O Where would **EdTalks** increased funds go?



An additional \$24 million is needed to fully fund Hamilton County public schools' current needs. Here's how the requested additional funds would be spent if granted. The requests are organized by the six areas of focus in the school system's strategic plan.

Strong Foundations: Literacy and Math

Requested increase: \$1.6 million

Additional funds request at a glance:

- · More literacy support for lowest-achieving schools
- Expanding innovative and effective math instruction
- Supporting schools with literacy materials
- Kindergarten readiness support
- **Engage Every Child, Every Day**

Requested increase: \$8.7 million

Additional funds request at a glance:

- Technology upgrades and support
- Robotics program continuation and expansion
- Hands-on science and art pilots
- Art and eLab teachers

Great Teachers, Great Leaders

Requested increase: \$14.5 million

Additional funds request at a glance:

- Cost of living adjustment and pay increase for all educators
- Strengthening our pipeline to ensure a great leader in every school
- Additional teaching positions for projected enrollment increases
- Professional learning to support beginning teachers
- Increase capacity to recruit and train top talent

Closing the Opportunity Gap

Requested increase: \$4 million

Additional funds request at a glance:

- Support for our growing English Language Learner population
- Strategic and differentiated support for lowestachieving schools
- Additional support for student health services
- Increased supports for students with special needs
- Charter school enrollment increases
- Replicate Graduate on Point program at additional schools

Future Ready: Prepare All Students for College & Career

Requested increase: \$1.9 million

Additional funds request at a glance:

- Core funding for the new Chattanooga Polytechnic Academy
- Expanding post-graduation options for high school students, including work-based learning and technical credentials for high-demand jobs

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Building Our Values: Culture, Climate, & Communication

Requested increase: \$2.8 million

Additional funds request at a glance:

- School-based telephone support for communication and safety
- Increase in block grants to allow more site-based decisions
- Increases in custodial and transportation services