## Arlington Public Schools FY25 School Committee Proposed Budget

May 6th, 2024

Dr. Elizabeth C. Homan, Superintendent





#### Our VISION

The Arlington Public Schools will become an equitable educational community where all learners feel a sense of belonging, experience growth and joy, and are empowered to shape their own futures and contribute to a better world



#### **Budget Priorities & Highlights**

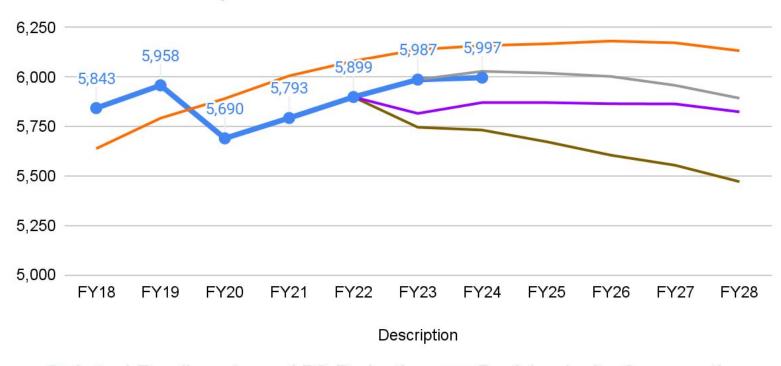


#### Priorities:

- Fund fall override competitive compensation commitments;
- Ensure adequate funds for 40% projected increase in electricity supply rate;
- Adjust elementary staffing levels in response to decreasing enrollments while sustaining or improving existing service levels;
- Maintain existing staffing to support needs in special education and expanding secondary enrollments;
- Continue implementation of 5-year Strategic Plan and maintain focus on meeting the need of APS Focal Groups and ALL students across APS.



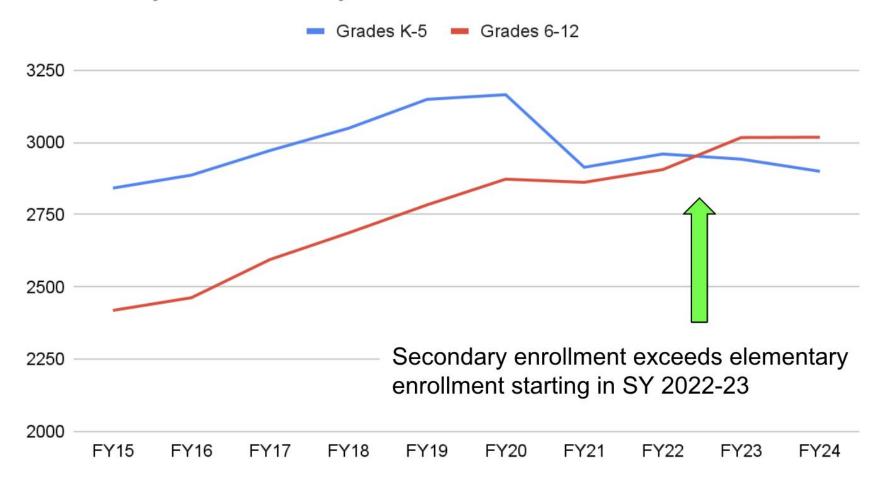
#### APS In-district 10-year Enrollment



Actual Enrollment — APS Projection — Decision Insite Conservative
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#### Secondary v. Elementary Enrollment, FY15-Current



### **APS Focal Groups**

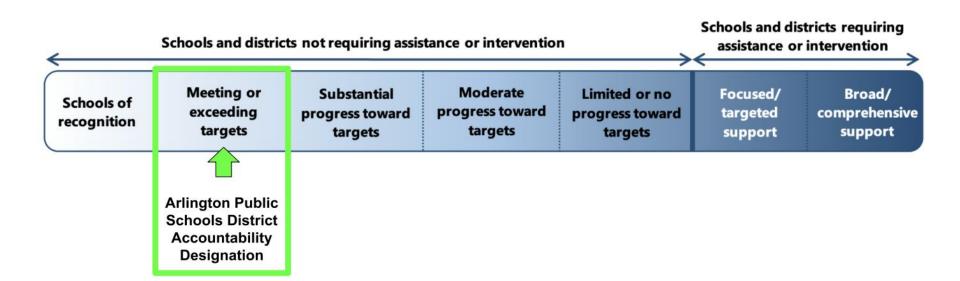


- Students, and the families and teachers of students, who have IEPs
- 2 Students, families, and staff who identify as Black or Hispanic/Latino
- Students, families, and staff who identify as non-binary, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersexual, and asexual (LGBTQIA+)
- Students who are multilingual learners (MLs) and their families, as well students and families who speak a language other than English as their primary language in the home
  - Students and families who are low-income

"...more engagement, enrichment, and academic opportunities and experiences for **ALL** students. Importantly, closing achievement gaps does not include lowering standards or limiting opportunities for *any* students."

