

# Lincoln Public Schools

Office of the Superintendent

FY 2024 Preliminary Budget December 1, 2022

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# **Guiding Values and Principles**

Vision of the Lincoln Public Schools

**Core Values** 

Strategic Objectives and Priorities

LPS District AIDE Stance

**Budget Guidelines for FY24** 

## **Overview & Structure of the Preliminary Budget**

### December 1, School Committee Meeting

- Budget Plan
  - Proposed Total Operating Expenditures
- Enrollment Projection
- Revenue Assumptions
- Bridging the Budget Gaps
- Improvement Initiatives
- Preferred Budget



# **Overview & Structure of the Preliminary Budget**

### December 13, Finance Committee

Presentation of preliminary budget

# December 15, School Committee Meeting

- Continued discussion of gap closing measures
- Decisions regarding Improvement Initiatives
- Conversation about potential preferred budget
- Question responses from Committee & others



# FY 24 Budget Request:

Base Budget - LINCOLN	\$ 13,106,194
FY24 FinCom Guidance (+2.5%) + Medicaid	\$ 13,055,119
Budget Gap	\$ 51,075
Base Budget - HANSCOM	\$ 17,792,882
FY24 proposal – contract price* includes \$200,000 GASB 45*	\$17,722,644
Budget Gap	\$ 70,238

# Why can't LPS meet 2.5%?

2.5% on top of FY23 Lincoln appropriation is \$316,398 before the reimbursement of Medicaid funds are applied.

The net total personnel costs are \$321,974, leaving a gap for Expense Budget allocations.

LPS would need a 3.44% increase to bridge the gap in the Lincoln Preliminary Base budget after applying initial cost reductions and the Medicaid Funds.

Hanscom would need a 3.82% increase to bridge the gap.

# **Two Budget Gaps**

# Base Budget



# Improvement Initiatives





# Preliminary Base Budget Plan

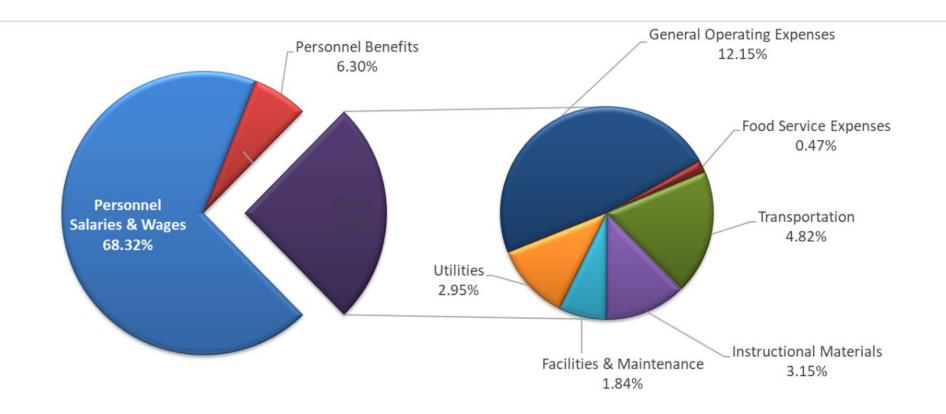


### **Overview & Structure of the Preliminary Budget**

## **Internal Budget Review Outcomes**

- SBM budgets: Per-pupil allowance unchanged
- Central Office budgets reviewed and adjusted
- Special Education Out-of-District is projected for known and anticipated placements - 14% Increase projected by MA Operational Services Division
- Reviewed Revolving Fund balances, revenue projections, and short and long term use of funds
- Hanscom/Lincoln Campus split funding proportion used: 50/50
- Most Expense lines are level funded with the exception of Utilities, Tuition, Transportation, and other contractual changes.

