

**SOUTH PASADENA HIGH SCHOOL**  
**Effects of the Budget Cuts on SPSHS Operations**

**With increased class sizes and changes in teaching personnel, the following effects are anticipated:**

Ninth grade Class Size Reduction program will be cut, and the student: teacher ratio will raise from 20:1 to up to 36:1

Purposeful collaboration around the curriculum increases achievement. Next year, with different configurations in our teaching staff, new teams must be formed

All class sizes may increase

We may have to have cut-off points for enrollment in Advanced Placement and Honors classes

There will be 36 students in lab science classes with limited lab space

AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) classes for students “in the middle” will be put on hold

The Regional Occupational Program (ROP) will suffer up to a 30% loss of funding, meaning that we will offer fewer elective courses and fewer class sections of each course and reductions in support for those classes (e.g., field trips, buses, etc.)

Some electives will be collapsed into fewer sections (e.g. there will only be one or two choir levels instead of the three currently offered)

**Reduction of Visual and Performing Arts and Band Positions:**

Choir sections will be consolidated

Band sections will be consolidated

There will be fewer band support positions funded

Small classes like drama and dance will be reduced, consolidated, or eliminated

**Reduction of Instructional Intervention and Support Services:**

Two of our counseling positions have been eliminated, raising the counselor to student ratio

Mathematics Prep classes may be eliminated

English Prep classes may be eliminated

After-school tutoring has already been eliminated

**Reduction in Library Media Center Services:**

We may lose our library clerk position, leaving the librarian alone to serve 1510 students and 80 faculty members

Supplies and subscription orders will be delayed

Text ordering and distribution will be delayed

Library operating hours will be reduced

**Reduction in support services:**

Phone and email responses will be delayed; currently we have a 48-hour response limit, but we try to answer more immediately; we will be prioritizing emails and phone calls

School office operating hours will be reduced

We will no longer have a receptionist and phones may have to go to voicemail at times

Administrators and clerical workers will share jobs previously held by other clerks and will therefore have less time for the work

Athletic transportation to trips and tournaments may be limited

Band travel to competitions may be limited

One third of our allotment for supplies will be cut

All fees will be subject to increases (e.g., PSAT, transcripts)

We will not be mailing notices or report cards; Please know and memorize your ABI password and set up your account.

**Reduction of supervision:**

Campus supervisors will be cut by at least one-fourth

Safety assistance will depend on fewer adults to supervise

Traffic safety and control will be less managed

Pool use and pool supervision will be reduced

**Reduction in custodial services:**

Field maintenance will be on an alternating basis rather than daily

Lights will not be changed immediately

Classrooms and offices will be on intermittent day cleaning schedules

Supplies will be fewer, including toilet paper and paper towels