



**BOE/CO  
Friday Packet  
December 15, 2023**

Upcoming Meeting Dates

12-13-2023 Music Course Enrollment Memo from Dr. Zavodjancik

12-14-2023 Revised Special Education Program Cost Memo from Mr. Mancusi

2024 BoE Meeting Dates

2024 Facilities Committee Meeting Dates

2024 Open House Schedule



Upcoming Board of Education Meeting Dates **2024**

January 3	5:00 PM	Finance Committee Superintendent Conference Room 501 Kings Hwy East
January 9	7:00 PM	BoE Regular Meeting CO Board Room 501 Kings Hwy East
January 16	7:00 PM	BoE Special/Budget Meeting CO Board Room 501 Kings Hwy East
January 17	9:30 AM	Facilities Committee Superintendent Conference Room 501 Kings Hwy East
January 23	7:00 PM	BoE Special/Budget Meeting CO Board Room 501 Kings Hwy East
January 25 Thursday	7:00 PM	BoE Regular Meeting CO Board Room 501 Kings Hwy East
January 30	5:00 PM	Special Policy Committee Superintendent Conference Room 501 Kings Hwy East



To: Mr. Michael Testani, Superintendent of Schools

From: Dr. James Zavodjancik, Chief Academic Officer

Date: December 13, 2023

Re: Music Enrollment questions from the December 12, 2023 Board of Education Meeting

During the regular Board of Education meeting on December 12, 2023, questions were posed about music course enrollments. Classes with single digit enrollments are explained below. This document is a supplement to *enclosure 1 and 2* in the BoE packet.

Generally, Piano Studio and Music Technology I/II enroll eight students maximum due to space and equipment usage.

*Year 2021-2022*

<b>Chamber Choir Section(s)– FLHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Justification / Reason</b>
1	28	This is one class of 28 students. Some students require a special schedule which places them in another section for Infinite Campus. <i>However, this information was inverted in the enclosure. FWHS has one section of 29 with the two additional sections noted to the left (i.e., 26, 2, 1)</i>
2 – FWHS	2	
3 - FWHS	1	
<b>Music Technology I Section(s)– FLHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Justification / Reason</b>
1	12	Two sections offered in different semesters. Section 1 was accommodated for additional enrollment.
2	6	
<b>Music Technology II Section(s)– FLHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
1	5	Nine initial requests
<b>Concert Choir Section(s)– FWHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Justification / Reason</b>
1	27	This is one class of 29 students. Section 2's students have a slight variance in schedule which requires an additional section in Infinite Campus. It remains as a .2 FTE.
2	2	
<b>Music Technology II Section(s)– FWHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
1	3	N/A
<b>Vocal Studio Section(s)– FWHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Justification / Reason</b>
1	8	A more individualized course than any of the choir offerings.

*Year 2022-2023*

<b>Music Technology I Section(s)– FLHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Justification / Reason</b>
1	4	Two sections offered in different semesters.
2	6	
<b>Piano Studio Section(s)– FLHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Justification / Reason</b>
1	2	This course has a maximum of 8 students. There were an additional 8 requests and 18 alternative requests which were not fulfilled.
2	8	
<b>Vocal Studio Section(s)– FLHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Justification / Reason</b>
1	5	A more individualized course than any of the choir offerings.
<b>Music Theory I Section(s)– FLHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
1	6	Eight initial requests
<b>Music Technology II Section(s)– FWHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
1	4	Ten initial requests
<b>Music Theory II Section(s)– FWHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
1	4	Eight initial requests

