Local Funding Requests to The Buncombe County Board of Commissioners



ASHEVILLE CITY SCHOOLS

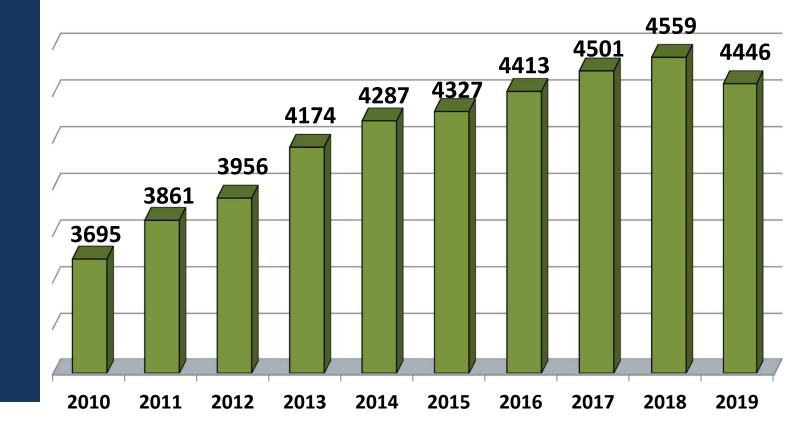




Average Daily Membership & Enrollment

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ADM Used for State Allotments





Average Daily Membership & Enrollment

Students for 2018-2019

■ 4,446 – An increase of 20.3% since 2010

Detail

380 – Kindergarten

1,734 – Elementary

949 – Middle

<u>1,383 – High</u>

4,446 - Total

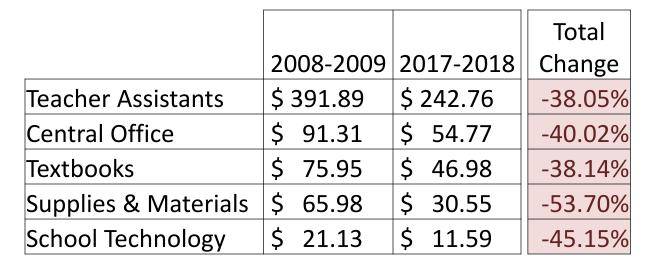




Asheville City Schools Budget Challenges 2018-2019



Major Categorical Allotment Changes



(amounts per-student, inflation-adjusted)

Source: Public School Forum of North Carolina, 2017



Major Position Allotment Changes



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			Total
	2008-2009	2017-2018	Change
Classroom Teachers	47.19	45.53	-3.52%
Instructional Support	5.08	4.61	-9.25%
School Building Administration	2.86	2.66	-6.99%
CTE	4.44	4.57	2.93%

(per 1,000 students)

Source: Public School Forum of North Carolina, 2017

House Bill 90 Summary

Provides a four-year phase-in to reach K-3 class size caps that otherwise would have taken effect for the 2018-2019 school year. This includes new K-3 class size requirements that do not change from current requirements for the first year of the phase-in and are as follows:



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Year	Grade(s)	District Average	Individual Maximum
2018 - 2019	K-3	20	23
2019 - 2020	K-3	19	22
2020 - 2021	K-3	18	21
2021 - 2022	K	18	21
	1	16	19
	2-3	17	20

Source: North Carolina Department of Public Instruction

Montford North Star Academy

STEAM

- Science, Technology Engineering, Arts & Math
- Expect to serve up to 160 children
- Serving grade 6 (2017-2018)
- Expanding to grades6-7 (2018-2019)





Asheville Primary School

Montessori Philosophy

- Expected to serve 80-100 children
- K-2 (2017-2018)
- Expanding to grade 3 (2018-2019)





Asheville City Schools Funding Priorities to Meet Our Challenges



Asheville City Learning Program

Total	\$470 462
1 Director	90,710
1 Counselor*	72,832
1 Social Worker*	36,819
1 Clerical/Bookkeeper	25,000
1 Media Coordinator*	72,832
3 Teachers	\$172,269





^{*} Media Coordinator, Social Worker, and Counselor to be shared with Montford North Star Academy.

Montford North Star Academy

Total	\$376,301
1 PE Teacher	57,423
1 Music Teacher	57,423
½ Art Teacher*	31,763
4 Teachers	\$229,692





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* This will increase current position to full-time.

Asheville High School

Total	\$2	239.067
1 Custodian		40,740
1 AHA Counselor		70,452
1 AHA Teacher		57,423
1 Counselor (Grades 8-9)	\$	70,452



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Funding Priorities: 2018-2019

Asheville Primary School

Total	Ś	241.390
½ Enhancement Teacher	ı	28,711
2 Teachers		114,846
1 Principal	\$	97,833





District Needs

Total	\$288,579
1 Behavior Assistant	40,759
1 Nurse	50,000
1 EC Pre-K Teacher	64,358
1 SRO	65,000
1 Social Worker	\$ 68,462





State Mandated Increases

Fund projected salary increases

\$398,875

- 4% Certified
- 3% Non-certified

Fund projected benefit cost increases

\$282,193

- Retirement rate from 17.13% to 18.44%
- Hospitalization from \$5,869 to \$6,104

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Retirement and hospitalization rates have increased **21.2%** and **13.5%**, respectively, since 2014-2015.

