

Press Release
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Middleton Trustees restore some of the early budget cuts, thanks to levy passage

At the regular monthly Board of Trustees meeting Monday night, trustees adopted an amended budget for the 2020-21 school year. The current budget was amended to reflect the infusion of \$1.5 million after Middleton voters approved the supplemental levy August 25th.

The following is a list of restored or improved funding:

- Restore certified and classified positions
- Reduce Pay to Participate fees by \$50 per athlete to \$150 for high school and \$50 for middle school participation. For this season, parents can choose a \$50 refund, or they can opt to donate the \$50 to a hardship scholarship fund for athletes who may not be able to pay the fees.
- Provide middle school athletic transportation
- Adopt new science curriculum
- Pay a one-time stipend to classified staff to assist with loss of wages due to 4-day work week, COVID shut down, and the delayed start of the school year
- Provide additional supplies at the schools level
- District will pay 100% of employee medical insurance (8.8% increase)

“Thanks to voters, who understood the need and approved the supplemental levy, we were able to restore critical positions and services that will make a substantial difference in the day-to-day operations, especially in the classroom,” Superintendent Kristin Beck said after the meeting.

“As we move forward, the administration will work hard to restore faith in the Middleton School District,” Beck said. “We have appreciated the community’s support.”

In other action, trustees approved an increase to the Driver's Education fees, from \$140 to \$200.

The board will discuss fan attendance for soccer and volleyball events and current COVID conditions at the September 23rd meeting scheduled for 11:00 AM.

Important links:

Watch the recorded [9/14 board meeting on YouTube](#)
[Amended budget documents](#)