Simsbury Board of Education January 23, 2024



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2024-25 Budget: Personnel

District Context

Recent K-12 Enrollment

Year	K-6	7-8	9-12	Total
2020-21	2018	633	1309	3960
2021-22	2084	643	1302	4029
2022-23	2176	627	1261	4064
2023-24	2177	634	1293	4104
Difference	+159	+1	-16	+144

K-12 Staffing and Enrollment History

School Year	Certified	Non- Certified	Administrative	Staffing Total	Enrollment
2020-21	377.67	255.23	22	654.9	3960
2021-22	377.49	251.64	22	651.13	4029
2022-23	388.59	252.87	21	662.46	4064
2023-24	391.29	255.61	20	666.9	4104
Difference	+13.62 +3.6%	+.38 +0.15%	-2.0 -9.1%	+12.0 +1.8%	+144 +3.6%

NOTE: Increase in FTE is attributed to enrollment trends at elementary level, mental health supports, and new special education positions.

ELEMENTARY

Elementary Classroom Teacher Staffing

Year	K-6 Enrollment	Elementary Classroom Teachers
2020-21	2018	123*
2021-22	2084	107
2022-23	2176	110
2023-24	2177	110
2024-25 (projected)	2190	110

*2020-21: Added classrooms due to COVID-19

2024-25: Projecting for one additional teacher at Latimer, one fewer at Tootin'

Elementary Staffing

- Focused on Special Education Supports in 2024-25
 - ☐ Elementary Intensive Learning Needs Teachers
 - ☐ Intensive Learning Needs Program Coordinator
 - Preschool Special Education Teacher
- Reading Support at Central School
- Additional Strings at elementary level

Elementary Staffing - Requests

- Elementary ILN Special Education Teachers (2.0 FTE)
- ILN Program Coordinator (1.0 FTE)
- Preschool Special Education Teacher (1.0 FTE)
- Reading Teacher (.5 FTE)
- Strings Teacher (.2 FTE)

Elementary Staffing – Budget Impact

Position		Budget Amount
ILN Teachers	2.0	\$203,218
ILN Coordinator	1.0	\$106,609
PK Special Education Teacher	1.0	\$101,609
Reading Teacher	.5	\$50,805
Strings Teacher	.2	\$20,322
Totals	4.7	\$482,563

SECONDARY

Henry James Memorial Staffing

Year	7-8 Enrollment	HJMS Certified FTE
2020-21	633	59.66
2021-22	643	60.53
2022-23	627	61.78
2023-24	634	61.49
2024-25 (P)	678	≈ 62.49

Projected Enrollment 2024-25 HJMS Teaching

Grade	24.25 (P) Enrollment	Average Team Size	Average Class Size (Guideline: 21-25)
7 (3.0 teams)	335	111.7	22.3
8 (3.0 teams)	343	114.3	22.9

Note: 3 full teams at each grade level represents increase.

Henry James Staffing – Budget Impact

Position		Budget Amount
Reading Specialist	1.0	\$101,690
.4 increases in Core subjects	n Core subjects 2.0 (offset by SHS reduc	
Totals	3.0	\$101,690

Simsbury High School Staffing

School Year	SHS Enrollment	SHS Certified FTE
2020-21	1309	116.52
2021-22	1302	115.12
2022-23	1261	115.82
2023-24	1293	115.71
2024-25 (P)	1260	≈116.91

Simsbury High Staffing – Budget Impact

Position		Budget Amount
ESS Teacher	1.0	\$101,690
ASL Teacher	.20	\$20,322
.4 decreases in Core subjects	-2.0	(Offset by HJMS increases)
Totals	1.2	\$122,012

District Staffing - Additional Considerations

- Small requests from building/program leaders
 - Culinary Program Support
 - Writing Center Support

- Substitute Shortage
 - Increase use of Building Substitutes
 - Raise daily rates

- Continue increases for lower wage positions
- Examine non-certified resignations/retirements
 - Attempt to offset some spending on certified side
 - Look for responsible reductions

Personnel Budget Themes

- ♦ New requests represent 6.9 FTE
- Special Education Services are clear priority
- Efficient use of current personnel at Secondary level
- Support smaller requests through responsible reductions
- Monitor and adjust to labor market trends for lower-wage areas

2024-25 Budget Personnel Drivers

Contractual Obligations		
Teachers - operating budget only	\$ 1,612,280	1.96%
Teachers - Education Steps	230,200	0.28%
Teachers - Feathering of Staff	215,000	0.26%
Administrators	54,052	0.07%
NAGE	152,596	0.19%
Nurses	80,131	0.10%
Support staff (Secretaries, Paraeducators, etc.)	193,242	0.24%
Tutors	14,966	0.02%
Unaffiliated	(143,804)	<u>-0.17%</u>
Sub-Total Contractual Obligations	2,408,663	2.93%
Enrollment Driven Staffing		
Certified Staff (6.9 FTE)	<u>701,661</u>	0.85%
Sub-Total Enrollment Driven Staffing	701,661	0.85%
Impact of Preliminary Requested Knowns	\$ 3,110,324	3.78%

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