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## SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

As we move into summer break, I want to express our thanks and gratitude to all of our staff members and parents for their continued support and dedication throughout this school year.

Since September and up to the mandated school closures, we had many opportunities to read, hear or observe the different activities that are taking place within all of our schools. We also heard and read about the many accomplishments of our students (i.e. - athletic, competitions etc.). All of our schools continue to meet the challenges of the Standards of Learning, with all 5 schools being Accredited for 2019-20. In order to meet these expectations, our schools will continue to look for innovative programs or practices that can be incorporated within the instructional programs to enhance the education that our students receive.

However, over the past couple months, we have all been operating under challenging circumstances. All schools were closed, but education services continued. Our teachers and staff worked diligently to transition from in person instruction, to virtual learning, learning packets, or a combination of both. Staff members communicated with their students on a weekly basis to continue to provide this instruction, but also to check on their students to see how they were doing. Thank you teachers for the care that you have shown your students.

In addition, we began a meal program immediately when schools were closed. We have had great support from our SNP staff and from our communities. We have had numerous items donated (i.e. - books, modeling clay, crayons, beads, etc.) from different organizations or people. This was provided so our students could continue to have as much normalcy as possible during these times. For that, we want to thank everyone associated with this program for all of your efforts to ensure that as many students as possible were fed each day.

Our students continued to have accomplishments on the athletic field, as well as other competitions they participated in throughout the year. Unfortunately, some of these activities were cancelled/postponed due to the school closures. We continue to be proud of all of our students and teachers who work hard each day to prepare for these, as well as all of the other competitions, activities, or performances. They do an excellent job representing our schools, as well as Giles County, in a positive fashion.

I again want to take this opportunity to extend my appreciation to all of you and thank you for your continued support of our school system. We realize that there are still unanswered questions facing us, but with your support and teamwork, we will move forward and be able to continue to meet the needs of our students.

I look forward to continuing this positive relationship and look forward to making a difference in the lives of our students.

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Dr. Terry E. Arbogast, II Division Superintendent

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## **Average Per Pupil Expenditures**

Legislation from the General Assembly requires the School Board to provide parents with certain budgetary information within 30 days of submitting the budget to the Board of Supervisors. The governing body must approve and appropriate (permit) spending for all funds. The state has mandated that the following information be provided regarding last year's budget, the current year's budget, and the proposed budget for 2020-21

	2018-19 YEAR ACTUAL	2019-20 YEAR ESTIMATE	2020-21 YEAR PROPOSED
FOR OPERATIONS*			
STATE FUNDS	\$5,896	\$5,880	\$6,185
SALES AND USE TAX	\$1,180	\$1,193	\$1,052
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$892	\$1,052	\$744
LOCAL FUNDS	\$4,186	\$4,149	\$4,293
TOTAL	\$12,155	\$12,274	\$12,274
FOR DEBT SERVICE	\$535	\$534	\$552

<sup>\*</sup>Operations category includes regular day school, school food services, summer school, and other educational programs, but does not include debt service, non-regular day school, non-LEA programs, capital outlay additions, and some capital outlay replacement categories. Local funds category includes funding plus other local revenues.

## **School Board Information**



## **SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS 2019-20**

Marion C. Ballard Melissa R. Guynn Phillip A. Pennington Stephen M. Steele Mark A. Wilburn

Dr. Terry E. Arbogast, II, Division Superintendent

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