LifeWorks Office

Bulletin: #123

Topic: New Budget Manager Feature in TimesheetX

To: Student Work Supervisors

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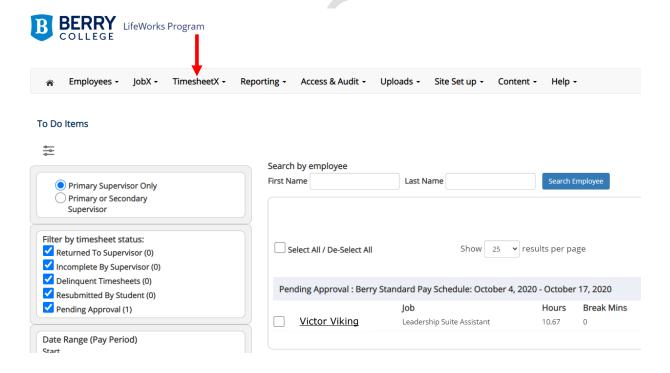
We have added a new feature to TimesheetX, the Budget Manager, which allows you to view:

- 1. Academic year budgets, expenditures to date, and remaining balance.
- 2. Projections of future expenditures and balances for your department.
- 3. Expenditures, balances, and projections of future expenditures and balances for each student.

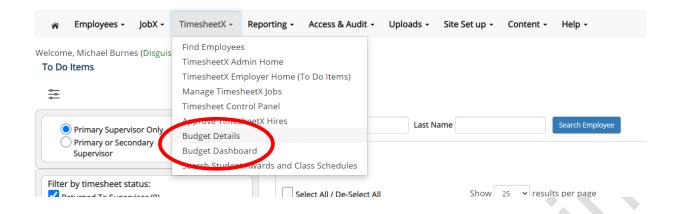
We have two options for you to learn how to use this feature. First, we have written instructions with screenshots which begin below. Second, we have a 4-minute video posted in the Supervisor Resources area of the LifeWorks Resource Center website at https://www.berry.edu/ppd/lifeworks/supervisor-resource-center. We will also post this bulletin on the website for future reference.

Instructions for Using the Budget Manager

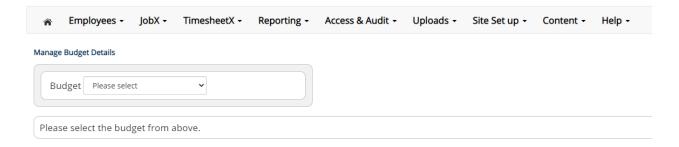
After logging into TimesheetX, click on "TimesheetX" on the top banner to activate a dropdown window.



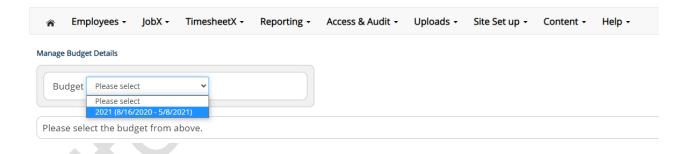
You will see "Budget Details" and "Budget Dashboard" as two options in the dropdown.



Selecting "Budget Details" opens the following window. Click on the down arrow. If you have permissions to more than one department, you will have a dropdown with which to select the department you want to view.

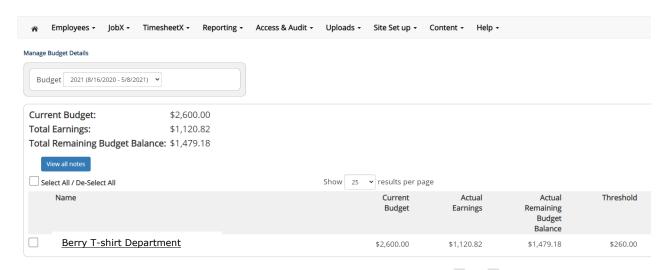


Select from the available list of budgets. In this case only the current academic year is loaded.



