FHSD finished the 2018 Fiscal Year with a $4.6 million surplus. This came as a result of a one-time bank tax payout of $1.7 million, and revenue for FY18 was 1% higher than forecast while expenditures were 2% lower than forecast. Small percentage changes in revenue and expense account for large dollar amounts, given the District’s $185 million operating budget.
The positive FY18 fund balance will be used for initiatives such as:

- STEM education
- Instructional technology
- Social-emotional learning supports

Even given the District’s fund balance, there are many other important areas that the District is not able to fund with current budget limitations, including:

- 1:1 device initiative for high school students (like other St. Charles County districts)
- Reduced class sizes
- Expanded online course offerings
- Critical staffing including paraeducator support for student needs
- Reinstate cut extra-curriculars
- Restore transportation for extra-curriculars and transition day

For questions or comments, please contact Board Secretary Laura Heidenreich at laura.heidenreich@fhsdschools.org or 636-851-4026.