

## **DETAIL:**

# **PROPOSED ONE-TIME EXPENDITURES FOR 2018-19**

The District's early projections for one-time revenue for 2018-2019 appear to be nearly \$2.7 million dollars. Honoring previously reached agreements with local employee bargaining units related to compensation will mean approximately \$400,000 of that revenue will be used to meet those agreements in the form of one-time bonuses.

The resulting balance of one-time, limited term funding would then be approximately \$2.3 million dollars which could be used for a variety of one-time, short term, or limited term needs across BUSD.

**BUSD's preliminary recommendations for one-time, short-term, or limited term funding are listed in the following table with additional detail on individual items below.**

ONE TIME OR LIMITED TERM ITEM	COST
Common Core Implementation and Professional Learning	\$509,000.00
Thousand Oaks Program Transition Support (.6 through 20-21)	\$180,000.00
Structured Literacy Instruction Program Model and Accompanying Materials and Professional Development K-8	\$300,000.00
9th Grade Mathematics Coordinator (.6 through 19-20)	\$144,000.00
BHS 2018-2019 Accreditation Visit Coordination (WASC)	\$21,000.00
Disaster Preparedness/Safety Equipment	\$200,000.00
Technology Improvements	\$100,000.00
Clerical Support for Title IX and K-8 Director/Professional Learning Department	\$120,000.00
MEET Program	\$30,000.00
BAS older Adults Program	\$60,000.00
Sexual and Racial Harassment and Bullying Awareness and Training Funds	\$100,000.00
Screening Tools and Classroom Technology Supports for Mathematics	\$40,000.00
NGSS /Science Transition Costs at Secondary Schools	\$50,000.00

Subtotal	\$1,854,000.00
Personnel Cost Variance (3%)	\$55,620.00
Subtotal	\$1,909,620.00
Indirect Costs (6.5%)	\$124,125.30
TOTAL	\$2,033,745.30

*\*\* if unable to fund with ongoing, fund one-time for 2018-2019 and revisit revenue options in January of 2019. Both departments have been expanded in scope to address a variety of needs and issues across BUSD.*

### **COMMON CORE IMPLEMENTATION AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING - \$509,000 one-time funds**

The District has made significant investments over the past three years to support the transition to the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).

Staff is requesting continued funding, at an amount reduced from \$1,070,000 in 2017-2018 to approximately \$509,000 in 2018-2019 for professional development and instructional coaching relative to new strategies, new curriculum, and key shifts in the approach to mathematics, science, and literacy instruction at elementary, middle, and high school.

Staff is attaching an updated budget proposal for common core/NGSS that requests \$509,000 for the 2018-2019 School Year.

At some point, common core will be fully implemented, and therefore these costs are reducing. This allocation represents a substantial reduction based on the premise that Common Core has progressed substantially in terms of implementation. . Should additional and/or more specific funding for common core become available between now and January of 2018, staff would obviously seek to first utilize those funds toward the proposed investments in common core and thus preserve more flexible funding like mandated cost reimbursements for other educational expenses.

***ATTACHMENT C includes an updated version of the CCSS budget proposal.***

### **Thousand Oaks Bilingual Program Transition Support \$180,000 (Over three years)**

Last June the Board approved a proposal to phase out the bilingual maintenance program at Thousand Oaks Elementary. In an effort to ensure that school site staff is

able to support students and families in that program as it phases out, District staff, in consultation with the school's principal, is proposing to allocate .6 FTE to the school over the next three years to allow for the regrouping of students throughout the day to allow for periodic, grade-specific content instruction given that the program will be made up almost exclusively of combination classes as the program transitions.

This is comparable to the support that was given to Rosa Parks, Cragmont, and LeConte when transitioning out of their Two Way Immersion programs following the consolidation of that program to a single school site.

### **Structured Literacy Instruction Program Model and Accompanying Materials and Professional Development K-8 (\$300,000)**

Includes materials and training to support a completely overhauled approach to literacy instruction that integrates screening and support mechanisms for children with dyslexia and other reading impacts, , Tier-1 phonics programs for all K-5 students, and specialized instruction for staff in Tiers 2 and 3. That includes increased development of staff in specialized, research based reading instruction.

BUSD's elementary base literacy program is not meeting the needs of all of our students. The teaching of reading must include explicit instruction in phonics and phonemic awareness in all tiers of instruction. Multi-modal approaches that incorporate visual, auditory and kinesthetic approaches will support diverse learning styles. The following program changes and accompanying professional development will support a structured literacy program that addresses the needs of students at all levels and develops the expertise of staff as reading specialists rather than specific curricula (TCRWP) experts.

