than one year lose agent advocacy.
 - This action aligns our tuition rates and agent commission rates with contiguous school boards.
 - HWDSB has a well-known and respected program. With commission alignment, we will see an increase in HWDSB as a destination.

- Recommended Action:
 - Increase annual International Student Tuition rates by \$350 from \$14,500 to \$14,850 for 2023-2024 school year,
 - Increase the application fee from \$275.00 to \$350.00 for the 2023-2024 school year.
 - Amend our Agent Commission payment from 15% in year one only to 15% in year one, 10% in year 2 and 5% in year 3 starting the 2024-2025 school year.

Background:

- In June of 2016, HWDSB revised the rental rates for Community Use of School based on a cost recovery model.
- In May of 2018 Trustees approved an annual increase in rental rates tied to the annual rate of inflation.
- The May 2018 report recommended a full review of rental rates using a cost recovery model to be completed in 2022. The 2022/23 school year represents the first full school year occupancy of our facilities since the commencement of the pandemic in March 2020.
- Consumer price index is reported at 6.8% for 2022.

Next Steps

- Staff will continue to review and consider the rate increase with the City, through the Reciprocal Agreement, and other partners prior to bringing an action item for Trustees to consider.
- That the action may include that the rental rate increase for the 2023/24 be capped at 5%, and
- That staff complete a full review of the rental rates during the 2023/24 school year.

Hourly Space Rates for 2023 - 2024				
5.0% is the increase to base rate on spaces for 2023-2024				
	Non-profit with no subsidy	Non-profit adult group with subsidy (50%)	Non-Profit youth group with subsidy (75%)	Business Enterprise / Commercial (150%)
Gym Class 4 (less than 2800 sq ft)	\$ 24.44	\$ 11.64	\$ 5.82	\$ 34.92
Gym Class 3 (2801-4500 sq ft)	\$ 34.29	\$ 17.97	\$ 8.98	\$ 53.90
Gym Class 2 (4501-7400 sq ft)	\$ 71.87	\$ 35.93	\$ 17.97	\$ 107.80
Gym Class 1 (7401-9500+ sq ft)	\$ 85.28	\$ 42.64	\$ 21.32	\$ 127.92
Classroom	\$ 11.36	\$ 5.68	\$ 2.84	\$ 17.04
Library	\$ 35.93	\$ 17.97	\$ 8.98	\$ 53.90
Cafeteria	\$ 41.93	\$ 20.96	\$ 10.48	\$ 62.88
Auditorium Class 1 (Westdale/Sir Allan MacNab)	\$ 113.81	\$ 56.90	\$ 28.44	\$ 170.71
Auditorium Class 2 N/A	\$ 79.65	\$ 39.83	\$ 19.91	\$ 119.48
Auditorium Class 3 (Westmount)	\$ 53.92	\$ 26.95	\$ 13.47	\$ 80.87
Auditorium Class 4 (Dalewood/WH Ballard/Viscount Montgomery/Memorial)	\$ 35.93	\$ 17.97	\$ 8.98	\$ 53.90

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Gym Class 4 (less than 2800 sq ft)	\$ 23.28	\$ 11.64	\$ 5.82	\$ 34.92
Gym Class 3 (2801-4500 sq ft)	\$ 32.66	\$ 17.11	\$ 8.55	\$ 51.33
Gym Class 2 (4501-7400 sq ft)	\$ 68.45	\$ 34.22	\$ 17.11	\$ 102.67
Gym Class 1 (7401-9500+ sq ft)	\$ 81.22	\$ 40.61	\$ 20.30	\$ 121.83
Classroom	\$ 10.82	\$ 5.41	\$ 2.70	\$ 16.23
Library	\$ 34.22	\$ 17.11	\$ 8.55	\$ 51.33
Cafeteria	\$ 39.93	\$ 19.96	\$ 9.98	\$ 59.89
Auditorium Class 1 (Westdale/Sir Allan MacNab)	\$ 108.39	\$ 54.19	\$ 27.09	\$ 162.58
Auditorium Class 2 N/A	\$ 75.86	\$ 37.93	\$ 18.96	\$ 113.79
Auditorium Class 3 (Westmount)	\$ 51.35	\$ 25.67	\$ 12.83	\$ 77.02
Auditorium Class 4 (Dalewood/WH Ballard/Viscount Montgomery/Memorial)	\$ 34.22	\$ 17.11	\$ 8.55	\$ 51.33