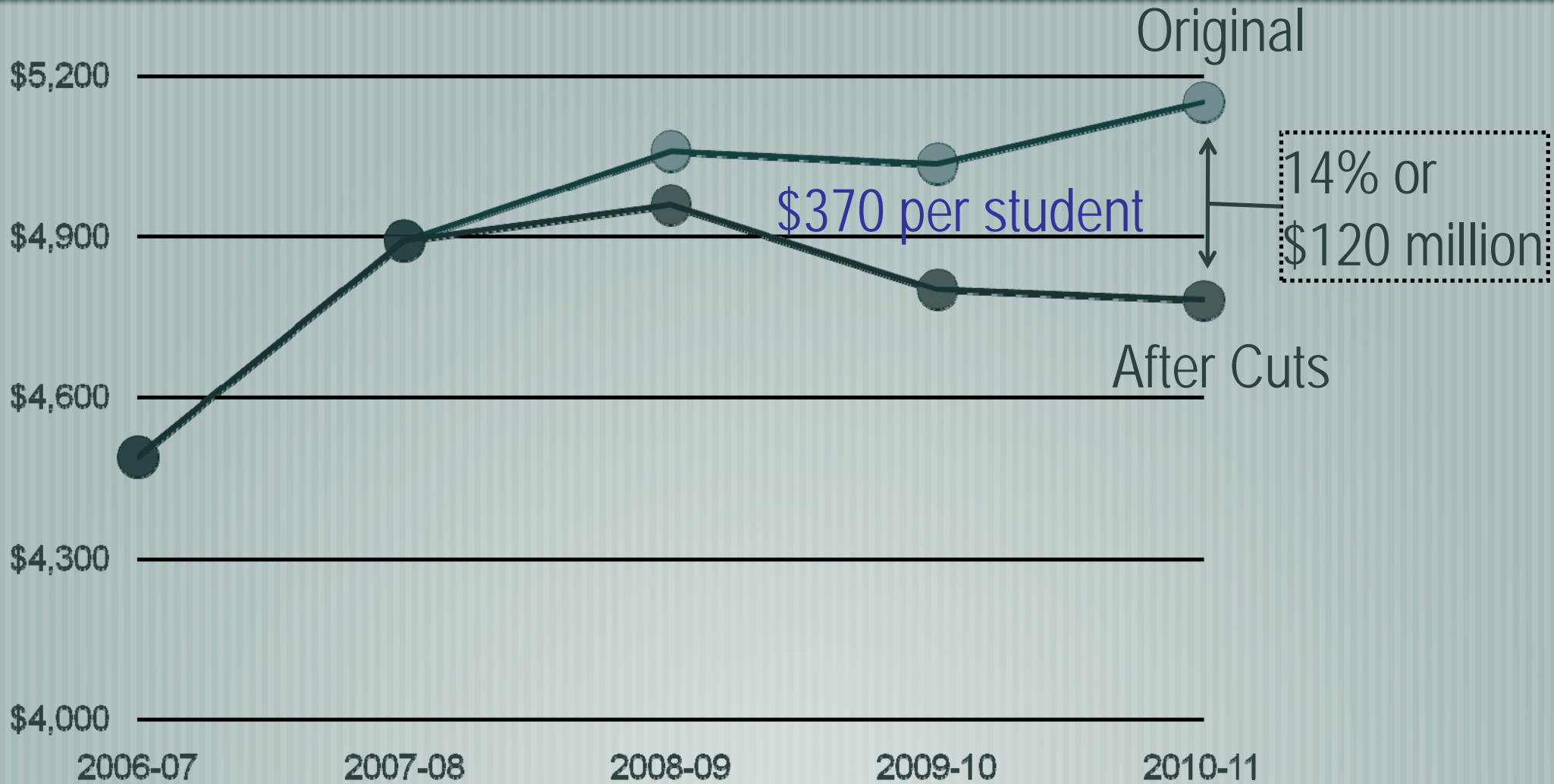


# FY 2009-2011 Budget Outlook

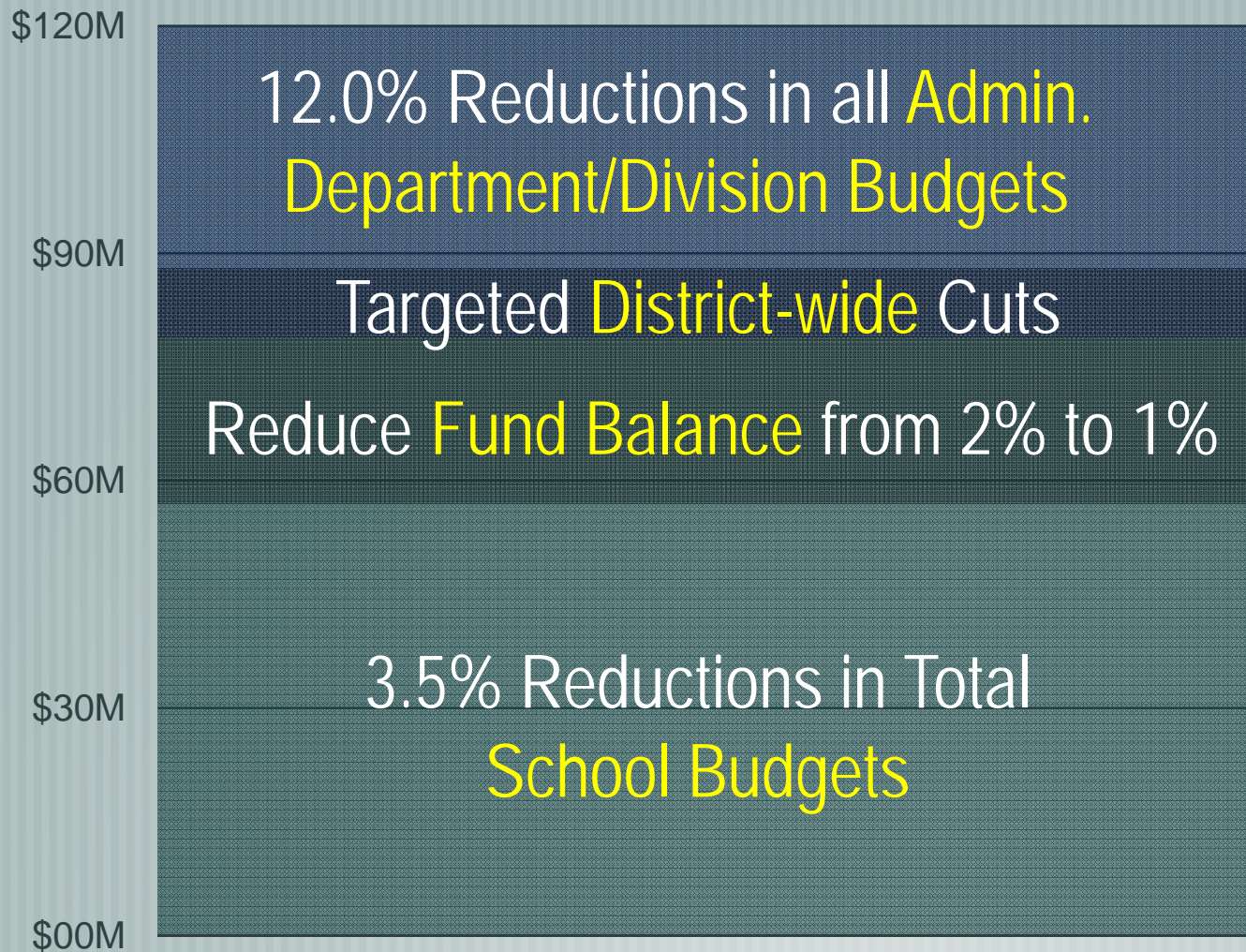
Preparing for an Uncertain Future

# What Must We Cut?



State Distributive School Account Funding Per Student

# The Plan for Reaching \$120M



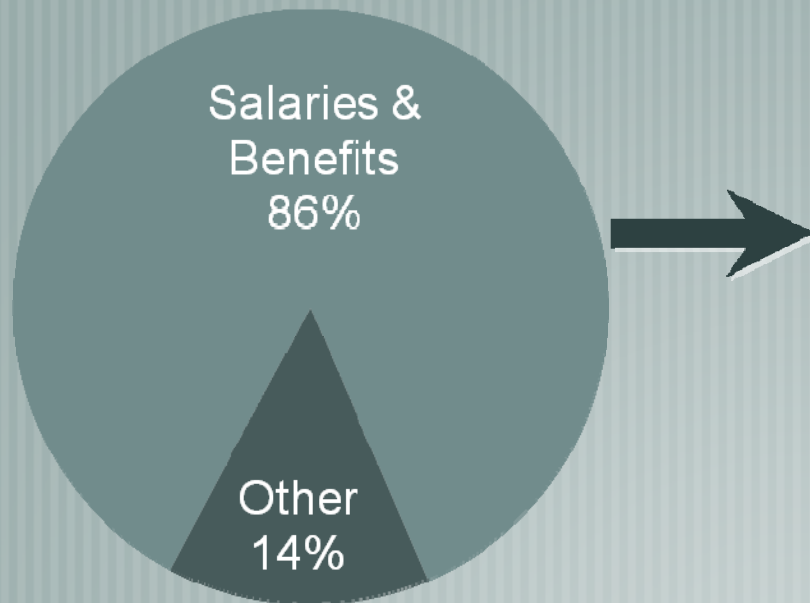
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In Process

Awaiting Input

# The Budget is People-Intensive

Total General Fund Budget: \$2.2 billion



86 percent of the budget goes to pay salaries and benefits for employees, of which 89 percent work in the schools.

