

Rochambeau and Memorial Middle School Budget Workshop

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Region 15 Public Schools Mission Statement

The **mission** of **Region 15**, a collaborative community committed to excellence, is to educate every student to be productive, ethical, and engaged in a global society through proven and innovative learning experiences supported by its strong community whose decision-making is based on the best interest of all students.



A Focus on Instructional Practices at the Middle Level Supported through 2019-2020 Budget

- ❖ Continued focus on Readers and Writers Workshop in ELA
 - Additional resources to support purchase of high interest reads for ELA classroom libraries
- ❖ Targeted Professional Development to support differentiation in Math
 - Work on increasing strategies to meet all students' needs
- ❖ Increased Inquiry opportunities in Social Studies and Science
 - Materials and resources to support NGSS implementation
 - Online resources in social studies to support Inquiry
- ❖ World Language: Strategies to enhance target language use
- ❖ Integration of technology across subject areas
- ❖ Ongoing Professional Development to support teachers



Increased and Improved Access to Technology

- ❖ Purchase of new and replacement ChromeBook Carts increasing access to technology for students and staff
- ❖ Expansion of licensing for digital resources and informational databases through library media
 - Shift from a textbook model to a subscription model for resources
 - Access to non fiction text based resources (Newsela) -leveled to support student needs
 - Access to web based videos and text (Discovery Education) to support curriculum related topics across discipline areas (particularly in science and social studies)
- ❖ Increased STEM Opportunities for students (particularly through Technology Education and Computer courses)
- ❖ Increased Digital Media offerings for students through Library Media



Social Emotional Learning

- ❖ Continuing to support the Teaming Model at the Middle Level
- ❖ Restorative Practice Implementation (staff and students)
- ❖ RULER Training for staff (professional development time)
- ❖ Proposal of the K-8 Social Worker
- ❖ Exploration of a Middle School Advisory Program
- ❖ Continued work to support Developmental School Counseling program and career pathways for students
- ❖ Health program for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students



Middle School Highlights

- ❖ Relatively flat budget requests across department areas in both buildings
- ❖ 19-20 Budget supports continued program improvement without compromising students and staff needs

Middle School Programming/Instructional Material reflected in other budget areas

- ❖ Professional Development lines reflected in school budgets and Assistant Superintendent's Budget
- ❖ Purchase of ChromeBooks through Director of Technology Budget
- ❖ Curriculum Development through Assistant Superintendent's Budget

