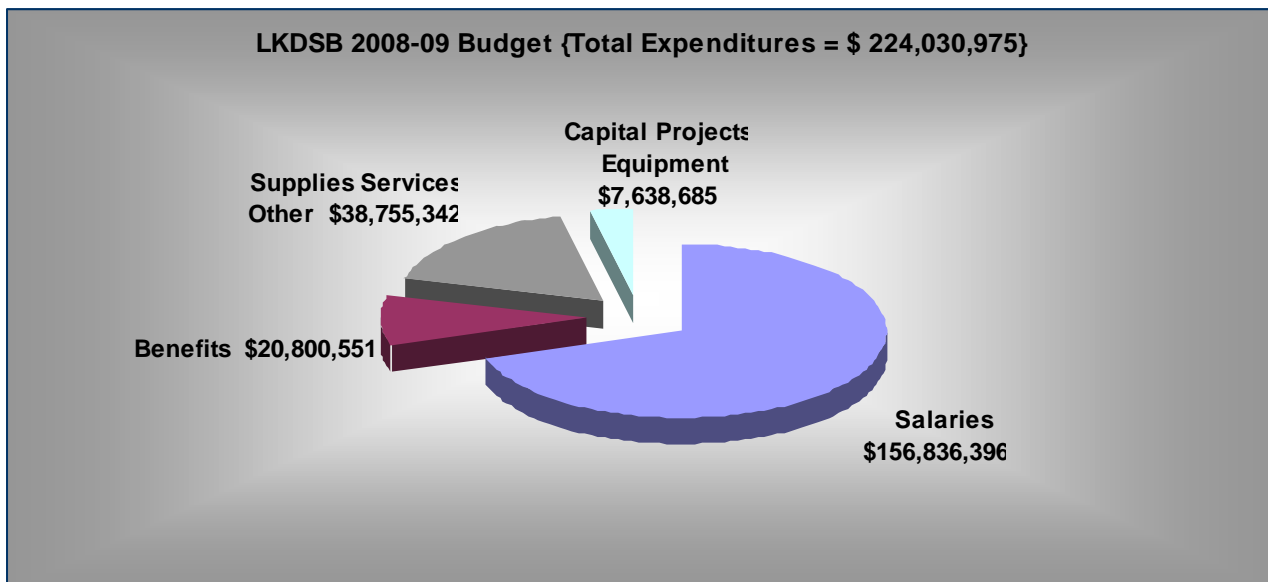


The Lambton Kent District School Board for the 2008-09 School Year will have a total combined Operating and Capital budget of 224 Million dollars. This budget is based on the Ministry Grants for Education Funding 2008-09 as released on March 26, 2008. Due to the ongoing contract negotiations taking place after the approval of this budget, updates are anticipated resulting from additional Ministry Grants as well as expenditure updates when new employee contract for 2008-09 and beyond are in place.

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS:

The 2008-2009 school year budget for the Lambton Kent DSB totals **\$224 Million**. The following chart summarizes all expenditures into the four major categories:



This is a balanced budget in compliance with Ministry enveloping requirements and Ministry class size regulations.

REVENUE BUDGET for 2008-09:

This revenue forecast is based on the Grants for Student Needs (GSN) education funding model, which determines the board's operating grants and school renewal grants provided by the Ministry of Education. There are four (4) major categories of grants to the GSN funding model, these are: Pupil Foundation Grant, School Foundation Grant, Special Purpose Grants and the Pupil Accommodation Grant.

Total revenues from the province are estimated at \$217.9 M. The budget estimates also include other sources of revenue in the amount of \$4.77M. which is comprised of fees from our Native student population, Visa students, earned interest and rental revenue. Finally there is a one-time draw on reserves in the amount of \$1,271,472 to assist in funding the Board's proposed capital projects and operating expenditures.

EXPENDITURE BUDGET for 2008-09:

2008 – 09 BUDGET SUMMARY (MILLIONS)	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES = \$ 224.03 M	
<u>Classroom Categories:</u>	
Classroom Teachers	\$ 123.3
Supply Teachers	3.57
Teacher Assistants	8.87
Textbooks & Classroom Supplies	7.28
Computers	1.56
Professionals & Paraprofessionals	4.82
Library & Guidance	4.03
Staff Development	1.14
Department Heads	0.38
<u>Non-Classroom Categories:</u>	
Principals, & Vice-principals	10.65
School Office	5.77
Consultants & Co-ordinators	2.30
Board Administration & Trustees	6.49
School Operations	24.34
Continuing Education	1.1
Transportation	11.35
School Renewal	4.54
Approved Debt	2.54

