

Wantagh Public Schools Highlights of the Instructional Budget 2009-2010

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Instructional Priorities

- ***Maintenance of high quality instructional program***
- Class size
- New texts for changing curricula

Instructional Priorities

- Continuation of adoption of elementary science texts/materials
- Technology/student centered overhaul and integration of on-line/ “open source” resources

Technology/Curriculum Goals

- 21st century skills in reading, writing, technology
- “Global learners”
- The classroom of the future –
Opportunities for students/professional development for teachers

District Enrollment

- Elementary enrollment is decreasing (2 sections at FL, 1 section at MES and 1 kindergarten section at WES)
- Secondary enrollment is growing at HS; “bubble” is moving through complex and is now in high school
- High school enrollment will peak in 2010-2011 and then will be in a “holding pattern” for three years until they experience a slight decline of 80 students in 2014.

	Projected 08-09	Actual 08-09	Projected 09-10
K-12 Enrollment	3688	3682	3619
Forest Lake	430	426	408
Mandalay	365	365	328
Wantagh Elementary	805	811	769
Middle School	966	967	940
High School	1122	1113	1174

Staffing Implications

- Four elementary retirements
- Replacing through attrition due to loss of sections
- Miscellaneous reductions in special areas (art, music, p.e.)
- Reduction in staff in “special” areas
- Decline in ESL population
- Reduction in ESL program and staff

Staffing Implications

Middle School

- “Retooling” of some programs
- Reduction in staff for team lab, music, and stretch program in Spanish

High School

- Enrollment is growing
- Need for more staff at this level to accommodate 60+ more students
- Staffing increase is offset by elementary and MS decreases

Staffing Summary

Elementary

• Teachers -4.3

Middle School

• Teachers -2.1

High School

• Teachers +2.1

• District -.6

TOTAL ***-4.9*** ***Overall reductions in staff***

Curriculum Alignment

- New NYS curriculum for geometry
- New textbook purchase for tenth graders
- Calculator availability



Curriculum Alignment

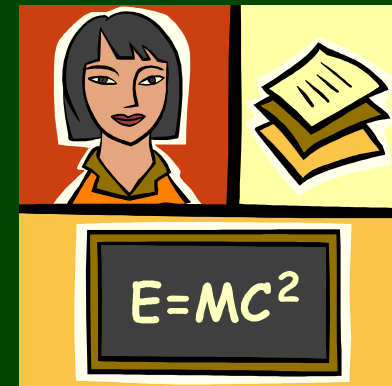
Five Year Textbook Plan

- Continuation of plan to replace global texts (Year 2)
- Career Academy



Curriculum Alignment

- Purchase of fourth grade science texts/materials
- Conceptual physics text
- Family & Cons. Sci. text



New Textbooks/Materials

Global

\$24,528

Fourth Grade Science

\$32,000

Conceptual Science

\$ 5,300

Geometry

\$24,000

Family & Consumer Sci.

\$ 2,000



Other Instructional Codes

- Unfunded Mandates

(Testing, NCLB, etc.) \$59,780

Does not include costs for per diem substitutes for grading, clerical assistance, etc.

Other Instructional Priorities

Staff Development Day	\$5,000
Staff Development District Programs	\$4,500
Teacher Conf. & Training	\$13,000
Non-Instructional Training	\$ 2,500
Professional Development	\$30,000
WSA Conferences	\$3,500
Curriculum Writing	\$5,000
Curriculum Contractual	\$3,300

Other Instructional Priorities

- **Building Supplies**
- **Equipment**
(Lost due to
Contingency last year)
- **Building texts**
(replacements,
workbooks, etc.)

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Summary of 2000 Codes

- 2010 Series -15.32%
- 2020 Series 3.30%
- 2060 Series 0.0%
- 2070 Series 2.58%
- 2110 Series 4.61%

(includes restoration of
equipment lost due to
contingency and
contractual obligations)

Future Planning

- **Rigorous, Academically Challenging Environment for all Students by Highly Qualified Professionals**

Future Planning

1. NYS Overhaul of Standards
 - First ELAThen the rest.....
2. Continued curricula changes – “21st Century Learning”
3. Continued review cycle of texts – eventual on line purchase?
4. Differentiation of instruction/PD – All levels
5. Integration of technology

Transitions....

- New Role
- Key Positions
- Administrative Changes



Final Thoughts

- “Points of Pride”
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