

Detroit Public Schools Community District June Board Meeting Recap  
*2023 Budget Hearing and Recognitions*

The Detroit Public Schools Community District Board held its annual budget hearing on June 13, 2023, to review the 2024 School Year proposed budget. Dr. Nikolai Vitti, Superintendent, along with Jeremy Vidito, Chief Financial Officer, DPSCD, reviewed the SY 23-24 budget with the public prior to the regularly scheduled meeting, followed by receiving budget specific public comments. Below are helpful links to review:

- DPSCD [Budget Basics](#)
- FY 24 [Budget Overview](#)

The June regular board meeting opened with the presentation of colors by the Western International JROTC cadets and the performance of *The Star Spangled Banner* and *Lift Every Voice and Sing* by Detroit School of Arts students.

The student board representatives provided their reports including kudos to all fellow classmates on a successful school year. They urged students to pay attention to social media news updates to improve communication.

During the Board Chair's report, she acknowledged the student board members with certificates of appreciation and bouquets of roses. Loren will be attending Howard University and Amara will be entering her senior year this fall.

Two DPSCD students were celebrated during Board recognitions. They received the Council of the Council of the Great City Schools (CGCS) Green Garner Superintendent's Scholastic Scholarship, Mr. Khrist Ramsey from Southeastern High School; he will be attending Adrian College. Ms. Maiya Pickett from Cass Technical High School; she will be attending the University of Michigan. We are extremely proud of our students; they collectively will receive \$10,000 from Scholastic Education and part of their award will include mentorship by Superintendent, Nikolai Vitti. The scholarship was made possible through the Superintendent's designation as the 2023 CGCS Superintendent of the Year Green Garner Award. Ms. Tammy Ledenko, of Scholastic Education joined the winners on the stage for the check presentation. The Council of the Great City Schools Executive Director Ray Hart sent a [congratulatory video](#) to the students. We are DPSCD Proud of our students.

The Board approved the FY 2023 budget amendment and the FY 2024 budget adoption along with the remaining items on the consent agenda. Superintendent Dr. Vitti said, "Parents and people should know that the District's budget is sustainable into the future without COVID Relief Funding and although hard decisions had to be made we will continue to make student achievement improvement next year, ensure our students and staff will be safe, while also increasing teacher salaries again to ensure we are fully staffed when we return in the fall."