**Education Law §3614 School Funding Allocation Report**

**Part F - Narrative Description**

**Describe the local methodology/approach used to allocate funds to each school in the district during the process of budget development and implementation. If schools are allocated funds—either in part or in full—through a formula, outline the nature/mechanics of the formula and the elements impacting each school’s allocation. In addition, explain any non-formulaic elements impacting each school’s allocation. (Please note that this question asks about the district’s budget process, not about how the district completed the New York State School Funding Transparency Form.)**

In compiling the 2019-20 Budget, expenses were allocated by building based on anticipated staffing and contractual need. Items that were allocated by building include supplies and material (based on teacher FTE), salaries (based on grade level, not building) and all other items by teacher FTE.

The Lansingburgh CSD has 4 buildings (Pre-K to Second Grade; Third to Fifth Grade; Sixth to Eighth Grade; and Ninth to Twelfth Grade). We expect our expenditures per building to vary based on the needs of each building and number of student served in those buildings. In addition we have a 33% transient rate of students; this means we have 800 (Eight Hundred) new students each year. We have had over 400 register with us in just the last 2 weeks of August and first 2 weeks of September of 2018. Our numbers needs to remain flexible and will vary greatly from Budget to Actual expenses. Fifty (50) of these new 400 students are Kindergarten! A large number are high needs. This will have a significant impact on our per pupil expenses come year end.

**If applicable, is there anything unique about certain schools which explain why per pupil spending at these locations may be significantly higher/lower than the district average?**

Turnpike Elementary School is our Pre-K to Second grade building. It has the lowest expense per pupil. We believe this is attributable to a couple of factors. First being, that building has the lowest average teacher salary, $51,247 as compared to the Grade 3-5 building, our most expensive expenditure per pupil building at $73,165. It also has the smallest pupil count, excluding the pre-K programs.

Turnpike also has the largest Charter School population and a total increase in population from the previous year of 10.78%. So while expenses did increase, the population increased by more lowering the expense per pupil. Turnpike has a 75% increase in charter school students, but those expenses are excluded from the calculation.

Please see the analysis of each school for various measures which help to understand why the per pupil costs are such:

School Teacher

Type School Exp/pupil Enrollment Exp/pupil Compensation

HS Lansingburgh HS $17,772.00 690 High Average

MS Knickerbacker MS $16,760.00 522 Average Average

ES Rensselaer Park Elementary $15,675.00 543 Average High

ES Turnpike Elementary $12,811.00 565 Low Low

School SWD Charter FRL ELL School

Type School Population Population Population Population Size

HS Lansingburgh HS High Low Average Average High

MS Knickerbacker MS Average Average Low Average Low

ES Rensselaer Park Elementary Average Average Average High Average

ES Turnpike Elementary Low High High Low Average

**If applicable, describe any items which the district feels are anomalous in nature and require additional description beyond the Excel entry.**

  