Facility Maintenance

Reviewing Options



2018-2019 Funding Requests

Local Current Expense Fund & Other Specific Revenue Fund

\$1,284,928 – Requested increase in the County General Appropriation & funds to add new programs and positions.

\$9,109,713 – Projected Asheville District Supplemental Tax at 12¢.

\$2,894,773 – Projected sales tax collections.







- Living wage addressed 2016-2017
- Increased all tiers of the local salary supplement by .5% in the current year
- Minority Recruitment Plan
- Central Office and all schools, except for Asheville Middle and Isaac Dickson, are currently being retrofitted with new LED lighting technology
- Focusing on strategic plan of early childhood education by adding an EC Pre-K teacher.



Local Salary Supplement – All Employees

In 2016-2017, the last tier of the local salary supplement was increased from 10% to 16% for employees with 20+ years of experience.

In 2017-2018, all tiers have been increased .5% as follows:



2016-2017		
Years of Experience Rate		
0-4	8.5%	
5-9	9.0%	
10-19	9.5%	
20+	16.0%	

2017-2018		
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Teacher Salaries

2016-2017 National Average Teacher Salary - \$58,950*

2016-2017 North Carolina Average Teacher Salary - \$49,837*

Example 1

Teacher with Bachelor's degree and 10 years experience:

Annual Salary - \$40,250

ACS Local Salary Supplement (9.5%) - \$ 3,824

\$44,074



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Example 2

Teacher with Bachelor's degree and 20 years experience:

Annual Salary - \$48,000

ACS Local Salary Supplement (16%) - \$ 7,680

\$55,680

*Source: National Center for Education Statistics, August 2017

Veteran Employees

2017-2018

■ Bachelor schedule top of the scale for 25 years and above is \$51,300 (only a \$300 or .59% increase), whereas the increase at levels of the salary scale lower than 25 years ranges from \$550 to \$3,300 (1.5% to 6.9%)

In 2016-17, the last tier of the local salary supplement was increased from 10% to 16% for employees with 20+ years of experience.

ACS currently has 41 employees with 25+ years of state service, 22 of which are teachers.



Hiring Incentive Program

The purpose of the Asheville City Schools Hiring Incentive Program is to attract and retain high quality human capital and to increase our regional competitiveness for licensed teachers in hard-to-staff areas.



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Fund Balance – Local Current Expense Fund

Historically, Asheville City Schools has always appropriated fund balance to support programs and staffing needs, but retains a sufficient balance for emergencies.

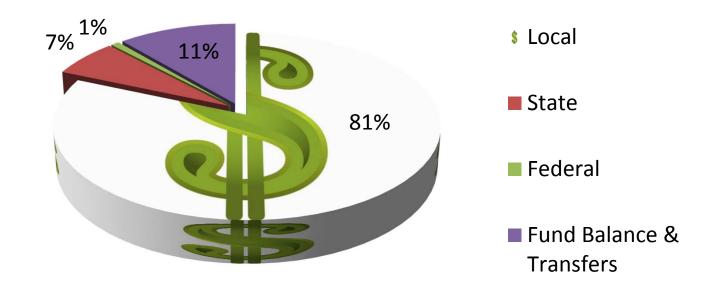
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Fund Balance		
Amount		
Fiscal Year	Appropriated	
2016-2017	\$1,418,182	
2017-2018	\$1,754,667	
2018-2019	\$2,858,864*	

^{*} Projected amount for 2018-2019

2018-2019 Revenue Sources

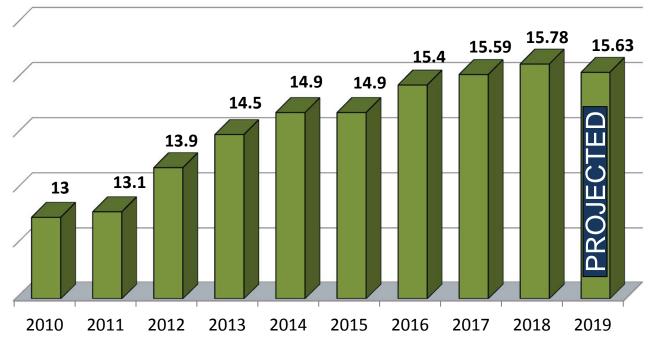




2018-2019 Initial Local Budget: \$35,599,091

ACS Percentage of Buncombe County ADM Including Charter School Students (used to apportion Current Expense funding)







Capital Lottery Funding – Ira B. Jones Windows \$1,543,382





ACS Capital Outlay – Major Projects & Critical Needs

- Repair wall at Montford North Star Academy
- New domestic hot water lines at Asheville Primary
- Repair masonry wall at Asheville Primary School







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School Capital Fund Commission – Funded by Buncombe County Government

• Ira B. Jones HVAC & Roof







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 Asheville High School and Montford North Star Academy Projects







Questions?



