STUDENT RECOGNITION OF ALL-STATE/ALL-NW MUSICIANS

The Board recognized the Mercer Island High School and Islander Middle School 2021 All-State and All-Northwest Music Honor Group members -- 37 in total.

MIHS and IMS band, choir and orchestra students were selected from a pool of auditions submitted from across five states as members of the All-Northwest and All-State honor groups. Joining the students were music teachers Parker Bixby, Annalise Rockow, Haley Smith and Vicki White-Miltun.

BOARD HEARS BUDGET ASSUMPTIONS AND CONSIDERS PROGRAM REDUCTIONS

The Board heard an update on budget assumptions for 2021-22:
- Reduction of General Apportionment of $3 million.
- Reduction of Transportation Funding of $750,000.
- Local Revenues are down 8% YTD last year.
- Levies are stable at this time.

With those assumptions, the Board began consideration of a reduced educational program which includes identified reductions in certificated represented and non-represented positions, recognizing that the program may be subsequently modified by the Board as additional financial data becomes available.

SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE INFORMATION MEETINGS

This November, two of the five Mercer Island School Board seats will be up for election. This includes board positions 2 and 4. School Board directors are elected to four-year terms by Mercer Island voters.

The Board will present an overview of board governance for interested community members at two special information meetings on Zoom:
9:30 a.m. March 18: https://mercerislandschools.zoom.us/j/88672445831
5 p.m. March 25: https://mercerislandschools.zoom.us/j/81382814924

School Board members welcome IMS and MIHS music teachers and honored students.

AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

Fundamental 4 – Analytical/Critical Thinking for Global Awareness (Selection of Indicators - 1st rdg.)

Financial Administration – Reduced Educational Support Program; Draft Resolutions (1st rdg.)

MISD/City Interlocal Agreement for Resource Officer Services (2nd rdg.)