



### **Parent Institute**

School District Finance 101 March 31, 2019

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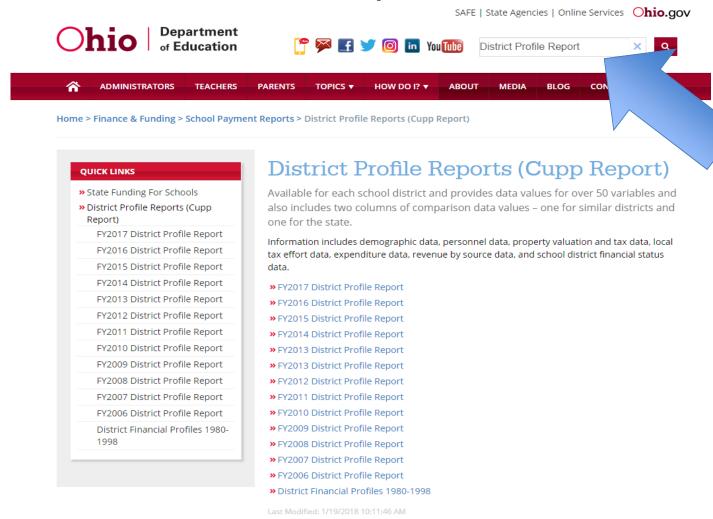
### ... the basics

- ★ Revenues
- **★**Expenses
- ★Budgets and Forecasts
- ★A few statistics worth sharing



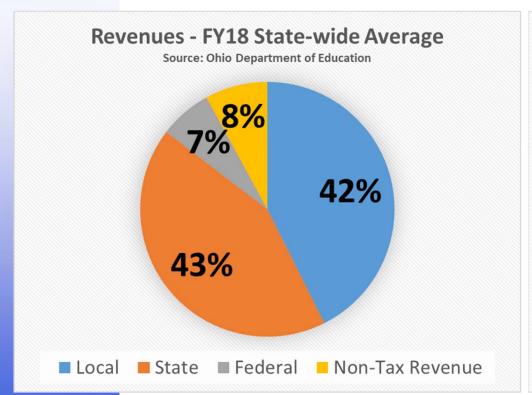


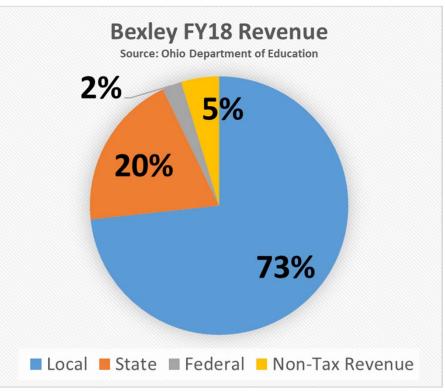
### The source: Ohio Department of Education





### Revenue Sources







### **Formulas**

### ★State Revenue Factors

- DeRolph adequate and equitable
- Property values and census based income
- Enrollment size and district type (rural, urban, small town etc.)
- State-Share Index Number unique to each district
- State budget adjusts every two years (biennium July '19-June '21)
- Guarantee and Cap

### ★ Federal Revenue Factors

- Poverty (Free and Reduced Lunch counts)
- Special Education enrollment
- Strings attached on how it can be spent



### TOTAL FORMULA FUNDING PER PUPIL FY18

SOURCE: OHIO DEPARMENT OF EDUCATION





## The "local" portion

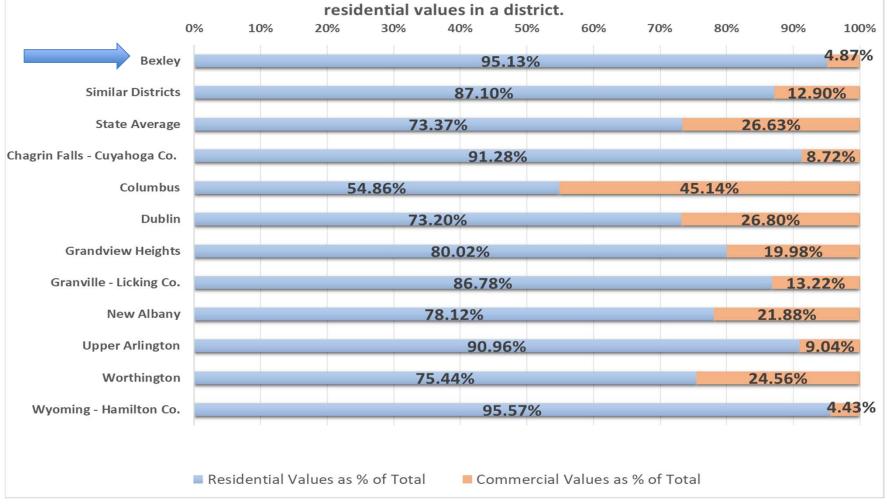
- ★ Property Taxes (all schools)
  - Voted + Unvoted (Inside Mills)
  - Total and Effective
    - HB920 Essentially freezes property tax revenue. It is protected from inflation when county auditors reassess values every 6 years. Inside mills is the only exception.
  - Market Value vs. Assessed Value
    - Taxed on Assessed Value (35% of Market)
  - Taxation unit is a mill; 1/10 of a penny
    - 1 mill = \$35 per \$100,000 of market value, annually
  - Timing of district revenue Jan/Feb and Jul/Aug