THE LAMBTON KENT DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD			
REVENUE FORECAST SUMMARY BY GRANT CATEGORY			
GRANT CATEGORY	2008/09 ESTIMATES	2007/08 REVISED BUDGET ESTIMATES	VARIANCE to 07-08 Grants
Operating Grants			
Pupil Foundation Grant - Elementary	56,044,295	56,355,640	(311,345)
Pupil Foundation Grant - Secondary (incl Credit Load up to 7.5)	46,966,819	47,192,882	(226,063)
School Foundation - Elementary	9,954,558	9,803,637	150,921
School Foundation - Secondary	5,883,053	5,781,327	101,726
Primary Class Size Allocation	4,625,607	4,579,344	46,263
Special Education	23,483,605	23,457,954	25,651
Language Grants - French as 2nd Language	2,708,830	2,758,382	(49,552)
Language Grants - ESL/ESD	478,341	550,225	(71,884)
Distant & Supported Schools (Learning Resources)	46,384	46,384	0
Remote and Rural	457,347	463,121	(5,774)
Continuing Education and Summer School	997,294	985,344	11,950
Teachers Qualifications & Experience	13,759,029	12,721,474	1,037,555
Transportation	11,316,497	10,990,728	325,769
Governance & Administration	6,081,689	5,870,171	211,518
Pupil Accommodation - School Operations	17,710,580	17,818,454	(107,874)
Learning Opportunities (LOG) - Base Amount	1,480,439	1,469,905	10,534
Literacy and Numeracy Assistance (LOG)	113,860	108,233	5,627
Student Success Assistance (LOG)	720,844	725,041	(4,197)
Program Enhancement	636,900	495,000	141,900
First Nation, Metis & Inuit Education (Pupils of the Board)	339,539	296,100	43,439
New Teacher Induction Program	80,000		80,000
Safe Schools	447,504		447,504
1. Sub-Total =	204,333,014	202,469,346	1,863,668
Flexibility Amount: Local Priorities - Foundation Allocation	0	0	0
Declining Enrolment Allocation	1,885,972	2,174,346	(288,374)
Top Up Allocation for School Operations	4,644,366	4,375,727	268,639
Community Use of Schools Compensation	430,069	270,576	159,493
2. Sub-Total =	6,960,407	6,820,649	139,758
Sub-Total OPERATING GRANTS (1 + 2) from Student Focused Funding Model =	211,293,421	209,289,995	2,003,426
School Facilities Renewal	2,726,006	2,780,204	(54,199)
Top Up Allocation for School Renewal including Rural	716,129	684,185	31,944
School Renewal Enhancement	713,570	713,570	0
Accommodations - Primary Class Size Reduction	229,077	124,777	104,300
Prior Capital Commitments	744,654	744,654	0
Financing Costs (\$13.9M Stage1, \$6.9M Stage2 and part of \$6.15M Stage3 of the Good Places projects.)	1,569,296	1,207,887	361,409
3. Sub-Total (Renewal grants) =	6,698,732	6,255,277	443,455
Sub-Total ALL GRANT CATEGORIES from Student Focused Funding Model =	217,992,153	215,545,272	2,446,881
Other Revenue			
Tuition (based on 465 students (Native, Visa))	4,059,900	4,021,846	38,054
Misc other revenue	400,000	711,608	(311,608)
Best Start - Operating Rent	307,450	257,000	50,450
A. TOTAL MINISTRY + FEES REVENUE =	222,759,503	220,535,726	2,223,777
OTHER FUNDING SOURCES:			
Transfer in from Reserves - for Capital Projects	764,000	864,000	(100,000)
Transfer in from Reserves - for Operating Expenditures	507,472	599,721	(92,249)
B. Sub-Total =	1,271,472	1,463,721	
GRAND TOTAL A + B =	224,030,975	221,999,447	2,031,528

The funding changes for this new school year include financial support for new and expanding initiatives, and updating existing funding benchmarks.

A. Financial Support for both New and Expanding Initiatives:

- A new Safe Schools grant supplement is transferred into the GSN in the amount of \$447,504.
- New Teacher Induction program funding to support new teachers to develop their skills & knowledge \$80,000.
- \$6.2M for Good Places to Learn Stage 3 Allocation for carrying out projects to repair school facilities under the ReCAPP asset management project plan.
- \$325,769 increase in Student transportation funding for higher fuel prices and wage increases to bus drivers.
- Community Use of Schools: To further ensure the effectiveness of this program, new funding to hire an Outreach Coordinator \$88,800.
- Board administration funding enhancement to support business and administrative functions to operate and maintain board offices \$200,000 and Ministry PSAB accounting practices \$74,000.

