

**Board of Education Budget Presentation #1**  
**February 11, 2019**

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# What do we value?

## **For Students and Staff**

- Providing academic opportunities for all students
- Providing extra and co-curricular opportunities for all students
- Developing the whole child with socio-emotional supports
- Supporting and developing staff for excellence

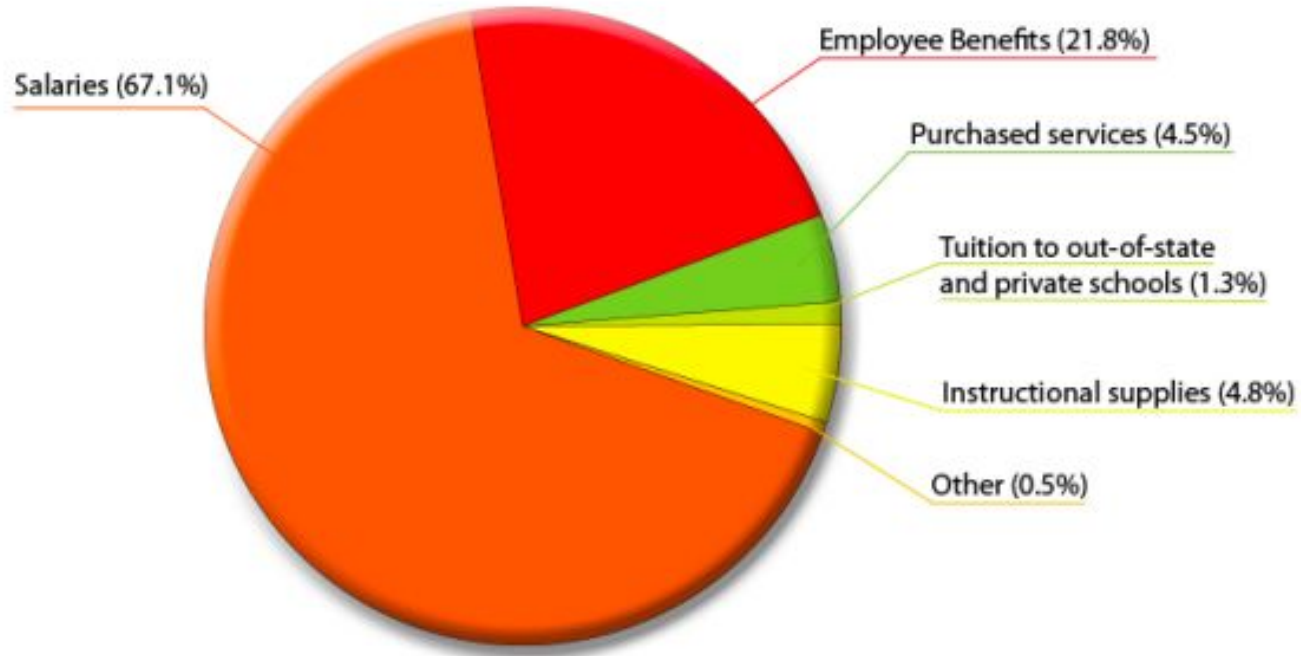
## **For the District**

- Long-term planning for academics
- Long-term planning for staff
- Long-term planning to address aging facilities
- Better, more consistent messaging to all

# Return On Your Investment

- A District-wide commitment to developing the whole child
- #16 High School in New Jersey - NJ Monthly (highest ranking ever)
- #16 School District in New Jersey - Niche Ranking (586 District)
- #26 SAT Scores Statewide (highest ranking ever)
- #185 Best School Districts in America (10,758)
- More opportunities for students to take advance level classes
- Numerous awards for our athletic program (A+ Niche rating)
- Numerous awards for our arts and music program (Rated one of the best districts for music education)
- Dedication to practical skills development with Auto Shop, Wood Shop, Engineering Lab @ CHS
- Addition of Full Day Kindergarten
- Addition of Chinese program 6-12
- Over 100 extra/co-curricular/club/enrichment opportunities for students in grades 6-12
- Excellent class sizes PreK-12
- Business Office recognized by Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) International
- Referendum projects are approximately 90% complete and under budget

# National Average Public School Budget Breakdown



# A Review of State Aid Around the County

<b>District</b>	<b>Enrollment</b>	<b>2018/19 State Aid</b>	<b>Aid per student</b>
<b>Hopewell Valley</b>	3,518	<b>\$3,239,777</b>	\$920
<b>Lawrence</b>	3,831	<b>\$3,948,118</b>	\$1,030
<b>Princeton</b>	3,754	<b>\$4,023,203</b>	\$1,072
<b>Robbinsville</b>	3,002	<b>\$6,778,938</b>	\$2,258
<b>Ewing</b>	3,542	<b>\$10,535,747</b>	\$2,975

- Direct State Aid to school districts is supposed to be allocated according to S.F.R.A. (School Funding Reform Act of 2008)
- S.F.R.A. bases aid on student demographics and student enrollment

S.F.R.A. has not been applied since 2009/2010

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