

**Mansfield
Board of Education
2025-2026
District Budget**
Proposed January 16, 2025



MBOE Budget Workshop: Staffing & General Education

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Public Schools



Foundation

Mission

Core Beliefs

District Development Plan

Key Drivers



Our Mission

It is the **Mission** of the Mansfield Public Schools, in partnership with the Mansfield community, to ensure that each and every child develops the knowledge, skills, and dispositions essential for civic engagement and personal excellence in learning, life, and work within our local and global community.



Core Beliefs



Lead with equity. We believe that children must be supported to learn and develop in a safe, antiracist environment free from discrimination, bias, and prejudice against all people where conscious efforts and intentional actions ensure equitable opportunities.



Develop the whole child. We believe schools have an obligation to teach academic and social skills while nurturing the emotional, physical and behavioral development of all children.



Ensure active learning. We believe students learn best when they engage in joy-filled, empowering, intellectually challenging, and personalized experiences that deepen understanding of the world while building academic and social-emotional skills.



Build partnerships. We believe engaging families and the community as equal partners is necessary to fulfill the mission and vision of Mansfield Public Schools.



Prepare global citizens. We believe schools must develop young people to be stewards of their community, nation, and the larger world around them by instilling the skills needed to contribute to a peaceful society and sustainable world.



Grow educators. We believe that providing an environment that allows for inquiry, supports risk taking, provides for continuous learning, and attends to the whole person is as important for educators as it is for students.



Budgets need to be...

Innovative
Creative
Responsive
Dynamic
AND
Responsible





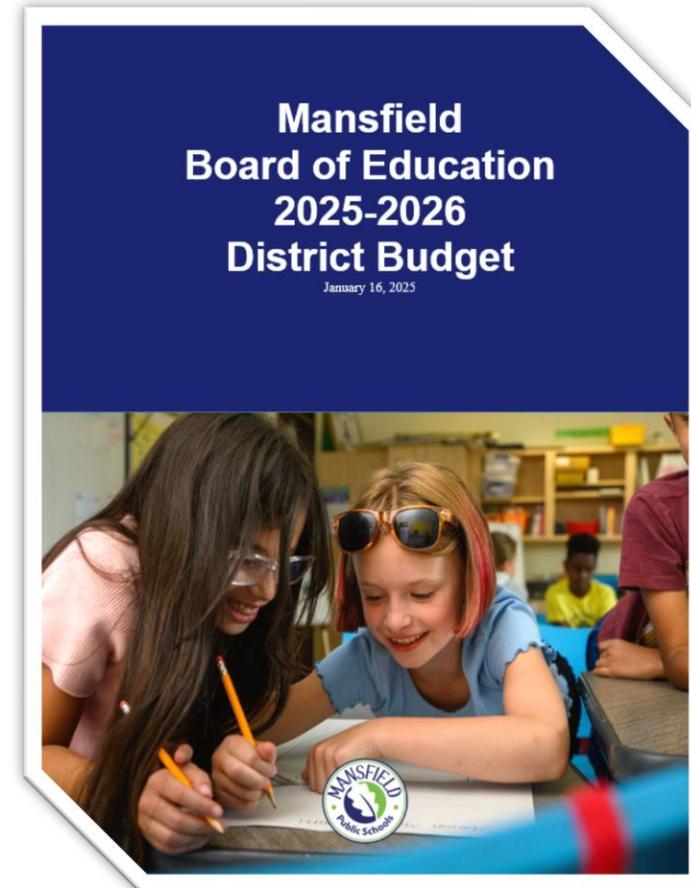
Budget Development

- Review Enrollment Data & Projection
- Build Staffing Models & Potential Schedules/Services
- Examined Expenditures
- Identify Needs Using Data
- Research & Gather Critical Information



MPS Budget Book Sections

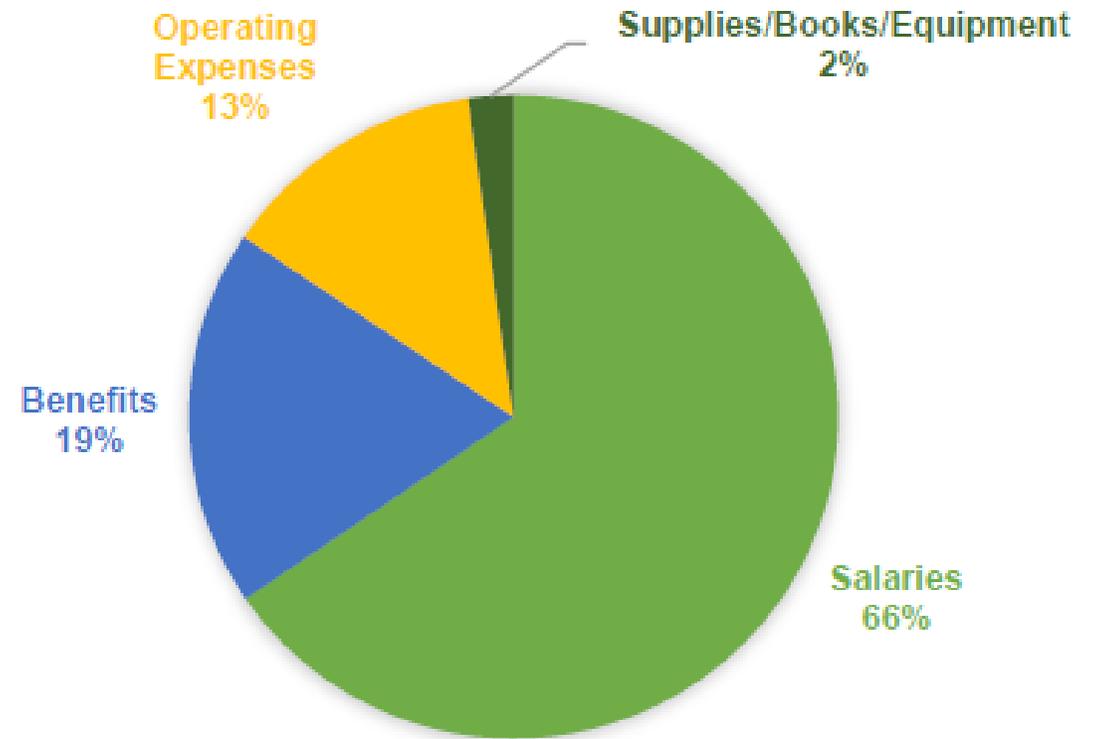
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2025-2026 Budget

