

## Joint Subcommittee Presentation

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What is our vision?

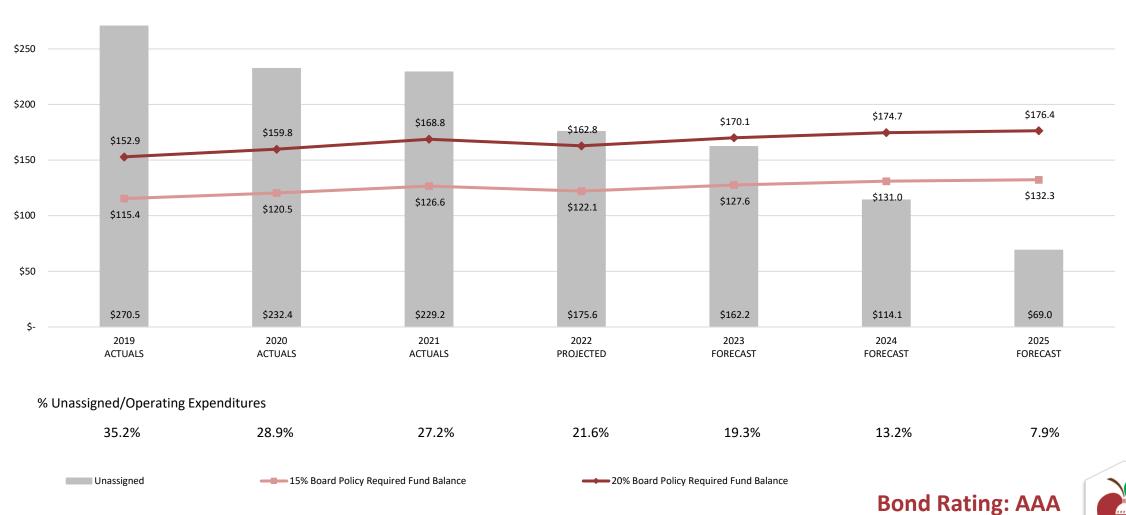
"...high expectations for all our children, high outcomes for every student."