*Year 2023-2024*

<b>Music Technology I Section(s)– FLHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Justification / Reason</b>
1	5	Two sections offered in different semesters. There initially were 15 requests at each high school.
2	6	
<b>Music Technology II Section(s)– FLHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
1	4	Six initial requests
<b>Music Theory I Section(s)– FLHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
1	4	Seven initial requests
<b>Vocal Studio Section(s)– FLHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Justification / Reason</b>
1	6	A more individualized course than any of the choir courses.
<b>Wind Ensemble Section(s)– FLHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Justification / Reason</b>
1	31	These are separate classes. However, students in the second section are part of a different concurrent course – Symphonic Band - with an additional 11 students (i.e., total of 17 students).
2	6	
<b>Concert Choir Section(s)– FWHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Justification / Reason</b>
1	22	These are the same section. Students in section 2 are part of section 1 but have a slight variance in schedules which requires a new section for scheduling purposes.
2	2	
<b>Music Technology I Section(s)– FWHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
1	7	There initially were 15 requests at each high school.
<b>Music Technology II Section(s)– FWHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
1	2	N/A
<b>Music Theory I Section(s)– FWHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
1	4	Eleven initial requests
<b>Music Theory II Section(s)– FWHS</b>	<b>Student Count</b>	<b>Additional Information</b>
1	4	N/A



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**To:** Board of Education Members

**From:** Robert Mancusi, Executive Director of Special Education & Special Programs *Rm*

**Cc:** Michael Testani, Superintendent of Schools

Courtney Laborious, Chief Financial Officer

**Re:** Revised Special Education Program Cost Comparison Document

**Date:** December 14, 2023

### MEMO

Attached please find the revised special education cost comparison document with the revisions requested at the Board of Education Meeting on December 12, 2023. This document now includes a cost comparison of both in-district and out of district programs for PPT and non-PPT placements. Please advise me if there are any additional questions that any of you may have regarding this item.



## OUTPLACED / IN DISTRICT COST COMPARISON

ACTUAL ENROLMENT NUMBERS AS OF 11/28/2023

Specialized Program	Students	SpEd Teachers	Social Workers/ Psychologists	Ed Trainers	Paras	Average Cost of Outplacement \$119,876.54	Estimated In-District Cost \$51,955.28	Cost Avoidance \$67,921.00
CLC-ECC Warde/Stratfield	18	2	0	5	6	\$2,235,870.00	\$958,754.00	\$1,277,116.00
CLC-Burr	18	2	0	2	11	\$2,235,870.00	\$1,061,021.00	\$1,174,849.00
CLC-Mill Hill	16	3	0	2	8	\$1,987,440.00	\$994,027.00	\$993,413.00
CLC-Fairfield Warde H.S.	15	2	0	3	7	\$1,863,225.00	\$879,320.00	\$983,905.00
CLC-Fairfield Ludlowe H.S.	18	2	0	2	17	\$2,235,870.00	\$1,397,495.00	\$838,375.00
CLC-Fairfield Woods M.S.	6	1	0	2	2	\$745,290.00	\$376,849.00	\$368,441.00
CLC-Jennings	18	2	0	2	11	\$2,235,870.00	\$1,061,021.00	\$1,174,849.00
CLC-Roger Ludlowe M.S.	8	1	0	2	3	\$993,720.00	\$444,102.00	\$549,618.00
CLC-Tomlinson	8	1	0	1	6	\$993,720.00	\$552,963.00	\$440,757.00
CLC-Osborn Hill	17	2	0	2	10	\$2,111,655.00	\$999,355.00	\$1,112,300.00
TLC-Riverfield	7	1	1	0	3	\$869,505.00	\$439,942.00	\$429,563.00
TRS-Tomlinson	8	1	1	0	3	\$993,720.00	\$445,529.00	\$548,191.00
IMPACT-Fairfield Ludlowe H.S.	17	1	2	0	0	\$2,111,655.00	\$447,754.00	\$1,663,901.00
IMPACT-Fairfield Warde H.S.	16	1	2	0	0	\$1,987,440.00	\$442,167.00	\$1,545,273.00
IMPACT-Water Fitzgerald Campus	13	1	1	1	0	\$1,614,795.00	\$409,124.00	\$1,205,671.00
CPP Community Partnership	22	2	1	1	9	\$2,732,730.00	\$1,108,096.00	\$1,624,634.00
Early Literacy Academy- McKinley	19	3	0	0	4	\$1,301,500.00	\$659,569.00	\$641,931.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>\$29,249,875.00</b>	<b>\$12,677,088.00</b>	<b>\$16,572,787.00</b>