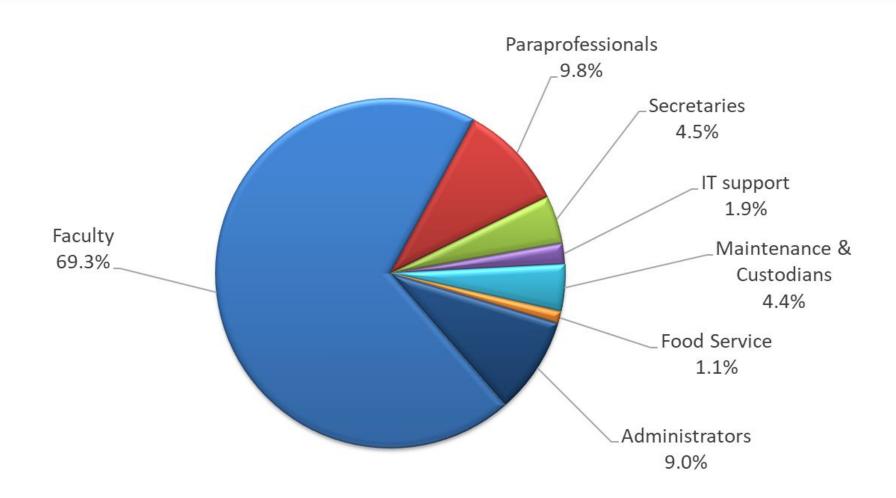
## **Preliminary Budget Expenditures**



# Total Estimated Budget

\$33,175,227

# Personnel Allocations by Budget \$



Personnel Budget \$22,912,568

# **Potential Impacts & Budget Uncertainty**

- Personnel
  - Collective bargaining agreements for Faculty
  - Enrollment Projections
    - Lincoln School Kindergarten & grade 1
    - Hanscom Schools
  - Final Calculations for Hanscom Employee Benefits

The Preliminary Budgets may be adjusted when new or updated information is available.

# **Potential Impacts & Budget Uncertainty**

### Expenses

- Special Education Out-of District Expenses
  - o We currently do not know our final CASE assessments and transportation costs.
  - o Private School Tuitions are expected to increase 14% according to MA Operational Services Division (OSD)
- Utilities & Facilities Operations
  - Lincoln School is all-electric in FY23, before the solar project comes on-line part-way through FY24
  - Continue HVAC adjustments for COVID operations and unknown ongoing supports
- Transportation: New Bus Contract for FY 24-FY27 out for bid

### Needs Based Improvements Built Into Base Budget

# Operational and Safety Needs

Before School Supervisors

Hanscom \$7,665

Lincoln \$7,665

**Lunch/Recess Monitors** 

Lincoln \$14,767

PreK Extended Day Supervisor Stipend

Lincoln \$3,500 (Revolving Fund)

# Codify Existing Practices/Stipends

Music Director and Choreographer Stipend (Paid by Friends of Music/Ticket Sales) \$6,062

STFP Team

Stipend - Hanscom \$1,538

Lincoln \$1,538

Transportation - Hanscom \$5,400

Lincoln \$5,400

Compensation Increase for LASMP (\$18,200)/ Instrumental Music Instructors - \$9,100 (L)

Require Negotiation or SC Approval

# Needs Based Improvements Built Into Base Budget

Preschool Administrative Assistant (.75 FTE)

Science Enrichment Lincoln \$11,965 (.1)

Hanscom \$25,116 (.3)

Lincoln \$12,558 (.15)

+PreK Revolving Fund: \$25,116(.3)

Admin. Assistant Student Services (Full year 1.0)
Hanscom \$6,630 (net difference)

Lincoln \$6,630 (net difference)