#### **Instruction:**

1. Tier One - Adopt and implement Tier One phonics program for grades K-5.
2. Tier Two and Three: Implement Wilson Reading Systems reading intervention program
3. All Tiers: Implement DIBELS or AIMS WEB reading screener- universal for grades K-8

#### **Professional Development**

1. All Tiers: Phonics program PD for all K-5 staff
2. DIBELS or AIMS WEB universal reading screener training for all staff
3. Specialized Trainings to develop expertise in Structured Literacy :
  - Slingerland Training: 10 week course led by expert Dr. Nancy Cushen White (<http://74.50.49.198/center/leadership/ncushenwhite>)  
Mild/Moderate and Moderate/Severe Special Education teachers and other specialists
  - Reading Specialist Class: 8-10 week course proposed: Dr. Nancy Cushen White

Literacy Coaches, RTI teachers

**9th Grade Mathematics Coordinator \$144,000 (Over two years)**

With nearly \$500,000 invested in the development of new Common Core Curriculum in mathematics at Berkeley High School over the past three years, and in anticipation of a dramatic restructuring of the 9th grade program next year, staff sees a genuine opportunity to improve mathematics outcomes at Berkeley High by extending the capacity-building and curriculum development that has been invested in over the past few years with an added level of instructional leadership, collaboration, focus, and accountability.

While challenges exist in mathematics for all levels, the redesign being implemented in 18-19 provides an opportunity for us to focus on the key transitional year of 9th grade in an unprecedented and concentrated way, an area where D/F rates for students in particular subgroups remain high.

This proposed position, which we would like to make a full-time position over a 2 year period with additional funding from LCAP, could work in a smaller and more concentrated way with 9th grade math teachers in each of the seven houses next year. This position would provide the opportunity for sustained collaboration between a content-focused administrator and a smaller group of content area teachers, and would provide us with an avenue to deepen collaboration and involve an administrator in a deeper pedagogical way through modeling and team teaching. The position would play a significant part in the leadership of professional learning, as well add capacity to more intensively track and support the progress of unduplicated students or students with significant barriers to learning in the area of mathematics. The position would also work periodically with 8th grade and 10th grade math teachers to create smoother student transitions on both ends.

**BHS WASC Coordinator Staffing for the 18-19 School Year .2 FTE \$20,000**

Berkeley High School anticipates a WASC visit scheduled for mid-November 2018. Prior to that visit, the WASC coordinator will spend several months working on finalizing the multi-chapter WASC report to be shared in advance with the visiting team. The WASC Coordinator will also handle logistics surrounding the actual visit, coordinate visiting team meetings with a wide variety of stakeholders, and then process and coordinate the BHS response to the visiting team's recommendations for the remainder of the school year.

**Disaster Preparedness and District-Wide Safety Investments \$200,000**

BUSD, like many public school systems, prioritizes the safety and security of its students and staff. Staff is recommending an allocation of next year's one-time

funding in the amount of \$200,000 be allocated to improve our capacity and upgrade systems related to emergency and disaster preparedness and response.

The funds will be used to provide training, retain consultants, and upgrade equipment that is critical in order to effectively respond to incidents ranging from natural disasters to scenarios involving on-campus violence.

The Manager of Student Services will collaborate with the District Safety Committee to develop a prioritized list of areas and equipment that will be focused on over a 2-3 year period.

### **TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS (CHROMEBOOKS) - one-time \$91,000 base grant funds**

Digital skills are now a necessity for students at all levels, and providing each student with the opportunity to master these skills is an essential component of the instructional day. From an equity lens, ensuring that these skills are integrated into our curriculum and taught during the school day, ensures all our students are equipped to access the curriculum.

There has been a very successful initiative in the elementary schools to have a cart with a Chromebook for each student in each grade 4 and 5 classroom and pairs of 3rd grade classrooms share Chromebook carts. Extensive PD and coaching was provided to classroom teachers (resulting in ~80 Google Certified Educators). An elementary Working Group developed an [Instructional Technology scope and sequence](#) that identified logical curricular tie-ins for increased use of technology, as well [guided lessons about digital citizenship](#) with the intention of achieving Common Sense Media Certification.

In a March 2017 survey of 4th and 5th grade teachers,

- In terms of change to their instructional day: 91% of teachers thought it made either a large (67%) or moderate (24%) amount of change in the instructional day
- In terms of engagement: 97% of teachers thought it made either a large (81%) or moderate (16%) amount of change in student engagement in their classroom
- In terms of student learning: 93% of teachers thought it made either a large (53%) or moderate (40%) amount of change in student learning in their classroom
- In terms of the teacher's ability to assess student learning, 87% of teachers thought it made a large (47%) or moderate (40%) amount of change in student learning

- Professional Development (three half-day sessions for all 4th-5th grade teachers) was very well-received (and attended) by the teachers.

