

Budget/Board Goals

For the 2024-2025 School Year

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Livingston Public Schools

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LPS BUDGET/BOARD GOAL 1 - 2024/2025

Goal 1: *Based on an updated facility usage plan incorporating board, stakeholder, and community input and adhering to class size guidelines, develop a long-range facility plan and timeline to address enrollment increases and facility constraints.*

We have accomplished the following:

- District Administration and Facility Manager met with principals and supervisors to go over 2023/2024 LRFP Community Committee options and discuss any additional needs since that LRFP work was completed (Winter 2025).
- Share preliminary facility options with BOE Facility/Finance Committee (Winter 2025).
- The Superintendent and LBOE Facility Committee member have met with the Town's Livingston Mall development consultant and planners (February 2025).
- Engage district architect to develop preliminary schematic drawings and budgeting of options (April 2025).
- Engage Demographer to complete study. This is challenging due to town development that is planned and occurring (April 2025).



LPS BUDGET/BOARD GOAL 1- 2024/2025

Goal 1

Continued:

- Share Facility Options and cost analysis with LBOE Facility/Finance Committee (Summer/Fall 2025)
- Share preliminary architect cost analysis with financial advisor to determine preliminary text impact and possible wrapping cost into current obligations.
- Share Facility Options to LBOE and invite former LFRP Committee to hear facility options and administration facility recommendation (Fall 2025)
- LBOE votes on administration facility recommendation (Fall 2025)
- District Architect submits documentation to the NJDOE for approval and for possible funding/debt service (Spring/Summer 2026)
- Choose possible referendum date during 2026/2027 school year.



LPS BUDGET GOAL 2 - 2024/2025

Goal 2: *Support a five-year curriculum writing cycle to keep research and evidence-based programs and materials current, relevant, and rigorous; initiate technology solutions to drive consistency, collaboration, and communication; and provide professional development to support staff, students, and other stakeholders.*

- Curriculum Writing returned fully to pre-Covid rotation
97 projects, 270 teachers, 18 departments
- New Courses
AP Macroeconomics / Dance 4 / Innovating with Artificial Intelligence / Word Study K-1
- All curriculum documents are available to the community on the school website.
- Implementation of universal screener
Prof development on data, reporting & growth/Beginning utilization of data warehouse
- Professional Development Highlights:
Building Thinking Classrooms / Math in Focus / Open SciEd



LPS BUDGET GOAL 3 - 2024/2025

Goal 3: *Use the Equity Audit and community input to provide community-supported, research- and evidence-based programs and activities to both students and staff to enhance the school environment to embrace what makes our community unique and special.*

This will be discussed during the district and strategic plan goals



LPS BUDGET GOAL 4 - 2024

Goal 4: *Implement district-wide security improvements necessary to ensure the safety and security of all students, staff, and district property.*

- Working with the new School Safety Specialist identify areas of school security improvements worked on during the 2024/25 for 2025/26 implementation, in the areas of:
 - Improve conditions in the event of a prolonged school lockdown: crisis buckets in each classroom and office.
 - Update security drills based on new training of our School Safety Specialist. Train staff in new directives from NJDOE
 - Toured our self-contained classrooms twice during the school year with first responders
 - Emergency communication protocols: Integrate emergency communication systems
 - Formally securing and visit alternative evacuation sites



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Goal 4

Continued:

- Updating Critical infrastructure Maps
- Integrating panic buttons and update system
- Introduction of a visitor management system in each school
- “Live” Police training in our schools
- Updating and adding to the MOA
- Unification plan development and training.
- Increase security procedures at Central Office
- Exterior strobe light at schools for emergencies
- Communicate our security needs with special schools that meet with our students
- Continue to work with LPD concerning traffic and safety around schools
- Technology safety protocols and training for staff.



LPS BUDGET GOAL 5 - 2024

Goal 5: *Continue to provide access to high-quality programs, services, and resources aligned to external standards to support LHS students in their high school planning, post-graduation planning, and college application process.*

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LPS BOARD GOAL 2 - 2024/2025

GOAL: 2: *The Board will work with the district administration to develop a 2025-26 school year budget that reflects the Board's Budget Goals.*

The budget presented tonight and voted on and reflected in this slide presentation demonstrates that all of the Board's goals have been met.



LPS BOARD GOAL 3 - 2024/2025

GOAL 3: *The Board will develop a two-year schedule and process for hiring a permanent superintendent, communicating with stakeholders throughout the process.*

- Summer 2024: The Board approved a 2nd year for the Interim Superintendent.
- Summer of 2025: Accept proposals for a superintendent search consultant.
- Early Fall 2025: Appoint search consultant
- Fall of 2025 thru January of 2026: Search consultant works with stakeholders to determine qualities required for permanent superintendent.
- January 2026: Advertisement and recruitment of candidates.
- February and March 2026: Board interviews candidates.
- April 2026: Appointment of permanent superintendent.

