

Annual School Election April 21, 2009 Polls Open: 7 a.m. – 9 p.m.

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DISTRICT OVERVIEW

Students in the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District have extraordinary opportunities to develop knowledge and skill in world language, science, language arts, history, and mathematics. The district's vocal and instrumental music, fine arts, and drama programs publicly demonstrate exceptional results. WW-P schools also provide a broad array of co-curricular and athletic programs, including extensive after-school intramurals and clubs.

The district reaches out to meet the needs of our many-faceted school community, and diversity is a key factor in the area. Students represent all major racial and cultural groups (49 percent Asian, 40 percent White, 6 percent African American, 5 percent Hispanic). Students speak 33 languages. In order to fulfill the needs of our multicultural communities, we have made every effort to create an awareness of the many ethnic and cultural distinctions represented here. Children are taught the traditions and mores not only of their background but also those of their classmates who come from all corners of the world.

The school district reflects the lifestyle of a community that takes pride in its continuing tradition of academic and cultural achievement. The richness of the academic program, alternative options, and extracurricular activities expands learning beyond the classroom boundaries. The schools provide an educational environment that motivates students to learn and requires them to exercise imagination and sensibility in solving problems.

Elementary Schools

Dutch Neck Elementary School, Maurice Hawk Elementary School, Town Center Elementary School, and Wicoff Elementary School serve students in kindergarten through Grade 3 and are representative of the community's tremendous multicultural diversity. All four schools provide a nurturing environment where students are empowered with academic and social skills to become enthusiastic lifelong learners. This is accomplished by working in close partnership with parents and the community to provide child-centered programs that recognize and build on the unique potential of each child. Faculty members nurture and engage students in current best practices as well as developmentally appropriate early childhood practices. The curriculum emphasizes literacy, language learning, mathematical reasoning, critical thinking, problem solving, and cross-cultural understanding.

Upper Elementary Schools

Millstone River School and Village School are organized for students in grades 4 and 5. Students engage in serious educational projects with their classes and in individual study; the culture of the schools encourages collaboration and cooperation among students. Core content areas enable students to learn and express their learning through multiple intelligences, and emphasize high standards to develop student competencies. The media centers offer over 30,000 resources, as well as access to appropriate information through the Internet. Teachers work on grade-level teams to develop and maintain consistency in curriculum. Millstone River School and Village School have created productive,

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enjoyable, and humanistic environments and the educational process strives to develop capable and self-confident human beings who in turn enhance a community rich in cultural diversity.

Middle Schools

Community Middle School and Thomas R. Grover Middle School provide a comprehensive, developmentally responsive middle school experience based on the principles of middle level education outlined in the most current middle level research. The facilities and programs are uniquely designed to promote discovery, effective interdisciplinary learning through tearning, and academic excellence. The core academic program consists of language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, and world language. The language arts program is integrated in its approach to literature and writing and promotes literacy, effective writing, and oration skills. The mathematics program is theme-based, integrating hands-on, discovery-based learning, problem solving, mathematical modeling, and exploration, with skill development. The science program is designed to promote inquiry and critical thinking. Social studies deals with ancient civilizations, United States history, and world cultures to develop critical thinking about how historical events shape modern perceptions and civilizations. In the area of world language, students have a choice of learning communication and culture in German, Chinese, French, or Spanish. Students discover their own particular abilities, talents, interests, and preferences through elective and cycle classes that include instruction in computer technology, performing arts, life skills, broadcasting and television production, industrial technology, art, and music. Health and physical education classes affirm the school's commitment to the concept of a healthy mind in a healthy body.

High Schools

High School North and High School South provide educational environments that motivate students to learn and require them to exercise imagination and sensibility in solving problems. Students may choose from over 150 courses offered in a program of studies that reflects a demanding and challenging curriculum. Qualifying high school seniors may elect to participate in Senior Option Career Internships or Senior Option Service Learning projects; these projects are designed to give students structured, supervised activities that will assist them to clarify career goals, explore career possibilities, develop employable skills, or make the transition between school and employment or further education and training. The academic and cultural resources of Mercer County have attracted a dedicated and highly trained instructional staff, which welcomes the challenges and excitement of a diverse student population and this diversity affords students excellent opportunities for intercultural understanding and provides them with a global view of world states. West Windsor-Plainsboro High School North and High School South are accredited by the New Jersey Department of Education and an excellent reputation for both high schools has been earned through the commitment of staff and students to the quality of life and learning. Both high schools are Blue Ribbon Schools and were named as top high schools in the state.

DISTRICT SNAPSHOT

Student achievement is one of the great rewards for support of the WW-P school district. Such accomplishment is demonstrated on standardized tests where WW-P students surpass state and national counterparts. It is a tribute to the talents of our students and teachers that we have a graduation rate of almost 100 percent. Student achievement indicators reveal that high school students continue to perform at high levels. Ninety-six percent of high school students indicated that they planned to attend college or other postsecondary education. Average standardized scores are higher than state and national averages on the ASK, HSPA, and SAT.

Graduates Going to College 96 Percent

Students Taking the SAT 99 percent

SAT Results (Critical Reading//Math/Writing) District: 587/624/589 State: 495/513/496 National: 502/515/494 AP Tests

88 percent had Grades of 3 or higher, with 696 students taking 1,460 exams.

National Merit Scholars Class of 2009: Semifinalists: 33 Class of 2008: Semifinalists: 30; Letters of Commendation: 84 Class of 2008 Bloustein Distinguished Scholars: 74

HSPA: The state High School Proficiency Assessment measures the reading, writing, and mathematical skills that high school graduates need to function politically, economically, and socially. Results: 94.4% passed in Language Arts Literacy and 91.4% passed in Mathematics.

NJASK: The New Jersey Assessment of Skills and Knowledge measures the ability and progress of students in mastering the knowledge and skills defined by the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards.

NJASK8: Results: 97.8% passed in Language Arts Literacy; 91.3% passed in Mathematics; and 96.2% passed in Science.

NJASK7: Results: 92.1% passed in Language Arts, and 86.2% passed in Mathematics.

NJASK6: Results: 82.6% passed in Language Arts, and 92.0% passed in Mathematics.

NJASK5: Results: 87.4% passed in Language Arts, and 92.5% passed in Mathematics.

NJASK4: Results: 94.3% passed in Language Arts, 93.0% passed in Mathematics, and 94.8% passed in Science.

NJASK3: Results: 95.8% passed in Language Arts, and 94.5% passed in Mathematics.

ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION

Residents of Plainsboro and West Windsor will choose three Board of Education members on April 21, 2009. On the nine-member Board of Education, five seats are designated for West Windsor residents and four seats are designated for Plainsboro residents. All members serve a three-year term. In this election year, one seat is available in West Windsor Township and two seats are available in Plainsboro Township.

Polling Places April 21, 2009 Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

WEST WINDSOR

<u>Polling District No. 1</u> – Polling place at Grover Middle School, 10 Southfield Road, Princeton Junction, New Jersey, in the School District for legal voters residing within Mercer General District No.(s) 1 and 11.

<u>Polling District No. 2</u> – Polling place at Village School, 601 New Village Road, Princeton Junction, New Jersey, in the School District for legal voters residing within Mercer General District No.(s) 6, 8, 12, 13, 15, and 16.

<u>Polling District No. 3</u> – Polling place at Maurice Hawk Elementary School, 303-305 Clarksville Road, Princeton Junction, New Jersey, in the School District for legal voters residing within Mercer General District No.(s) 2, 4, 5, 7, and 10.

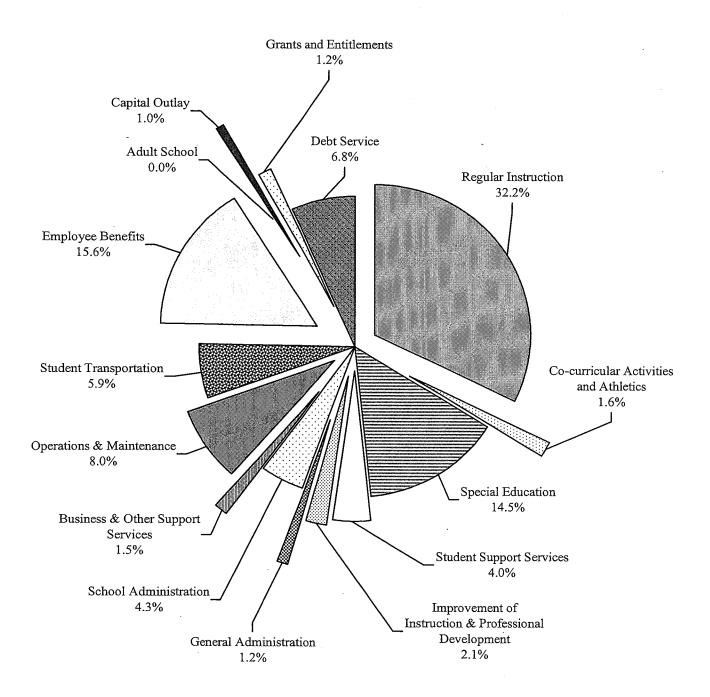
<u>Polling District No. 4</u> – Polling place at Grover Middle School, 10 Southfield Road, Princeton Junction, New Jersey, in the School District for legal voters residing within Mercer General District No.(s) 3, 9, and 14.

PLAINSBORO

<u>Polling District No.(s) 5-8</u> – Polling place at the Plainsboro Municipal Building for legal voters residing within Middlesex General District No.(s) 1-12.

