

Hills Schools to Operate 'In the Black' This Year

Due to the 4.6 mill increase voted by property owners in Bloomfield Hills school district last March, the schools will operate in the black this coming year, although the school budget has had to be raised by \$115,475.

The budget for 1959-'60 is \$1,500,425. A break down of the figure shows \$50,950 for administrative costs, \$1,115,455 for instruction, \$202,520 for operation, \$17,500 for maintenance, \$18,000 for fixed charges, \$80,000 for bus service, and \$7,000 for capital outlay.

OPERATING on a budget of

\$1,384,950 last year, the school system ended the year with a deficit of \$56,000. This was under the red figure originally anticipated by school officials. It was cut by drastic economies made in the running of the schools before the tax increase was voted, by a better than expected payment of state aid monies, and by a slight increase in property valuation.

SINCE 1958 the school district has been forced to borrow money in June to carry on operations until January when the school tax money is collected.

This year the system has borrowed \$300,000. With increased tax

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machine-scoring answer sheets by a skilled operator, done at a minimal cost. There will also be facilities for preparing local and county forms on specific tests. The cent-revenue coming in, school administrators hope to reduce each year the amount that has to be borrowed until it can once again finance its own year-round operation.

ter will contain, as well, a library of useful educational and psychological tests, and offer assistance in selecting, administering, scoring and interpreting tests.

TESTS TO BE available to the schools include Stanford Achievement tests, Iowa tests, California Achievement tests, Differential Aptitude tests, Lorge-Thorndike Intelligence tests, Mooney Problem Checklist, Cooperative English and Reading tests, Diagnostic reading tests, Kuder Preference Record, Vocational Interest Blanks and S.R.A. tests.



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