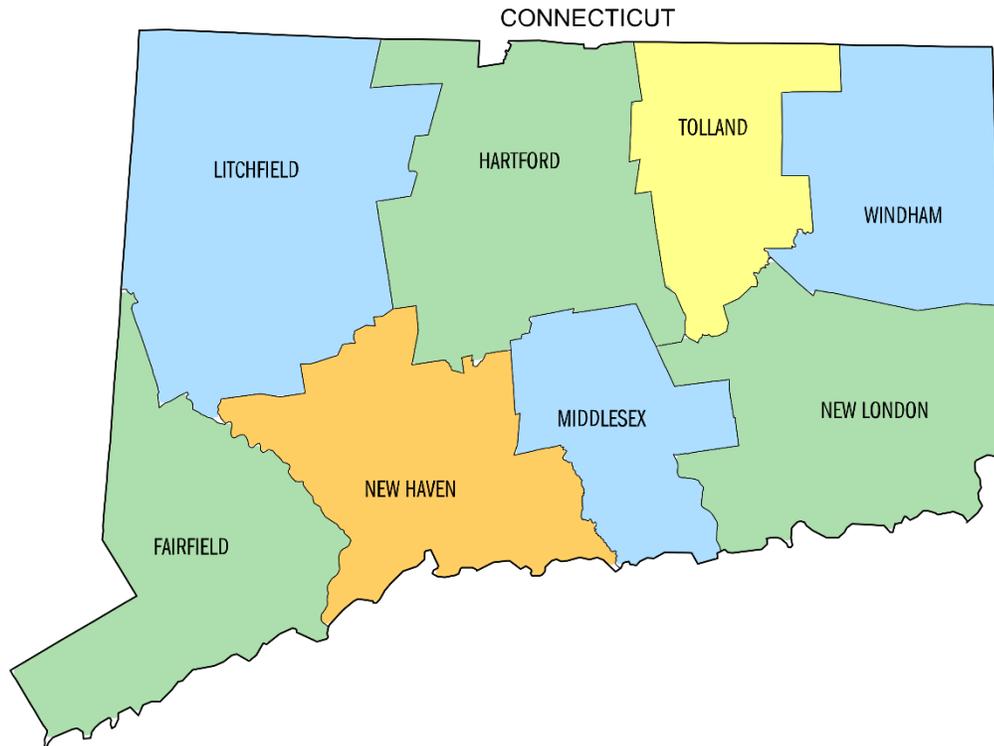
- Proposed 25-26 District Budget: \$25,605,000.
- 3.24% increase over the current year
- Salaries and benefits increased by \$514,340 and account for 85% of the budget
- Student Transportation is 5.25% of total budget
- Right Sizing of District given declining enrollment
- Educational Supplies make up less than 1% of total Supplies/books/equipment budget
- The quality and level of Services, Programs, and Supports will remain the same and continue to grow and improve





State Wide BOE Budget Trends

as of 1/22/25 CAPSS



Districts	2025-26 %
Amity Regional School District #5	3.66
Ashford School	5.46
Avon Public Schools	4.51
Berlin Public Schools	7.40
Brookfield Public Schools	3.64
Cheshire Public Schools	7.09
Coventry Public Schools	5.27
Darien Public Schools	4.39
East Hampton Public Schools	7.30
East Hartford Public Schools	2.8
East Lyme Public Schools	6.99
Easton Public Schools	7.59
Ellington Public Schools	3.18
Glastonbury Public Schools	4.88
Greenwich Public Schools	5.4
Guilford Public Schools	6.53
Hebron Public Schools	5.75
Madison Public Schools	2.47
Mansfield Board of Education	3.24
Meriden Public Schools	6.7
Milford Public Schools	4.87
Monroe Public Schools	6.02
New Canaan Public Schools	4.61
New Fairfield Public Schools	3.81
New Milford Public Schools	3.93
Newtown Public Schools	5.96
North Haven Public Schools	10.65
Oxford Public Schools	4.70
Plainfield Public Schools	5.27
Plainville Community Schools	4.75
Plymouth Public Schools	3.24
Portland Public Schools	4.98
Putnam Public Schools	6.46
Redding Public Schools	5.49
Regional School District #16	2.50
Regional School District #18	7.99
Southington Public Schools	6.6
Sterling Public School	1.52
Suffield Public Schools	8.34
Thomaston Public Schools	3.83
Trumbull Public Schools	5.26
Union Public Schools	7.80
Vernon Public Schools	2.87
Westbrook Public Schools	4.61
Weston Public Schools	4.75
Westport Public Schools	4.69
Wilton Public Schools	4.00
Woodbridge School District	6.11



Staffing Changes Based On:

- Enrollment
- BOE Class Size Guidelines
- Scheduling Efficiencies
- Retirements/Attrition
- Needs/Data

Staffing is a major driver in the district budget and is adjusted each year to meet the goals of the district, the needs of students/staff, and reflect enrollment. The 25-26 staffing plan acknowledges decreased student enrollment by reducing three classroom positions while maintaining BOE Class size guidelines. Proposed staffing increases include two Social Workers that were transferred during the 24-25 school year from Mansfield Human Services to the Board of Education in addition to a Math Interventionist.

The following FTE (full time equivalency) positions are recommended reductions:

- 1.0 FTE 2nd Grade Teacher
- 1.0 FTE 7th Grade Teacher
- 1.0 FTE 8th Grade Teacher
- 0.5 FTE Enrichment (MMS)
- 1.0 FTE Behavior Technician (MES)

The following FTE positions are recommended staffing increases:

- 2.0 FTE School Social Workers (currently supported by Mental Health Grant and Town)
- 1.0 FTE Math Interventionist (MES)
- 0.5 FTE Technology Integration Specialist
- 0.25 FTE Music/Strings Educator (MES; currently on staff at 0.75 FTE)
- 1.0 FTE Board Certified Behavior Analyst (BCBA; MES)
- 0.3 FTE Paraeducator (MES; converting part time positions into 2.0 FTE paraeducator positions)

Summary of Proposed Certified Changes:

- Reduce 3.5 FTE Certified Staff
- Add 3.75 FTE Certified Staff
- Net +0.25 FTE Certified Staff



Projected Enrollment & Staff Reductions

Projected Average Class Size (based on 1/2/25 enrollment)

	PreK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Total Enrollment	60	80	70	83	113	114	110	96	94	102
Average Class Size	15	16	14	16.6	18.8	19	18.3	19.2	18.8	20.4
Number of Homerooms	4	5	5	5	6	6	6	5	5	5
BOE Guidelines	N/A	14-18	14-18	14-18	14-18	16-20	21-23	21-23	21-23	21-23

Proposed 25-26 FTE Reduction

24-25 FTE Reduction

23-24 FTE Reduction



Proposed Reductions

2025-26 Reductions	FTE	Salaries
MES- 2nd grade	1.00	\$105,834
MMS- 7th grade	1.00	\$76,055
MMS- 8th grade	1.00	\$107,204
MMS- Enrichment	0.50	\$26,516
MES- Behavior Tech	1.00	\$41,013



Proposed Additions

2025-26 Additions	FTE	Salaries
MES/MMS- Social Workers	2.00	\$168,984
MES- Math Interventionist	1.00	\$73,786
MES- Strings	0.25	\$19,008
District- Tech Integration Specialist	0.50	\$40,040
Support Services/MES- BCBA	1.00	\$80,000
MES- Paraeducators	0.30	\$8,974



Certified Staffing

Certified: PreK-8								
	Content: Grade Level Teachers		Related Arts: Art, Enrichment/STEM, Library, Life & Consumer Sciences, Music, PE, Tech Ed, WL		Special Ed: Teachers, Psych, Speech		Student Supports & Intervention: ESL, School Counseling, Literacy, Title I, Social Work	
	2024-25 FTE	2025-26 FTE	2024-25 FTE	2025-26 FTE	2024-25 FTE	2025-26 FTE	2024-25 FTE	2025-26 FTE
MES	31	30	10.5	10.75	8.5	8.5	4.9	4.9
MMS	23	21	15	14.5	9.5	9.5	7.1	7.1
TOTALS	54	51	25.5	25.25	18	18	12	12

Total 2025-2026 Certified

MES- 54.15 FTEs

MMS- 52.1 FTEs



Non-Certified Staffing

Non-Certified: PreK-8												
	Professional: Behavior, Speech, Tech, Tutors		Paraeducators		Paraeducators: Special Ed		Nurses		Custodians/ Maintainers		Food Service (Self funded)	
	2024-25 FTE	2025-26 FTE	2024-25 FTE	2025-26 FTE	2024-25 FTE	2025-26 FTE	2024-25 FTE	2025-26 FTE	2024-25 FTE	2025-26 FTE	2024-25 FTE	2025-26 FTE
MES	4.7	3.5	23.7	24	16.58	16.58	1.5	1.5	4	4	5	5
MMS	3.3	3.3	6	6	21	21	1.5	1.5	4.9	4.9	4	4
District	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	4.25	4.25	NA	NA
TOTALS	8	6.8	29.7	30	37.58	37.58	3	3	13.15	13.15	9	9