#### **District Valuation**

Source: Ohio Department of Education

This chart shows the burden on property taxation between commercial and



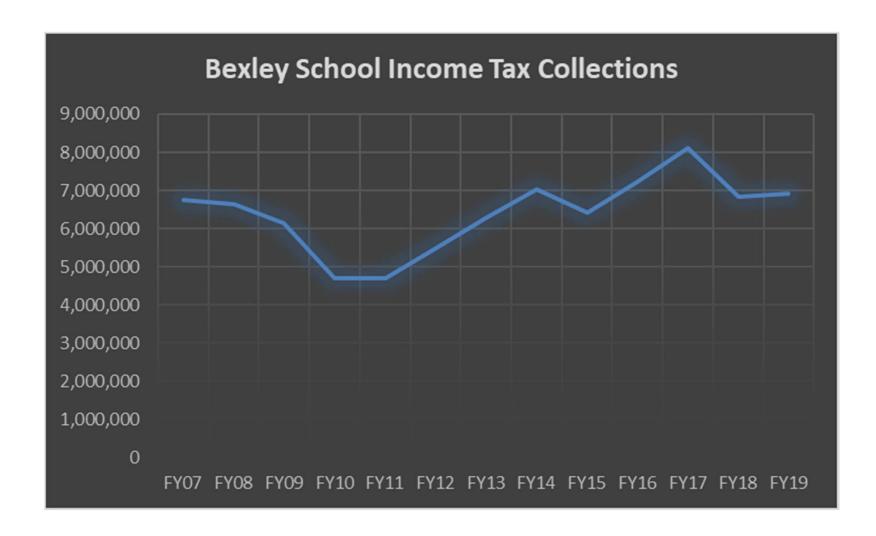


## The "local" portion continued

### ★School District Income Taxes

- Commonly found in wealthy and farming communities
  - 31% of school districts have an income tax
  - Personal tax returns are not public or shared with the district
- 2 types
  - Traditional (All income)
  - Earned
- Increments of .25%
- Timing of district revenue Jan/Apr/Jul/Oct
- Bexley School District Income Tax?
  - Traditional & .75%





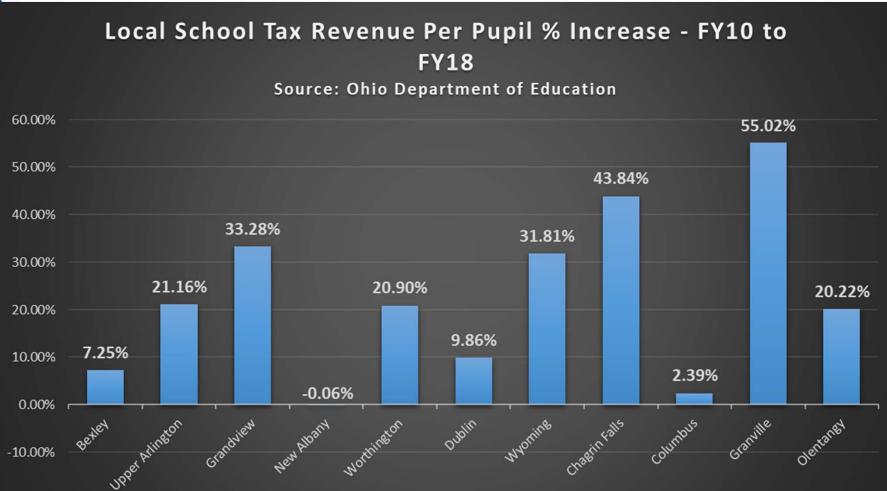




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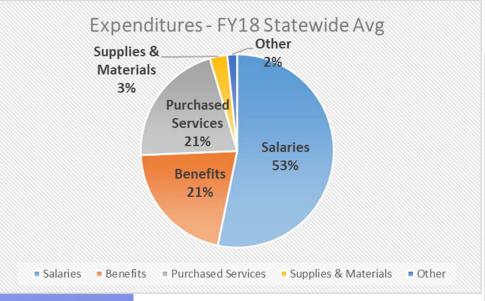