# **Enrollment**



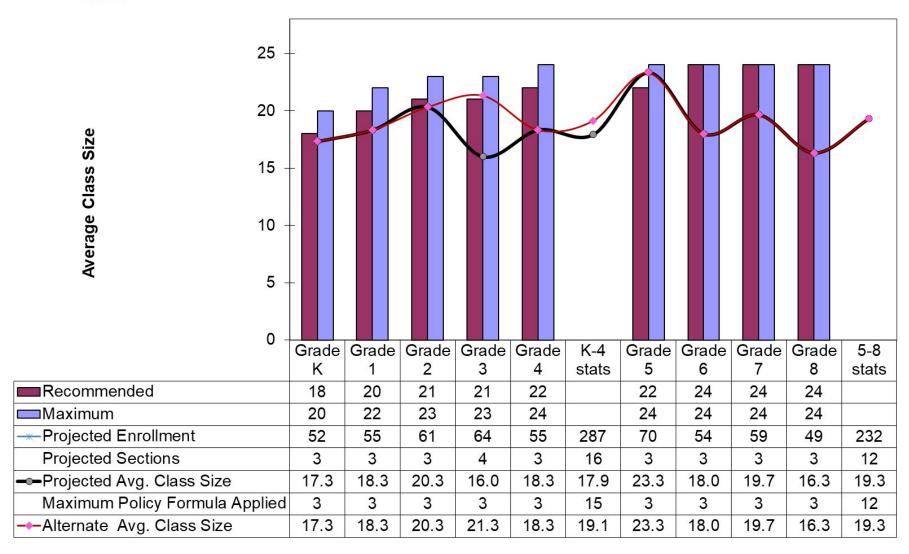
# **Enrollment Projections**

- Projections based on October 1 enrollment using three-year cohort survival factor
- Kindergarten & Grade 1 enrollment uncertain
- Lincoln and Hanscom sections projected according to the Class Size Policy



# FY 2024 Projected Class Size to School Committee Policy Lincoln School

School Committe Policy Formula Applied

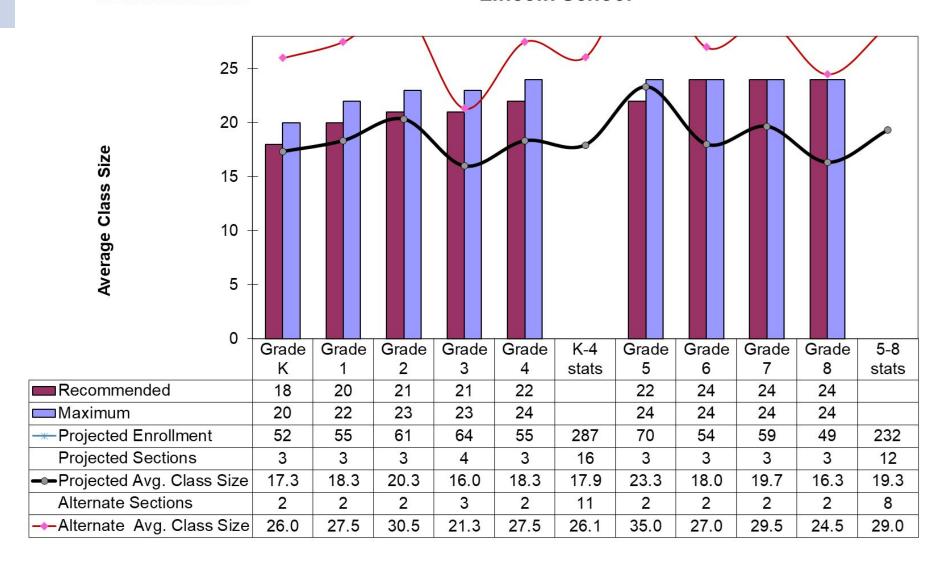


# **Enrollment History – Lincoln**

Enrollment History - Lin	coln School	Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Total
FY14	Lincoln	61	60	59	58	59	50	53	46	61	507
	METCO	8	13	11	5	12	11	10	7	11	88
October 1 report	Total	69	73	70	63	71	61	63	53	72	595
FY15	Lincoln	57	63	58	58	55	57	56	55	45	504
	METCO	8	12	13	10	5	12	10	9	7	86
October 1 report	Total	65	75	71	68	60	69	66	64	52	590
FY16	Lincoln	43	56	61	57	59	57	55	62	53	503
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October 1 report	Total	51	68	73	69	68	62	67	72	61	591
FY17	Lincoln	53	41	55	58	48	60	56	51	62	484
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October 1 report	Total	40	70	50	65	66	53	53	63	60	520
FY19	Lincoln	59	37	57	41	52	54	47	57	57	461
	METCO	13	14	13	10	11	6	8	6	5	86
October 1 report	Total	72	51	70	51	63	60	55	63	62	547
FY20	Lincoln	41	61	38	57	42	47	52	41	52	431
	METCO	9	16	15	12	8	11	6	7	6	90
October 1 report	Total	50	77	53	69	50	58	58	48	58	521
FY21	Lincoln	38	42	55	41	52	38	50	61	36	413
	METCO	2	10	19	13	12	8	9	5	7	85
October 1 report	Total	40	52	74	54	64	46	59	66	43	498
FY22	Lincoln	46	50	47	58	42	50	44	49	59	445
	METCO	5	7	9	17	11	11	7	7	5	79
October 1 report	Total	51	57	56	75	53	61	51	56	64	524
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	METCO	3	6	8	12	19	13	12	12	4	89
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# FY 2024 Projected Class Size to School Committee Policy Lincoln School