Average Costs (salaries & benefits)		CLC Students		TLC/TRS/IMPACT Students				CPP Students	
PPT Outplacement	\$124,215.00	Meliara	\$233,000.00	CES	\$82,697.00	Pinnacle	\$114,500.00	St. Catherine's	\$115,433.00
SpEd Teacher	\$112,417.00	Benhaven	\$163,000.00	Grove	\$162,300.00	Cedarhurst	\$83,000.00	CT Transitions	\$91,800.00
Social Worker	\$120,179.00	ASPIRE	\$134,000.00	SPIRE	\$93,850.00	Woodhouse	\$85,130.00	Mitchell- Thames	\$58,910.00
ED Trainer	\$59,376.00	Hubbard Day	\$169,000.00	Hope	\$100,000.00	B&G Village	\$108,650.00	CES RISE	\$37,853.00
Para:	\$56,079.00	Speech Academy	\$105,000.00	ACES	\$167,463.00	Wellspring	\$254,526.00	CES TLC	\$91,372.00
CCSN Contracted Services	\$5,587.00	St. Vincent's	\$120,000.00	Westport Day	\$93,000.00	<b>HB Tutoring</b>	<b>\$6,000.00</b>		
Restorative Practices	\$103,897.00	Milestones	\$158,807.00	Glenholm	\$183,500.00				
Transition Specialist	\$135,458.00	<b>Average</b>	<b>\$154,686.71</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>\$127,384.67</b>			<b>Average</b>	<b>\$79,073.60</b>
Non-PPT Outplacement	\$68,500.00	<b>Early Literacy Academy Students</b>							
Literacy How Contracted Services	\$5,158.00	Southport School	\$69,500.00						
		Villa Maria	\$67,500.00						
		<b>Average</b>	<b>\$68,500.00</b>						



## OUTPLACED / IN DISTRICT COST COMPARISON SUMMARY SHEET

ENROLMENT AS OF 11/28/2023

*Below is the average cost of PPT outplacements separated by category to illustrate the student profile each program addresses. The outplacement programs are compared to the Fairfield Public Schools' in-district programs for students with similar needs and learning profiles.*

CLC Students			
Outplacement	Students		
Meliora	1		\$233,000.00
Benhaven	2	<i>This category includes outplacements in which FPS currently has placed or has had placed students in the past 2 school years; utilization will continue in the future if determined appropriate by the PPT. Students enrolled in our in-district CLC programs are placed through the PPT process in one of these schools listed if student needs exceed that which can be addressed in a public school setting.</i>	\$163,000.00
ASPIRE	1		\$134,000.00
Hubbard Day	1		\$169,000.00
Speech Academy	3		\$105,000.00
St. Vincent's	2		\$120,000.00
Milestones	0		\$158,807.00
Average			\$154,686.71

TLC/TRS/IMPACT Students			
Outplacement	Students		
CES	4		\$82,697.00
Grove	4		\$162,300.00
SPIRE	9	<i>This category includes outplacements in which FPS currently has students placed through the PPT process. Students enroll in these placements generally have significant mental health, social, emotional, and behavioral needs that may require therapeutic day or residential programming. Students recommended for outplacement to one of the listed locations in this category may also have been enrolled in one of FPS' in-district, social-emotional programs or our alternative high school at Walter Fitzgerald Campus. These students may require more intensive mental health and social-emotional support than can be provided in a public school setting.</i>	\$93,850.00
Hope	6		\$100,000.00
ACES	1		\$167,463.00
Westport Day	4		\$93,000.00
Glenholm	3		\$183,500.00
Pinnacle	4		\$114,500.00
Cedarhurst	6		\$83,000.00
Woodhouse	3		\$85,130.00
B&G Village	4		\$108,650.00
Wellspring	1		\$254,526.00
Average			\$127,384.67

