



**Coweta County School System
Tentative Budget Overview
Fiscal Year 2014**



Budget Overview

▪ Recommendations:

- Continuation of 3 day calendar reduction for employees working more than 180 days**
- No salary reductions for employees working 180 days or less**
- No reduction in student days**



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- **The tentative FY 14 budget will include:**
 - **no projected change in the digest (we did see a 3.1% decrease in FY 13 when we had budgeted a 2% decrease)**
 - **recurring operational expenditures based on FY 13 costs with some budgeted reductions where possible**



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- We will use a portion of our fund balance to cover continuing cuts from the State. (Reserves currently projected at \$20.0 million on the accrual basis at the end of FY 13)**
- We will be able to meet payroll obligations.**
- We will continue to have adequate cash flow.**
- We will not need to borrow money to operate.**
- We will be able to cover worker's compensation and unemployment.**

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▪ For FY 14 the following budget changes will occur:

- An increase in the Teachers Retirement System rate resulting in higher employer expenditures**
- An increase in employer certified health insurance expenditures**
- A continued increase in employer classified health insurance expenditures**
- A change in the funding calculation will result in a decrease in the revenue for certified health insurance**
- Our QBE formula earnings actually decreased with the change in insurance funding even though we earned additional funds for FTE growth, T&E growth, and the increase in TRS**



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- As you recall, for FY 13 we budgeted \$10.5 million into reserves. Through budget savings during the year and additional revenues, we are anticipating only using \$2.6 million of our reserves for FY 13.**
- For FY 14, we recommend budgeting \$5.8 million into reserves. Potential budget savings during FY 14 will be minimal due to our budgeted operational expenditures being reduced.**
- This will likely result in a greater portion of the reserves being used in FY 14 than in FY 13.**



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- We propose using \$4.0 million of the local construction funds to help offset the shortfall in the general fund (we have approximately \$11.4 million currently in local construction)**
- Absent significant improvements in state funding for public education or substantial improvement in the local digest, we will need to take additional measures to prepare our FY 15 budget.**