2024-2025 Preliminary Budget

Board Workshop February 6, 2024





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88th Legislative Session

What They Did.....

School Safety HB3

Additional school safety funding

Property Tax Relief SB2

- Additional 10.7¢ tax compression
- Increase in the homestead exemption from \$40K to \$100K



What They Didn't Do.....

- No additional funding provided for employee raises.
- No additional funding provided to address inflation.

After four called special sessions



2023-2024 Budget Challenges

- Unprecedented growth
- No funding mechanism in current funding formula to provide a raise for employees or address inflation
- Legislative year
- ESSER Funding Cliff



2023-2024 Budget Assumptions General Fund Budget \$672,772,241

Student enrollment growth

2,600

73,394

ADA Percentage

92.5%

Certified
Property Value
Growth 5.26%

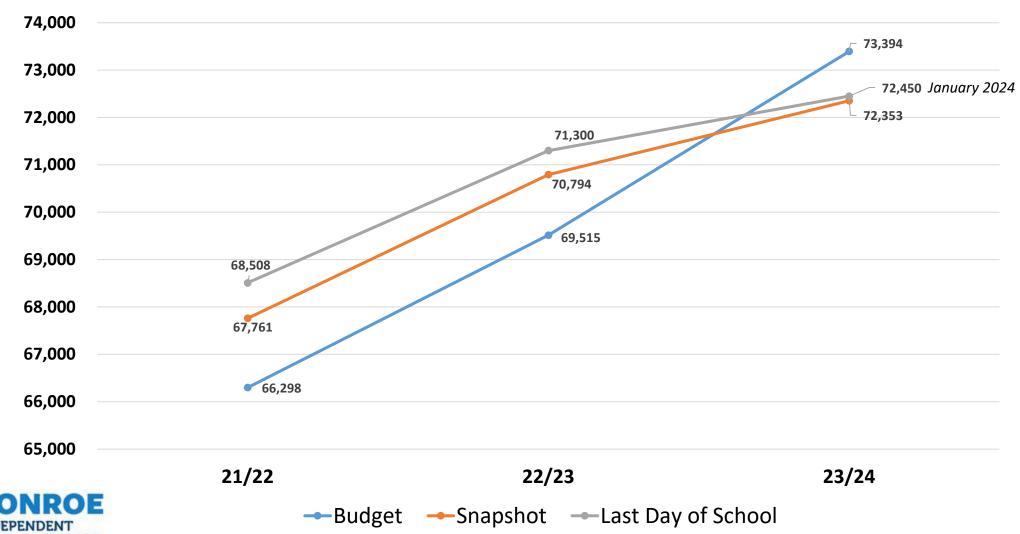
\$54,875,597,445

Adopted Tax Rate \$0.09621

15.25 Cent Decrease



Enrollment Trend





2023-2024 Adopted Budget

Revenue

Local Revenue State Revenue Total \$ 396,981,570 275,790,671 672,772,241

Expense

Payroll
Contracted Services
Supplies & Materials
Equipment & Other
Total

596,680,390 33,912,658 28,045,603 14,133,590 672,772,241



2023-2024 Budget Concerns

| | Worst Case Scenario | Most Likely Outcome |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| | (Under)/Over | (Under)/Over |
| Revenue | | |
| Enrollment Shortage | (\$6,500,000) | \$0 |
| Total | (\$6,500,000) | \$0 |
| Expenditures | | |
| 2023-2024 Raise | \$15,000,000 | \$15,000,000 |
| Payroll Accrual Adjustment | 4,000,000 | 4,000,000 |
| Teacher Incentive Allotment | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |
| Additional Personnel | 1,500,000 | 1,500,000 |
| Montgomery Central Appraisal District (MCAD) | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |
| Property Insurance | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |
| Total | \$23,500,000 | \$23,500,000 |
| Projected Net Change in Fund Balance | (\$30,000,000) | (\$23,500,000) |
| | | |
| Unassigned Fund Balance September 1, 2023 | \$153,878,716 | \$153,878,716 |
| Unassigned Fund Balance August 31, 2024-Projected | \$123,878,716 | \$130,378,716 |

Fund Balance Analysis Going into 24-25

| 2023-2024 Budget Target Percentage Target Fund Balance | | \$ | 672,772,241 x 20% 134,554,448 | |
|--|-------|-----------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Projected Fund Balance @ 8/31/24 | 19.4% | | 130,378,716 | |
| Target | 20.0% | | 134,554,448 | |
| Below Target % | | | (4,175,732) | |
| Employee Raise (FY 24-25) | | | (15,000,000) | |
| Below Target % (FY 24-25) | | \$ | (19,175,732) | |



Possible Solutions

- Legislative action
- Return bond contingency fund to the General Fund \$18.8M
- Weighted Funding



Medicaid Funding Reduction SHARS Program

The School Health and Related Services (SHARS) program allows school districts to request reimbursement for health-related services provided to Medicaid eligible students.

