

Shrewsbury Public Schools

FY22 Fee Information

24 March 2021

Decision-making Process

- Tonight we will present information for your review and discussion
- Receive input from the community over the next two weeks
- April 7th you will receive Dr. Sawyer's recommendation
- **April 7th School Committee vote on fees** so we can prepare written materials for rollout, adjust payment systems, and communications to parents

Assumptions

- Based on recent meetings between the Board of Selectmen and School Committee, we expect that an operational override question will be proposed for FY22
- FY22 Operating Budget assumed no change in fee levels because the School Committee typically doesn't vote on this topic until late in the budget process

Fee Revenues: FY22 Budget Estimates

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Bus Fee Comparisons

[FY20 data]

District	Bus Fee	Cap/Notes
Shrewsbury	\$ 310.00	\$ 930
Maynard	\$ 270.00	\$220 for each add'l child
Grafton	\$ 200.00	\$ 400
West Boylston	\$ 175.00	\$ 350
Auburn	\$ 100.00	\$ 250
Hudson	\$ -	
Marlboro	\$ -	na
Northboro/Southboro	\$ -	Prohibited by law in regional schools
Wachusett	\$ -	Prohibited by law in regional schools
Westboro	\$ -	
Median of those with a fee	\$ 200.00	

Surrounding Communities: Athletic Fee Comparison

[FY20 data]

District	High School Sports Fee	Cap	Notes
Maynard	\$400/yr/student	None	Add'l children \$200- No cap
Shrewsbury	\$ 315	\$ 945	Free/reduced fee is \$30
Wachusett	\$ 250	\$ 350	Free/reduced fee is \$125
West Boylston	\$ 225	\$ 750	Reduced=\$60, Free lunch is \$0
Algonquin	\$ 200	\$ 900	
Westboro	\$ 200	\$ 600	Free/reduced is \$100
Hudson	\$ 125	No cap	Hockey is \$250
Auburn	\$ -	na	
Grafton	\$ -	na	Considering adding a fee
Marlboro	\$ -	na	
Median	\$ 200.00		

Full Day Kindergarten [FDK] Tuition

- As part of a five-year plan to step-down the FDK tuition in anticipation of opening the New Beal School, FY22 FDK tuition budget assumption was that it would be eliminated
- FY22 assumes tuition-free universal FDK for all students

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- If the School Committee decided to charge an annual tuition fee of \$1,200, then the total revenue raised would be in the range of \$220,000 to \$265,000 depending on enrollment

Preschool Tuition: Current Rates

PROGRAM	ANNUAL TUITION	MONTHLY PAYMENT
2 day	\$2,227.89	\$247.54
3 day	\$2,909.75	\$323.31
4 day	\$3,507.15	\$389.68
5 day	\$4,292.01	\$476.89

Total tuition revenue budgeted is \$450,000 and used to offset staff salaries.

Summary Recap

- The District is dependent on tuitions and user fees to operate a myriad of co-curricular programs and services.
- A rationale to keep tuitions and user fee amounts the same for FY22, other than eliminating tuition for full-day kindergarten, is because our parents will likely also be presented with an operational override question

Recommendation

- Dr. Sawyer will make a recommendation at your April 7th meeting for a vote. This timing is important so we can develop printed and electronic communications and convey to the community.