

K-12 Science Task Force
Budget Update: May 19, 2009

OSD Adoption Budget:

Request to the Board: Reduction from \$450K to \$150K

If the Board leaves \$150K in the adoption budget, it will allow us to:

- ✓ purchase instructional materials for the upper level science classes at all four high schools;
- ✓ “fill in” the FOSS Kit program to better align with the new standards; and
- ✓ purchase other core instructional materials at the elementary school level where we have grade levels with larger enrollments moving through the system.

Math/Science Grant:

OSPI’s fiscal office said that we are able to carry over the State grant money which will allow us to:

- ✓ cover half of our middle school coach’s salary (the other .5 provided through the State coaching grant), which allows us to broaden the scope of her responsibility; and
- ✓ continue with professional development for math and science teachers at grades 4 – high school.

Mountain to Harbor LASER Alliance Budget:

MHLA is in its second year of existence. As a new alliance, the budget was generous in order to get the alliance off the ground and running. This alliance includes high school, while other alliances serve only K- 8.

2008 – 2010: \$240K for each of the two year biennium

2010 – 2012: \$56K for each of the next two years of the biennium

Each member school district has a seat on the governance committee. As a member of the governance committee, it is important that OSD provide input on LASER trainings for the 2010-11 school year.