Supplemental revenue in the General Fund

\$10 million

December 2023- state
announced a \$300
million reduction in
funding to districts after
the loss of an appeal
relating to a federal
audit from 2017.

Conroe ISD's share of the reduction

\$5 million



Property Value Study

- State law requires the Comptroller to conduct a study of the locally appraised property values (PVS) at least every two years and to certify taxable property value to TEA annually.
- TEA uses the values assigned from the PVS to determine how much state funding each school district is eligible to receive.
- Local values must be within state value threshold
- Two possible results:
 - Valid finding local values are used
 - Invalid findings state values are used
- Tax Year 2023 property value study released on January 31, 2024 found MCAD's values invalid. (94.7% of state value)
- Appeal process underway
- \$33 million funding implication if state values are ultimately assigned.

Local Values
must be....
>95%
State Values
<105%

2024-2025 Preliminary Budget Assumptions

Student enrollment growth

1,550

74,000

ADA Percentage

92.5%

Certified
Property Value
Growth 5.75%

Projected Tax Rate

\$0.9621

No Increase



2024-2025 Projected Tax Rate

| | 2023-2024 | 2024-2025 | Change | |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|----------|--------------------|
| M&O | \$0.7021 | \$0.6821 | \$(0.02) | Tax Compression |
| Debt Service | 0.2600 | 0.2800 | 0.02 | 2023 Bond |
| Total | \$0.9621 | \$0.9621 | \$0.00 | |



Possible Raise Scenarios 2024-2025

| Amount | Estimated Cost |
|--|----------------|
| Teacher Hiring Schedule(years of service adj) | \$ 1,600,000 |
| 1.0% | \$ 6,500,000 |
| 2.0% | \$ 13,000,000 |
| 2.5% | \$ 16,250,000 |

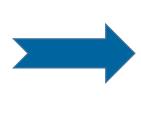


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| Beginning Revenue | | \$ 672.77 | M |
|---|----------|------------|---|
| Estimated Revenue Change | | | |
| Local Revenue Limited 2.5% AV growth | \$ 10.55 | | |
| State Funding (Net of AV Growth reduction) | 6.31 | | |
| Golden Penny Yield Increase | 1.50 | | |
| Teacher Incentive Allotment | 1.00 | | |
| TRS In-Kind | 1.75 | | |
| Total Revenue Increase | | 21.11 | |
| Estimated Total Revenue | | \$ 693.88 | M |
| Beginning Expenditures-Amended | | \$ 694.30 | M |
| Estimated Expenditure Increase | | | |
| Additional Personnel for Growth 24-25 | 7.50 | | |
| Raise-Teacher Hiring Schedule | 1.60 | | |
| Virtual Academy | 1.30 | | |
| Teacher Incentive Allotment | 1.00 | | |
| Other Expenses (Utilities, Fuel, Insurance, MCAD) | 3.05 | | |
| TRS In-Kind | 1.75 | | |
| Total Estimated Expenditure Increase | | 16.20 | |
| Estimated Total Expenditures | | \$ 710.50 | M |
| Potential deficit | | \$ (16.62) | M |

Bond Sale Proceeds

Bonds are sold and proceeds are received by the district.







Remaining proceeds earn interest.



Projects are funded from bond proceeds based on the project schedules.

Estimated Interest Earnings On 2023 Bond Proceeds (Future Debt Avoidance)

| | | FY 2024 | FY 2025 | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | FY 2028 | Total |
|----------------------|----|-------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Potential Earnings | \$ | 12,200,000 | \$ 24,900,000 | \$ 22,300,000 | \$ 11,600,000 | \$ 3,000,000 | \$ 74,000,000 |
| Estimated Arbitrage* | · | (1,800,000) | (3,900,000) | (3,700,000) | (2,100,000) | (500,000) | (12,000,000) |
| Available | \$ | 10,400,000 | \$ 21,000,000 | \$ 18,600,000 | \$ 9,500,000 | \$ 2,500,000 | \$ 62,000,000 |

Potential uses:
Buses
Land

^{*}Arbitrage: When the proceeds of a tax-exempt bond issue are used to acquire investments that earn a yield in excess of the bond yield (or arbitrage yield). Liabilities are measured by computing the excess amount earned on investments over the amount that would have been earned if proceeds were invested at the bond yield. Excess earnings must be rebated to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).