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ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES

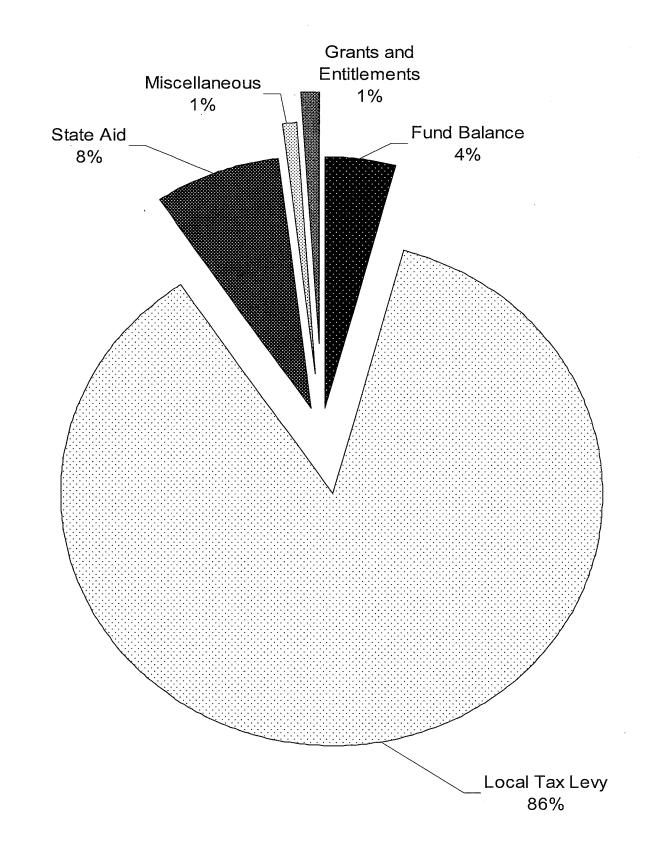


ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES

	2008 - 2009 AP PROVED BUDGET	2009-2010 PROPOSED BUDGET	D iffe S	rence %
GENERAL EXPENSE			-	
Regular Instruction				
Regular Programs	\$ 45,466,763	\$ 46,672,636	\$ 1,205,873	2.65%
Basic Skills	2,238,070	2,280,030	41,960	1.87%
ESL/B iling ual	1,375,177	1,285,929	(89,248)	-6.49%
Regular Instruction	49,080,009	50,238,595	1,158,585	2.36%
Co-curricular Activities and Athletics				
Co-curricular Activities	733,473	684,415	(49,058)	-6.69%
Athletics	1,748,085	1,747,624	(461)	-0.03%
Co-curricular Activities and Athletics	2,481,558	2,432,039	(49,519)	-2.00%
Special Education				
Instruction	10,483,714	11,229,723	746,009	7.12%
Tuition	6,225,177	6,026,416	(198,761)	-3.19%
Child Study Team	3,273,238	3,308,018	34,780	1.06%
Other Support Services	2,087,127	2,045,091	(42,036)	-2.01%
Special Education	22,069,256	22,609,248	539,992	2.45%
Student Support Services				
Health Services	1,449,751	1,456,362	6,611	0.46%
Guidance	3,177,126	3,228,050	50,924	1.60%
Library/M ed ia	1,604,035	1,614,831	10,796	0.67%
Student Support Services	6,2 30,91 2	6,299,243	68,331	1.10%
Improvem ent of Instruction & Professional				
D e vel o p m e n t	3,121,302	3,254,521	133,219	4.27%
A d m i n i s t r a t i o n				
General Administration	1,869,607	1,917,608	48,001	2.57%
School Administration	6,658,140	6,723,278	65,138	0.98%
Business/Technology/Other Support Services	2,412,258	2,406,653	(5,605)	-0.23%
A dm inistration	10,940,005	11,047,539	107,534	0.98%
Operations & Maintenance	12,525,174	12,482,181	(42,993)	-0.34%
Student Transportation	8,979,035	9,160,806	181,771	2.02%
Employee Benefits	24,319,527	24,319,527		0.00%
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	139,746,779	141,843,699	2,096,920	1.50%
CAPITAL OUTLAY	1,500,000	1,500,000	-	0.00%
ADULT SCHOOL - GED/ESL	9,286	9,286	<u> </u>	0.00%
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	141,256,065	143,352,985	2,096,920	1.48%
GRANTS AND ENTITLEMENTS	1,935,715	1,926,350	(9,365)	-0.48%
DEBT SERVICE	10,293,949	10,595,926	301,977	2.93%
GRAND TOTAL	153,485,729	155,875,261	2,389,532	1.56%
Deposit to Emergency Reserve	-	-		
Deposit to Capital Reserve	7 50,000			
Total	\$ 154,235,729	\$ 155,875,261		

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Revenue Sources



REVENUE SOURCES



· .		2008-2009 2009-2010 Approved PROPOSED BUDGET BUDGET		Difference		
		BUDGET	BUDGET		\$	%
Fund Balance General Fund	\$	4,531,980	\$ 5,876,028	ው	1 244 049	20 ((0)
	Φ			\$	1,344,048	29.66%
Debt Service		406,883	622,169		215,286	52.91%
Total Fund Balance	<u></u>	4,938,863	6,498,197	_	1,559,334	31.57%
Local Tax Levy						
General Fund		125,847,774	131,658,364		5,810,590	4.62%
Debt Service		8,223,013	3,127,964		(5,095,049)	-61.96%
Total Local Tax Levy		134,070,787	134,786,328		715,541	0.53%
State Aid						
General Fund		11,094,174	11,094,174		-	0.00%
Debt Service		520,942	624,964		104,022	19.97%
Total State Aid		11,615,116	11,719,138		104,022	0.90%
Miscellaneous						
General Fund		925,248	945,248		20,000	2.16%
Grants and Entitlements		1,935,715	1,926,350		(9,365)	-0.48%
Total Miscellaneous		2,860,963	2,871,598		10,635	0.37%
GRAND TOTAL		153,485,729	155,875,261		2,389,532	1.56%
Deposit to Emergency Reserve		-	-			
Deposit to Capital Reserve made from Tax Levy		-	-			
Deposit to Capital Reserve made from Fund Balance		750,000	<u> </u>			
Total	\$	154,235,729	<u>\$ 155,875,261</u>			

CAPITAL PROJECTS

The 2009-2010 budget includes funding for specific capital projects throughout the state. Projects at nine of the ten district schools, along with projects for technology and maintenance, total \$2,143,480; of this amount, the estimated state share is \$643,480. The Board of Education proposed this list to ensure that district facilities are well maintained.

	CAPITAL OUTLAY PROJE PROPOSED 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR			,				
SCHOOL/SITE	DESCRIPTION		ESTIMATED TOTAL COST		ESTIMATED STATE SHARE		DISTRICT SHARE	
DUTCH NECK	ROOF REPLACEMENT - SHINGLE	\$	180,017	\$	72,007	\$	108,010	
DUTCH NECK	PAVING & LIGHTING - SOUTH LOT REPLACE CEILING TILES & LIGHTING - 2	\$	201,322	\$	80,529	\$	120,793	
J.V.B. WICOFF	CLASSROOMS	\$	67,775	\$	27,110	\$	40,665	
VILLAGE	DRAINAGE CORRECTIONS	\$	25,630	\$	10,252	\$	15,378	
VILLAGE	PAVING RESTORATION	\$	60,433	\$	24,173	\$	36,260	
MILLSTONE RIVER	ROOF - POD B	\$	581,895	\$	232,758	\$	349,137	
MILLSTONE RIVER	FIRE ALARM PANEL REPLACEMENT	\$	45,200	\$	18,080	\$	27,120	
HIGH SCHOOL NORTH	POOL LINING RESTORATION	\$	116,100	\$	46,440	\$	69,660	
HIGH SCHOOL SOUTH	PAVING - ROAD/VISITORS AREA & ENTRANCE/EXIT	\$	125,178	\$	50,071	\$	75,107	
HIGH SCHOOL SOUTH	LITTLE THEATER - CEILING & LIGHTING	\$	205,150	\$	82,060	\$	123,090	
	SUBTOTAL	\$	1,608,700	\$	643,480	\$	965,220	
MILLSTONE RIVER	CARPET REPLACEMENT - HALLWAYS	\$	22,922	\$	-	s	22,922	
MILLSTONE RIVER	CARPET REPLACEMENT - COMMONS	\$	14,717	\$	-	s	14,717	
VILLAGE	CAFETERIA TABLES - REPLACEMENT	\$	70,000	\$	-	s	70,000	
TOWN CENTER	PARAPET WALLS-DRIVIT SURROUNDING CHILLER	\$	40,000	\$	-	\$	40,000	
T.R. GROVER	CARPET - COMMONS	\$	30,650	\$	-	\$	30,650	
COMMUNITY	CARPET - REPLACEMENT (5 CLASSROOMS)	\$	20,995	\$	-	\$	20,995	
COMMUNITY	EPDM ROOF CONNECTING CORRIDOR REPLACEMENT	\$	35,000	\$	-	\$	35,000	
COMMUNITY	CARPET - REPLACEMENT (BACK ENTRACE)	\$	8,000	\$	-	\$	8,000	
HIGH SCHOOL NORTH	TENNIS COURTS - REPAIR/RESURFACE	\$	210,496	\$	-	\$	210,496	
HIGH SCHOOL NORTH	PARKING LOT - SPEED BUMPS	\$	6,000	\$	-	\$	6,000	
HIGH SCHOOL SOUTH	CARPET - STAIRWELLS/TEACHERS WORK AREA	\$	7,000	\$	-	\$	7,000	
	SUBTOTAL	\$	465,780	_\$	-	\$	465,780	
DISTRICT	EQUIPMENT-DISTRICT WIDE	\$	44,000	\$	-	\$	44,000	
TECHNOLOGY	EQUIPMENT-TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES	\$	25,000	\$	-	\$	25,000	
	TOTAL	\$	2,143,480	` \$	643,480	\$	1,500,000	

The Referendum construction projects are coming to a successful close. Work on the pool project at High School South will commence this summer bringing completion to the referendum.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

We want to share with you some important information about finances for the district. The first concerns the district audit and the second item is about our financial rating.

Each year, the district undergoes an audit, and the results are presented in a public format at a meeting of the Board of Education. An audit covers the activities of the Board of Education, the financial transactions of the Board Secretary/Business Administrator, and the Treasurer of School Monies, and the records of the various funds under the auspices of the Board of Education.

This year, Wiss and Company, LLP, auditors, clearly stated that from the two analyses performed (a comprehensive annual financial report and a report on district compliance with state law and regulation) the district, once again, is in excellent condition. The auditors commended the district for its financial work adding that there were no material weaknesses, no significant deficiencies, and no repeat findings. In addition, auditor Scott Clelland congratulated the district on the savings it accomplished in refinancing debt, on the recovery of \$4 million owed by the state, and the payoff of a certificate of participation, as well as on its prudent decisions it made to allocate funds to the emergency, capital, and maintenance reserves.

The state of New Jersey measures all public school districts in five areas (instruction and Program; Fiscal Management; Personnel; Governance; and Operations), and in all areas, including Fiscal Management, WW-P Regional School District has been highly successful.