One Less Section Per Grade

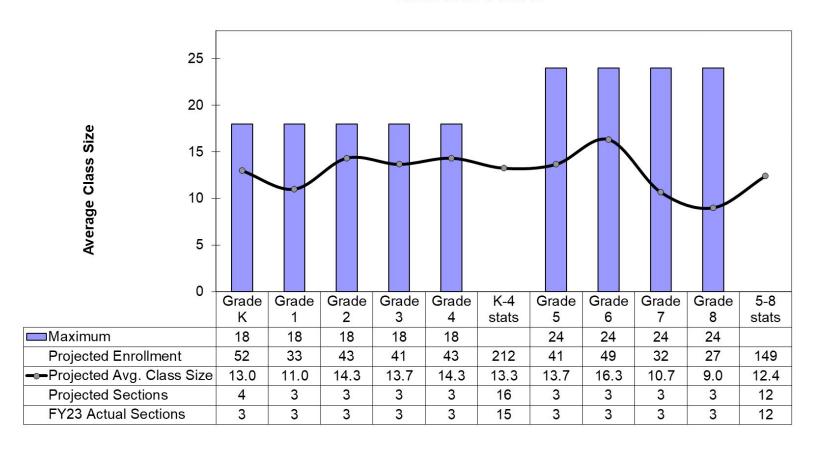


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### **Hanscom Schools**

FY 2024 Projected Class Size to Contract Requirements
Hanscom School



### **PreK-8 General Education Sections**

- Hanscom Schools
  - 13 HPS Classroom Sections K-3 (reduction of 2 sections)
  - Maintain 18 HMS Classroom Sections 4-8
- Lincoln School
  - Maintain 16
     K-4 Classroom Sections
  - Maintain 13.6 5-8 Classroom Sections
- Preschool
  - Maintain 4 Hanscom PreK
  - Maintain 2 Lincoln PreK

# **Revenue Assumptions**

### **Revenue Assumptions**

- Lincoln Finance Committee guideline of +2.5% over prior year Town
   Meeting Appropriation \$12,972,319
- Medicaid Appropriation
- Total Town Meeting

- \$ 82,800
- \$13,055,119
- Hanscom revenue based on FY24 price set by latest DoDEA contract.
   \$17,722,644
- Reimbursement Programs (Circuit Breaker & E-rate)

\$704,998

- Grant revenues projected at level funding
- User fees remain the same in FY24 as in FY21

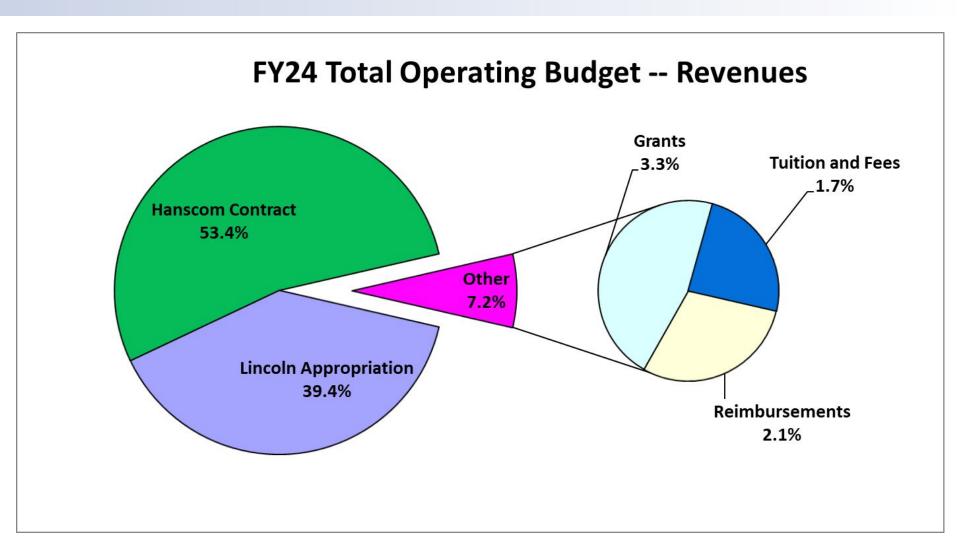
\$1,099,080

\$577,580

**Total Revenue for the district:** 

\$33,159,421

### **Total Operating Budget Revenue**



### **Total Estimated Revenue**

\$33,159,421

# FY 24 Budget Request:

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# Bridging the Base Budget Gaps