A similar 1:1 environment in 6th grade was implemented in 2017-18, including the professional development for teachers..

Larger amounts of funds may be needed in out years depending on the long-term funding model for Chromebooks in elementary and middle schools. Professional development costs including the stipends for Google Certification and participation in the annual August Instructional Technology Institute held at our Adult School are already allocated for 18-19.

The requested funds will replace all 5-year-old HP14 Chromebooks throughout the district. Generally, chromebooks being purchased last 4.5 years.

As part of the Common Core one-time expenses, an Instructional Technology Coordinator was approved for 2016-17 and is proposed for 2017-18. It is understood the position is not funded for 2018-19. While this is expected, it removes the inspirational leader of this work from her position.

#### **Clerical Support for Title IX Office and K-8 Director/ PD Department \$120,000**

*Please see description of same item in proposed ongoing expenditures.*

Staff believes these support positions are crucial to improving the systems the administrators they will support are in charge of; however, understanding that the generalized budget picture may not lead to the approval of an ongoing commitment to these new positions at this time, staff is concurrently proposing these positions as one-year one-time expenditures which will bring short term relief and allow us to revisit available ongoing revenue next year.

#### **MEET Program \$30,000**

The Mental and Emotional Education Team (MEET) creators presented a proposal at the November 15 Board Meeting. The Berkeley City Council partially funded MEET at \$46,389 for Fiscal Year 2018-19 and staff is proposing to support this partnership for improved mental health services at the high school with a contribution of \$30,000 for 2018-2019.

**BAS OLDER ADULT PROGRAM FUNDING - \$60,000 (A reduction from \$70,000 in base grant funding from the prior year)**

In 2015-16, the State budget brought a new stream of revenue dedicated to adult education. The District's Adult Education Block Grant for 2016-17 is \$2.7 million. The adult education consortium increased the funding for 2016-17 by \$.3 million. The District received the same level of funding of \$3 million for 2017-18 school year. However, this new revenue stream has somewhat different requirements and restrictions than previous adult education revenue. The new funding can no longer cover the Older Adult Program which was covered from the prior Adult Education base grant funding used at the same level. The new funding is not to be used to support courses designed for older adults (e.g., exercise, the arts, memory health) which have been consistently offered by BAS for many years.

Older Adult Education programs include lifelong learning courses for active seniors as well as frail elderly programs that are often held at senior centers or convalescent facilities. These programs are in fact fee-based, yet large segments of the students enrolled in these programs receive significantly discounted enrollment fees as a result of lower incomes.

Despite the fact that the programs are fee-based, the preceding few years have seen fees covering only an approximate 7% of the total costs of lifelong learning and frail elderly programs combined.

Specifically, in 2016-2017, the total costs of older adult programs combined was \$207,527 while the fees collected is projected to total \$19,400. The Board approved one time base grant funds of \$100,000 to cover the balance.

For 2017-18, staff recommended a reduced one time funding of \$70,000 and increased fees in the amount \$30,000. Adult Education funds will cover the balance of the program cost with existing fees and unrestricted budget. The proposal for 2018-19, is to reduce the support from base grant funds to \$60,000.

**Sexual and Racial Harassment Awareness and Training Funds \$100,000**

Staff is proposing to create a one-time fund in the amount of \$100,000 to be used jointly by Student Services and Title IX in consultation with school leaders to develop or retain trainings, curriculum, awareness programs, and supports for students and staff related to the following areas:

- Sexual Harm or Harassment
- Racial Bias
- Discrimination based on race, disability, gender, etc.

- Various forms of bullying

**Screening Tools and Classroom Technology Supports for Mathematics \$40,000**

Staff is proposing to set aside one-time funding for the additional procurement of screening tools and technology supports for math interventions at the secondary level. Following a pilot this year at middle school, Educational Services would like to expand the use of the STAR math assessment system and extend to acquire an adaptive online math support program that would be used uniformly across middle schools and potentially 9th grade. A program like this may also provide more customized mathematics practice in spaces like after school programs where students are often supervised by staff that does not have a background in mathematics that would help students who are deeply challenged by math content.

**Next Generation Science Standards Equipment Costs K-12 \$50,000**

Extends our ability to provide new equipment and computer hardware to support the implementation of new science standards.