



## WYANDANCH UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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On April 1<sup>st</sup>, I had provided The Wyandanch Board of Education (“Board”) with my analysis and endorsement of the proposed budget for the 2021-2022 school year. At the time of that writing, the New York State budget had not yet been finalized and total state aid estimates and Federal stimulus amounts were not known. Last week, those figures were finalized, resulting in a changed budget picture for next year.

In summary, the enacted State budget provides the District with an additional \$3.8 million in aid for the forthcoming year above the levels used in the originally-proposed budget. This is comprised of a \$983,000 increase included on the initial aid runs, as well as a \$2.8 million correction in Transportation Aid, which I discussed with the Board of Education earlier this week.

The addition of these funds permitted the Administration to add a number of critically-needed positions and services which should greatly improve instructional services to the Wyandanch student body.

The result of these changes brings the 2021-22 proposed budget to \$79,906,909.

I have reviewed the details of these changes with Dr. Talbert, members of the administrative cabinet, and the Business Office. I am supportive of these changes, believe the expenses allocated to each to be proper and balanced, and strongly feel that the additional staffing and other changes contained therein to be in the best educational interests of the Wyandanch students and community.

The balance of this memorandum with the exception of the individual budget figures and aid

Although the budget for 2021-22 is balanced and appears to make provisions for all current operations, it will need to be monitored closely to ensure that the District stays within its spending plan. It is also important