

Lincoln Public Schools

Office of the Superintendent

FY 2024 Preliminary Budget December 15, 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 Above Guidance 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
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FY24 proposal – contract price* includes \$200,000 GASB 45*	\$17,722,644
Budget Gap	\$ 70,238

FY24 Lincoln Preliminary Budget



Revenue Assumptions - Lincoln

	FY24	Variance from FY23
Lincoln Finance Committee guideline of +2.5% over prior year Town		
Meeting Appropriation	12,972,319	316,398
Medicaid Appropriation	82,800	68,500
Total Town Meeting	13,055,119	384,898
Reimbursement Programs (Circuit Breaker = \$704,998 & E-rate)	213,389	(16,008)
Grant revenues projected at FY23 Grant Award level	913,293	55,266
User fees remain the same in FY24 as in FY21	436,860	
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Total Revenue for Lincoln:	14,618,661	424,156

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Potential Impacts & Budget Uncertainty

Personnel

- Collective bargaining agreements for Faculty 1% COLA = ~\$70,000
 - Final increase not yet known

Expenses

- Special Education Out-of District Expenses
 - Private School Tuitions are expected to increase 14% according to MA Operational Services Division (OSD)
 - We currently do not know our final CASE assessment.
 - Transportation is now known (Dec 14) and no change was required
 - The impact of the 14% increase results in ~\$70,000 in cost within the total Special Education Tuition budget (\$512,126 w/o circuit breaker).
- Utilities & Facilities Operations

+~\$45,150

- 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

Budget Reductions Already Taken

- Personnel budgeted based on payroll moving forward, reductions for known employee transitions
- SBM budgets: Per-pupil allowance unchanged
- Adjusted FY 24 line items and spending plan against
 - end of year balances
 - changes in spending due to impact of the pandemic
 - removed temporary costs such as FFE, classroom moves, or one time costs
- Reviewed Revolving Fund balances, revenue projections, and short and long term use of funds
- Hanscom/Lincoln Campus split funding proportion used: 50/50

The actions above resulted in approximately \$120,000 being made available to fund Utilities, Transportation, and Special Education Tuitions.

Bridging the Base Budget Gaps

Lincoln

Reduce Personnel Control Account by \$51,075, increases risk

OR

- Reduce the base budget to eliminate the gap
 - Eliminate Communications/Family Engagement Specialist \$35,700
 - Eliminate Faculty Resident \$35,700

OR

- Request from FinCom an FY24 increase above 2.5% (3.44%)
- Request from FinCom Above Guidance Budget Options

Possible Base Budget Reductions

Reductions	Lincoln
Reduce Personnel Control	\$51,075
Communication and Family Engagement Specialist	\$35,700
Faculty Resident (FY23 ARPA funded)	\$35,700
Deeper Learning Teacher Stipends	\$12,772
Before School Supervisors	\$7,665
Staffing/Programs	
Total	\$142,912

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)

Budget Menu - LINCOLN

Scenarios to Reach 2 1/2% Budget				Α	В
Lincoln Schools Only		Guideline Preliminary Budget (2 1/2%)	Preliminary Budget (Level Service)	Improvement Initiative: Instructional Coaching (re)Launch	Improvement Initiatives w/o School Committee Requests
Base Budget	\$13,106,194	\$ 13,106,194	\$ 13,106,194	\$ 13,106,194	\$ 13,106,194
Improvement Initiatives	\$866,303				
Instructional Coaching (re)Launch \$316,103: \$241,	103 (L)			\$ 241,103	\$ 241,103
Adjustment Counselor/Social Worker/BCBA \$45,00	00 (L)				\$ 45,000
Human Resources/Payroll Manager Role Update					\$ 4,500
School Psychologist Internship \$5,000 (H) \$5,000 (L)					\$ 5,000
Composting - Lincoln School \$5,700 (L)					\$ 5,700
Possible Base Budget Reductions from \$\$ identifie	d	\$ (51,075)			
Total Proposal	\$13,972,497	\$ 13,055,119	\$ 13,106,194	\$ 13,347,297	\$ 13,407,497
	10.28%	3.04%	3.44%	5.34%	5.82%
FY24 FinCom Guidance (+2.5%)	12,972,319				
Medicaid TM Article	\$82,800				
FY24 Lincoln Schools Budget	\$13,055,119	\$13,055,119	\$13,055,119	\$13,055,119	\$13,055,119
Additional required for FY24	-\$917,378	\$0	-\$51,075	-\$292,178	-\$352,378

FY24 Hanscom Preliminary Budget



Revenue Assumptions - Hanscom

	FY24	Variance from FY23
Hanscom Fixed Price Contract	17,722,644	584,076
Reimbursement Programs (Circuit Breaker = \$704,998 & E-rate)	491,609	(37,585)
Grant revenues projected at level funding	185,787	5,802
User fees remain the same in FY24 as in FY21	140,720	0
Total Revenue for Hanscom:	18,540,760	552,293

