



Proposed Strategic Drivers for 2021-22 Budget

To: Finance, Budget and Enrolment Committee

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Strategic Directions

- Transform Student Learning
- Create a Culture for Student and Staff Well-Being
- Provide Equity of Access to Learning Opportunities for All Students
- Allocate Human and Financial Resources Strategically to Support Student Needs
- Build Strong Relationships and Partnerships Within School Communities to Support Student Learning and Well-Being

Recommendation

It is recommended that the report regarding the proposed strategic drivers for the 2021-22 budget be approved.

Context

The strategic budget drivers and consultation plan report was presented to Trustees at the November 25, 2020 Special Finance, Budget and Enrolment Committee (FBEC) meeting.

In December 2020, staff consulted with the TDSB Community Advisory Committees, SEAC and PIAC and solicited their input on these drivers. An online survey was also made available on the TDSB external website from December 2, 2020 to January 31, 2021, to gather feedback from the community.

The proposed strategic budget drivers, which are based on the drivers identified and approved in April 2019, highlighted seven key areas of importance to student achievement and well-being. Those key areas are:

- Early years
- Differentiated approaches to serve our students, including Indigenous Education
- Student Success
- Staff allocation to support all students
- Modernization and accessibility
- Professional development
- Parent engagement and student voice

Based on feedback received, the 2021-22 proposed strategic budget driver report is presented in Appendix A for consideration and input. The 2019-20 and 2020-21 strategic budget drivers are provided in Appendix B and a copy of the survey responses is also provided in Appendix C for reference.

As discussions around the 2021-22 budget continue, these proposed strategic drivers are a first step in guiding these important discussions that will determine the Board's funding priorities for the upcoming school year.

Action Plan and Associated Timeline

Staff will update the proposed strategic budget drivers based on trustee feedback received at the Feb 24, 2021 FBEC meeting.

Resource Implications

Not applicable.

Communications Considerations

Once approved, the strategic drivers will inform budget-related communications and consultation strategy. Communications will be developed to support discussions and meetings related to the budget.

The final strategic drivers will be posted on the TDSB budget website.

Board Policy and Procedure Reference(s)

Not applicable.

Appendices

Appendix A: Proposed 2021-22 Strategic Budget Drivers

Appendix B: 2019-20 and 2020-21 Strategic Budget Drivers

Appendix C: Survey Feedback on Strategic Budget Drivers for 2021-22 Budget

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