

## Revised Budget Notes 2020-21

Listed below are a few of the major items causing the reduction in fund balance:

- Enrollment was projected at 1,261 students in the adopted budget, and the projection in the revised budget is 1,206.2. (This includes an estimate of 18 students in Early Childhood Special Education.) The students have chosen other options including homeschooling, nonpublic, PSEO, and online schools.
- The loss in enrollment will reduce state funding by approximately \$292,000 from the adopted budget. The amount would have been even higher, but the district qualifies for declining enrollment aid because of the loss of students.
- Other Revenue has been reduced by almost \$73,000. This is mainly due to the loss of admissions revenue for events, less received in participation fees, and interest revenue being lower due to decrease in interest rates.
- Overall revenue is higher due to the COVID-19 funds received through the CARES Act, CRF, and reimbursements from Wright and McLeod Counties.
- Expenditures are higher than budgeted mainly because of the expenses related to COVID-19.
- Increases were made in salaries and wages for about \$15,000 for additional teachers qualifying for lane changes than was budgeted. Adjustments were made for positions hired where estimates had been used for salaries and benefits, and the change in personnel in the technology area.
- PSEO costs were budgeted to be \$45,000 based on last year's cost, but the cost is actually almost \$92,000 for FY21.
- Increases were made in budget lines for students in care and treatment and other tuition-based programs, including purchased services from MAWSECO. These types of expenses can vary from year-to-year based on students' needs.
- Decreases were made in extra-curricular supplies, transportation and entry fees.