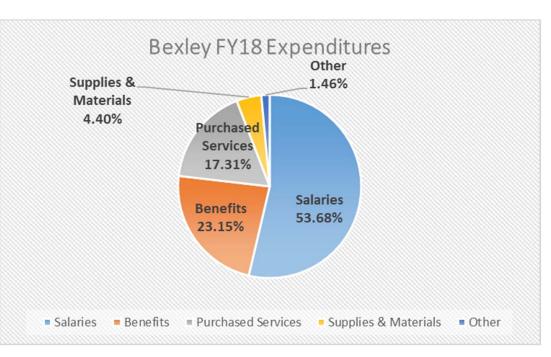






### Operating Expenditure Categories







## **Expenditures**

### ★Salaries

- Union contracts Salary Schedules
- Classroom sizes or staffing needs

#### **★** Benefits

- Union contracts for insurance coverage
- Retirement, Medicare, Worker's Compensation

#### ★ Purchased Services

- Utilities and repairs
- Professional services for Professional Development and Legal
  - Bexley substitute teachers and teacher aides



### Other ways to classify expenditures

#### **★** Instruction

Instructional delivery to students

### ★ Building Operations

Utilities and Maintenance

### ★ Pupil Support

 Counseling, Psychologists and services that enhance the development processes of the students.

### ★ Staff Support

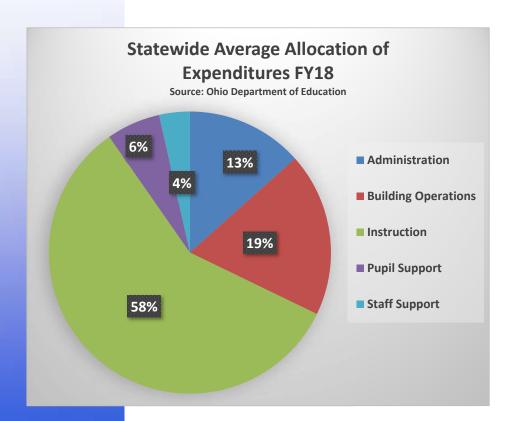
Instructional improvement (Professional Development)

