

Budget Cut Mitigation Update (3/17/10):

At the Mar. 11th PTO meeting, the Board approved the funding of the following Classified positions for the 2010-2011 school year: 4 Instructional Aides (3 hrs. each), one Tech. Media Clerk (4.5hrs) and one Library Media Clerk (4 hrs). Mrs. Franklin communicated this information to the District in time to meet their 3/15/10 deadline for notification.

Part of the structure that enabled the \$34k funding of two additional aides (compared to this year) was the plan to have the Art program for next year move to a parent volunteer run program (under the direction of the teachers). This saved the PTO \$9k. There is also support from teachers and parents for a parent run copy center to enable aides to spend all of their time with students instead of copying. Non-personnel cuts (about \$14k) will also be made to the PTO budget.

These plans address the currently announced 30:1 CSR cuts and the 2 hour drop in district library funding (the PTO continues to fund 4 hours of library). They also assume that Stevens Creek will have 23 classes next year. There are a few factors which could lead to additional classrooms at Stevens Creek (TFIN or a special ed program on site). Should the number of classes change, the budget will be adjusted accordingly.

For more details, please see the PTO website, click presentation summaries and Interim meeting for the slide set which was presented at the Mar. 8th interim meeting for more details on the plan, parent and teacher survey results and the core principles used for decision making.