PTA Budget Town Hall
Thursday, January 23, 2019
PTA Budget Goals

❖ Open communication with Whittier Community
  ➢ Town Hall
  ➢ Values Survey - Final Responses Due January 24
  ➢ Budget Committee
  ➢ Board Meetings

❖ Use the Issues & Opportunities Protocol to help guide decisions
Budget Process

- **Building Leadership Team (BLT)**
  - **Parent Representatives:** Tracy Yetter & Katie Lyden
  - **Staff Representatives:** Ms. Barrett (1) and Ms. Mayo (2), Ms. Richmond (4/5) and Ms. Baldi (3), Mr. Pule (PE) and Ms. Izzo (Access), Ms. Roll (Access IA)
  - **Community Representative:** Cindy Lewan (Whittier Kids Director)
  - **Principal Clark and Mr. Sciarrone**

- **Continuous School Improvement Plan (CSIP)**
  - Updated annually by the BLT - identifies goals/growth areas for Whittier
  - CSIP goals inform decisions relating to staffing/budget
January
BLT works on CSIP, Budget/Staffing Needs

February
SPS Provides Whittier with 2020-21 Budget; Staffing Plan Developed by BLT Based on Budget; Whittier Staff Votes; Staff Funding Request (if any) Submitted to PTA

March
PTA Community Votes on Staff Funding Request

May
PTA Budget voted on at PTA Community Meeting

October
SPS Provides Final Staffing Allocation for 2020-21 to Whittier Based on Actual Enrollment; PTA Grant to Whittier Adjusted (if applicable)
How Did This Unfold for School Year 2019-20...

- **February 2019**: Ms. Clark received Whittier’s budget allocation from SPS. This allocation is based on Whittier’s *projected* number of students for 2019-20, as well as current student demographics.

- **March 2019**: Whittier BLT and Staff request that PTA fund $170,000 in staffing: 0.1 FTE Nurse (½ day per week); 0.1 FTE Librarian (½ day per week); 0.6 FTE Literacy Specialist (3 days per week); 0.5 FTE PCP Specialist (2 ½ days per week)

- **October 2020**: SPS revises Whittier’s budget allocation based on *actual* enrollment. New SPS Budget covers 0.5 FTE PCP Specialist (2 ½ days per week) and 0.5 FTE Literacy Specialist (2 ½ days per week). PTA Staffing Grant reduced to $43,000: 0.1 FTE Nurse (½ day per week); 0.1 FTE Librarian (½ day per week); 0.1 FTE Literacy Specialist (½ day per week)
How it unfolds this year...

❖ Whittier’s Budget

➢ Mid-February: Ms. Clark receives Whittier’s budget allocation from SPS. This allocation is based on Whittier’s *projected* number of students, as well as student demographics.

➢ BLT Budget Meetings (subject to change): Mondays - Feb 10, Mar 2, Mar 16

➢ BLT develops staffing plan based on the allocation from SPS; Whittier staff votes.

➢ If applicable, BLT presents the PTA with a staffing grant (i.e., funding) request to support approved staffing; PTA community votes on this staffing grant request **March 19th**, to meet the SPS deadline for PTA committed funds.
Meanwhile...

- Your PTA Budget Committee is hard at work
  - Attending BLT budget meetings
  - Working with Fundraising chairs to establish income goals for next year
  - Working with PTA board members to establish budget line items for next year
  - Working with the front office and administrators to assess needs outside of staffing that could be met by the PTA
  - Working with staff to establish line items for enrichment opportunities next year

- The balance of the PTA budget (other than any staffing grant approved in March) is voted on at the May 21st PTA Community Meeting
Communication

❖ PTA Budget Questions: Kate Mathews and Damian Mayo (treasurer.whittierpta@gmail.com)

❖ Staffing/BLT Questions: Katie Lyden (lydenkatie@gmail.com) & Tracy Yetter (kearnsyetter@comcast.net)

❖ Please share what you know with others!

❖ Join the Budget Committee!