



Livingston Board of Education 2020-2021 Budget Presentation

February 24, 2020

Exciting New Initiatives in~

- Student Services
- Curriculum and Instruction
- Professional Development

*Assistant Superintendent~ **Lisa Steiger***

Directors of Special Education~

Blair Rosenthal and Emily Sortino

Directors of Curriculum~

Natalie Topylko and Marybeth Kopacz

Director of School Counseling~

Sinead Crews

Special Education:

Continue and maintain quality programming in special education and related services including PRIDE, ABA Program, Full Continuum of Services K-12, and our Transition to Life Program.

School Counseling:

College Counselor at LHS

College Counselor for LHS

Opportunities for Growth:

- Enhanced support for students in junior and senior year especially related to navigating the nuances of the application process
- Enhanced and more frequent application workshop sessions for students (summer and fall)
- Will host college essay writing workshops and review sessions with students (summer, fall and winter)
- Enhanced support for post-secondary testing programs at LHS: PSAT, SAT, ACT
- Present at post-secondary parent series programs with up to date trends and data on the college application and admission landscape
- Work directly with the Director of School Counseling to collect, analyze and prepare the graduation data and the LHS school profile for each class
- Serve as a professional development resource for school counselors and the Child Study Team by visiting college campuses, attending counselor professional development conferences, attending college tours and NACAC conference and presenting this at regularly scheduled department meetings
- Enhanced alumni outreach: Prepare and send annual alumni surveys to collect and analyze data regarding programming feedback as well as retention and graduation rates at post-secondary programs. Enhanced connections between current seniors directly with alumni in programs they are applying to.

Proposed New LHS Courses~ Presented to the Board of Education in December of 2019

Business

- Social Media Marketing

Science

- RHSP Anatomy and Physiology II
- Sustainability Science II

Theater Arts Pathway

- Theater - New Position
- Dance (Semester Course)
- Piano (Semester Course)

Professional Development- Just a Few Highlights

- PD is directly tied to District Goals
- Feedback loop to continue to build our opportunities (before, during, and after)
- Continued focus on meaningful professional development in the summer, during the school year, after school hours, and digitally provided by administrators and staff
- Continued focus on building capacity in our non-tenured teachers
- Livingston “U” Afterschool Course Catalog
- Partnerships with Universities including:
 - Rutgers University
 - Montclair State University
 - Kean University
 - Fairleigh Dickinson University
 - Ramapo University

Curriculum Writing for 2020-2021 Initiatives

Course	Resource
Business	Resources for Social Media Marketing
ELA	Independent Reading Leveled Libraries - Focus on culturally diverse texts; Resources to support our Reading Intervention and Reading Specialist programs
English as a Second Language (ESL)	New Resources to support our English Language Learners
Gifted & Talented	STEAM resources
Mathematics	New Math Texts & Instructional Materials; Technology Resources

Course	Resource
Health and Physical Education	Health ebooks; resources to support new dance curriculum
Science	Resources for Anatomy and Physiology 2, and Sustainability Science 2
Social Studies	Resources for AP Modern World History, and AP Human Geography
Visual and Performing Arts	Resources for Theater Arts Production (TAP) and Piano
World Language	Integrated Performance Assessments