

Choosing Among Cost-Equivalent Options

School Spending Trading Cards

The district has \$2,500 per pupil to spend. Review the cost-equivalent trading cards (each equates roughly to \$500 per pupil). Choose 5 for a total of \$2,500 pp and record your choices below. To modify existing options or create your own, use options Q-S. You may choose an item more than once.

	Investment	Your Pick
A	Issue a contract to a provider for 3-1 tutoring for half of student body, 3x/week for 1 year.	
B	Send \$500 per pupil to schools for principals to apply in ways that meet the needs of their school community.	
C	Insulate schools from loss of staff due to enrollment drop (saving ~1 FTE per school for 2 years).	
D	Set aside a weighted sum earmarked for EL, special ed, homeless, and migrant students for use by dedicated teams to meet needs as they become clear.	
E	Add a new specialist (counselor, SEL, etc.) per school for 2 years.	
F	Provide access to external supports of family's choosing (\$500 per family).	
G	Offer targeted summer learning and enrichment, e.g. reading for early grades, for 50% of students (2 weeks each).	
H	Lengthen the school year by 2 weeks for 1 year using stipends.	
I	Lengthen the school day by 10 minutes for 1 year by raising base pay 3%.	
J	Pay \$100/month to all K-6 families for their efforts to ensure kids are ready, participating, and engaged in school in 2021-22 (contingent on 90% attendance each month).	
K	Expand PD and planning time for teachers (1 week plus 10 half-days for each of 2 years).	
L	Provide a high school recovery course (data science, computer science, other) to 25% of high school students each for 2 years.	
M	Reduce class sizes by 2 students for 1 year.	
N	Expand 1-1 computing and provide broadband where needed. Convert existing curriculum to digital for 2 years.	
O	Pay \$200/month to high-needs families to ensure their student does Khan Academy (or other free online tutoring) for 20 minutes 4 x/week (July – December).	
P	Refresh curriculum, consumable classroom materials, and software licenses (where applicable) through 2024-25.	
Q	Other – you decide (~\$500 per pupil).	
R	Other – you decide (~\$500 per pupil).	
S	Other – you decide (~\$500 per pupil).	