

## 2020-21 Budget Questions

for Budget season 2020-2021

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Question #	Question	Response
1	What's CBRC's role in developing the budget for 2020-21? In last night's briefing, it was said that the district will likely have to amend the budget. In light of the unusual circumstances how the 2020-21 budget will be developed, will CBRC be expected to review and comment on budgetary amendments?	The 2020-21 Proposed Budget predates the financial impacts of COVID-19 pandemic and reflects the board goals, the strategic framework and five system shifts. It also includes the new SIA grant and keeping equity at the forefront. It is based on an outdated \$9.0 Billion state school funding level for 2019-21. The budget process will be an unusual one this year. We may need to adopt our budget before the legislature makes final decisions on our multiple fund sources. The process will be on a shortened timeline. The CBRC will not be expected to review and comment on budgetary amendments. If the amended estimated expenditures in the major fund being changed exceed 10% of the fund's adopted, the district will prepare a Supplemental Budget with a public hearing. PPS has five major funds: the General Fund, the Special Revenue Fund, the Debt Service Fund, the Capital Project Fund and the Internal Service Fund.
2	How will any RIF occur? Seniority based? Contract employees eliminated first? Administrators? Classified? Furloughs?	A reduction in force (RIF) may occur based on the size of reduction needed to balance the budget. Layoff and recall processes will follow the contract language in place for the specific employee group represented in the RIF process. District leadership is identifying tiered reductions lists that will be used when the size of the budget shortfall is known. Furlough days are a possible reduction strategy and will require negotiation with employee associations for implementation. The District has implemented a hiring freeze in an effort to hold as many positions open as possible to help offset the reductions needed to balance the 2020-21 budget.