AEA 2018-19 OMS Budget Requests

Additional Staffing

- Requesting four 7th grade and four 8th grade clusters

Rationale: Student enrollment continues to increase. Based off of this year’s 6th and 7th grade student enrollment if there were four clusters for 7th and 8th grade that would mean that each 7th grade would average 111 students and each 8th grade cluster would average 103 students. This would provide an appropriate learning environment and class sizes

- Additional .4 FTE Art Teacher
- Increase in SPED Teaching Assistants
- Additional 1.0 FTE Guidance Counselor
- Additional .2 FTE World Language Teacher for Spanish

Rationale: The Art and W.L. teacher requests are needed with the increase of student enrollment. As we raise the expectations of students and with the increase of students with Special and social/emotional needs, students and teachers need a greater support system. An increase of SPED teaching assistants and an additional Adjustment Counselor will help with this.

Curriculum/Professional Development

- Ottoson Science Textbooks, Books and Periodicals
- OMS Music Instructional material
- OMS SEL (Social Emotional Learning) Graduate Reimbursement PD
- OMS SEL Supplies
- Increase of Reimbursement for Professional Development Conferences and Courses

Rationale: This would provide proper and updated materials in Science and Music for both teachers and students. Also current allocation for course reimbursement
does not cover the needs/requests of teachers in order for us to stay current in content and pedagogy. This include Social Emotional Learning, which is needed to meet students’ needs.

Technology

- Speakers for all classrooms with projectors
  Rationale: For teachers to be able to use multimedia to enhance the curriculum and to help meet the needs of all students

- Extra projectors, chrome/macbooks and hardware for when devices break
  Rationale: To implement parts of their curriculum until they get a replacement.

Salary

- Appropriate contingencies for all staff wages
  Rationale: Increase salaries to make it comparable to surrounding communities. This is needed to attract more and better qualified TAs and substitute teachers. It is also needed to attract and retain all teachers and administrators.