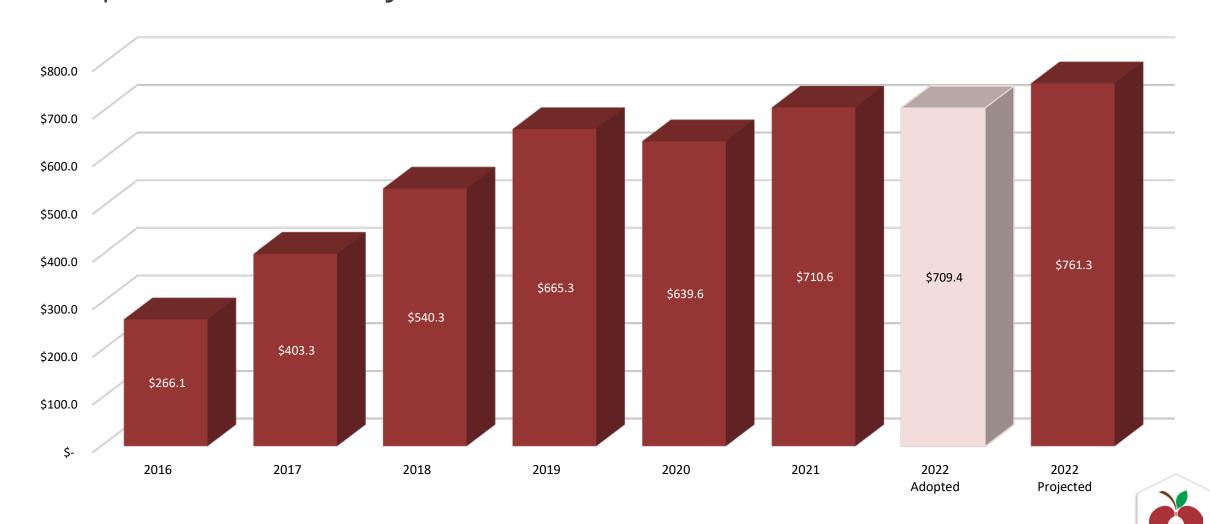
## Who we're doing this for



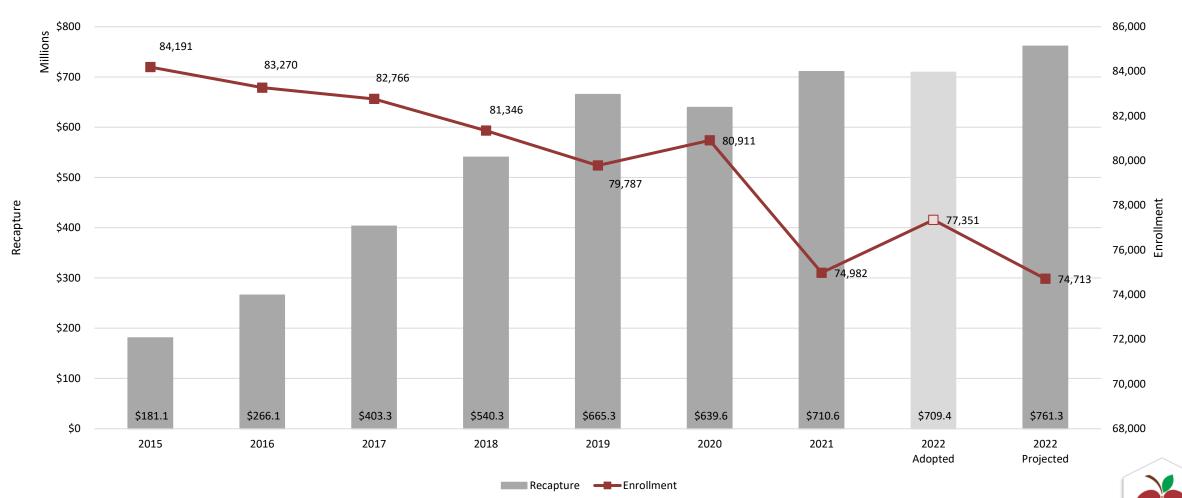
## Status quo will bankrupt AISD in 3 years



#### Recapture History (in millions)



## Recapture rising, enrollment falling



#### AISD RECAPTURE AWARENESS



#### **RECAPTURE IN TEXAS**

Austin ISD \$710.6 million

Houston ISD \$197.8 million

Plano ISD \$191.9 million

Midland ISD \$154.4 million

2022-23 school year Austin Property Taxpayers

WILL \$761.3 million

**AUSTIN ISD** 

#### RECAPTURE

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**Cost Comparison:** 

Indeed Tower \$580 million

Independent Tower \$145 million

Elon's new house \$ 12 million

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Cost Comparison:



NRG Stadium in Houston
James Stadium in Tampa
TOTAL \$646 million



## Projected FY2022 Fund Balance (in millions)

Budget Amounts		
Revenue	\$1,535.2	
Expenditures	(\$1,581.4)	
Amended Budget Net Change – Surplus(Deficit)		(\$46.2)
Revised Projections: Enrollment & ADA Decline	(\$40.4)	<u>(\$40.4)</u>
Adjusted Net Change – Surplus(Deficit)		(\$86.6)
Supplant:		
ESSER II – Hold Harmless	\$26.6	
ESSER II – Additional Supplant	\$6.9	
ESSER III	\$24.5	<u>\$58.0</u>
Projected Net Change – Surplus(Deficit)		(\$28.6)



#### FY2022 Budget Actions

#### We closing budget deficit!

- Evaluating and eliminating vacant positions.
- Implementing a hiring freeze, when applicable.
- District-Wide Teacher Leveling.
- Change in district policy for Travel and Cell-phone allowance.
- Supplanting Operating Budget with ESSER Funding, per ESSER plan.

Estimated Payroll cost savings from actions: \$23.6m

Estimated Total FY2022 ESSER Fund Supplanting Plan: \$58m



#### FY23 Budget – Balanced Budget Priority

- Balanced and <u>Equitable</u> Budget
- Reducing overall staffing 250 administrative/operational positions
- Department Budget Reductions
- Pay Raises
  - Increase hourly pay to \$16/hr. minimum for Classified Employees
  - Increase Teacher base pay by \$1,000
  - Increase Teacher salaries by 1.5% plus PPfT (based on mid-point)
  - Increase in Bus Driver compensation to \$21/hr minimum