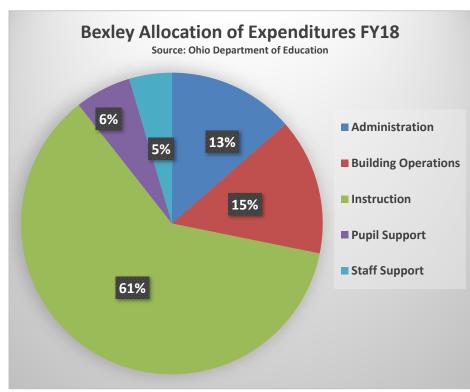
#### ★ Administration

Day to day operations of the school building and central office



## Where are the expenses directed?

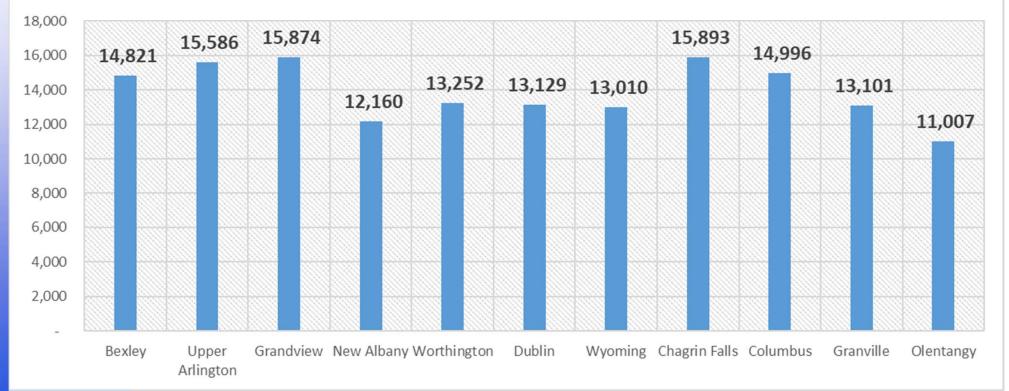






### Expenditure Per Pupil FY18

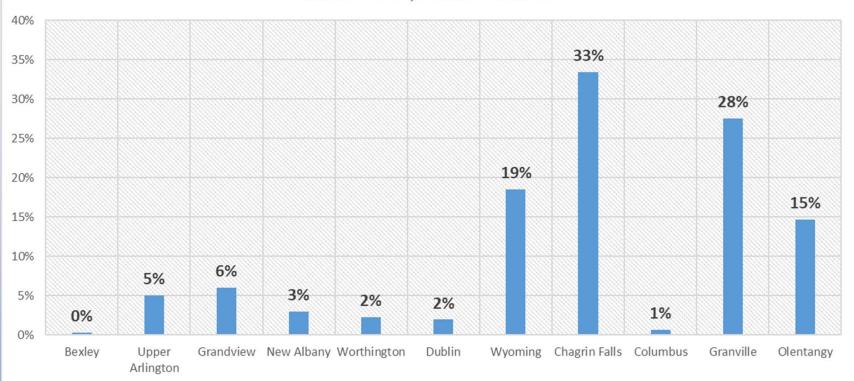
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### Expenditure Per Pupil Growth from FY10 - FY18





The thing to consider is how enrollment growth impacts expenditure per pupil.



### Budgeting

### ★ Budget Year is July 1 – June 30

- Includes many different funds and thousands of budget codes
- Filing with Franklin County Auditor
- Audited yearly by the Ohio Auditor of State
- Budget codes allow us to track expenditures and compare
- Must have a positive cash balance at the end of the year

### ★ At Bexley...

- Zero-Based Budgets Planning and needs based
- Per-Pupil Budgets for buildings
- Entire Budget (all funds) = 47 Million
- Operating (General Fund) = 41 Million (on target to spend about 39.7 Million)

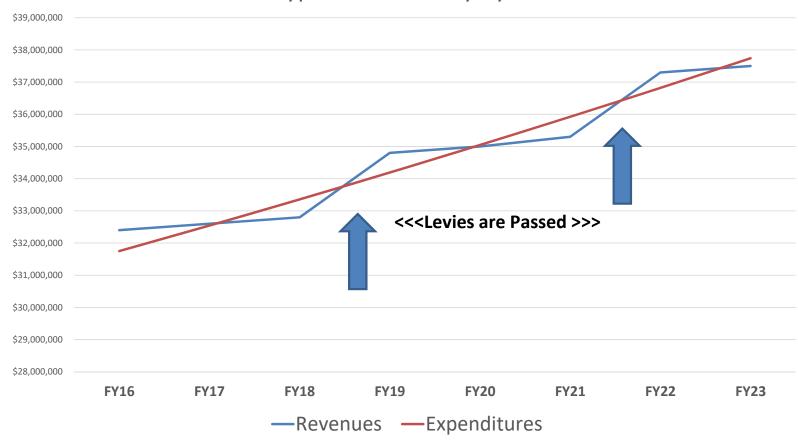


### The Five-Year Forecast

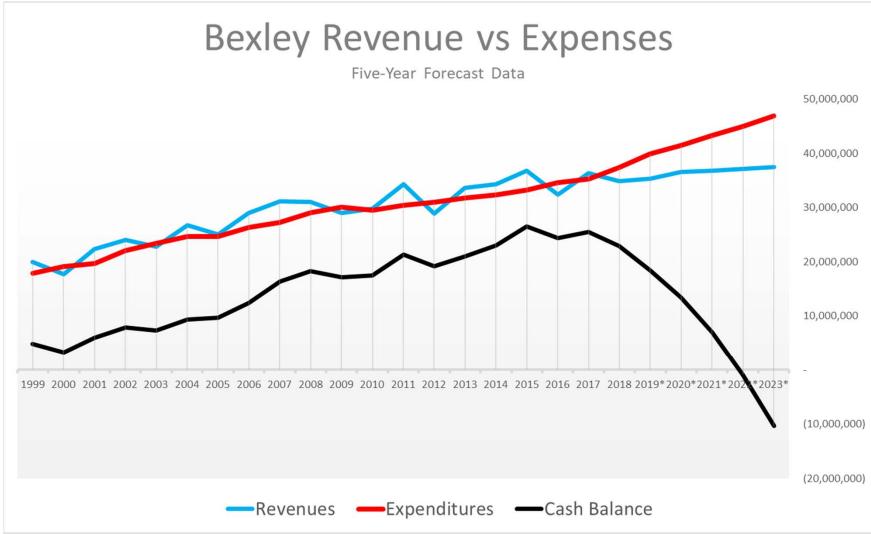
- The most important financial document for the district
- Is an educated guess with the information known at the time
- It is like a financial health checkup
- Required to file with Ohio Dept. of Education twice per year
- Engages the district in expenditure and revenue planning
- Guides the district in decision making for levy planning, negotiations, staffing and long-term contracts
- Operating funds only (day to day)
- Most difficult items to predict: Insurance Benefits, State Funding,
  School District Income Tax, Enrollment, Special Education needs
- District Roles: Superintendent, Treasurer and Board of Education