Total 2025-2026 Paraeducator

MES- 40.58 FTEs

MMS- 27 FTEs



Administration

Administrative: District		
	2024-25 FTE	2025-26 FTE
District Administration	3	3
Food Service Director/ Secretary (Self funded)	1.4	1.4
Admin. Assistant to Supt. & Board	1	1
Director of Human Resources/Talent Management	1	1
District Secretarial	1.6	1.6
Maintenance Deputy Director/ Secretary/ Custodial Supervisor	2.1	2.1
Communications Specialist	0.5	0.5
TOTALS	10.6	10.6

Administrative: MES & MMS		
	2024-25 FTE	2025-26 FTE
School Administration	4	4
Content: Reading Consultant/ Math Consultant/Technology Integration Specialists	3	3.5
School Secretarial	7	7
TOTALS	14	14.5



General Education

- Mansfield Elementary School (MES)
- Mansfield Middle School (MMS)



BUDGET OVERVIEW

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUDGET BY PROGRAM

Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
611010 General Instruction	\$ 3,735,811	\$ 3,608,304	\$ 3,888,360	\$ 3,840,065	\$ (48,295)	-1.2%
612040 Pre-Kindergarten	374,217	412,822	450,230	488,655	38,425	6.5%
611020 Language Arts/Reading	34,204	31,669	23,150	23,150	-	-
611080 Mathematics	6,693	6,321	11,450	11,450	-	-
611100 Science	5,461	56,087	18,990	17,500	(1,490)	-
611110 Social Studies	2,706	2,695	2,800	2,800	-	-
611070 Art	7,469	7,252	7,500	7,500	-	-
612020 Enrichment	215,654	203,233	211,420	217,790	6,370	3.0%
625230 Field Studies	4,752	9,002	11,500	14,500	3,000	-
611050 Health & Safety	448	-	1,150	1,500	350	-
623020 Media Services	151,178	155,462	161,910	166,430	4,520	2.8%
611090 Music	41,542	4,496	8,400	8,900	500	6.0%
611060 Physical Education	2,640	1,985	6,000	6,000	-	-
611040 World Languages	777	721	3,430	3,180	(250)	-
634300 After School Program	-	(9,192)	-	3,500	3,500	-
613100 Intervention	201,396	225,038	151,770	157,490	5,720	3.8%
614000 Summer Learning Experience	-	9,408	-	15,000	15,000	-
619000 Central Services	46,531	49,417	59,800	62,300	2,500	4.2%
621030 Health Services	111,610	136,170	113,200	120,835	7,635	6.7%
625200 Principals' Office Ser	522,121	588,923	611,090	594,995	(16,095)	-2.6%
Total 21 Mansfield Elementary School	\$ 5,465,408	\$ 5,501,803	\$ 5,742,150	\$ 5,763,540	\$ 21,390	0.4%

MIDDLE SCHOOL BUDGET BY PROGRAM

Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
611010 General Instruction	\$ 3,475,502	\$ 3,421,165	\$ 3,543,640	\$ 3,476,045	\$ (67,595)	-1.9%
611020 Language Arts/Reading	22,928	11,692	13,810	13,810	-	-
611080 Mathematics	8,340	6,748	8,340	8,340	-	-
611100 Science	12,710	13,398	12,490	12,490	-	-
611110 Social Studies	8,810	7,191	9,290	9,290	-	-
611070 Art	7,856	6,239	6,810	6,810	-	-
612020 Enrichment	178,759	209,814	209,460	151,615	(57,845)	-27.6%
625230 Field Studies	12,866	9,879	11,500	11,500	-	-
621020 School Counseling	220,336	215,175	230,520	236,925	6,405	2.8%
611050 Health & Safety	5,176	3,618	3,750	3,750	-	-
623020 Media Services	193,929	271,192	204,695	211,175	6,480	3.2%
611220 Life & Consumer Scienc	10,503	9,541	10,730	10,730	-	-
611090 Music	14,171	18,515	17,150	17,150	-	-
611060 Physical Education	7,932	8,270	8,520	8,520	-	-
611230 Technology Education	18,445	36,272	18,750	18,750	-	-
611040 World Languages	4,429	4,425	4,680	4,680	-	-
634300 After School Program	27,742	29,067	43,830	43,830	-	-
634400 Athletic Program	42,981	45,006	51,290	51,290	-	-
613100 Intervention	162,528	204,188	210,160	216,410	6,250	3.0%
614000 Summer Learning Experience	-	681	11,590	11,590	-	-
619000 Central Services	23,452	26,393	32,000	32,000	-	-
621030 Health Services	79,180	95,435	102,210	109,845	7,635	7.5%
625200 Principals' Office Ser	617,755	829,270	713,570	746,630	33,060	4.6%
Total 01 Middle School	\$ 5,156,331	\$ 5,483,176	\$ 5,478,785	\$ 5,413,175	\$ (65,610)	-1.2%



GENERAL INSTRUCTIONAL



These funds support the salaries of staff members including: classroom teachers, related arts teachers, instructional coaches, and paraeducators.

Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 25-26	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
		Actual	Actual	Adopted	Proposed		
51001	Classroom Instruction - Cert	3,438,372	3,244,606	3,397,760	3,414,135	16,375	0.5%
51014	Tutoring	89,957	70,150	67,500	-	(67,500)	-100.0%
51021	Title I - Deduction	(48,324)	(49,250)	(50,770)	(52,250)	(1,520)	3.0%
51078	ARP ESSER Grant Ded-Certified	(81,660)	-	-	-	-	0.0%
51101	Paraprofessionals	337,456	342,838	473,670	478,220	4,350	0.9%
Total 611010 General Instruction		3,735,811	3,608,304	3,888,360	3,840,065	(48,295)	-1.2%

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 25-26	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
		Actual	Actual	Adopted	Proposed		
51001	Classroom Instruction - Cert	3,376,511	3,290,014	3,386,430	3,312,135	(73,295)	-2.2%
51014	Tutoring	28,575	26,570	45,000	45,000	-	0.0%
51020	Title III Grant Deduction	-	(2,000)	(2,000)	(2,000)	-	0.0%
51078	ARP ESSER Grant Ded-Certified	(23,838)	-	-	-	-	0.0%
51101	Paraprofessionals	94,254	106,581	115,210	120,910	5,700	4.9%
Total 611010 General Instruction		3,475,562	3,421,165	3,549,640	3,478,045	(67,595)	-1.9%

PRE-KINDERGARTEN

The Mansfield Pre-Kindergarten Program supports children in an integrated and developmentally appropriate experience. There are three classrooms with a day designed to meet the needs of all learners. The curriculum is based on the Connecticut Early Learning and Developmental Standards (ELDS) that provides students with opportunities to collaborate, communicate, think critically, and creatively express themselves. Play theory supports programming in guiding young learners to see themselves as capable and competent in a child-centered classroom. The Pre-K program offers annual universal screening for students and works in collaboration with Birth-to-Three services. Pre-Kindergarten teachers work collaboratively to align programs with the District's Core Beliefs and the Portrait of the Graduate.



Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 25-26	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
		Actual	Actual	Adopted	Proposed		
51001	Classroom Instruction - Cert	262,157	258,243	283,550	294,175	10,625	3.7%
51024	Preschool Grant Deduction	(16,000)	(15,760)	(15,760)	(15,760)	-	0.0%
51101	Paraprofessionals	115,303	167,548	170,940	202,240	31,300	18.3%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	751	2,563	5,500	5,500	-	0.0%
56300	Food	12,006	-	5,000	2,500	(2,500)	-50.0%
56932	Non-Cap Furniture/Furnishings	-	228	1,000	-	(1,000)	-100.0%
Total 612040 Pre-Kindergarten		374,217	412,622	450,230	488,655	38,425	8.5%

LANGUAGE ARTS/READING



The Mansfield Language Arts/Reading is a balanced literacy program that is supported by evidence-based research and best practices. It begins for all children in preschool and continues through eighth grade. Multiple learning opportunities, designed to meet the varied needs and strengths of individual students, are provided in listening, speaking, reading, writing, spelling, and vocabulary development. Elementary students experience explicit instruction in letters/sounds, phonological awareness, and phonics while supporting fluency, comprehension, and literacy. All teachers provide direct instruction through mini-lessons, 1:1 conferences and small group instruction. The language arts/reading program from fifth through eighth grade emphasizes the sequential development of effective communication skills, teaching students to think, organize, and express ideas and feelings, while increasing their understanding of other points of view. Through reading and literature, students interpret and evaluate a wide variety of regional and multi-cultural texts. In language arts, students practice and refine communication of their own ideas while immersed in different modes of writing (narrative, informational and argumentative) and genres (realistic fiction, poetry, reviews, essays), and other forms of communication (oral storytelling, debate, speech).



Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	8,458	22,431	20,500	21,500	1,000	4.9%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	757	702	1,000	-	(1,000)	-100.0%
56411	Textbook - New	24,989	8,535	1,650	1,650	-	0.0%
	Total 611020 Language Arts/Reading	34,204	31,669	23,150	23,150	-	0.0%

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	-	-	300	300	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	7,381	5,591	5,450	5,700	250	4.6%
56119	Instructional Software	1,774	2,909	2,930	2,730	(200)	-6.8%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	1,027	1,119	1,300	1,300	-	0.0%
56411	Textbook - New	12,746	2,073	3,830	3,780	(50)	-1.3%
	Total 611020 Language Arts/Reading	22,928	11,692	13,810	13,810	-	0.0%

MATHEMATICS



Mansfield's Mathematics Program is aligned to state and national standards that offers a scope and sequence of skills to build mathematical conceptual and procedural understanding. Problem-solving skills, mathematical concepts, and practical applications are presented in a manner consistent with each child's ability. District core resources include *Bridges in Mathematics (PreK-Gr 5)* and *College Preparatory Mathematics (CPM gr 6-8)*. Students have opportunities to develop foundational skills as well as soft-skills associated with problem-based 21st century work. To this end, additional resources, such as Exemplars, 3-Act Math Tasks, and Contexts for Learning, are used to

supplement the core program.

Schools provide mathematics intervention to accommodate the needs of students. The *Math Plus* program continues to challenge our highest achieving math students beginning in grade 5. The *Math Plus* program compacts grade 5 *Bridges* units with grade 6 *CPM* units. *Math Plus* students entering grade 6 are on track to take geometry in grade 8. The *Math Plus* program compacts grades 7 & 8 *Math CPM* units to build understanding of number, algebraic problem solving, and linear equations.



Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	5,760	6,321	11,100	11,450	350	3.2%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	-	-	350	-	(350)	-100.0%
56411	Textbook - New	933	-	-	-	-	0.0%
	Total 611080 Mathematics	6,693	6,321	11,450	11,450	-	0.0%

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	250	-	250	150	(100)	-40.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	2,230	3,311	2,230	2,330	100	4.5%
56119	Instructional Software	1,610	2,040	1,610	1,610	-	0.0%
56912	Program Supplies	4,250	1,398	4,250	4,250	-	0.0%
	Total 611080 Mathematics	8,340	6,749	8,340	8,340	-	0.0%

SCIENCE

The science program uses a variety of materials to ensure that instruction is aligned to Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), developmentally appropriate, and is rich with hands-on experiences. Science instruction emphasizes an inquiry-based approach that is grounded in investigating and understanding natural phenomena. Explanatory models are developed and revised by students to explain phenomena. Students also engage in engineering design to solve real-world problems. Science instruction has expanded to include the integration of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics).



Science is taught to all elementary students with the support of the classroom and enrichment teachers. Students are engaged through scientific phenomena and exploration through a variety of units and experiences that explore connections across the four domains of science that include Physical Science, Life Science, Earth and Space Science, and Engineering Design. Students use the science and engineering practices that help to define the process and tools of inquiry. The

use of "Maker-Space" lessons, LEGO Engineering, outdoor learning, and field trips continue to reinforce exploration and inquiry.



The development of scientific methods and procedures, as well as students' understanding of the social responsibilities of science forms the basis of the middle school science program. The fifth through eighth grade curricula consists of earth science, life science, physical science, and environmental sciences.

Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51001	Classroom Instruction - Cert	-	1,163	-	-	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	2,161	9,684	16,100	12,600	(3,600)	-22.4%
56293	Robotics Supplies	3,039	44,985	2,500	5,000	2,500	100.0%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	-	355	300	-	(300)	-100.0%
56411	Textbook - New	261	-	90	-	(90)	-100.0%
Total 611100 Science		5,461	56,087	18,990	17,500	(1,490)	-7.8%

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	300	363	420	200	(220)	-52.4%
54904	Equip Maintenance Contracts	-	-	450	190	(260)	-57.8%
55982	Program Services	752	-	200	200	-	0.0%
56110	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	4,140	5,403	4,600	5,300	800	17.8%
56119	Instructional Software	6,624	6,503	6,000	6,000	-	0.0%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	494	529	620	200	(320)	-61.5%
56606	Non Capitalized Equipment	200	600	200	200	-	0.0%
56908	Safety Supplies	200	-	200	200	-	0.0%
Total 611100 Science		12,710	13,398	12,490	12,450	-	0.0%

SOCIAL STUDIES



Elementary social studies instruction teaches the content knowledge and skills that enable young people to make informed decisions as citizens with various racial, ethnic, socioeconomic, and cultural backgrounds with various lifestyles, experiences, views, and interests. In addition, students gain an understanding of their multiple roles in a variety of settings: the family, school, community, state, nation, and the world. Social studies units are integrated with reading instruction, as well as taught during specified times throughout the year. The Social Studies curriculum team has identified key topics to be taught in each

grade level and has expanded the definition of the Citizen of the World benchmarks to include district equity work.

The middle school social studies program develops skills and attitudes that make participation in our democracy possible. Areas studied include U.S. history and world history, ancient and modern America. World cultures and regions are studied to gain an understanding and appreciation of the similarities and differences among people. Emphasis on current issues helps students understand the world, their place in it, and the way in which we are all interconnected. The inquiry process is critical for effective student understanding of history, geography, civics and economics. The program engages students in active inquiry as students interact with Social Studies content. During the middle school years, students will learn about the American Revolution, World History, focus on global citizenship with units on voting rights, genocide, the Cold War, and the medieval trade empires of West Africa. Eighth graders visit Boston's Freedom Trail, the Connecticut State Capitol and Museum of Connecticut History; they participate in a Model Congress where students pass laws that affect their school day and, in an Ellis Island simulation, students play the role of immigrants entering the United States.



Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	2,456	2,442	2,500	2,800	300	12.0%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	250	178	150	-	(150)	-100.0%
56411	Textbook - New	-	75	150	-	(150)	-100.0%
Total 611110 Social Studies		2,706	2,695	2,800	2,800	-	0.0%

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	-	-	-	100	100	100.0%
55980	Contracted Services	-	200	750	750	-	0.0%
56110	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	2,830	2,097	2,400	2,200	(200)	-8.3%
56119	Instructional Software	4,076	3,351	2,890	2,890	-	0.0%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	659	-	400	400	-	0.0%
56410	Textbooks	800	1,543	2,250	2,350	100	4.4%
56912	Program Supplies	445	-	600	600	-	0.0%
Total 611110 Social Studies		8,810	7,191	9,290	9,290	-	0.0%

ART



Art education in grades K-4 focuses on using the elements and principles of art as a foundation while introducing students to a wide variety of media and art techniques through a flexible, sequential approach. Building student self-confidence in art is a goal. The program strongly interweaves art history, art appreciation, and aesthetics across the grades. Students work collaboratively and connect art to regular classroom instruction when possible. There is an emphasis on increasing the understanding and use of the 7 Elements of Art; line, color, shape, value, texture, space, and form, the building blocks of all art. These 7 elements serve as the basis for building an art vocabulary so students can intelligently discuss not only works of art, present and past, but how art affects our daily lives.

