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Enrollment 101

- The District receives apportionment from the State based on the number of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) students enrolled
 - Originally based on projected/budgeted enrollment, the apportionment adjusts up or down to actual after the first of the calendar year
 - Headcount vs FTE
 - Headcount are the number of actual students, or "heads" counted within the District
 - FTE is a measurement of a student's enrollment, from part time to 1.0

- The District has long utilized the services of Jeff Greene from Greene Gasaway Architects to assist with analyzing the enrollment projections
- Jerry Holsten, Executive Director of Human Resources, also conducts his own analysis looking at student rollup, straight and weighted cohorts, and speaks with building administrators regarding what they are seeing in their community as they discuss staffing based on enrollment projections

- Considerations from Greene Gasaway:
 - Due to the effects of the "baby boom echo" enrollment state wide is expected to flatten in the early 2020's
 - Projecting in South Kitsap is very difficult due to the military as well as open enrollment at most surrounding schools
 - Impression that there are up to 20% of school age children (per census records) that do not attend SK schools
 - Commuter pathways more prevalent now, making for convenient access to drop students off elsewhere

- Considerations from Greene Gasaway, continued:
 - Believes military is in 6th year of "pivot to Pacific" to bring additional jobs to shipyard in Bremerton, but it is unknown if these workers are potentially older with non-school age children
 - There are a large number of jobs available to kids in the current economy
 - There are no anticipated construction-driven additional students expected next year

Internal Review

- Executive Director Holsten's projections for staffing purposes were highly accurate last year
- Anticipated modest growth at Elementary
- Anticipated modest growth or flat enrollment at Middle School level
- Anticipated decline at High School
- Projecting 9,544 Head Count across the district including life skills students
- Head count is generally 250-300 higher than FTE, which is used for budget

2019-20 Budget

- Given the decline in local levy revenue and additional expenses, staff are projecting conservatively to avoid being overstaffed or contending with declining apportionment
- 9,295 FTE planned for 19-20 budget

Questions?