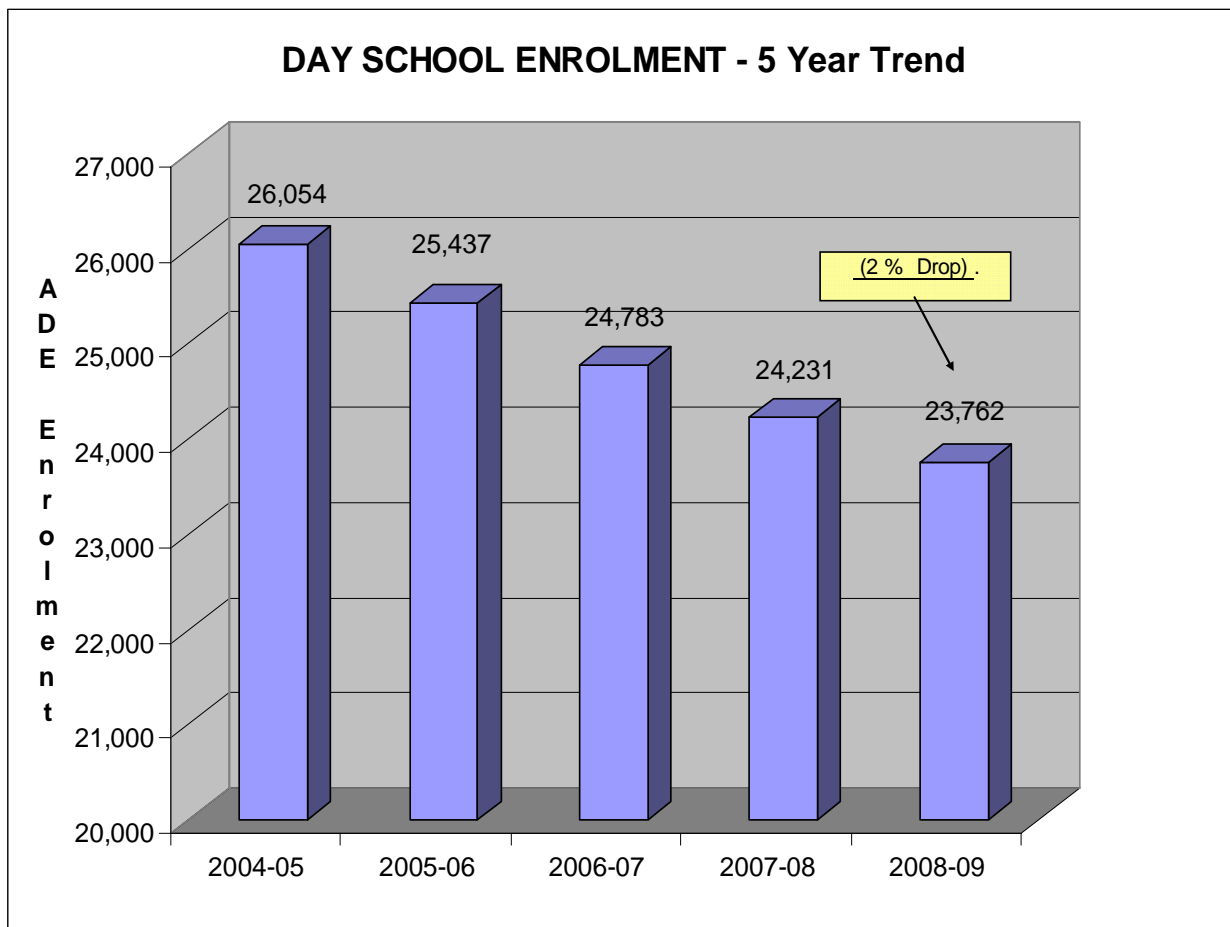
B. The Updating of Existing Funding Benchmarks:

- The 2 outstanding items from the 2004-08 labour framework will be completed in 2008-09. The Ministry will fund the 0.7% salary increases for both teaching and non-teaching staff beginning effective on August 31, 2008.
- The 10 minute increase in elementary preparation time from 190 to 200 minutes will be funded.

C. Funding Outside the Grants for Student Needs [GSN]

The government indicates \$270M in investments outside the GSN. Further information will be made available which is to include:

- Funding to hire school library staff.



1. The Average Daily Enrolment (ADE) is the major factor used in the calculation of the Funding Allocations for all school boards.
2. The Ministry uses two count dates to determine the ADE, these will be on October 31, 2008 and March 31, 2009. JK & SK students will be counted as half-time.
3. Tuition Students: Provincial grants fund the education programs for students that are defined by the Ministry as pupils of the board. Other pupils attending LKDSB schools are charged tuition fees based on the grant allocations and Board approved rate adjustments.



Other Budget Remarks:

The education funding model (Grants for Student Needs) generates a school board's funding for the most part on a board's student enrolment. Our district continues to experience declining enrolment, which is projected to be about 469 fewer students for this upcoming school year.

While the funding model includes a declining enrolment grant to provide some time to make expenditure adjustments, the impact of our regions multi-year decline in school age children has resulted in the need to reduce operating costs.