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

Type of Fee	Current F		Est. FY22 Revenue			Late Fee			ee for Students on ee/Reduced Price Lunch	Fee Notes
Bus Fee* Athletic Fee** Sherwood Activity Fee Oak Activity Fee NEW-Oak Athletic Fee High School Activity Fee Music Lesson fee	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$426, \$617,	320 325 55 75 100 110 \$809	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	470,000 355,000 16,500 40,000 13,000 66,000 362,250		\$ \$ \$	50 50 na na 25 na 50	\$ \$ \$6	\$0-per state law 50 na na 15 na 5 [30-min lesson only]	Subsidizes approx. 51% of avg cost/rider and 21% of total cost Subsidizes approx 45% of cost Subsidizes approx 50% of cost Subsidizes approx 50% of cost Est. to cover approx 50% of cost Subsidizes approx 50% of cost Covers 100% of cost
* Bus fee waived for FY2	21 due to red	uced sc		1,322,750 ol year and				Offs	et to General Fund Ap	propriation
Decreased ridership projected for FY22, thus lower total fee revenue than **Reduced to \$275/season for FY21 due to shortened seasons.						pri	or years.			

Bus Fee Comparisons

[FY20 data]

District	E	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]

	High School Sports				
District	Fee		C	ap	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	сар	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.