What does it take for a public school district to make the highest financial rating - 'AAA' - that can be awarded? According to Standard & Poor, "school districts with the 'AAA' general obligation rating are as rare as the student who asks for more homework. Of the thousands of U.S. districts, a mere 26 are in this very exclusive club."

In New Jersey, there are only 2 public school districts in this category. WW-P was awarded a 'AAA' rating, which shows that we "demonstrate the ability to manage through all economic cycles" and have managed well, including "conservative budgeting, ... strong fiscal policies, ... and manageable debt burdens and strong capital planning profiles."

LOCAL SCHOOL TAX IMPACT

		<u>Plainsbor</u>	<u>o</u>	<u>West Win</u>	dsor
Property					
<u>Tax Year</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>%</u> *	<u>\$</u>	<u>%*</u>
2009	\$134,631,928	\$53,587,326	39.8%	\$81,044,602	60.2%
2008	127,988,585	49,855,627	39.0%	78,132,959	61.0%
2007	128,640,977	52,960,598	41.2%	75,680,379	58.8%
2006	124,668,744	53,098,772	42.6%	71,569,972	57.4%
2005	119,541,502	51,350,195	43.0%	68,191,307	57.0%
2004	114,018,356	47,086,199	41.3%	66,932,157	58.7%
2003	108,759,338	42,450,468	39.0%	66,308,870	61.0%
2002	102,974,046	39,645,557	38.5%	63,328,489	61.5%

Municipal Share By Calendar Year

*Local property taxes are calculated and collected on a calendar year basis, while the school district fiscal budget is funded over two calendar years.

<u>Calendar Year</u>	Equalized Valuation		Enrollment	t Percentage*	
	<u>Plainsboro</u>	West Windsor	<u>Plainsboro</u>	West Windsor	
2008	37.7%	62.3%	41.5%	58.5%	
2007	37.8%	62.2%	41.7%	58.3%	
2006	40.4%	59.6%	41.6%	58.4%	
2005	42.2%	57.8%	42.5%	57.5%	
2004	43.1%	56.9%	42.3%	57.7%	
2003	42.8%	57.2%	42.0%	58.0%	
2002	39.3%	60.7%	42.1%	57.9%	
2001	38.6%	61.4%	41.0%	59.0%	

*As of October 15.

As a result of a recent referendum, student enrollment has replaced equalized valuation as the basis for allocating the township's share of the local tax levy. This change becomes effective with the 2009-2010 budget.

Tax Rate*						
<u>Plainsboro</u>	West Windsor					
\$1.45	\$1.30					
1.36	1.25					
1.44	1.20					
1.45	1.14					
1.41	2.56					
2.29	2.54					
2.01	2.56					
1.92	2.52					
1.93	2.39					
	Plainsboro \$1.45 1.36 1.44 1.45 1.41 2.29 2.01 1.92					

*Per \$100 of assessed value.

LOCAL SCHOOL TAX IMPACT

School Year Budget

General Fund Grants and Entitlements	\$ _.	143,352,985 1,926,350		
Debt Service Fund		10,595,926		\$ 155,875,261
Less:				
Fund Balance Utilized	\$	6,498,197		
Grants & Miscellaneous Revenue		2,871,598		
State Aid		11,719,138		21,088,933
Local Real Estate Taxes for School Year 2009-2010			x	\$ 134,786,328

Calculation of School Taxes needed from each Municipality *

	School Y	School Year 2008-09		School Year 2009-10		
	Percentage Share**	Balance Due Tax Levy	Percentage Share**	Current Portion Tax Levy	REQUIRED In 2009	
Plainsboro	37.82%	\$23,686,880	41.53%	\$29,900,445	\$53,587,326	
West Wind sor	62.18%	\$38,943,841	58.47%	\$42,100,761	\$81,044,602	
		\$62,630,721		\$72,001,207	\$134,631,928	
		Ta	<u>x Year Compariso</u>	<u>n</u>		
		TAX YEA R 2008	TAX YEAR 2009	\$ INCREASE		
	Plain sboro	\$49,855,627	\$53,587,326	\$3,731,699		
	West Windsor	\$78,132,959	\$81,044,602	\$2,911,643		
		\$127,988,586	\$134,631,928	\$6,643,342		

* The school district operates on a fiscal year while local property taxes are calculated and collected on a calendar year basis.

Tax Rate Information						
	2009 Assessment	Prior Year Tax Rate 2008	Proposed Tax Rate 2009	\$ Increase (Decrease)		
Plainsboro	\$3,705,779,767	\$1.36	\$1.45	\$0.09		
West Windsor	\$6,217,315,419	\$1.25	\$1.30	\$0.05		

** Basis of Tax Allocation to Townships

	Equalized Value	Enrollment
	TAX YEAR 2007	TAX YEAR 2008
Pl ain sbor o	\$3,783,419,991	4,097
West Windsor	\$6,220,359,254	5,768

In prior years, local school taxes were allocated using equalized real estate values. As a result of a recent voter mandate, enrollment replaced equalized values as the allocation basis beginning with the 2009-10 school year.

Class of 2008 College Attendance

This listing of college choices indicates (in parentheses) the number of students attending based upon where the final transcript was mailed.

Adelphi College (1) Albright College (1) Allegheny College (1) American University (2) Arcadia University (2) Arizona State University (1) Bard College (1) Barnard College (2) Baruch College (1) Bentley College (1) Berklee College of Music (1) Binghamton University (2) Boston College (3) Boston University (12) Brigham Young Univ. (1) Brookdale Comm.College (1) Brown University (3) Bucknell College (2) Cabrini College (3) Carnegie Mellon (10) Case Western Reserve (3) Catholic University (1) City College (1) Clark Atlanta University (1) Clark University (1) Clemson University (1) Coastal Carolina Univ. (2) Colgate University (1) College of Charleston (1) College, William & Mary (2) Columbia University (4) Community College of Philadelphia (1) Cooper Union (2) Cornell University (18) Denison University (1) DePaul University (1) DeSales University (1) DeVry University (2) Drew University (1) Drexel University (11) Duke University (4) Earlham College (1) East Stroudsburg Univ. (1) Eastman School of Music (1) Elon University (3) Embry-Riddle-AZ(1) Embry-Riddle-FL (1) Emory University (4) Fairfield University (1)

Fairleigh Dickinson University (4) Fairleigh Dickinson University-Madison (1) Florida Institute of Technology (1) Fordham University (3) Furman University (2) Gallaudet University (1) George Mason College (1) George Washington Univ. (8) Georgetown University (7) Gettysburg College (2) Gloucester Community College (1)Goucher College (2) Grove City College (1) Harding University (1) Hartwick College (1) High Point University (2) Hofstra University (1) Howard University (1) Hunter College (1) Illinois Wesleyan Univ. (1) Indiana University (8) Ithaca College (1) James Madison Univ. (7) Johns Hopkins University (4) Johnson & Wales Univ. (1) Kean University (2) Keio University (1) King's College (1) Kutztown University (1) La Salle University (1) Lafayette College (3) Lasell College (1) Lebanon Valley College (1) Lehigh University (10) Lincoln University (1) Lock Haven University (1) Lone Star College (1) Long Island University (1) Loyola College (4) Lynchburg College (1) Lynn University (1) Manhattan College (1) Manhattanville College (1) Manipal University (1) Marist College (1) Marymount Manhattan College (1)

Marywood University (1) Massachusetts Inst. of Technology (6) McGill University (2) Mercer County Community College (40) Mercy College (1) Methodist University (1) Michigan State University (1) Middlesex County Community College (2)Mitchell College (1) Monmouth University (3) Montana State University (1) Montclair State University (4) Moravian College (1) Morgan State University (2) Muhlenberg College (1) National Institute of Fashion Technology (1) Neumann College (1) New Jersey City University (1) New Jersey Institute of Technology (4) New York University (17) Normandale Comm. College (1) Northeastern University (2) Northern Arizona College (1) Northern Michigan College (1) Northwestern University (6) Oberlin Conservatory (1) Ohio Northern University (1) Parsons School of Design (1) Penn State-Abington (1) Penn State-Altoona (2) Penn State-Harrisburg (1) Penn State-Schuylkill (1) Penn State-University Park (17) Pensacola Christian College (1) Philadelphia University (4) Plymouth State University (1) Pomona College (1) Pratt Institute (1) Princeton University (7) Providence College (2) Purdue University (2) Quinnipiac University (2) Reed College (2) Rensselaer Polytechnic (1) Rider University (10) Rochester Inst. of Technology (1) Rollins College (1) Rowan University (4) Rutgers-Camden (5) Rutgers-New Brunswick (92) Rutgers-Newark (3) Saddleback College (1) Saint Joseph's University (1) Saint Peter's College (1) Salisbury University (2) Sarah Lawrence College (1) Savannah College of Art & Design (1) School of Visual Arts (1) Seton Hall University (2) Shaw University (1) Sheridan College Inst. of Technology (1) Shippensburg University (1) Simmons College (1) Southern New Hampshire University (1) St. John's University (2) Stevens Inst. Technology (2) Stonehill College (1) Stony Brook University (1) Suffolk University (1) SUNY-Albany (1) SUNY-Geneseo (1) Susquehanna University (3) Syracuse University (4) **TCNJ** (13) Temple University (6) The Art Institute of Philadelphia (1)

The Citadel (1) The College of Wooster (1) The Culinary Institute of America (1) The Ohio State University (1) Towson University (3) Trinity College (1) Tufts University (1) Tulane University (2) Union County College (1) University of Alabama (1) University of Arizona (1) University of California-Los Angeles (1) University of California-San Diego (1) University of Chicago (1) University of Colorado (2) University of Connecticut (3) University of Delaware (12) University of Hartford (3) University of Hawaii (1) University of Illinois-Chicago (1) University of Illinois-Urbana Champaign (10) University of Maryland-College Park (8) University of Massachusetts-Amherst (2) University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth (1) University of Miami (5) University of Michigan (5)

University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill (1) University of North Carolina-Charlotte (1) University of North Dakota (1) University of Oklahoma (1) University of Pennsylvania (7) University of Pittsburgh (7) University of Puget Sound (1) University of Rhode Island (4) University of Rochester (2) University of the Sciences (7) University of South Carolina (1) University of Southern California (2)University of St. Andrews (1) University of the Arts (1) University of the Sciences (7) University of Toronto (1) University of Virginia (2) University of Western Ontario (1) University of Wisconsin (2) Ursinus College (2) Vassar College (2) Virginia Polytechnic (3) Villanova University (8) Wagner College (1) Wake Forest University (1) Washington University-St. Louis (3)Wesley College (1) West Chester University (4) West Virginia University (1) William Paterson University (4)

WHAT IS MY TAX IMPACT?