		CPP Students	
Outplacement	Students		
St. Catherine's	1	<i>This category includes outplacements in which FPS has or had placed students; utilization will continue in the future if determined appropriate by the PPT. Students enrolled in placements within this category require and are eligible for post-secondary education, employment, and/or independent living support beyond the traditional 4 years of high school. Students placed through the PPT process may be eligible for SPED and related services through the end of the school year in which they turn 22 years of age.</i>	\$115,433.00
CT Transitions	0		\$91,800.00
Mitchell- Thames	0		\$58,910.00
CES RISE	0		\$37,853.00
CES TLC	0		\$91,372.00
			Average

Early Literacy Academy Students			
Outplacement	Students		
The Southport School	8	This category includes non-PPT placements for students with dyslexia and/or significant language based learning disabilities.	\$69,500.00
Villa Maria	1		\$67,500.00
Average			\$68,500.00

### Average Costs (salaries & benefits) FPS Staff

SpEd Teacher:	\$112,417.00
Social Worker:	\$120,179.00
ED Trainer:	\$59,376.00
Para:	\$56,079.00
CCSN Contracted Services	\$5,587.00
Literacy How Contracted Services	\$5,158.00
Restorative Practices	\$103,897.00
Transition Specialist	\$135,458.00





**2024 BOE Meeting Dates\***  
Usually 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 7:00 PM

<u>DATE</u>	<u>Meeting Type</u>
Tuesday, January 9, 2024	Regular/Budget Presentation
Tuesday, January 16, 2024	Special/Budget
Tuesday, January 23, 2024	Special/Budget
<b>Thursday</b> , January 25, 2024	Regular/Budget Adoption
Tuesday, February 13, 2024	Regular
Tuesday, February 27, 2024	Special/Executive Session Board Self-Evaluation, <i>Superintendent's Conference Room</i>
Tuesday, March 12, 2024	Regular
Tuesday, March 26, 2024	Regular
Tuesday, April 23, 2024	Regular
Tuesday, May 7, 2024	Regular
Tuesday, May 28, 2024	Regular, <i>Student Awards, Location TBD</i>
Tuesday, June 11, 2024	Special/Executive Session, <i>Superintendent's Conference Room</i> Regular
Tuesday June 25, 2024	Special/Executive Session, <i>Superintendent's Conference Room</i> Regular
Tuesday August 27, 2024	Regular
Tuesday, September 10, 2024	Special/Executive Session, <i>Superintendent's Conference Room</i> Regular
Tuesday, September 24, 2024	Regular
Tuesday, October 8, 2024	Regular
Tuesday, October 22, 2024	Regular
Tuesday, November 12, 2024	Organizational/Regular
Tuesday, November 26, 2024	Regular
Tuesday, December 10, 2024	Regular

*\*All meetings begin at 7:00 PM, 501 Kings Highway East, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Board Conference Room (unless otherwise noted on the agenda)*



**Fairfield Public Schools  
501 Kings Highway East  
Superintendent's Conference Room**

**2024 Dates for Facilities Committee Meetings**

Committee Chair: Nick Aysseh

Committee Members: Nick Aysseh, David Krasnoff, Jason Li

*All meetings take place Wednesdays at 9:30 am in the Superintendent's Conference Room unless otherwise noted.*

- January 17, 2024
- February 14, 2024
- March 20, 2024
- April 24, 2024
- May 15, 2024
- June 19, 2024
- September 18, 2024
- October 16, 2024
- November 20, 2024
- December 18, 2024



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To: Mr. Michael Testani, Superintendent of Schools

From: Dr. James Zavodjancik, Chief Academic Officer

Date: December 14, 2023

Re: Open House Schedules for SY24-25

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Please see the open house schedule below for the 2024-2025 school year. This information is posted on the FPS website under Calendars and will be disseminated by individual schools in the Spring 2024.

# Open Houses 2024-2025