School-Based	24,399	89.3%
Transportation	1,617	5.9%
Central Office	1,319	4.8%
Total	27,335	100.0%

The remaining 14 percent of the budget is for supplies, textbooks, fuel, utilities, and other expenditures.

# Admin. Budget Cuts **Completed**



12% cuts identified ✓

In all central office departments, regions & divisions

Total of \$32 million per year

Will result in reduced services to schools

Will necessitate (among many other things):

elimination of virtually all out-of-state staff development/training

significant reduction in non-grant-funded consultants

\$32  
million

# Other Targeted Cuts

— [ To be made from list of potential reductions

— [ Could include such items as:

— Pay for Play (Athletics, Performing Arts, & Other Activities)

— Reduced Transportation Services

— \$200 Teacher Cards

— [ Will involve public input

\$9  
million

# Reduction in Fund Balance



— [ From Board Policy-Mandated 2% to 1%

— [ As Percentage of Total General Fund Revenue

— [ Only a One-Time Savings

— [ Will Need to Commit To Restore

— [ Or Bond Ratings Will Likely Suffer

\$22  
million

# School-Level Reductions

— [ 3.5% Reduction in Total School Budgets

— [ Including all School-Based Staffing

— [ Comprises Less Than Half of All Cuts  
(48%)

— [ Seeking Input from Principals

\$57  
million

# Seeking Input...

- [ In Two Ways

- Sample School Budget Exercise

- Zoomerang Survey

- [ Results to Be Used to Formulate Final Recommendations

- [ And For Community Input

# Sample School Budget Exercise



Level	Total Budget	3.5% Cut
Elementary	\$3.5 million	\$122,000
Middle	\$4.2 million	\$149,000
High	\$10.6 million	\$372,000

## Budgets **Include:**

- Average salary costs for each position
- With benefits costs (30% of salary)
- All staff assigned to schools
- Original budgets for textbooks/supplies

## Budgets **Exclude:**

- Costs of utilities
- Staffing not assigned to schools
- Special education staffing
- Maintenance & other services costs

# The Exercise...

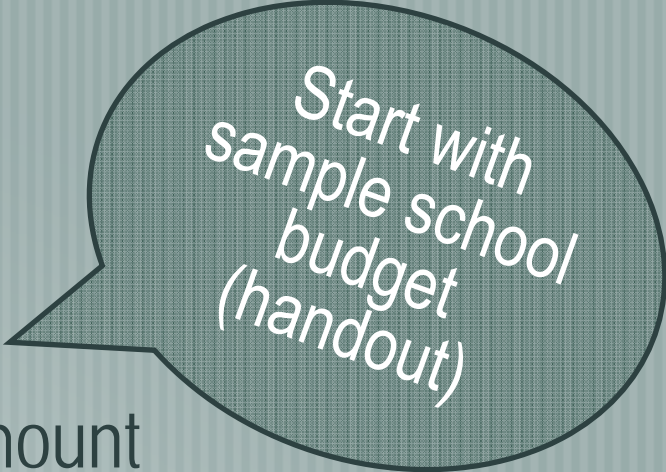
— [ Identify items in the school budget:

— that you would cut

— to meet the 3.5% target reduction amount

— [ Include a description of the impact of the cuts

— [ Feel free to be creative



Start with  
sample school  
budget  
(handout)

## Exceptions:

- Cannot reduce salary levels
- Cannot reduce or eliminate benefits costs
- Cannot make changes in negotiated work conditions

# Timeline

- [ Zoomerang Survey to be sent to Principals on October 17

- effect of cuts made to-date

- suggestions for future district-wide cuts

- [ Principals to seek parent input between October 20 and October 29

- [ Principals submit responses to Zoomerang Survey by October 30

- [ Town Hall Meetings...

- [ At 6:00pm on November 19 at Western High School

- [ At 6:00pm on November 20 at Valley High School

# Our Strategy...



...for Dealing with the Budget

Plan for the Worst    Work for the Best

Participate as a Team

It only becomes a crisis if we let it.