#### Hanscom

- Reduce the base budget to eliminate the gap
- Request School Committee approval of a Hanscom Reserve Fund transfer to bridge the gap

### Lincoln

- Reduce the base budget to eliminate the gap
- Request from FinCom an FY24 increase above 2.5%

# Possible Base Budget Reductions

Reductions	Hanscom	Lincoln
Communication and Family Engagement Specialist	\$35,700	\$35,700
Faculty Resident	\$35,700	\$35,700
Deeper Learning Teacher Stipends	\$12,772	\$12,772
1 Tutor at Hanscom	\$32,000	
Before School Supervisors	\$7,665	\$7,665
Staffing/Programs		
Total	\$123,837	\$91,837

# Improvement Initiatives - Other Funding

### **End of Year Funds**

#### Hanscom

Gymnastics Equipment - \$4,500

#### Lincoln

 Orff Instrument Replacement -\$38,311

#### District-wide

 District Data Warehouse and Dashboard

Hanscom \$10,750 Lincoln \$10,750

### **Revolving Funds**

 School Bus Route Database Lincoln \$15,000

### **Current Year Funds**

#### Hanscom

- Basketball Court Netting \$15,000
- Bulletin Board Material \$5,000
- Volleyball Equipment TBD

#### Lincoln

Volleyball Equipment TBD



# Improvement Initiatives for Consideration

### **Administration Prioritized Requests:**

Instructional Coaching (re)Launch \$316,103:

\$75,000 (H) \$241,103 (L)

- Adjustment Counselor/Social Worker/BCBA \$45,000 (L)
- Human Resources/Payroll Manager Role Update \$4,500 (H) \$4,500 (L)
- School Psychologist Internship \$5,000 (H) \$5,000 (L)
- Composting Lincoln School \$5,700 (L)

### **School Committee Requests:**

- Transportation Expansion of Free Yellow Bus \$267,500 (L)
- Review of Administrative Positions \$7,500(H) \$7,500 (L)
- Universal Free Lunch \$300,000: \$150,000 (H) \$150,000 (L)
- Third Lincoln Preschool Classroom \$140,000 (L)

# FY24 Budget Request: Lincoln Schools

Base Budget	\$ 13,106,194
Improvement Initiatives	\$866,303
Total Proposal	\$13,972,497
FY23 FinCom Guidance (+2.5%)	12,972,319
+ Medicaid TM Article	\$82,800
FY 23 Lincoln Schools Budget	\$13,055,119
Additional required for FY23	\$917,378

# FY23 Budget Request: Hanscom Schools

Base Budget	\$ 17,792,882
Improvement Initiatives	\$242,000
Total Proposal	\$18,034,882
FY23 proposal – contract price* includes \$200,000 GASB 45*	\$17,722,644
Additional required for FY23	\$312,238

# **Funding Improvement Initiatives**

#### Hanscom

 Request School Committee approval of a Hanscom Reserve Fund transfer to cover Hanscom portion of Improvement Initiatives

### Lincoln

- Request from FinCom a Preferred Budget that includes Lincoln portion Improvement Initiatives
- Override

# **FY24 Budget Development Process**

December 1	Presentation of Preliminary Budget –     Central Office & Administrative Team
December 13	Finance Committee: 1st Joint Budget Meeting
December 15	Budget Discussion: Expenses, Response to Questions
January 12	Budget Hearing and 1 <sup>st</sup> Reading of Final Budget
January 19 [T]	Finance Committee: 2nd Joint Budget Meeting
January 26	Budget Discussion and vote
March 25 [T]	Lincoln Town Meeting

# **QUESTIONS?**

