### **VOTE BY MAIL**

If you're heading out of town or can't get to the polls in person, be sure to complete a Vote by Mail ballot.

- Complete and return a Vote by Mail Ballot Request Form to the County Clerk.
- Review and follow ballot instructions.
- Submit your Vote by Mail ballot in time to be sure your vote counts!
- Vote by Mail ballots are due by 8 PM on March 11, 2025.

### Not sure where or how to vote?

Visit our district's School Budget <u>web page</u> at www.frsd.k12.nj.us to view presentations, review the ballot, access a Frequently Asked Questions sheet, check polling locations and learn more.

### **ABOUT FRSD**

Enrollment: 3,300 students, PreK-Grade 8 6 Schools: 687,688 square feet

### **CLASS SIZES**

Minimum, Maximum Preschool - <15, 15 Kindergarten - 15, 18 Grade 1 - 15, 20 Grade 2 - 16, 22 Grade 3 - 16, 23 Grade 4 - 17, 24 SCAN QR CODE FOR BUDGET INFO:





### **QUESTIONS?**

www.frsd.k12.nj.us E-mail: budget@frsd.us

### **Our Mission**

As a Community of One, WE:

- Foster social, emotional, and academic growth within a connected learning community
- Respect, honor and embrace diverse family and community values by building collaborative partnerships
- Strengthen opportunities that nurture creative and critical thinkers
- Develop and inspire personal excellence.



# 2025-2026 **School Budget**

The Flemington-Raritan Regional School District seeks approval to raise the tax levy above the 2% cap.

## **Public Vote**

Tuesday ~ March 11, 2025 Polls open 6 AM-8 PM

> Every Student ~ Every Day Every Opportunity

### **BALLOT QUESTION**

Voters will be asked to approve increasing the Flemington-Raritan School District budget an additional 4% above the statutory 2% cap; that's a total increase of \$2,388,749 beginning in the 2025-2026 school year. These additional funds will maintain 30 teachers and staff members; Class III Officers in our schools; and J.V. sports at J.P. Case Middle School. Here's a breakdown:

- Teachers that maintain small class size (17-24 students) in the elementary schools and support specialized reading programs, such as elementary reading recovery; reading and math support in the intermediate and middle schools; and instruction in all support classes;
- Supplemental teachers that deliver G&T/STEM instruction;
- 6 Class III Officers, one in each building;
- Junior varsity sports at J.P. Case Middle School, including softball, volleyball, field hockey, cross-country, soccer, lacrosse, wrestling, basketball, cheerleading, and baseball.

### **TAX IMPACT**

Approval of the special question will result in a permanent increase in the district's tax levy. If the special question is approved by voters, for the 2025-2026 school year, FRSD's portion of local taxes are estimated to go up:

- A month for a Flemington Borough home assessed at \$400,000.
- A month for a Raritan Township home assessed at \$600,000.





## BUDGET FACT: PER PUPIL SPENDING

Below is a comparison of Hunterdon County school districts. Here's how much was spent per student in 2024:

Hunterdon Central - \$24,653 Clinton Twp. - \$24,553 Readington - \$24,497 East Amwell - \$23,510 Delaware - \$22,955 Kingwood - \$22,005 Flemington-Raritan - \$19,310

Taxpayer Guide to Spending

### BUDGET FACT: STATE AID

Of the \$80 million school district budget, the State contributes 9%. The total state revenues from State sources for the 2024-2025 school year was \$6,095,841.