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Potential Impacts & Budget Uncertainty

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 - Transportation is now known (Dec 14) and no change was required
 - The impact of the 14% increase results in ~\$200,000 in cost within the total Special Education Tuition budget (\$2,416,098 w/o circuit breaker).
- Utilities & Facilities Operations

+~\$21,000

Continue HVAC adjustments for COVID operations and unknown ongoing supports

Budget Reductions Already Taken

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- SBM budgets: Per-pupil allowance unchanged
- Adjusted FY 24 line items and spending plan against
 - end of year balances
 - changes in spending due to impact of the pandemic
 - removed temporary costs or one time costs
- Reviewed Reserve Fund balance, revenue projections, and short and long term use of funds
- Hanscom/Lincoln Campus split funding proportion used: 50/50

The actions above resulted in approximately \$50,000 being made available to fund Utilities, Transportation, and Special Education Tuitions.

Bridging the Base Budget Gaps

Hanscom

- Reduce Personnel Control Account by \$51,075, increases risk
- Reduce ESP Budget Lines by \$19,163 for a total of \$70,238

OR

- Reduce the base budget to eliminate the gap
 - Eliminate Communications/Family Engagement Specialist \$35,700
 - Eliminate Faculty Resident \$35,700

OR

 Approve use of Hanscom Reserves for Above Guidance Budget Options

Possible Base Budget Reductions

Reductions	Hanscom
Reduce Personnel Control	\$51,075
Communication and Family Engagement Specialist	\$35,700
Faculty Resident (FY23 ARPA funded)	\$35,700
1 Tutor at Hanscom	\$19,163
Deeper Learning Teacher Stipends	\$12,772
Before School Supervisors	\$7,665
Staffing/Programs	
Total	\$162,075

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)
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- Transportation Expansion of Free Yellow Bus \$267,500 (L)
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- Universal Free Lunch \$300,000: \$150,000 (H) \$150,000 (L)
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Budget Menu - HANSCOM

Scenarios to Reach Fixed Contract				Α	В
Hanscom Schools Only		Guideline Preliminary Budget to Contract	Preliminary Budget (Level Service)	Improvement Initiative: Instructional Coaching (re)Launch	Improvement Initiatives w/o School Committee Requests
Base Budget	\$17,792,882	\$ 17,792,882	\$ 17,792,882	\$ 17,792,882	\$ 17,792,882
Improvement Initiatives	\$234,500				
Instructional Coaching (re)Launch \$316,103: \$75,00	0 (H)			\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000
Adjustment Counselor/Social Worker/BCBA (L)					
Human Resources/Payroll Manager Role Update \$4	500 (H)				\$ 4,500
School Psychologist Internship \$5,000 (H)					\$ 5,000
Composting - Lincoln School (L)					
Possible Base Budget Reductions from \$\$ identified		\$ (70,238)			
Total Proposal	\$18,027,382	\$ 17,722,644	\$ 17,792,882	\$ 17,867,882	\$ 17,877,382
	5.19%	3.41%	3.82%	4.26%	4.31%
FY24 Fixed Contract	17,722,644		17,722,644	17,722,644	17,722,644
Reserve and Budget Expansion					
FY24 Hanscom Schools Budget	\$17,722,644	\$17,722,644	\$17,722,644	\$17,722,644	\$17,722,644
Additional required for FY24	-\$304,738	\$0	-\$70,238	-\$145,238	-\$154,738

Budget Menu - Summary

Scenarios to Reach 2 1/2% Budget				Α	В
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	10.28%	3.04%	3.44%	5.34%	5.82%
FY24 Lincoln Schools Budget	\$13,055,119	\$13,055,119	\$13,055,119	\$13,055,119	\$13,055,119
Additional required for FY24	-\$917,378	\$0	-\$51,075	-\$292,178	-\$352,378

Scenarios to Reach Fixed Contract Hanscom Schools On	ly	Guideline Preliminary Budget to Contract	Preliminary Budget (Level Service)	A Improvement Initiative: Instructional Coaching	B Improvement Initiatives w/o School Committee Requests
Total ProposalS	\$18,027,382	\$ 17,722,644	\$ 17,792,882	(re)Launch \$ 17,867,882	
	5.19%	3.41%	3.82%	4.26%	4.31%
FY24 Hanscom Schools Budget	\$17,722,644	\$17,722,644	\$17,722,644	\$17,722,644	\$17,722,644
Additional required for FY24	-\$304,738	\$0	-\$70,238	-\$145,238	-\$154,738

FY24 Budget Development Process

December 1	Presentation of Preliminary Budget – Central Office & Administrative Team
December 13	Finance Committee: 1st Joint Budget Meeting
December 15	School Committee Budget Discussion
January 12	 School Committee Budget Hearing & 1st Reading of Final Budget
January mid [T]	Finance Committee: 2nd Joint Budget Meeting
January 26	School Committee Budget Discussion and Vote
March 25	Lincoln Town Meeting

QUESTIONS?