Art is offered to all students in grades five through eight on a rotating quarterly basis. All students participate in art activities using a variety of tools, techniques, and media. Students engage in creative problem solving, as well as exercising their abilities to analyze, critique, and convey ideas. In the process, students develop an understanding and appreciation of art and art history. Students are involved in a variety of choice-based learning targets and opportunities as evidenced in the creative work by our students on display in the hallways of the middle school. We have been operating on a theme of Sustainability and Repurposing, utilizing found and donated materials for learning projects. For instance, our 7th grade students are involved in a large project that utilizes shoes and other objects from homes. This initiative is rooted in "Portrait of a Graduate" choice-based objectives.



Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	7,469	7,252	7,500	7,500	-	0.0%
Total 611070 Art		7,469	7,252	7,500	7,500	-	0.0%

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	-	-	150	150	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	4,414	5,767	4,980	4,630	(350)	-7.0%
56119	Instructional Software	780	-	200	200	-	0.0%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	-	78	300	300	-	0.0%
56505	Non Capitalized Equipment	-	-	500	500	-	0.0%
56912	Program Supplies	2,662	394	100	100	-	0.0%
56934	Non-Cap Computer Hardw/Softw	-	-	580	930	350	60.3%
Total 611070 Art		7,856	6,239	6,810	6,810	-	0.0%

ENRICHMENT



The school-wide Enrichment Program focuses on implementation of the Mansfield Portrait of the Graduate Skills of Collaboration, Creativity, Critical Thinking, Communication, and Citizen of the World. Enrichment teachers collaborate with teachers across disciplines to provide programming for all students. In addition to supporting the needs of those students who demonstrate mastery beyond their grade level expectations, enrichment teachers provide opportunities to the larger school community through whole



class instruction and whole school activities. Enrichment teachers support project-based learning, interdisciplinary instruction, STEM, and experiences that supplement the general education classroom. Enrichment teachers in the middle school teach core content classes in addition to providing interest-based opportunities for all students. Overall, enrichment programming is flexible and tailored to specific building-based student needs.

Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51001	Classroom Instruction - Cert	212,778	199,631	205,620	211,790	6,170	3.0%
55982	Program Services	2,489	110	1,000	2,000	1,000	100.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	587	3,492	4,800	4,000	(800)	-16.7%
Total 612020 Enrichment		215,854	203,233	211,420	217,790	6,370	3.0%

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51001	Classroom Instruction - Cert	176,212	206,688	203,080	145,235	(57,845)	-28.5%
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	-	-	500	500	-	0.0%
55982	Program Services	2,061	1,094	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	486	2,032	4,800	4,800	-	0.0%
56411	Textbook - New	-	-	80	80	-	0.0%
Total 612020 Enrichment		178,759	209,814	209,460	151,615	(57,845)	-27.6%

FIELD STUDIES



21st Century Learning and the Mansfield Portrait of the Graduate requires that students explore and engage in authentic studies. Field trips/studies that are connected to standards and classroom instruction provide opportunities for students to learn outside of the classroom. Academically-related field studies are planned yearly for grade-level teams. Trips that align to Related Arts classes such as art, PE, music, and World Languages are also included. Funds support admission fees, transportation, and resources needed for these experiences. Travel can be costly and this budget helps to minimize student/family expenses.



Scholarships, the student activity funds, and parent/family associations such as the PTO help to subsidize costs of annual trips.

Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
53240	Field Trips	2,786	14,002	16,500	18,000	1,500	9.1%
55920	Enhancing Student Achievement Deduction	-	(5,000)	(5,000)	(5,000)	-	0.0%
55962	Program Services	1,966	-	-	1,500	1,500	100.0%
Total 625230 Field Studies		4,752	9,002	11,500	14,500	3,000	26.1%

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
53240	Field Trips	12,866	9,879	16,500	16,500	-	0.0%
55920	Enhancing Student Achievement Deduction	-	-	(5,000)	(5,000)	-	0.0%
Total 625230 Field Studies		12,866	9,879	11,500	11,500	-	0.0%

SCHOOL COUNSELING



Two school counselors at the middle school work with students, parents, and teachers to develop strategies for successful school experiences. Much attention is given to students' transition from elementary school to middle school and from middle school to high school.

The school counseling staff continues to support school climate and assist in developing social-emotional learning curriculum. School counselors assume responsibility for management of the Youth Employment Program. Other highlights of the program include groups that support positive peer relationships and the College and Career Readiness Day in Grades 7-8.

In addition to College and Career Readiness Day, the counselors host a monthly Career Café. This gives students an opportunity to learn about various careers and career paths. Each month we have a speaker and hold the café during lunch waves so that all students have access. The school counselors oversee an extensive transition program for students entering grade 5 as well as promoting to the high school, which includes a high school opportunity fair and an early awareness financial aid evening. The UCONN tutorial program is organized and supervised by the school counselors. Counselors facilitate parent conferences, including the formal two-day period in November. In addition, counselors facilitate numerous meetings to foster student success and improve home-school communication. They also



collaborate with Mansfield Youth Services Bureau and other agencies to coordinate services for families. The school counseling staff will continue to purchase and organize grade-level resources to provide a library for students, staff, and families. In addition, they will continue to organize student and parent activities. These activities include programs such as a developmental guidance curriculum for each grade-level that targets middle school issues such as organization, goal setting, motivation, coping with setbacks, transition to high school, and extra-curricular activities such as Sunshine Club.



Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51006	Guidance - Certified	203,375	207,442	213,670	220,075	6,405	3.0%
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	918	683	300	300	-	0.0%
55301	Postage	199	220	300	300	-	0.0%
55992	Program Services	11,962	2,580	12,550	12,550	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	1,036	883	1,600	1,600	-	0.0%
56300	Food	527	1,669	260	600	250	100.0%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	43	80	500	250	(250)	-50.0%
56912	Program Supplies	2,276	1,708	1,350	1,350	-	0.0%
Total 621020 School Counseling		220,336	215,175	230,520	236,925	6,405	2.8%

HEALTH AND SAFETY



Health education helps students understand themselves and others as they experience the strengths, challenges, and pressures of a diverse society. At the PreK – Grade 4 level, both the classroom teachers and the school nurses teach health and safety objectives as part of the health curriculum. School nurses and physical education teachers may also support the teaching of this subject by recommending appropriate materials. Curriculum components include physical development and health, hygiene, nutrition, reproduction and life cycles, safety and first aid, personal

safety, and prevention of substance-abuse.

At the Middle School, Health education helps students understand themselves and the personal needs of others, as they deal with the challenges and pressures of a diverse society. Students learn about healthy attitudes, nutritional practices, human growth and development, interpersonal and environmental issues. The health and safety objectives are incorporated into several subjects across the curriculum: science, life and consumer sciences, language arts, social studies, and physical education. Grade-level science teachers, the life and consumer science teacher and the nurse collaborate to teach human growth and development.



Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	448	-	1,000	1,500	500	60.0%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	-	-	70	-	(70)	-100.0%
56411	Textbook - New	-	-	80	-	(80)	-100.0%
Total 611050 Health & Safety		448	-	1,150	1,500	350	30.4%

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
55960	Contracted Services	4,200	2,700	2,250	2,250	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	976	918	1,500	1,600	-	0.0%
Total 611059 Health & Safety		5,176	3,618	3,750	3,750	-	0.0%

LIBRARY/MEDIA SERVICES



The Mansfield Library/Media supports the love of reading, the development of literacy and information research skills, distribution and retrieval of materials from the collections, information needs of the curriculum, an online catalog, and reading incentive programs. The school libraries connect to classrooms to support literacy and information accessing with a focus on research reliability and digital citizenship.



Media Services assists all students and faculty in the design, setup, and use of audiovisual media to enhance instruction. It also provides setup and support of large-group presentations such as concerts, plays, all-school assemblies, adult education, community events, and performances. Media Services work to coordinate the efficient use of equipment throughout the school community while maintaining a comprehensive inventory of equipment and repairs.



Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51005	Library - Certified	96,648	98,581	101,540	104,595	3,045	3.0%
51101	Library - Non-Certified	26,892	28,129	29,550	31,025	1,475	5.0%
52202	Travel/Conference Fees	319	55	-	-	-	0.0%
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	100	340	320	320	-	0.0%
55500	Printing & Binding	949	422	-	-	-	0.0%
55951	Automated Operations	10,030	6,730	7,000	7,000	-	0.0%
55982	Program Services	712	-	600	600	-	0.0%
56001	Office Supplies	325	107	450	450	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	-	2,942	1,500	1,500	-	0.0%
56112	Library Supplies	829	565	700	700	-	0.0%
56113	Audiovisual	2,020	-	2,050	2,050	-	0.0%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	914	1,388	1,450	1,450	-	0.0%
56425	Library Books - New	10,027	16,444	15,750	15,750	-	0.0%
56426	Library Books - Replacement	733	-	-	-	-	0.0%
56606	Non Capitalized Equipment	1,550	626	-	-	-	0.0%
56932	Non-Cap Furniture/Furnishings	230	-	-	-	-	0.0%
57345	Educational Equipment	-	1,129	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
Total Media Services		151,178	155,462	161,910	166,430	4,520	2.8%

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51005	Library - Certified	96,648	101,189	104,150	107,355	3,205	3.1%
51101	Library - Non-Certified	45,507	42,114	43,260	46,535	3,275	7.6%
52202	Travel/Conference Fees	239	319	450	450	-	0.0%
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	389	370	330	330	-	0.0%
55301	Postage	80	80	50	50	-	0.0%
55500	Printing & Binding	98	639	675	675	-	0.0%
55951	Automated Operations	7,045	11,411	11,730	12,430	700	6.0%
54902	Equipment Repair	250	950	2,000	2,000	-	0.0%
55982	Program Services	611	553	600	600	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	3,180	2,883	3,180	3,180	-	0.0%
56001	Office Supplies	424	115	400	400	-	0.0%
56112	Library Supplies	648	875	650	650	-	0.0%
56113	Audiovisual	3,200	2,046	2,950	2,950	-	0.0%
56300	Food	74	8	100	100	-	0.0%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	1,519	1,384	1,620	1,620	-	0.0%
56425	Library Books - New	13,751	14,884	15,750	15,750	-	0.0%
56426	Library Books - Replacement	572	600	600	600	-	0.0%
56606	Non Capitalized Equipment	12,697	10,099	8,000	8,000	-	0.0%
56932	Non-Cap Furniture/Furnishings	217	934	200	200	-	0.0%
57345	Educational Equipment	6,780	79,699	8,900	8,200	(700)	-7.9%
Total 623020 Media Services		193,929	271,193	294,695	291,175	6,480	3.2%

LIFE AND CONSUMER SCIENCE



Mansfield Middle School's Life and Consumer Science program promotes instruction in all grades, helping students to develop the knowledge, attitude, and practices necessary to achieve success in personal, family, and community life. Students experience a wide range of topics and learn specific skills that are embedded in various units that include: Food science and nutrition, health, sewing, consumer economics, food preparation and service, in addition to service learning experiences. Students are engaged in hands-on learning that is aligned to the Mansfield Portrait of the Graduate.

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
54904	Equip Maintenance Contracts	644	1,439	1,180	800	(380)	-32.2%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	9,518	6,178	6,900	7,780	880	12.8%
56119	Instructional Software	-	24	200	250	50	25.0%
56606	Non Capitalized Equipment	341	1,900	2,450	1,900	(550)	-22.4%
Total 611220 Life & Consumer Scienc		10,503	9,541	10,730	10,730	-	0.0%

MUSIC



The elementary music program engages students in active, creative, joyful music making. Students begin to learn the components of music literacy through sequential and developmentally appropriate activities where they create, perform, and respond to music. Singing with proper, developmentally appropriate techniques and matching pitch is an important component of the program. Students move, dance, and develop active listening skills while listening to music. Students experience a wide range of music from a variety of cultures, genres, and time periods. In

preparation for selecting and learning to play woodwind, brass, percussion, or string instruments, students learn to read rhythms and pitches, and synthesize these skills through recorder and mallet percussion instruction. Students in grades 2-4 may choose to be a part of the strings program and students in grade 4 may elect to begin playing band instruments.



The middle school music program includes general music instruction for all students and a strong elective system in band, chorus, and orchestra. The purpose is to develop in each student, as fully as possible, the ability to perform, create, and understand music. Instruction leads to specific skills and knowledge with the additional goals of music literacy and the development of a positive student self-concept. The music department plans several concerts and performances throughout the year to showcase student work, learning, and talent.



Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51001	Classroom Instruction - Cert	38,878	-	-	-	-	0.0%
54092	Equipment Repair	-	-	-	700	700	0.0%
54904	Equip Maintenance Contracts	475	580	200	200	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	2,189	2,166	4,000	4,000	-	0.0%
56411	Textbook - New	-	200	-	-	(200)	-100.0%
56606	Non Capitalized Equipment	-	1,740	4,000	4,000	-	0.0%
Total 611090 Music		41,542	4,486	8,400	8,900	500	6.0%

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	500	911	690	700	10	1.4%
54902	Equipment Repair	2,812	4,313	2,800	2,900	100	3.6%
55992	Program Services	2,715	3,406	2,900	2,900	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	4,685	4,592	4,660	4,660	-	0.0%
56119	Instructional Software	35	30	320	320	-	0.0%
56411	Textbook - New	-	-	340	340	-	0.0%
56606	Non Capitalized Equipment	1,321	2,157	1,560	1,560	-	0.0%
56912	Program Supplies	-	185	180	180	-	0.0%
57390	Equipment - Other	2,103	2,921	3,700	3,500	(110)	-3.0%
Total 611090 Music		14,171	18,515	17,150	17,150	-	0.0%

PHYSICAL EDUCATION



The Mansfield Physical Education program is aligned to state/national standards and supports the BOE Wellness Policy and various Health standards. At the elementary level, PE is a developmental program based on the skill/theme approach. The elementary program scope and sequence is a planned approach that identifies when fundamental skills need to be introduced and when those fundamental skills will be mastered. These fundamental skills may later be refined to more specific sport, recreational, and work-related skills. Children progress at an individual pace to explore and discover their capabilities. The curriculum promotes individual success, gross motor development, increased knowledge and social development through physical activity. Students learn how their bodies work and move and how movement relates to the development of health and the maintenance of wellness.

The core of the Middle School physical education program is the development of physically literate students who are involved in physical activity that leads to a lifetime of healthy living. Curriculum focuses on mastery of skills which promote



increased confidence, competence, and participation. Student engagement is fostered through developmentally appropriate experiences which challenge student thinking, while providing opportunity for autonomy that places students at the center of their learning. Students participate in a wide variety of activities with a high degree of interest leading to improved skills, teamwork and sportsmanship.

Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
54405	Other Rentals	-	-	-	800	800	100.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	2,640	27	5,000	4,200	(800)	-16.0%
56606	Non Capitalized Equipment	-	1,958	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
Total 611060 Physical Education		2,640	1,985	6,000	6,000	-	0.0%

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	-	-	170	170	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	3,222	3,405	3,350	3,350	-	0.0%
56606	Non Capitalized Equipment	4,710	4,864	5,000	5,000	-	0.0%
Total 611060 Physical Education		7,932	8,269	8,520	8,520	-	0.0%

TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION



Students in grades five through eight are offered hands-on opportunities to solve problems with materials and processes associated with today's technology. Exploration of these problems helps each student gain insight in the areas of design, project planning, and the use of tools and equipment. Students examine new technologies and the impact technology has on society and the environment. They are exposed to career opportunities and gain an understanding of how emerging technologies affect these opportunities.

Applying academic core content in the technology laboratory is the foundation of the technology education program. Technology education meets three times a week as part of the quarterly Related Arts "rotation." The program provides an individualized, laboratory experience in project design, planning, problem-solving, and production that includes the following topics: Woodworking, bridge design, plastic production, basic wiring, drones, use of CAD software, and 3-D printing.

Technology continues to incorporate 21st century skills into units of instruction. Students design, test, and construct projects with a variety of materials, computer software, machines, and tools. Students use online software programs to enhance learning knowledge.



Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	-	250	250	250	-	0.0%
54902	Equipment Repair	651	728	600	600	-	0.0%
55960	Contracted Services	-	-	200	200	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	4,660	5,534	3,500	3,600	-	0.0%
56115	Art & Drafting	2,255	2,519	900	900	-	0.0%
56117	Woodworking Supplies	8,989	8,624	7,900	7,900	-	0.0%
56118	Lab Supplies	236	507	200	200	-	0.0%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	-	44	200	200	-	0.0%
56606	Non Capitalized Equipment	919	17,164	2,500	2,500	-	0.0%
56912	Program Supplies	745	902	2,500	2,500	-	0.0%
Total 611230 Technology Education		16,445	36,272	18,750	18,750	-	0.0%

WORLD LANGUAGES



The elementary World Language program provides Spanish instruction to kindergarten through fourth grade students. French, Latin, and Spanish are offered in grades five through eight at the middle school. Program goals focus on appreciation and respect for different cultures, emphasize an incremental building of good language learning habits, and prepare students for life-long language acquisition. After a twelve-week World Language Exploratory program in grade five, students choose a language to study through grade eight. During the twice weekly meetings, this exploratory program in grade five is designed to encourage students to note contrasts and parallels among the languages, to foster a respect for cultural diversity, to gain some knowledge of global issues, and

to develop an interest in further world language study.

The language proficiencies gained by the end of grade eight are roughly equivalent to a first-year study at the high school level. In grades six through eight, classes meet three times per week. The focus of the grades five through eight program is to create a positive learning environment such that world language acquisition is student centered and accessible to all learners. Through this approach, students receive high quantities of necessary input in the target language to develop proficiency as defined by the World-Readiness Standards for Language Learning. Depending on the overall proficiency level of the student, as measured by the ALIRA or AAPPL exams, students who complete three years of language study at MMS may be recommended for Level II enrollment at the high school level.

Mansfield Elementary School: PreK-Grade 4

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	382	579	280	280	-	0.0%
55500	Printing & Binding	-	-	50	50	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	395	142	2,850	2,850	-	0.0%
56411	Textbook - New	-	-	250	-	(250)	-100.0%
Total 611040 World Languages		777	721	3,430	3,180	(250)	-7.3%

Mansfield Middle School: Grades 5-8

Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	45	81	360	360	-	0.0%
56110	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	1,625	2,760	2,910	2,910	-	0.0%
56113	Audiovisual	-	-	60	60	-	0.0%
56119	Instructional Software	1,501	1,584	1,350	1,350	-	0.0%
56411	Textbook - New	1,258	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Total 611040 World Languages		4,429	4,425	4,680	4,680	-	0.0%

AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS



The elementary and middle school after-school activity programs enable students to participate in creative, academic, and sports/fitness activities in a less-formal setting at the close of the school day. Programs are open to students across multiple grade levels and allow for students pursue interests and opportunities to apply the skills and dispositions that are in the Portrait of the Graduate. The elementary school will support the continuation of current after-school programs while building new offerings that increase student voice and choice. At the middle school, a wide variety of programs will continue to be offered during four seven-week sessions, coinciding with the marking periods. The After-School programs provide students with opportunities to pursue academic, athletic, creative and social interests. Also, students have the opportunity to interact with others across all grade levels. Interest and participation in this program continue to be strong. Several new activities are offered each quarter.



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Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51116	Coaches/Advisors	-	808	8,000	10,000	2,000	25.0%
55920	Enhancing Student Achievement Deduction	-	(10,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	-	0.0%
56912	Program Supplies	-	-	2,000	3,500	1,500	75.0%
Total 634300 After School Program		-	(9,192)	-	3,500	3,500	100.0%

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Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51116	Coaches/Advisors	25,110	27,190	39,630	39,630	-	0.0%
53101	Instructional Service	471	6	150	150	-	0.0%
55993	Middle School Yth Employment	1,111	1,548	2,500	2,500	-	0.0%
56912	Program Supplies	1,050	324	1,550	1,550	-	0.0%
Total 634300 After School Program		27,742	29,067	43,830	43,830	-	0.0%

ATHLETIC PROGRAMS



The interscholastic sports program at MMS includes seventh and eighth grade teams in soccer, cross country, basketball, baseball/softball, and track and field. The seventh and eighth grade athletic program meets the cognitive, physical, and psychomotor needs of the students. The programs in each sport improve students' physical fitness, as well as thinking and decision-making skills. Coaches of all teams stress teamwork, safety, commitment, academic standards, and good sportsmanship.

First aid supplies and safety equipment are regularly stocked for all sports. Efforts to comply with Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference (CIAC) guidelines for player eligibility and coaching certification are on-going. A medical exam record for any student participating in athletics is required each year. Most teams are coached by an MMS staff member with a second adult acting as assistant coach. This allows for support to student athletes during the school day.

The program seeks to continue its present successful operation with emphasis on budget control. Focus is placed on creating strong relationships with neighboring schools while keeping a strong feeling of school pride on the teams. The emphasis this year is to have all coaches participate in State mandated coaching courses offered by the CIAC to renew certificates.

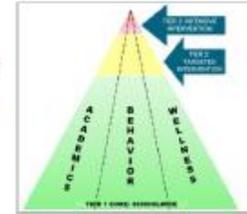
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Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51116	Coaches/Advisors	23,550	24,790	32,500	32,500	-	0.0%
52233	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	780	480	400	400	-	0.0%
55117	Athletic Transportation	9,795	9,967	9,400	9,400	-	0.0%
55982	Program Services	6,630	5,698	6,000	6,000	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	3,265	4,071	2,990	2,990	-	0.0%
Total 634400 Athletic Program		42,981	45,006	51,290	51,290	-	0.0%



INTERVENTION (READING & MATH)

The Reading and Math Intervention programs support supplemental instruction designed to accelerate learning for general education students who need additional support in basic skill areas. Using the structure of Multi-Tiered Systems of Supports (MTSS), students are supported with resources, tools, and direct instruction within the classroom, in small groups, and when needed, one to one. At the elementary schools, intervention support is provided by the classroom teacher, building based literacy coach/ reading teachers, tutors, and/or para-educators. At the middle school level, reading support focuses on the development of foundational skills for written and verbal communication, developing inferences, analyzing a variety of viewpoints, and critical thinking. There is also a focus on the development of foundational math skills that address the critical areas of focus outlined in the Common Core State Standards at each grade level. Intervention is supported by classroom teachers, tutors, and para-educators.