As you know, the township governments in Plainsboro and West Windsor collect taxes and distribute the collected monies to the appropriate agencies. The townships collect varying amounts of money for a variety of reasons, including the size of the population, services offered, and needs of the individual communities.

In the past, taxes were allocated to the two townships based upon equalized valuations of properties in the two municipalities. Every year, the state of New Jersey publishes the total market value of properties in each municipality. This information is known as the "Equalized Valuation." Equalized valuations are based on a long-established process of actual sale prices, and are recomputed annually. In essence, this complex formula for a regionalized school district is based upon property assessment and tax ratios.

Three years ago, registered voters in Plainsboro Township and West Windsor Township approved a new method to use to allocate school taxes for our regional school district. For the 2009-2010 proposed budget, townships now will allocate taxes on a per-pupil basis, which would have each township pay its share for the exact number of students living in each township. The proposal, which was approved by registered voters and had the support of township officials, resulted from relative changes in real estate values and should lessen the yearly tax fluctuation in each township.

As a school district that crosses county lines, we work with Mercer County and Middlesex County, and the financial support of the schools come from both Plainsboro Township and West Windsor Township.

COMPARATIVE PER-PUPIL SPENDING MERCER COUNTY DISTRICTS

Total Comparative Per Pupil Cost

Advertised Budgets* March 2009

• •	2004-05 Actual	2005-06 Actual	2006-07 <u>Actual</u>	2007-08 <u>Actual</u>	2008-09 <u>Original</u>	2009-10 Proposed	Average Annual Increase
East Windsor	\$10,483	\$11,314	\$11,760	\$12,830	\$13,390	\$13,056	4.5%
Ewing	\$10,040	\$10,461	\$10,785	\$11,866	\$12,717	\$13,468	6.1%
Hamilton	\$8,707	\$9,083	\$9,564	\$9,876	\$10,979	\$11,587	5.9%
Hopewell Valley	\$11,810	\$12,055	\$12,588	\$13,783	\$14,391	\$15,067	5.0%
Lawrence	\$10,649	\$11,516	\$12,963	\$13,912	\$15,494	\$15,346	7.6%
Princeton	\$13,003	\$14,098	\$14,743	\$15,961	\$17,290	\$17,421	6.0%
Robbinsville	\$9,048	\$10,436	\$10,399	\$10,112	\$10,249	\$10,747	3.5%
Trenton	\$14,202	\$15,775	\$16,239	\$16,379	\$16,532	\$16,481	3.0%
West Windsor-Plainsboro	\$11,122	\$11,302	\$11,533	\$12,446	\$12,788	\$13,045	3.2%

* Budgets as advertised in local newspapers.

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ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION

APRIL 21, 2009

7:00 AM – 9:00 PM

West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District 505 Village Road West Princeton Junction, NJ 08550



Board of Education

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Mission Statement

The mission of the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District, valuing our tradition of excellence, is to develop all of our students as passionate, confident, lifelong learners who have competence and strength of character to realize their aspirations and thoughtfully contribute to a diverse and changing world.

Core Values

- We believe that continuous learning is essential for individual fulfillment and for the advancement of society.
- We believe that every individual has intrinsic worth.
- We believe that embracing diversity enriches and empowers our community.
- We believe that honesty, integrity, and trust are cornerstones for continuing excellence.
- We believe that people reach their highest potential when challenged to believe it is possible.
- We believe that openness to change is essential to progress and future viability.

04/02/2009

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Advertised Enrollments

ENROLLMENT CATEGORY	October 15, 2007 Actual	October 15, 2008 Actual	October 15, 2009 Estimated
Pupils on Roll Regular Full-Time	8678	8764	8764
Pupils on Roll Regular Shared-Time	12	15	
Pupils on Roll - Special Full-Time	983	964	937
Pupils on Roll - Special Shared-Time	14	17	17
Private School Placements	59	61	75
Pupils Sent to Contracted Preschool Prog	7		
Pupils Sent to Other Districts-Reg Prog	6	5	5
Pupils Sent to Other Dists-Spec Ed Prog	69	69	78
Pupils Received	13	14	14

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Budget Category	Account	2007-08 Actual	2008-09 Revised	2009-10 Anticipated
OPERATING BUDGET Budgeted Fund Balance - Operating Budget	10-303	Actual	4,531,980	-
Budgeted Fund Bal - Deposit to Capital Reserve	10-303		726,915	
Withdraw from Cap Res-Excess Cost & Oth Cap Prj	10-309		1,000,000	1,850,000
Revenues from Local Sources: Local Tax Levy	10-1210	121,446,431	125,847,774	131,658,364
Tuition	10-1300	480,269	421,440	623,385
Interest Earned on Current Expense Emergency Res	10-1XXX			967
Interest Earned on Maintenance Reserve Interest Earned on Capital Reserve Funds	10-1XXX 10-1XXX		23,085	2,518 19,500
Other Restricted Miscellaneous Revenues	10-1XXX		185,248	85,248
Unrestricted Miscellaneous Revenues	10-1XXX	1,444,597	318,560	198,831
SUBTOTAL		123,371,297	126,796,107	132,588,813
Revenues from State Sources:		000.054		
Core Curriculum Standards Aid Transportation Aid	10-3111 10-3120	309,051 2,562,507		
Special Education Aid	10-3120	4,926,422		
Bilingual Education	10-3140	265,208		
Stabilization Aid	10-3171	836,290		400.404
Extraordinary Aid Consolidated Aid	10-3131 10-3195	404,284 568,119	403,431	403,431
Additional Formula Aid	10-3195	576,577		
Other State Aids	10-3XXX	58,173		
Categorical Special Education Aid	10-3132		5,222,554	5,418,710
Equalization Aid Categorical Security Aid	10-3176 10-3177		1,963,342 697,354	871,102 716,984
Categorical Transportation Aid	10-3121		2,807,493	3,683,947
SUBTOTAL		10,506,631	11,094,174	11,094,174
Revenues from Federal Sources:				
Medicaid Reimbursement	10-4200			37,784
SUBTOTAL Adjustment for Prior Year Encumbrances			2,057,758	37,784
Actual Revenues (Over)/Under Expenditures		-3,523,615	2,037,730	
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET		130,354,313	146,206,934	151,446,799
GRANTS AND ENTITLEMENTS	0.0 11000	261 040	477 105	5.6 000
Revenues from Local Sources	20-1XXX	361,249	477,105	56,002
Revenues from State Sources: Other Restricted Entitlements	20-32XX	112,366	120,247	46,067
TOTAL REVENUES FROM STATE SOURCES	20 5244	112,366	120,247	46,067
Revenues from Federal Sources:				
Title I	20-4411-4416	175,188	199,011	144,511
I.D.E.A. Part B (Handicapped)	20-4420-4429	1,575,763	3,221,133	1,452,230
Adult Basic Education Other	20-4440 20-4xxx	357,531	55,000 255,123	46,750 180,790
TOTAL REVENUES FROM FEDERAL SOURCES	20 HAAA	2,108,482	3,730,267	
TOTAL GRANTS AND ENTITLEMENTS		2,582,097	4,327,619	1,926,350
REPAYMENT OF DEBT	40.000		406 000	600 160
Budgeted Fund Balance Transfers from Other Funds	40-303 40-5200	2,394,826	406,883	622,169
Transfers from Capital Reserve	40-5210	_,,	1,143,111	6,220,829
Revenues from Local Sources:				
Local Tax Levy	40-1210	8,653,109	8,223,013	3,127,964
TOTAL REVENUES FROM LOCAL SOURCES		8,653,109	8,223,013	3,127,964
Revenues from State Sources: Debt Service Aid Type II	40-3160	36,144	520,942	624,964
TOTAL LOCAL REPAYMENT OF DEBT	10 2100	11,084,079	10,293,949	10,595,926
Actual Revenues (Over)/Under Expenditures		-559,175		
TOTAL REPAYMENT OF DEBT		10,524,904	10,293,949	
TOTAL REVENUES/SOURCES		143,461,314	160,828,502	163,969,075

DEDUCT REVENUES INCLUDED IN MULTIPLE FUNDS DUE TO TRANSFERS:

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ransfers from Capital Reserve	40-5210		1,143,111	6,220,829
OTAL REVENUES/SOURCES NET OF TRANSFERS		143,461,314	159,685,391	157,748,246
	W WINDSOR-PLAINSB			
	ised Appropriation		2008-09	2000 10
Budget Category	Account	2007-08 Expenditures		2009-10 propriations
NERAL CURRENT EXPENSE struction:				
gular Programs	11-1XX-100-XXX	43,500,106	45,577,322	46,672,636
ecial Education	11-2XX-100-XXX	9,659,912	10,547,642	11,229,723
sic Skills/Remedial lingual Education	11-230-100-XXX 11-240-100-XXX	1,854,914 1,219,288	2,252,320 1,326,511	2,280,030 1,285,930
hool-Spon. Co/Extra-Curr. Activities	11-401-100-XXX	851,065	740,029	684,415
hool Sponsored Athletics pport Services:	11-402-100-XXX	1,683,449	1,796,917	1,747,624
ition	11-000-100-XXX	5,830,736	6,224,944	6,016,335
alth Services	11-000-213-XXX	1,395,419	1,459,046	1,456,362
eech, OT, PT, Related & Extraordinary Services idance	11-000-216,217 11-000-218-XXX	2,150,363 2,944,418	2,273,137 3,173,133	2,045,091 3,228,050
ild Study Teams	11-000-219-XXX	3,043,557	3,210,943	3,308,018
provement of Instructional Services	11-000-221-XXX	2,365,235	2,545,308	2,542,228
ucational Media Services – School Library structional Staff Training Services	11-000-222-XXX 11-000-223-XXX	1,553,288 591,780	1,584,298 707,414	1,614,831 712,293
neral Administration	11-000-230-XXX	1,786,210	2,048,199	1,917,608
hool Administration ntral Svcs & Admin Info Technology	11-000-240-XXX	5,954,365	6,622,300	6,723,277
ntral Svcs & Admin Info lechnology terest Earned on Maintenance Reserve	11-000-25X-XXX 10-606	1,776,802	2,406,175	2,406,653 2,518
eration and Maintenance of Plant Services	11-000-26X-XXX	11,521,900	12,556,412	12,482,181
udent Transportation Services terest Earned on Current Expense Emergency Res	11-000-270-XXX 10-607	8,127,873	8,983,407	9,160,806 967
rsonal Services - Employee Benefits	11-XXX-XXX-2XX	18,159,528	24,321,027	24,319,527
tal Support Services Expenditures		67,201,474	78,115,743	77,933,260
TAL GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE		125,970,208	140,356,484	141,837,103
PITAL EXPENDITURES	40.57			
posit to Capital Reserve terest Earned on Capital Reserve	10-604 10-604		726,915 23,085	19,500
uipment	12-XXX-XXX-73X	388,041	214,764	69,000
cilities Acquisition and Construction Services	12-000-4XX-XXX	1,143,410	2,723,596	3,281,000
pital Reserve-Transfer to Capital Expend Fund pital Reserve-Transfer to Repayment of Debt	12-000-4XX-931 12-000-4XX-933	1,000,000 1,772,657	1,000,000 1,143,111	6,220,829
TAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	12 000 4AA 995	4,304,108	5,831,471	9,590,329
ECIAL SCHOOLS				
ccredited Evening/Adult High School/Post-Graduate:				
apport Services	13-601-200-XXX		9,286	
tal Accredited Evening/Adult HS/Post-Grad. ult Education - Local:			9,286	
struction	13-602-100-XXX			9,286
pport Services tal Adult Education - Local	13-602-200-XXX	10,428		9,286
TAL SPECIAL SCHOOLS		10,428	9,286	9,286
ansfer of Funds to Charter Schools	10-000-100-56X	69,569	9,693	10,081
ERATING BUDGET GRAND TOTAL		130,354,313	146,206,934	151,446,799
ECIAL GRANTS AND ENTITLEMENTS		261.040	477 105	56,000
cal Projects her State Projects:	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	361,249	477,105	56,002
npublic Textbooks	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	6,277	15,557	5,882
npublic Auxiliary Services	20-XXX-XXX-XXX 20-XXX-XXX-XXX	14,274	33,095	28,131
npublic Handicapped Services npublic Nursing Services	20-XXX-XXX-XXX 20-XXX-XXX-XXX	5,880 9,495	20,999	28,131 7,940
npublic Technology Initiative	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	3,951	10,880	4,114
ult Education her Special Projects	20-XXX-XXX-XXX 20-XXX-XXX-XXX	72,489	7,007 32,709	
tal State Projects	20-444-444	112,366	32,709 120,247	46,067
deral Projects:				
tle I D.E.A. Part B (Handicapped)	20-XXX-XXX-XXX 20-XXX-XXX-XXX	175,188 1,575,763	199,011 3,221,133	144,511 1,452,230
ult Basic Education	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	1,010,100	55,000	46,750
her Special Projects	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	357,531	255,123	180,790
tal Federal Projects TAL GRANTS AND ENTITLEMENTS		2,108,482 2,582,097	3,730,267 4,327,619	1,824,281 1,926,350
		_, 302, 697	-, -= -, -= -	, , 500
PAYMENT OF DEBT payment of Debt - Regular	40-701-510-XXX	10,524,904	10,293,949	10,595,926
TAL REPAYMENT OF DEBT		10,524,904	10,293,949	10,595,926
tal Expenditures		143,461,314	160,828,502	163,969,075
DUCT EXPENDITURES INCLUDED IN MULTIPLE FUNDS DUE :				
cal Contrib-Transfer to Grants & Entitlements		1 770 657	1 1/10 111	6 220 820
pital Reserve - Transfer to Repayment of Debt	12-000-400-933	1,772,657	1,143,111	6,220,829
TAL EXPENDITURES NET OF TRANSFERS		141,688,657	159,685,391	157,748,246
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Advertised Reca	pitulation of Bala	nce		
	Audited	Audited	Estimate	
dget Category	Balance 6/30/2007	Balance 6/30/2008	Balance 6/30/200	
-jaccycrj	5, 50, 2001	0/00/2000	0/00/200	0/30/

Unreserved:

User Friendly budget

General Operating Budget Repayment of Debt	3,285,886 469,877	3,746,963 1,029,052	4,020,048 622,169	2,882,984 0
Reserved for Specific Purposes:				
General Operating Budget:				
Capital Reserve	1,577,316	3,891,429	3,641,429	1,810,929
Adult Education Programs	0	0	0	0
Maintenance Reserve	0	501,143	501,143	503,661
Legal Reserve	9,084,018	9,270,944	4,738,964	0
Tuition Reserve	0	0	0	0
Current Expense Emergency Reserve	0	999,033	999,033	1,000,000
Reserved for Repayment of Debt	0	0	0	0

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Advertised Per Pupil Cost Calculations

	2009 - 2010				
	2006-07 Actual	2007-08 Actual	2008-09 Original Budget	2008-09 Revised Budget	2009-2010 Proposed Budget
Per Pupil Cost Calculations:	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Total Comparative Per Pupil Cost	11533	11609	12788	12845	13045
Total Classroom Instruction	7023	7067	7758	7770	7996
Classroom-Salaries and Benefits	6756	6828	7551	7545	7771
Classroom-General Supplies and Textbooks	231	197	158	181	179
Classroom-Purchased Services and Other	35	42	49	44	46
Total Support Services	1704	1740	1885	1907	1907
Support Services-Salaries and Benefits	1560	1567	1721	1712	1733
Total Administrative Costs	1236	1144	1341	1353	1352
Administration-Salaries and Benefits	954	868	1003	995	1000
Total Operations and Maintenance of Plant	1231	1324	1460	1462	1452
Operations & Maintenance of Plant-Salary & Ben.	712	714	799	798	778
Total Food Services Costs				0	0
Total Extracurricular Costs	308	306	307	313	300
Total Equipment Costs	60	40	9	22	7
Employee Benefits as a % of Salaries	25.7	22.2	27.8	27.8	27.3

The information presented in columns 1 through 3 as well as the related descriptions of the per pupil cost calculations are contained in the 2009 Comparative Spending Guide and can be found on the Department of Education's Internet address: http://www.state.nj.us/ education under Finance, when available. This publication is available in the board office and public libraries. The same calculations were performed using the 2008-09 revised appropriations and 2009-10 budgeted appropriations presented in this advertised budget. Total Comparative Per Pupil Cost is defined as current expense exclusive of tuition expenditures, transportation, residential costs, and judgments against the school district. For all years, it also includes the restricted entitlement aids. With the exception of Total Equipment Cost, each of the other per pupil cost calculations presented is a component of the total comparative per pupil cost, although all components are not shown.

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22a. Estimated Tax Rate Information

A. Estimated 09-10 School Tax Rate

PLAINSBORO TOWNSHIP

WITHOUT REPAYMENT OF DEBT OR ADJUSTMENTS General Fund School Levy Estimated Net Taxable Valuation (as of 10/01/2008) 3, Estimated 09-10 General Fund School Tax Rate=(A)/(B)X100	51,382,872 681,690,898 1.3956	(B)
WITH REPAYMENT OF DEBT AND ADJUSTMENTS		
Total School Levy Estimated Net Taxable Valuation (as of 10/01/2008) 3, Estimated 09-10 Total School Tax Rate=(D)/(E)X100	53,587,326 681,690,898 1.4555	(E)
B. Estimated 09-10 Equalized School Tax Rate		
PLAINSBORO TOWNSHIP		
WITHOUT REPAYMENT OF DEBT OR ADJUSTMENTS General Fund School Levy Estimated Equalized Valuation (as of 10/01/2008) 3, Estimated 09-10 Equalized General Fund School Tax Rate=(G)/(H)X100	51,382,872 759,749,719 1.3667	(H)
WITH REPAYMENT OF DEBT AND ADJUSTMENTS		
Total School Levy Estimated Equalized Valuation (as of 10/01/2008) 3, Estimated 09-10 Equalized Total School Tax Rate=(J)/(K)X100	53,587,326 759,749,719 1.4253	(K)

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22a. Estimated Tax Rate Information

A. Estimated 09-10 School Tax Rate

WEST WINDSOR TWP

WITHOUT REPAYMENT OF DEBT OR ADJUSTME General Fund School Levy Estimated Net Taxable Valuation (as c Estimated 09-10 General Fund School 1	of 10/01/2008)	77,573,568 6,239,377,281 1.2433	(B)
WITH REPAYMENT OF DEBT AND ADJUSTMENT	ſS		
Total School Levy 81,044,602 Estimated Net Taxable Valuation (as of 10/01/2008) 6,239,377,281 Estimated 09-10 Total School Tax Rate=(D)/(E)X100 1.2989			(E)
B. Estimated 09-10 Equalized School T	ſax Rate		
WEST WINDSOR TWP			
WITHOUT REPAYMENT OF DEBT OR ADJUSTME General Fund School Levy Estimated Equalized Valuation (as of	10/01/2008)	77,573,568 6,210,264,902	
Estimated 09-10 Equalized General Fur Tax Rate=(G)	1.2491	(I)	
WITH REPAYMENT OF DEBT AND ADJUSTMENT	rs		
Total School Levy Estimated Equalized Valuation (as of Estimated 09-10 Equalized Total Schoo Tax Rate=(J)/(K)X10	ol	81,044,602 6,210,264,902 1.3050	(K)
MERCER - W 17. Salaries and Benefits of Certair	V WINDSOR-PLAINSBORO 1 District Employees	REG	
Name Job Title	Victoria Kniewel Superintendent		
Base Annual Salary FTE Shared with Another District?	186,160 1 N		
Contract Terms: Beginning Date of Contract Ending Date of Contract Annual Work Days	07/01/2008 06/30/2009 245		
Annual Vacation Days Annual Sick Days Annual Personal Days	22 15 3		
Annual Consulting Days Other Non-working days Description-Other Non-working Days	0 3 Floaters		
Benefits: Allowances	5,826		
	0,020		

