2023 - 2024
Budget Proposal
DRAFT 2
Presented March 22, 2023
MISSION STATEMENT
The Troy City School District will provide a strong educational and social foundation to graduate all students college and career ready.
• We continue to be proud of all that is happening throughout the district

• We are still feeling the effects of the pandemic

• We are committed to doing what is necessary to build on our successes and ensure that we meet the needs of all of our students

• We will develop a budget that will allow us to do just that

• We need to plan accordingly

• We need to be conservative and strategic with our choices
Budget Development Process

● Educationally Sound
  What do our students need to be successful?
  ● Mission Statement
  ● Staffing/Programs
  ● Supports
  ● Academic Achievement - How do we fully support our students going forward

● Fiscally Responsible
  Good stewards of the taxpayers’ money
  ● Mindful of our overburdened taxpayers
  ● Continue to search for other funding sources
  ● Under the tax cap for the last eleven years
  ● State and Federal money
  ● Long-term financial (strategic) planning
Looking Ahead: Foundation Aid Recap

- We will be fully funded (great news!), but there are concerns
  - Aid increases at the state level will moderate
  - The State projects 3-4% annual aid increases
  - In recent years, districts who are fully funded have been guaranteed a minimum increase of 1% - 3%

- For a typical year, to maintain our staff and programs, it costs approximately $2 Million
  - A 1% Foundation Aid increase results in approximately a $600,000 increase
  - A 3% Foundation Aid increase results in approximately a $1.8 Million increase

- High needs/low wealth districts like ours are more dependent on State Aid
  - Approximately 70% of our revenues come from State Aid

- Will there be adjustments to the Foundation Aid formula going forward?
- Will High need/low wealth districts be given priority?
- We need to plan accordingly
Recap

This budget maintains current staffing levels and programs.

Approximately $2.8 M for continuing current operations

Approximately $900,000 in expanded student/district services (Tier 1 additions)

- 2 Elementary teachers
- Special Education supports based on student need - TMS
- Safety and security at THS/TMS - 3 additional monitors
- 3 Additional attendance liaisons - Elementary
- Technology Department
• The 2019 Building Modernization Project is currently in Phase 3 of 5 phases

• Inflation continues to significantly impact the construction industry and this project

• We continue to be concerned about anticipated shortfalls moving forward

• We are recommending a Transfer to Capital in this budget of $5 M
Small City Capital Outlay

- One year of overlap for federal funding and fully funded Foundation Aid
- Want to use funds conservatively and strategically (one-time costs)
- Short window of opportunity to do a Small City School District Capital Outlay Project
  - Only available to Small City School Districts
  - Only available for districts that would exceed 95% of constitutional debt limit
  - Project must be paid for with cash
  - District receives **ALL** State Aid back in the following school year ***
  - Troy aid ratio - 91.9%
- District elevators – dire need at numerous buildings
- Athletic Fields – re-skin football field (heavy usage – 15 years old), turf softball and baseball fields (multi-purpose soccer/lacrosse) – last year played 4 total modified baseball games on our varsity field – ZERO varsity games
- End of life boilers, upgrade lighting, and domestic water service
Revenues Recap

- State Aid - $83.4 M
  - Overall increase $8.4 M (11.2%)
  - Foundation Aid increase $7.7 M (14.7%) - 3 year phase-in complete

- Tax Levy - $37.9 M
  - Tax Cap - 2.46%
  - Tax Levy increase - 0%

- PILOTS and Interest - $3.6 M

- Tuition, Refunds, and Misc. - $1.35 M

- Federal Aid - $300 K
  - Slight increase in estimated Medicaid reimbursement

- Appropriated Fund Balance - $4 M
Changes since Draft 1

• Charter school tuition number finalized – reduced for 2023-2024

• Allowed additional budget requests (Tier 2)
  • District Occupational Therapist
  • Social Worker (TCS)

• Slight increase to interest earned - rates continue to increase on bank accounts
Proposed Budget Draft 2

- 2022-23 Budget: $126,903,272
- 2023-24 (Draft 1): $131,890,045
  (Draft 2): $131,898,112
- Dollar Change: $4,994,840
- Percent Change: 3.94%
- Draft 2 Revenues: $131,898,112
- Tax Levy increase: 0%
Next Steps

- Monitor State Budget situation

- Senate and Assembly One House Budgets approved last week
  - Both Houses agreed to:
    - Foundation Aid - phase-in
    - Expense-Based Aids - fully funded
  - Both Houses rejected:
    - High-impact Tutoring set aside
2023-2024 Budget

• Barring any major changes with the State Budget, we anticipate our budget being adopted at the April 5th Board Meeting

• From our budget calendar, contingent budget adoption date is April 19th

• Budget Vote is May 16, 2023
We Can.
We Will.
End Of Story