### District Target Percentage

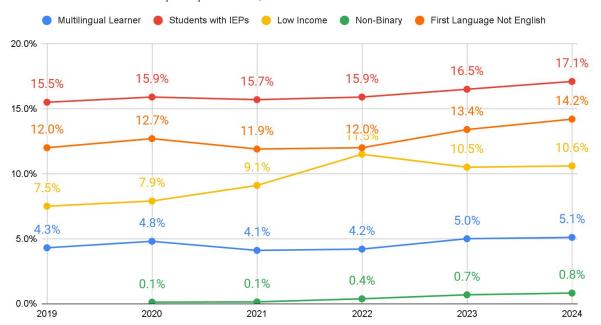




#### **APS Focal Group Populations**



APS Other Focal Group Populations, 2019-Current

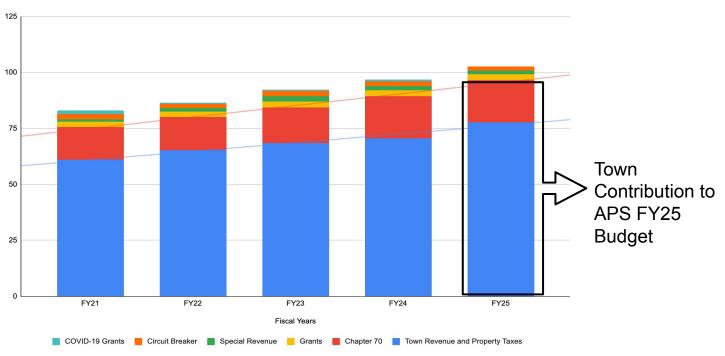


Steadily increasing populations of Multilingual Learners, Students with IEPs, Students from income-insecure households, and students who identify as Non-Binary

# Revenue by Funding Sources from FY21 to FY25 (in millions)



#### Revenue by Funding Source from FY21-FY25, (in millions)



#### FY25 Anticipated Funding Sources



Description	FY24	FY25	\$ Change	% Change	
Town Appropriation	\$89,347,334	\$96,521,248	\$7,173,914	8.03%	
Local Contribution	\$70,643,925	\$77,637,209	\$6,993,284	9.90%	
Chapter 70 - State Aid	\$18,703,409	\$18,884,039	\$180,630	0.97%	
Grants	\$2,715,306	\$2,715,306	\$0	0.00%	
COVID-Related Grants	\$880,598	\$0	-\$880,598	-100.00%	
Special Revenue & Revolving	\$1,956,028	\$1,552,459	-\$403,569	-20.63%	
Circuit Breaker	\$1,959,252	\$1,772,424	-\$186,828	-9.54%	
Total	\$96,858,518	\$102,561,437	\$5,702,919	5.89%	

## FY25 Proposed Budget Expense by Category



Budget Transfer Category	FY21 Actual	FY22 Actual	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budget	FY25 Budget	Change	%
Secondary Education	20,427,114	22,438,974	24,020,866	26,002,778	27,391,042	1,388,264	5.34%
Elementary Education	22,502,770	23,544,846	24,879,619	26,117,799	25,914,830	-202,969	-0.78%
Special Education	18,947,325	19,937,733	20,749,689	22,270,644	25,017,318	2,746,674	12.33%
Other	7,785,717	8,763,077	9,521,338	9,159,945	9,719,035	559,090	6.10%
Curriculum & Instruction	2,097,880	1,981,565	2,450,668	2,368,745	4,172,776	1,804,031	76.16%
Administration	2,491,410	2,750,509	2,804,265	3,027,423	3,054,776	27,353	0.90%
<b>Budget Contingencies</b>	0	0	0	400,000	1,251,471	<mark>851,471</mark>	*
Grand Total	74,252,216	79,416,704	84,426,444	89,347,334	96,521,248	7,173,914	8.03%

<sup>\*</sup>In FY25, Budget Contingencies is a net of funding to be used to support competitive compensation and budget additions/efficiencies that have yet to be identified in position control.

#### FY25 Proposed Budget Changes Summary



Summary of Budget Changes						
Contractual Obligations and Salary Adjustments		\$ 3,700,863.04				
Collective Bargaining Unit A		\$ 1,741,470.59				
Unit D FY25 Increase*		\$ 344,457.40				
Utility Increase		\$ 367,523.00				
Department Budget Adjustments		\$ 259,643.98				
Proposed Budget Efficiencies	-10.7	\$ (695,399.21)				
Proposed Budget Additions	26.2	\$ 1,455,355.20				
Total Budget Changes	15.53	\$ 7,173,914.00				

<sup>\*</sup>The FY25 Unit D increase represents increases in salaries for Unit D employees compared against the original contractual agreement, prior to the MOA in December 2023 (\$744,457), minus an additional \$400,000 allocation for FY24 (see note about FY24 Contingency Transfer Line).

#### Maintaining Existing Commitments



The following commitments were made in previous budget years using a combination of COVID infusion, COVID grant, and operating budget funds:

- 6.2 Positions added at AHS in FY24 Budget;
  - teachers, paraprofessionals, and theater manager
- 3.9 Positions added at OMS & Gibbs in FY24 Budget;
  - teachers, team chair
- Additional LC added at OMS in FY22 and FY23;
- Additional staff and sections added and maintained at Gibbs in FY23 to accommodate growing class sizes;
- Menotomy Paraprofessionals shifted to SSP in FY24; and
- Elementary class sizes around or under 25 students/class.

We intend to sustain these commitments in FY25.