Benefits:	
Allowances	5,826
Bonuses	0
Stipends	0
District Contributions above Teacher am	
Health Insurance	0
Dental Insurance	0
Life Insurance Other Insurances	0
Retirement Plans	0
Recifement Fians	0
Post-Employment Benefits	0
Description of:	
Buyback of Sick Days	
Buyback of Vac. Days	
Buyback of Personal Days	
Other Post-Emp. Benefits	
Other Post-Emp. Benefits	
Other Post-Emp. Benefits	
In-Kind and Other Remuneration	0
Description of:	
Annual Buyback of Sick Days Annual Buyback of Vac. Days	
Annual Buyback of Personal Days	
All Other In-Kind/Remuneration	

Additional Comments

MERCER - W 17. Salaries and Benefits of Certain	WINDSOR-PLAINSBORO REG District Employees
Name Job Title	Larry Shanok Assistant Superintendent
Base Annual Salary FTE Shared with Another District? Contract Terms: Beginning Date of Contract Ending Date of Contract Annual Work Days Annual Vacation Days Annual Sick Days Annual Personal Days Annual Consulting Days Other Non-working days Description-Other Non-working Days	160,245 1 N 07/01/2008 06/30/2009 245 22 14 3 0 3 Floaters
Benefits: Allowances Bonuses Stipends District Contributions above Teacher Health Insurance Dental Insurance Life Insurance Other Insurances Retirement Plans	2,836 0 amount for: 0 0 0 0
Post-Employment Benefits Description of: Buyback of Sick Days Buyback of Vac. Days Buyback of Personal Days Other Post-Emp. Benefits Other Post-Emp. Benefits Other Post-Emp. Benefits	0
In-Kind and Other Remuneration Description of: Annual Buyback of Sick Days Annual Buyback of Vac. Days Annual Buyback of Personal Days All Other In-Kind/Remuneration	0

MERCER - W	WINDSOR-PLAINSBORO REG
17. Salaries and Benefits of Certain	
Name	Tom Smith
Job Title	Assistant Superintendent
Base Annual Salary FTE	140,500 1
Shared with Another District? Contract Terms:	N
Beginning Date of Contract	07/01/2008
Ending Date of Contract	06/30/2009
Annual Work Days	245
Annual Vacation Days	22
Annual Sick Days	14
Annual Personal Days	3
Annual Consulting Days	0
Other Non-working days	3
Description-Other Non-working Days	Floaters
Benefits:	
Allowances	3,835
Bonuses	0
Stipends	0
District Contributions above Teacher	amount for:
Health Insurance	0
Dental Insurance	0
Life Insurance	0
Other Insurances	0
Retirement Plans	0
Post-Employment Benefits Description of:	0
Buyback of Sick Days	
Buyback of Vac. Days	
Buyback of Personal Days	
Other Post-Emp. Benefits	
Other Post-Emp. Benefits	
Other Post-Emp. Benefits	
In-Kind and Other Remuneration	0

Description of: Annual Buyback of Sick Days Annual Buyback of Vac. Days Annual Buyback of Personal Days All Other In-Kind/Remuneration

Additional Comments

MERCER - W WINDSOR-PLAINSBORO REG 17. Salaries and Benefits of Certain District Employees Name Steve Mayer Job Title Assistant Superintendent Base Annual Salary 145,600 FTE Shared with Another District? Ν Contract Terms: Beginning Date of Contract Ending Date of Contract 07/01/2008 06/30/2009 Annual Work Days Annual Vacation Days 245 22 Annual Sick Days 14 Annual Personal Davs 3 Annual Consulting Days 0 Other Non-working days Description-Other Non-working Days Floaters Benefits: 5,235 Allowances Bonuses Stipends 0 District Contributions above Teacher amount for: Health Insurance 0 Dental Insurance 0 Life Insurance 0 Other Insurances Retirement Plans 0 0 0 Post-Employment Benefits Description of: Buyback of Sick Days Buyback of Vac. Days Buyback of Personal Days Other Post-Emp. Benefits Other Post-Emp. Benefits Other Post-Emp. Benefits In-Kind and Other Remuneration 0 Description of: Annual Buyback of Sick Days Annual Buyback of Vac. Days Annual Buyback of Personal Days All Other In-Kind/Remuneration

Additional Comments

MERCER - W WINDSOR-PLAINSBORO REG 17. Salaries and Benefits of Certain District Employees Name Lawrence LoCastro Job Title Other Base Annual Salary 109,200 FTE 1 Shared with Another District? Ν Contract Terms: ontract Terms: Beginning Date of Contract Ending Date of Contract Annual Work Days Annual Vacation Days 07/01/2008 06/30/2009 245 22 Annual Sick Days 14 Annual Personal Days Annual Consulting Days 3 0 Other Non-working days Description-Other Non-working Days Floaters Benefits: 915 Allowances Bonuses 0 Stipends 0 District Contributions above Teacher amount for: Health Insurance 0 Dental Insurance 0 Life Insurance 0 Other Insurances 0

Retirement Plans	0
Post-Employment Benefits	0
Description of: Buyback of Sick Days Buyback of Vac. Days Buyback of Personal Days Other Post-Emp. Benefits Other Post-Emp. Benefits Other Post-Emp. Benefits	
In-Kind and Other Remuneration Description of: Annual Buyback of Sick Days Annual Buyback of Vac. Days Annual Buyback of Personal Days All Other In-Kind/Remuneration	0

MERCER - W 17. Salaries and Benefits of Certain	WINDSOR-PLAINSBORO REG District Employees
Name Job Title	Alicia Boyko Other
Base Annual Salary FTE Shared with Another District? Contract Terms: Beginning Date of Contract Ending Date of Contract Annual Work Days	101,564 1 N 07/01/2008 06/30/2009 245
Annual Vacation Days Annual Sick Days Annual Personal Days Annual Consulting Days Other Non-working days Description-Other Non-working Days	22 14 3 0 3
Benefits: Allowances Bonuses Stipends District Contributions above Teacher Health Insurance Dental Insurance Life Insurance Other Insurances Retirement Plans	1,835 0 amount for: 0 0 0 0
Post-Employment Benefits Description of: Buyback of Sick Days Buyback of Vac. Days Buyback of Personal Days Other Post-Emp. Benefits Other Post-Emp. Benefits Other Post-Emp. Benefits	0
In-Kind and Other Remuneration Description of: Annual Buyback of Sick Days Annual Buyback of Vac. Days Annual Buyback of Personal Days All Other In-Kind/Remuneration	0

Additional Comments

MERCER - W 17. Salaries and Benefits of Certain	WINDSOR-PLAINSBORO REG District Employees
Name Job Title	Russ Schumacher Other
Base Annual Salary FTE	99,674 1
Shared with Another District? Contract Terms:	Ν
Beginning Date of Contract	07/01/2008
Ending Date of Contract	06/30/2009
Annual Work Days	245
Annual Vacation Days	22
Annual Sick Days	14
Annual Personal Days	3
Annual Consulting Days	0

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Other Non-working days 3
Description-Other Non-working Days Floaters
Benefits:
Allowances
                                                                    1,205
Bonuses
                                                                           0
                                                                           0
Stipends
District Contributions above Teacher amount for:
  Health Insurance
Dental Insurance
                                                                           0
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   Life Insurance
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  Other Insurances
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  Retirement Plans
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Post-Employment Benefits
Description of:
Buyback of Sick Days
Buyback of Vac. Days
Buyback of Personal Days
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  Other Post-Emp. Benefits
Other Post-Emp. Benefits
  Other Post-Emp. Benefits
In-Kind and Other Remuneration
                                                                           0
Description of:
Annual Buyback of Sick Days
  Annual Buyback of Vac. Days
Annual Buyback of Personal Days
All Other In-Kind/Remuneration
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MERCER - W 17. Salaries and Benefits of Certain	WINDSOR-PLAINSBORO REG District Employees
Name Job Title	Gerri Hutner Other
Base Annual Salary FTE Shared with Another District? Contract Terms: Beginning Date of Contract Ending Date of Contract Annual Work Days Annual Work Days Annual Vacation Days Annual Sick Days Annual Personal Days Annual Consulting Days Other Non-working days Description-Other Non-working Days	89,018 1 N 07/01/2008 06/30/2009 245 22 14 3 0 3 Floaters
Benefits: Allowances Bonuses Stipends District Contributions above Teacher Health Insurance Dental Insurance Life Insurance Other Insurances Retirement Plans	2,908 0 amount for: 0 0 0 0
Post-Employment Benefits Description of: Buyback of Sick Days Buyback of Vac. Days Buyback of Personal Days Other Post-Emp. Benefits Other Post-Emp. Benefits Other Post-Emp. Benefits	0
In-Kind and Other Remuneration Description of: Annual Buyback of Sick Days Annual Buyback of Vac. Days Annual Buyback of Personal Days All Other In-Kind/Remuneration	0
Additional Comments	

MERCER - W WINDSOR-PLAINSBORO REG 17. Salaries and Benefits of Certain District Employees

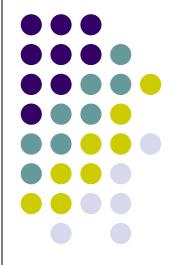
Name Marci Rubin Job Title Other

Base Annual Salary	80,575
FTE	1
Shared with Another District?	N
Contract Terms:	
Beginning Date of Contract	07/01/2008
Ending Date of Contract	06/30/2009
Annual Work Days	245
Annual Vacation Days	22
Annual Sick Days	14
Annual Personal Days	3
Annual Consulting Days	0
Other Non-working days	3
Description-Other Non-working Days	-
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Benefits:	
Allowances	960
Bonuses	0
Stipends	0
District Contributions above Teacher	amount for:
Health Insurance	0
Dental Insurance	0
Life Insurance	0
Other Insurances	0
Retirement Plans	0
Netirement rians	0
Post-Employment Benefits	0
Description of:	0
Buyback of Sick Days	
Buyback of Vac. Days	
Buyback of Personal Days	
Other Post-Emp. Benefits	
Other Post-Emp. Benefits	
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In-Kind and Other Remuneration	0
Description of:	0
Annual Buyback of Sick Days	
Annual Buyback of Vac. Days	
Annual Buyback of Personal Days	
All Other In-Kind/Remuneration	
All other in-Kind/Remuneration	

2009-2010 BUDGET DISCUSSION

January 27, 2009

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The State of the District

- Strategic Plan
- Teaching and Learning
- District Budget Preparation





Preparing the 2009-2010 Budget

- National Economic Concerns
- State Issues and State Aid
- Salaries and Wages
- Enrollment