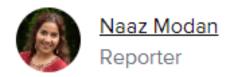


## Staffing Challenges

**DIVE BRIEF** 

# NCES: Nearly half of public schools impacted by staffing shortages, resignations

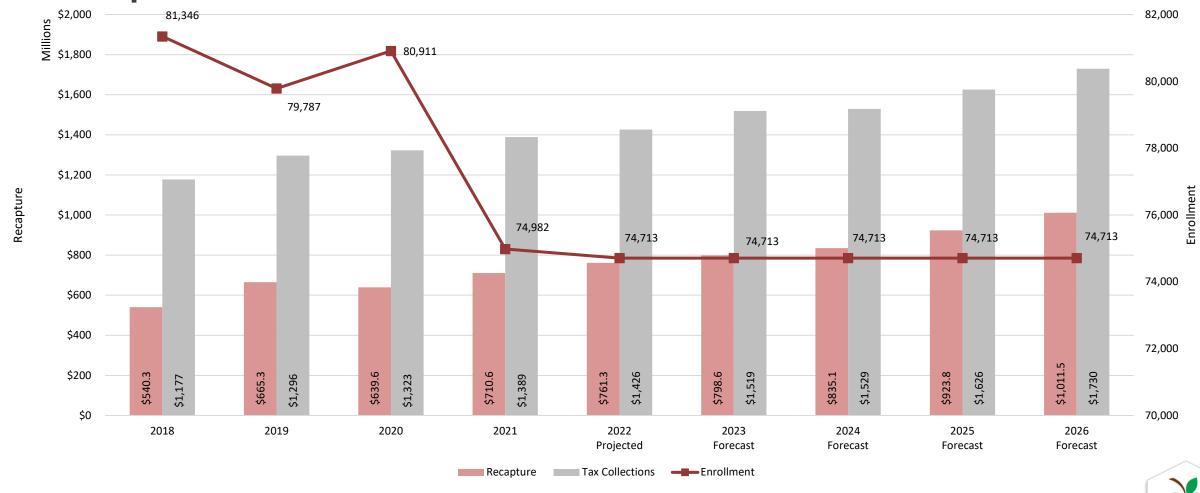
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#### Recapture & Enrollment, compared to Tax Collections

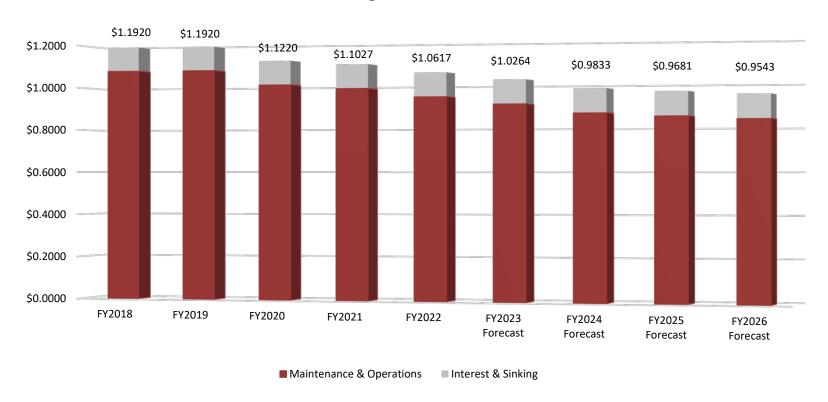


#### Preliminary Bond Discussions

- Current Debt Service Tax Rate: \$0.113
- Current Bond Rating: Aaa
- Current Debt Capacity: \$1.2 \$1.5 billion
- Long Rang Planning Process
- Bond Steering Committee
- August 22, 2022: Last Day Board of Trustees Can Call a Bond Election



#### Tax Rate History



A reduction in the tax rate does not mean a reduction in taxpayer liability. Taxpayers could see an increase in taxes due to an increase in property values.

Austin ISD: Property Tax Rate per \$100 Taxable Valuation

\*In accordance with Texas Education Code, the district's prior year MCR was used as its maximum tier one tax rate plus tier two pennies for the purpose of publishing the Notice of Public Meeting to Discuss Budget and Proposed Tax Rate. As a July 1 district, AISD will not have its MCR from TEA until August and must adopt the budget no later than June 30. AISD used Region 13 and TASBO templates to calculate and determine the district's tax rate for developing the Fiscal Year Budget.







- Thank an educator and share your positive stories about their impact
- Get involved with organizations advocating for public ed at the state level
- Retweet, amplify messages from @AustinISD
- Speak up: balancing the budget is painful but beneficial to our kids
- Support a bond. 100% of bond stays in ATX