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Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51001	Classroom Instruction - Cert	224,191	289,715	212,950	223,690	10,740	5.0%
51021	Title I - Deduction	(24,162)	(64,677)	(64,680)	(69,700)	(5,020)	7.8%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	1,367	-	3,500	3,500	-	0.0%
Total 613100 Intervention		201,396	225,038	151,770	157,490	5,720	3.8%

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Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51001	Classroom Instruction - Cert	185,664	200,836	208,160	214,410	6,250	3.0%
51021	Title I - Deduction	(24,162)	-	-	-	-	0.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	1,026	3,352	2,000	2,000	-	0.0%
Total 613100 Intervention		162,528	204,188	210,160	216,410	6,250	3.0%



SUMMER LEARNING EXPERIENCES



The summer learning program is designed to provide supplemental instruction aimed at acceleration of learning through problem and project-based learning experiences anchored in academic standards. At the middle school, the program is in session for three hours a day, four days a week for a two-week period. A total of two summer sessions are offered. Students may attend one or both summer learning sessions. Embedded within the summer learning framework is the use of Multi-Tiered Systems of Supports (MTSS). Students in attendance are supported with resources, tools, whole class and small group instruction that grows academic skills through engaging and authentic task/project work. The

summer school program provides transportation. Staffing configurations allow for a small teacher to student ratio. This structure promotes community connectedness in which adults know their students and support the success of the whole child.

The elementary summer program will continue its expanded program. Special education will continue to offer extended school year (ESY) services that pairs with the general education summer learning program and increases opportunities for enrichment, voice and choice, and applying the skills and dispositions of the Portrait of the Graduate.



Mrs. Allen's class has been jam packed with exciting activities. They have continued to grow as a second grade family. They have been working on space activities as well as reinforcing their first grade foundational skills. They are going to miss being together!

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Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51001	Classroom Instruction - Cert	-	33,149	25,000	25,000	-	0.0%
51076	ESSER I Grant Deduction	-	(25,786)	-	-	-	0.0%
55920	Enhancing Student Achievement Deduction	-	-	(30,000)	(15,000)	15,000	-50.0%
56109	Content Specific Instructional Supplies	-	2,045	5,000	5,000	-	0.0%
	Total 614000 Summer Learning Exp.	-	9,408	-	15,000	15,000	100.0%

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Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51076	ESSER I Grant Deduction	-	(12,473)	-	-	-	0.0%
51111	Other Salaries	-	12,473	10,000	10,000	-	0.0%
56110	Instructional Supplies	-	629	1,000	1,000	-	0.0%
56300	Food	-	52	500	500	-	0.0%
	Total 614000 Summer Learning Exp.	-	681	11,500	11,500	-	0.0%

CENTRAL SERVICES

This account is for general school and classroom supplies used for the instruction of children and operation of the school. Classroom supplies include paper, pencils, glue, and other materials necessary for day to day instruction.

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Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
54405	Other Rentals	-	-	100	-	(100)	-100.0%
55982	Program Services	-	-	400	1,500	1,100	275.0%
56002	Copy Supplies	-	565	1,300	1,300	-	0.0%
56110	Instructional Supplies	41,696	48,862	50,000	50,000	-	0.0%
56119	Instructional Software	-	-	6,500	8,000	1,500	23.1%
56411	Textbook - New	-	-	500	-	(500)	-100.0%
56932	Non-Cap Furniture/Furnishings	2,835	-	-	-	-	0.0%
58908	Awards & Prizes	-	-	1,000	1,500	500	50.0%
	Total 619000 Central Services	46,531	49,417	59,800	62,300	2,500	4.2%

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Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
56110	Instructional Supplies	23,452	26,393	32,000	32,000	-	0.0%
	Total 619000 Central Services	23,452	26,393	32,000	32,000	-	0.0%



PRINCIPALS' OFFICE SERVICES

The Principals' Office Service funds support the salaries of administrators and secretaries. In addition, funds also support general office supplies, postage, equipment/furniture, program services, and administrative resources needed to support the leadership of the elementary and middle school programs. Administrative teams communicate plans, expectations, goals, and data that supports the District Development Plan. The principal and assistant principal advance the educational process of the school by providing the organizational support to help teachers carry out instruction which includes supporting student behavior and social emotional learning. Office supplies, postage for school mailings and administration costs and stipends for team leaders and budget coordinators are covered by this account.



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Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51002	Administrators	280,608	300,169	310,790	315,455	4,665	1.5%
51001	Paraprofessionals	-	4,200	-	-	-	0.0%
51056	Team Leaders/Stipends	-	-	7,000	11,000	3,200	41.0%
51111	Other Salaries - Behavioral Tech	-	29,240	39,690	-	(39,690)	-100.0%
51102	Secretaries	112,941	116,823	119,180	119,185	5	0.0%
51115	IT Personnel	120,239	126,658	126,780	142,308	15,528	12.2%
51120	Overtime - Straight Time	920	139	-	-	-	0.0%
51122	Overtime - Time and One Half	3,843	448	-	-	-	0.0%
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	-	200	-	850	650	100.0%
55301	Postage	678	283	750	750	-	0.0%
55400	Advertising	-	448	300	500	200	66.7%
55500	Printing & Binding	311	2,170	1,000	750	(250)	-25.0%
56001	Office Supplies	2,381	2,996	3,000	2,500	(500)	-16.7%
56300	Food	-	184	1,600	1,600	-	0.0%
56400	Reference Books and Periodicals	-	-	300	200	(100)	-33.3%
56934	Non-Cap Computer Hardw/Softw	-	2,110	-	-	-	0.0%
57330	Furniture & Fixtures	-	4,853	-	-	-	0.0%
Total 625200 Principals' Office Ser		522,121	588,925	611,090	594,995	(16,095)	-2.6%

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Object	Account Description	FY 22-23 Actual	FY 23-24 Actual	FY 24-25 Adopted	FY 25-26 Proposed	Increase / (Decrease)	% Change
51002	Administrators	255,009	335,027	322,690	327,540	4,850	1.5%
51102	Secretaries	160,034	173,325	178,780	178,780	-	0.0%
51111	Other Salaries	18,460	47,020	51,240	57,665	6,425	12.5%
51115	IT Personnel	134,945	150,583	136,030	167,815	21,785	16.0%
51122	Overtime - Time and One Half	92	2,407	-	-	-	0.0%
52203	Membership Fees/Prof Dues	1,377	1,878	1,450	1,450	-	0.0%
52210	Professional Dev/Learning	450	-	-	-	-	0.0%
55301	Postage	3,015	1,237	3,400	3,400	-	0.0%
55982	Program Services	2,918	4,813	4,500	4,500	-	0.0%
56001	Office Supplies	2,978	3,390	6,320	6,320	-	0.0%
56300	Food	1,058	1,148	500	500	-	0.0%
56400	Reference Bks & Periodicals	1,565	864	700	700	-	0.0%
56906	Non Capitalized Equipment	494	5,047	760	760	-	0.0%
56932	Non-Cap Furniture/Furnishings	26,671	49,204	5,200	5,200	-	0.0%
56934	Non-Cap Computer Hardw/Softw	8,689	4,660	2,000	2,000	-	0.0%
57330	Furniture & Fixtures	-	48,568	-	-	-	0.0%
Total 625200 Principals' Office Ser		617,755	829,271	713,570	746,630	33,060	4.6%



Next Steps

Review Budget Book

Email Questions by **Wednesday** before each workshop

BOE Budget Meetings

1/30 District Management (IT, T/L, Facilities, Supt Office) & Support Services

2/6 Overview & BOE Vote