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I have a question about discretionary spending?

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To: gharrelson@hardee.k12.fl.us

Greetings, Mr. Harrelson

My name is [REDACTED] and I am a teacher at [REDACTED]. I am also in the process of gaining my Doctoral degree in education from Florida Southern College. During a class on politics and finance my professor Dr. Bryan ask how much of our budgets were discretionary and what can be purchased with discretionary dollars? I am finding it difficult to local that information from the district website. Can you help me or point me to the right documents that will explain the districts discretionary budget?

Thank you,

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Wed, Mar 4, 2015 at 8:32 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Sure, I'll help however I can. Here's an overview of our 14-15 budget-

Total \$61,442,405. This includes General Fund (least restrictive), special revenue funds, debt service funds, capital outlay funds and some small private purpose trust fund.

The General Fund budget is \$48,536,667. We have about 40 restricted projects within the General Fund- things like textbook allocation from the State that has to be spent on textbooks or instructional materials. In the General Fund, we have one project #900 that has the least restrictions; its budget is \$38,407,569. Here are the categories of expenses in General Fund 900-

salary related \$18,788,167

benefits \$6,991,812

services \$3,064,306

energy and utilities \$1,742,120

supplies, textbooks, materials \$1,006,479

capital outlay \$631,395

subs and other exp \$489,219

reserves \$5,694,071

Hopefully, this is a start. Let me know if you have questions or what you need.

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