Enrollment Projections







West Windsor-

Plainsboro Regional School District

Dutch Neck School									
Current Enrollment			09-10 Principal Projection			09-10 Committee Projection			
	1/5/2009		Avg Class			Avg Class			Avg Class
Grade	Enrollment	Sections	Size	Enrollment	Sections	Size	Enrollment	Sections	Size
Pre K	34	3		38	3		38	3	
Kindergarten	183	9	20.3	160	8	20.0	185	9	20.6
First	170	9	18.9	210	10	21.0	203	10	20.3
Second	189	9	21.0	175	8	21.9	175	8	21.9
Third	201	9	22.3	194	9	21.6	192	9	21.3
Total	777	39		777	38		793	39	





			Ma	urice Haw	k Schoo	l			
		09-10 P	rincipal Pro	jection	09-10 Committee Projection				
	1/5/2009		Avg Class			Avg Class			Avg Class
Grade	Enrollment	Sections	Size	Enrollment	Sections	Size	Enrollment	Sections	Size
Kindergarten	179	10	17.9	180	10	18.0	180	10	18.0
First	196	10	19.6	200	10	20.0	198	10	19.8
Second	211	10	21.1	200	9	22.2	201	9	22.3
Third	227	10	22.7	217	10	21.7	215	10	21.5
Total	813	40		797	39		794	39	





West Windsor-

Plainsboro Regional School District

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	Current Enro	ollment		09-10 P	09-10 Principal Projection			09-10 Committee Projection		
	1/5/2009		Avg Class			Avg Class			Avg Class	
Grade	Enrollment	Sections	Size	Enrollment	Sections	Size	Enrollment	Sections	Size	
Pre K	15	3		6	1		6	1		
Kindergarten	150	8	18.8	150	8	18.8	150	8	18.8	
First	172	9	19.1	170	8	21.3	166	8	20.8	
Second	199	9	22.1	185	9	20.6	177	9	19.7	
Third	198	9	22.0	210	9	23.3	203	9	22.6	
Total	734	38		721	35		702	35		





				Wicoff Scl	hool				
	Current Enro	ollment		09-10 P	rincipal Pro	jection	09-10 Co	ommittee Pr	ojection
	1/5/2009		Avg Class			Avg Class			Avg Class
Grade	Enrollment	Sections	Size	Enrollment	Sections	Size	Enrollment	Sections	Size
Pre K	38	2		32	2		38	2	
LLDK	13	1		12	1		12	1	
Kindergarten	97	6	16.2	100	5	20.0	96	5	19.2
First	103	5	20.6	111	5	22.2	108	5	21.6
Second	101	5	20.2	110	5	22.0	106	5	21.2
Third	106	5	21.2	108	5	21.6	103	5	20.6
Total	458	24		473	23		463	23	





West Windsor-Plainsboro

Regional School District

	Millstone River School										
Current Enrollment			09-10 Principal Projection			09-10 Committee Projection					
	1/5/2009		Avg Class			Avg Class			Avg Class		
Grade	Enrollment	Sections	Size	Enrollment	Sections	Size	Enrollment	Sections	Size		
Pre K	32						32				
Fourth	380	16	23.8	395	16	24.7	388	16	24.3		
Fifth	376	17	23.1	392	16	24.5	380	16	23.8		
Total	788	33		787	32		800	32			





	Village School										
	Current E	Cnrollment		09-10 P	rincipal Pro	jection	09-10 Co	ommittee Pro	ojection		
	1/5/2009		Avg Class			Avg Class			Avg Class		
Grade	Enrollment	Sections	Size	Enrollment	Sections	Size	Enrollment	Sections	Size		
Fourth	331	14	23.6	342	14	24.4	344	14	24.6		
Fifth	341	14	24.4	332	14	23.7	331	14	23.6		
Total	672	28		674	28		675	28			





		Grover Middle School		
	Current Enrollment	09-10 Principal Projection	09-10 Committee Projectio	on
	1/5/2009			
Grade	Enrollment	Enrollment	Enrollment	
ACES	3	3		
Six	385	330	325	
Seven	372	385	385	
Eight	388	372	372	
Total	1148	1090	1082	





		Community Middle School		
	Current Enrollment	09-10 Principal Projection	09-10 Committee Proje	ction
	1/5/2009			
Grade	Enrollment	Enrollment	Enrollment	
STARS	11			
Six	425	395	387	
Seven	417	430	425	
Eight	415	425	417	
Total	1268	1250	1229	





		High School South	
	Current Enrollment	09-10 Principal Projection	09-10 Committee Projection
	1/5/2009		
Grade	Enrollment	Enrollment	Enrollment
Nine	408	390	388
Ten	407	409	408
Eleven	390	408	407
Twelve	406	394	390
Total	1611	1601	1593





High School North							
(Current Enrollment	09-10 Principal Projectio	n 09-10 Committee Project	ion			
	1/5/2009						
Grade	Enrollment	Enrollment	Enrollment				
LARKS	28	25	20				
Academy	20	20	25				
Nine	418	415	415				
Ten	363	419	418				
Eleven	411	364	363				
Twelve	380	412	411				
Total	1620	1655	1652				

National Concerns

- Economic Climate
- Falling Sales
- Consumer Interest in Lower Margin Product Lines



What WW-P Offers

- Sales = Enrollment
- Product Lines = Core Curriculum;
 Fine and Applied Arts; Athletics;
 and Co-curricular Activities



What WW-P Offers

- Steady Enrollment
- Undiminished Interest in Our Product Line
- Genuine Concern about Economic Picture





Budget Preparation

- October 2008: Board Retreat
- November 2008-Present: Meetings with Administrators and Stakeholders
- January-March 2009: Public Budget Presentations
- March 4, 2009: Budget Due to State



Budget Preparation

- Six years of budget moderation (4.3 percent annually)
- Right Sizing
- Reasonable for 2009-2010?

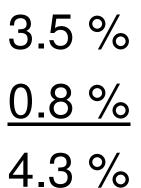


Budget Preparation

Compounded

District	2002-2003	2007-2008	Annual Increase
Hopewell	\$10,552	\$13 <i>,</i> 445	5.0 %
Lawrence	\$9,992	\$14,773	8.1 %
Princeton	\$11,525	\$16,834	7.8 %
WW-P	\$10,534	\$12,457	3.4 %
NJ Average	\$10,007	\$12,806	4.9 %

- Budget Preparation
 - State/Local Price Index plus Enrollment Growth



1/1/09 Social Security
 Increase 5.8 %





- Proposed Budget
 2008-2009 Increase
 \$153.5 M 4.3 % \$6.3 M (new \$)
 2009-2010 Targeted Increase
 - \$157.8 M 2.8 % \$4.3 M (new \$)
 - **Objective**: Maintain educational excellence to the extent possible



School Board Election & Budget Vote: April 21, 2009 Polls Open: 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.



2009-2010 BUDGET DISCUSSION February 10, 2009

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- Budget Preparation
 - Fall 2008-Present: Meetings with Administrators and Stakeholders
 - January-March 2009: Public Budget Presentations
 - March 4, 2009: Budget Due to State

• Budget Areas (February 10)

- 1. Curriculum & Instruction
- 2. Professional Development
- 3. Pupil Services
- 4. Special Education



• Budget Areas (February 24)

- 1. Athletics & Co-curriculars
- 2. Administration
- 3. Operations/Maintenance
- 4. Transportation





• Curriculum and Instruction: Costs

- Staff Salaries & Benefits
- Maintain Program Offerings
- Program Reviews

C&I: Potential Savings

- Study Student: Teacher Ratios
- Shift to District Staffing Perspective
- Reduce Substitute Costs



- Professional Development: Costs
 District Programs
 - Summer/Out-of-District Programs
- Prof. Development: Potential Savings
 - Align with Program Review Cycle
 - Expand Turnkey Training
 - Decrease Travel Costs



- Pupil Services: Costs
 - Guidance and Health Services
- Pupil Services: Potential Savings
 - Reduce summer expenditures
 - Study student enrollment



Special Education Students

- 1116 Students: Pre-K-12 Services
- 159 Students: Placed Out of District
- 149 Students: "Speech Only" Services

In-District Programs

- STARS Program CMS (1979)
- LARKS Program HSN (1991)
- K-3 MD Program TC (1998)
- The Academy HSN (1999)
- 4/5 MD/Autistic Program MRS (2003)
- Preschool Disabled Program MRS (2003)
- LLD/K Program Wicoff School (2005)
- 1-3 MD/Autistic Program MRS (2005)
- 4/5 MD Program MRS (2005)
- 6-8 MD/Autistic Program Grover (2005)
- Integrated Preschool Wicoff, DN, TC (2006, 2007, 2008)
- MD/Autistic Program PreK/K TC (2008)



- Current Happenings
 - State Monitoring
 - Reviewing Programs for Effectiveness and Efficiency
 - Focus on Providing In-District Services





- Proposed Budget
 2009-2010 Targeted Increase
 \$157.8 M 2.8 % \$4.3 M (new \$)
 - **Objective**: Continue educational excellence to the extent possible



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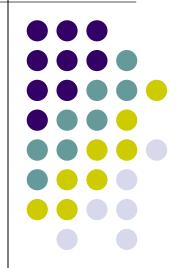


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2009-2010 BUDGET DISCUSSION February 24, 2009

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- Budget Preparation
 - Fall 2008-Present: Meetings with Administrators and Stakeholders
 - January-March 2009: Public Budget Presentations
 - March 18, 2009: Budget Due to State



• Budget Areas (February 10)

- 1. Instruction, including Employee Salary & Benefits
- 2. Professional Development
- 3. Student Services
- 4. Special Education

• Budget Areas (February 24)

- 1. Athletics & Co-curriculars
- 2. Administration
- 3. Operations/Maintenance
- 4. Transportation



- Athletics: Costs
 - 29 HS Sports
 - 14 MS Sports and MS Intramurals
 - Tremendous Student Participation
 - Staff: Coaches; Trainers; Fitness Supervisors; Athletic Coordinators
- Athletics: Potential Savings
 - Limit Uniform Purchases
 - Reduce Non-Conference Games/Matches



- Co-curriculars: Costs
 - Continue Programs & Staffing
- Co-curriculars: Potential Savings
 - Study Student Participation
 - Review Future Costs





Co-Curriculars

- Provide experiences that stimulate social interactions and create conditions for learning to continue after school hours.
- Specific offerings may vary between schools, the philosophy is the same: engage students in meaningful, character-developing experiences beyond the boundaries of the school day.

