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REFERENDUM NEWSLETTER: FALL 2021



The 2018 referendum really got the motor running

The **300+** Choice, Career and Technical Education programs are thriving thanks to the **2018 voter-approved referendum**. Students are positioned to achieve more than **90** different industry certifications. Applications for the 2022-2023 school year will be accepted starting November 1, at mypbchoiceapp.com. The 25th annual Showcase of Schools starts October 26 with a **Facebook Live** at 4 p.m.

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FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT

Every dollar collected and spent will be overseen by an **Independent Referendum Oversight Committee** (IROC) of citizens and experts.

FY21 TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 213,418,228
FY21 EXPENDITURES	\$ 208,768,624
TEACHER SUPPLEMENT:	\$ 117,258,685
FINE ARTS:	\$ 57,629,122
MENTAL HEALTH:	\$ 17,881,871
SECURITY:	\$ 15,998,946
REMAINING BALANCE TO GENERAL FUND RESERVE	\$ (4,649,604)



Hey Palm Beach County, what are you waiting for?

Palm Beach County is an A-rated, tech-driven school district, and the largest employer with more than 22,000 employees. If you are thinking about becoming a teacher, there is a tremendous level of **support to enter the profession**. If you are passionate about teaching, whether a new **college graduate**, an **experienced teacher**, **career changer** or a **current employee**, see why Palm Beach County is your best choice.

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TEACHER SUPPLEMENT

FY21: \$117 million

The voter-approved referendum provides **supplements to teachers**, determined by number of years of professional experience. [Click here](#) to see the school-by-school breakdown.

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE	SUPPLEMENT
1 - 4 YEARS	\$ 1,000
5 - 9 YEARS	\$ 5,000
> 10 YEARS	\$ 10,000



And the band played on, thanks to you

The performing and visual arts are continuing to flourish, as a result of the **2018 voter-approved referendum** that funded more than 650 art, music, physical education, Choice, Career and Technical Education teachers. The National Association of Music Merchants recognized the School District of Palm Beach County among the best for music education in 2021.

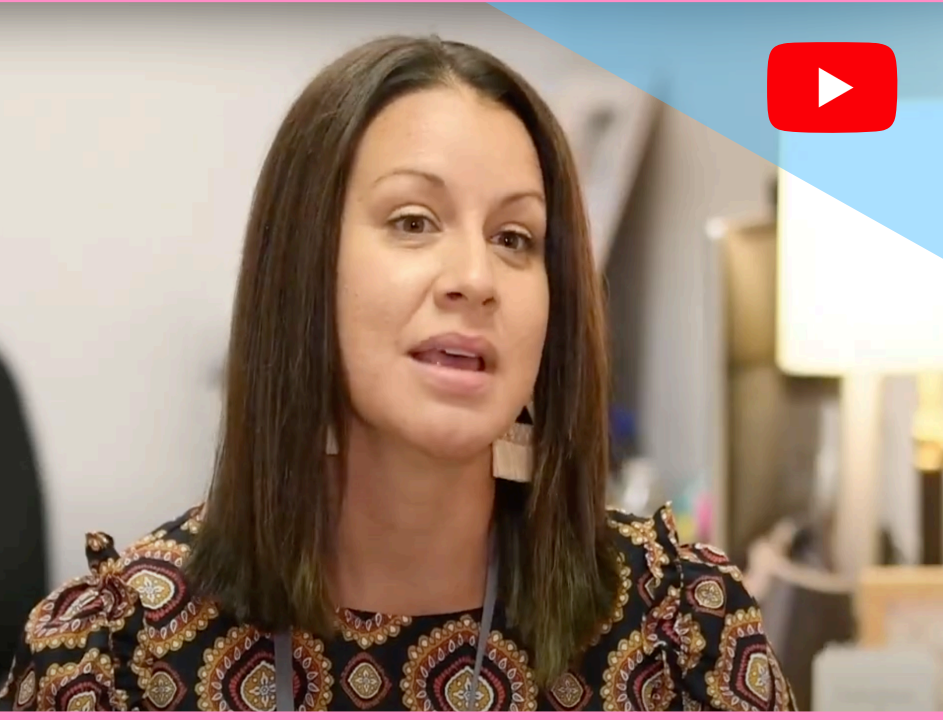
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FINE ARTS INITIATIVE

FY21: \$57 million

More than \$57 million has been allocated in FY21 to fund 786 school fine arts, physical education, choice and career academy positions.

POSITIONS	EXPENSE
108.5 ELEM - ART	\$ 7,906,973
113.0 ELEM - MUSIC	\$ 8,340,832
132.5 ELEM - P.E.	\$ 10,164,887
212.3 MAGNET PROGRAM	\$ 14,997,740
220.0 CAREER ACADEMY	\$ 16,218,690
786.3	\$ 57,629,122



Getting to the heart of it is to get ahead of it

Mental health matters, and the School District has invested heavily in school mental health initiatives, adding school psychologists and expanding cooperation with community services to ensure students know that it is OK to be OK.

It is OK to *not* be OK. And it is OK to ask for help.

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MENTAL HEALTH

FY21: \$18 million

The referendum has ensured that student mental health is a priority, providing a qualified, trusted adult at every school.

POSITIONS	EXPENSE
17 CAPE TEAMS	\$ 1,142,976
21 GUIDANCE	\$ 1,891,882
ESOL GUIDANCE	\$ 68,266
171 HEALTH SERVICES	\$ 10,987,978
CO-LOCATED	\$ 327,860
40 PSYCH SERVICES	\$ 3,462,909
249	\$ 17,881,871



School Police offers security and support

Security. Emotional support. Guidance. "School Policing is not what it used to be," said new Chief of School Police Dan Alexander. All 179 District-operated campuses have an accredited law enforcement officer with advanced training in prevention, interventions and diversion. Above all of these, each officer is making connections to the students they serve.

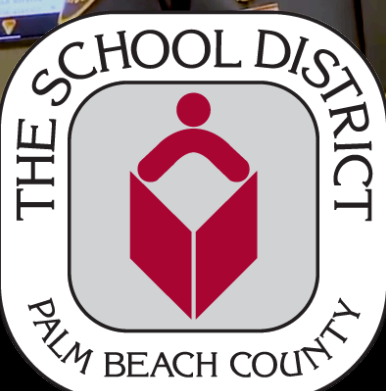
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SCHOOL SAFETY

FY21: \$16 million

An investment of approximately **\$16 million** to continue adding School Police Officers, School Police Aides, School Security Monitors and an increase in Secondary School Security Allocation (SSSA) for various secondary school events.

POSITIONS	EXPENSE
52 MONITORS	\$ 1,208,550
POLICE OFFICERS	\$ 11,596,200
39 POLICE AIDES	\$ 2,289,000
SSSA	\$ 905,196
91	\$ 15,998,946



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