Typical 3-Year Levy Cycle



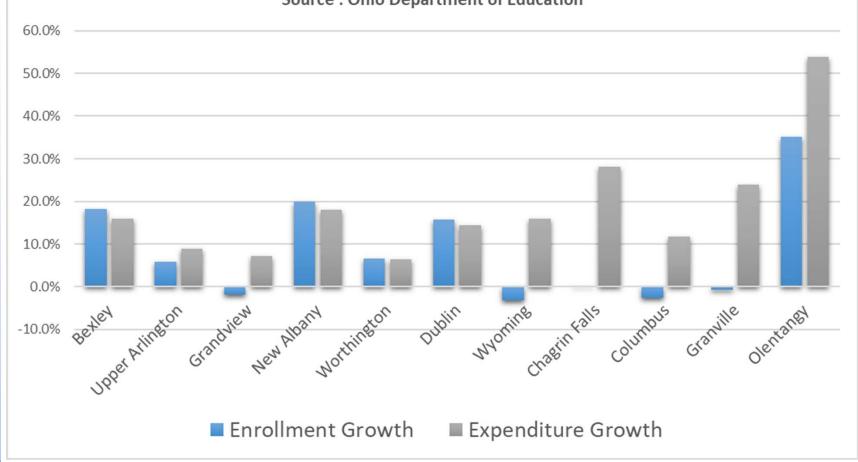




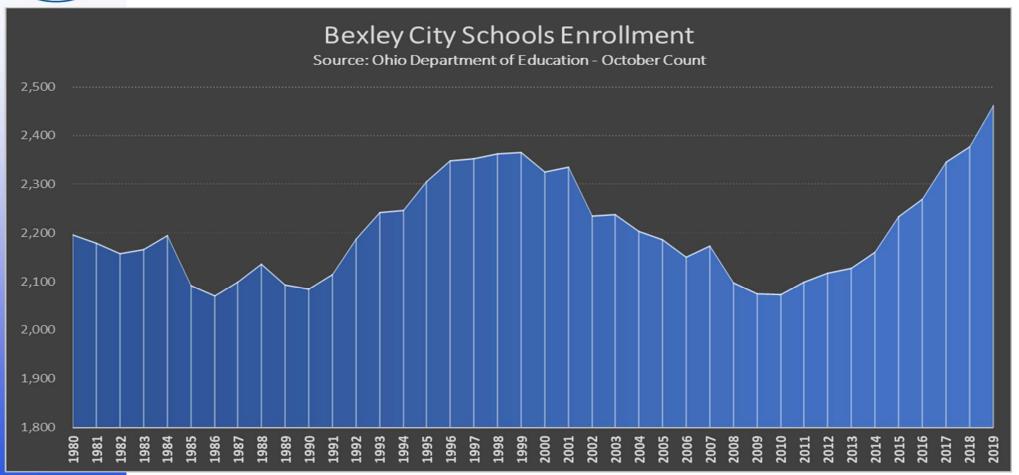




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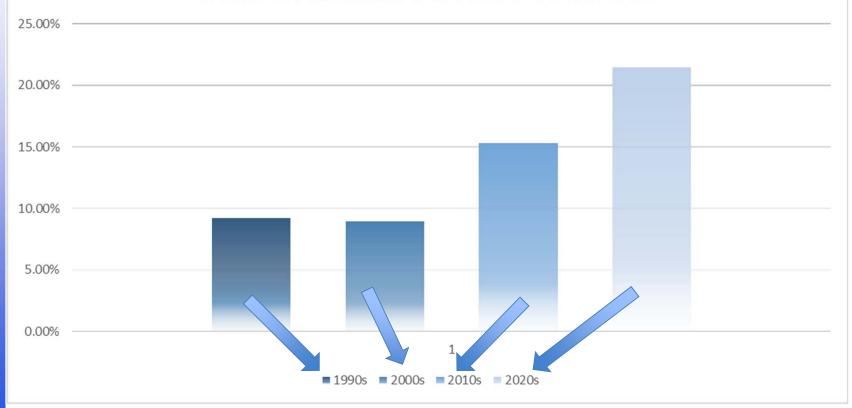






# HOW BIG A CLASS GROWS FROM 1ST GRADE TO 12TH IN BEXLEY CITY SCHOOLS

SOURCE: OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - OCTOBER COUNT





## Thank you!

Questions?

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