- Administration: Costs
 - District and school costs
 - Technology
- Administration: Potential Savings
 - Review needs
 - Realign positions where possible





- Operations/Maintenance: Costs
 - Staffing
 - Capital & Solar Projects

• Operations/Maintenance: Potential Savings

- Review Needs
- Realign Positions If Possible
- Potential Energy Savings

• Transportation: Costs

- Transporting over 9,000 Students
- Buses for field trips and after school

• Transportation: Potential Savings

- Consider 3-Tier Busing for 2010-2011
- Review Costs of Late Buses, Field & Athletic Trips





- Six Years of Moderate Increases
- Consistent Conservative Planning
- Target now is 1.6 Percent
- **Objective**: Continue educational excellence to the extent possible





General Expenses

	2009-2010	2008-2009	Increase %
Reg. Instruction	\$ 50.2 MM	\$49.0 MM	2.4
Co-Curricular/Athletics	\$ 2.4 MM	\$2.5 MM	-2.5
Special Services	\$22.6 MM	\$22.1MM	2.5
Student Support	\$6.3 MM	\$6.2 MM	1.1
Improvement of Instruction	\$ 3.2MM	\$3.1MM	1.6
Administration	\$11.1 MM	\$10.9MM	1.1
Operations/Maintenance	\$12.5 MM	\$12.5 MM	0.1
Transportation	\$9.2 MM	\$9.0 MM	2.0

- Non-Operating Budget
 - Capital Outlay
 - Adult School
 - Special Revenue
 - Debt Service

- \$1.5 MM
- \$0.0 MM
- \$1.9 MM
- \$10.6 MM





- Local Real Estate Taxes for School Year
 2009-2010 (Projected) \$135,066,838 (+0.7%)

 - 2008-2009

\$134,070,787 (+3.1%)

• 2007-2008

\$130,099,540



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2009-2010 BUDGET DISCUSSION March 17, 2009

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- Proposed Budget
 - Seven Years of Moderate Increases
 - Consistent Conservative Planning
 - Target is 1.6 Percent Budget Increase



Proposed Expenditures: Overview
 2009-2010 \$155.9 Million

1.6 percent (\$2.4 M) year-to-year increase

2008-2009 \$153.5 Million2007-2008 \$147.2 Million

Proposed Expenses

	<u>2009-2010</u>	<u>Increase %</u>
Regular Instruction	\$ 50,238,595	2.4
Co-Curricular/Athletics	\$ 2,432,039	-2.0
Special Services	\$ 22,609,248	2.5
Student Support	\$ 6,299,243	1.1
Improvement of Instruction/Prof. Dev.	\$ 3,254,521	4.3
Administration	\$ 11,047,539	1.0
Buildings and Grounds	\$ 12,482,181	-0.3



Proposed Expenses

	<u>2009-2010</u>	<u>Increase %</u>
Transportation	\$ 9,160,806	2.0
Staff Benefits	\$ 24,319,527	0.0
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 141,843,699	1.5
Capital Outlay	\$ 1,500,000	0.0
Adult School	\$ 9,286	0.0
Grants	\$ 1,926,350	-0.5
Debt Service	\$ 10,595,926	2.9
TOTAL	\$ 155,875,261	1.6





- Elementary Budget
 - Share faculty resources among primary and intermediate schools
 - Leverage declining enrollment, where appropriate
 - Maintain continuity and quality



- Middle School Budget
 - Leverage declining enrollment at GMS and support increases at CMS
 - Streamline elective expenditures by sharing faculty resources
 - Maintain commitment to middle level educational best practices



- High School Budget
 - Evaluate and streamline co-curricular programs.
 - Reduce costs not directly associated with class size and course offerings, i.e. substitutes, postage, and printing
 - Maintain commitment to comprehensive and competitive high school programs

Proposed Revenue

Fund Balance Local Tax Levy State Aid Miscellaneous **TOTAL**

<u>2009-2010</u> In	<u>icrease %</u>
\$ 6,498,197	31.6
\$ 134,786,328	0.5
\$ 11,719,138	0.9
\$ 2,871,598	0.4
\$ 155.875.261	1.6



Potential Savings

- Study Student: Teacher Ratios
- Realign Positions When Possible
- Reduce Substitute Costs
- Align Program Review Cycle
- Decrease Travel Costs
- Reduce Summer Expenditures
- Limit Athletic Uniform Purchases
- Review Future Costs for Co-curriculars
- Study Potential Energy Savings
- Review Costs of Late Buses, Field & Athletic Trips



• School District & Total Tax Rate

	PLAINSBORO	WEST WINDSOR
2008	68%	60%
2007	70%	61%
2004	73%	62%
2003	73%	63%
2000	72%	66%





• Budget Increases: History

Percent Increase

Percent Increase

2009-10	1.6%	2002-03	5.5%
2008-09	4.3%	2001-02	9.8%
2007-08	4.3%	2000-01	6.9%
2006-07	3.9%	1999-00	10.1%
2005-06	4.6%	1998-99	8.3%
2004-05	4.4%	1997-98	12.2%
2003-04	4.3%	1996-97	5.9%



• Local Real Estate Taxes for School Year

 2009-2010 (Projected) \$134,786,328 (+0.5%)
 2008-2009 \$134,070,787 (+3.1%)



Review of Per-Pupil Costs

District	2002-03	2007-08	Average Increase
Hopewell	10,552	13,445	5.0
Lawrence	9,992	14,773	8.1
Princeton	11,525	16,834	7.8
WW-P	10,534	12,457	3.4
New Jersey	10,007	12,776	5.0



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2009-2010 PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUDGET March 31, 2009

The mission of the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School District, valuing our tradition of excellence, is to develop all of our students as passionate, confident, lifelong learners who have competence and strength of character to realize their aspirations and thoughtfully contribute to a diverse and changing world.





- Proposed Budget
 - Seven Years of Moderate Increases
 - Consistent Conservative Planning
 - Target is 1.6 Percent Budget Increase

• District Can Control...

- Budget Increases
- Local Tax for the Budget Increase

• District *Cannot* Control...

- Equalized Values
- Enrollment
- Shifts in Ratios
- Assessed Values





Proposed Expenditures: Overview
 2009-2010 \$155.9 Million

1.6 percent (\$2.4 M) year-to-year increase

2008-2009 \$153.5 Million2007-2008 \$147.2 Million

Proposed Expenses

	<u>2009-2010</u>	<u>Increase %</u>
Regular Instruction	\$ 50,238,595	2.4
Co-Curricular/Athletics	\$ 2,432,039	-2.0
Special Services	\$ 22,609,248	2.5
Student Support	\$ 6,299,243	1.1
Improvement of Instruction/Prof. Dev.	\$ 3,254,521	4.3
Administration	\$ 11,047,539	1.0
Buildings and Grounds	\$ 12,482,181	-0.3



Proposed Expenses

	<u>2009-2010</u>	<u>Increase %</u>
Transportation	\$ 9,160,806	2.0
Staff Benefits	\$ 24,319,527	0.0
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 141,843,699	1.5
Capital Outlay	\$ 1,500,000	0.0
Adult School	\$ 9,286	0.0
Grants	\$ 1,926,350	-0.5
Debt Service	\$ 10,595,926	2.9
TOTAL	\$ 155,875,261	1.6



Proposed Revenue

Fund Balance Local Tax Levy State Aid Miscellaneous **TOTAL**

<u>2009-2010</u> In	<u>icrease %</u>
\$ 6,498,197	31.6
\$ 134,786,328	0.5
\$ 11,719,138	0.9
\$ 2,871,598	0.4
\$ 155.875.261	1.6



Savings

- Student: Teacher Ratios
- Realignment of Positions
- Reduction in Substitute Costs
- Alignment of Program Review Cycle
- Decreased Travel Costs
- Reduction of Summer Expenditures
- Limit Athletic Uniform Purchases
- Costs for Co-curriculars
- Invest in Potential Energy Savings
- Review Costs of Late Buses, Field & Athletic Trips



- Capital Budget
 - School Projects
- Capital Reserve Funds
 - Solar Projects, including Rebate
- Capital Budget Funds
 - NJ ROD Grants





• Local Real Estate Taxes for School Year

2009-2010 (Projected) \$134,786,328 (+0.5%)
2008-2009 \$134,070,787 (+3.1%)



• District Budget Increases: History

Percent Increase

Percent Increase

2009-10	1.6%	2002-03	5.5%
2008-09	4.3%	2001-02	9.8%
2007-08	4.3%	2000-01	6.9%
2006-07	3.9%	1999-00	10.1%
2005-06	4.6%	1998-99	8.3%
2004-05	4.4%	1997-98	12.2%
2003-04	4.3%	1996-97	5.9%

• School District & Total Tax Rate

	PLAINSBORO	WEST WINDSOR
2008	68%	60%
2007	70%	61%
2004	73%	62%
2003	73%	63%
2000	72%	66%



• Equalized Valuation Percentage

Calendar Year	Plainsboro	West Windsor
2008	N/A	N/A
2007	37.8%	62.2%
2006	40.4%	59.6%
2005	42.2%	57.8%
2004	43.1%	56.9%
2003	42.8%	57.2%
2002	39.3%	60.7%



• Enrollment Percentages

Year (10/15)	Plainsboro	West Windsor
2008	41.6%	58.4%
2007	41.7%	58.3%
2006	41.6%	58.4%
2005	42.5%	57.5%
2004	42.3%	57.7%
2003	42.0%	58.0%
2002	42.1%	57.9%





• School Tax Rates (Dollars per hundred of assessed value)

	Plainsboro	Assessed Value (millions)	West Windsor	Assessed Value (millions)
2009 (est)	\$1.446	3,706	\$1.304	\$6,217
2008	\$1.355	3,682	\$1.252	\$6,239
2007	\$1.439	3,681	\$1.201	\$6,303
2006	\$1.453	3,656	\$1.135	\$6,305



Review of Per-Pupil Costs

District	2002-03	2007-08	Average Increase
Hopewell	10,552	13,445	5.0
Lawrence	9,992	14,773	8.1
Princeton	11,525	16,834	7.8
WW-P	10,534	12,457	3.4
New Jersey	10,007	12,776	5.0





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