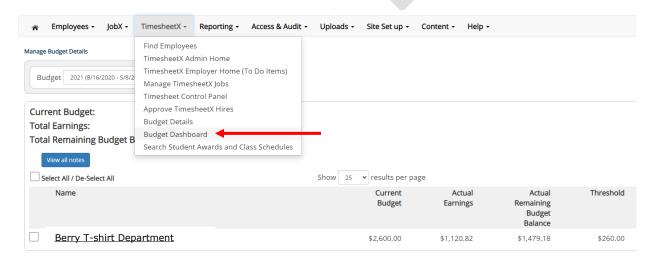
The resulting window displays the current budget, actual expenditures, the balance and the threshold. The threshold value determines when you will receive a warning that you have nearly exhausted the

available balance. The system is not currently configured to block hiring or timesheet approvals if the balance is negative.

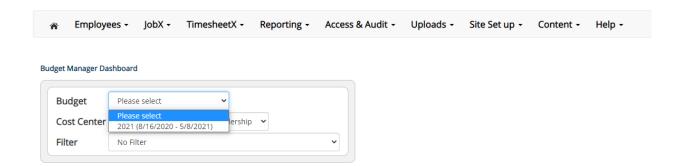


Click on "TimesheetX" on the top banner to reactivate the TimesheetX dropdown window.

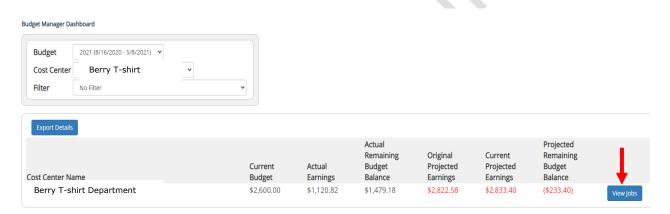
Select "Budget Dashboard."



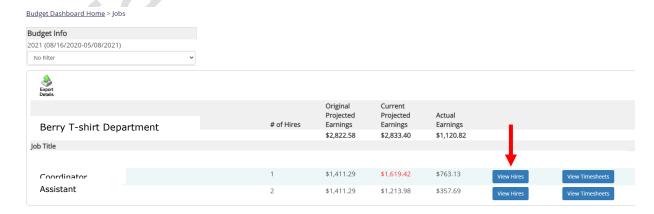
Select the budget year again. If you have permissions to more than one department, you will have a dropdown with which to select the department you want to view.



The resulting window displays the same information as the "Details" window, but it also displays projected earnings and balance. The system calculates projected earnings using three values: time (number of weeks), wage rate, and number of weekly hours in the original hire request. This screen adds the calculated earnings for all students in the department. Original Projected earnings are based on the entire budget period. Current Projected Earnings are based on what has been paid to date plus what is calculated to be paid by the end of the budget period. In this case, there is a projected overage of \$233.40 by the end of the period. Clicking "View Jobs" provides projected data for each job.



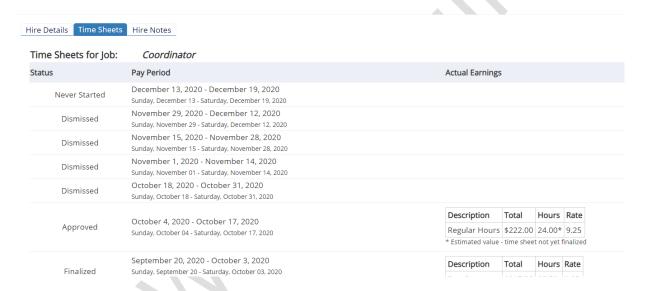
The screen will also display the number of hires along with options to View Hire information for each hire. The button on the far right provides limited timesheet information by pay period for each hire, but the system provides a much better way to view timesheets after you click the View Hire button.



Clicking View Hires will display all hires for the job along with projected earnings information. Once on this screen, you can click either "View Hire Details" or "View Timesheets." Both take you to the same screen, just different tabs.



In this example, I've clicked View Timesheets. I can also click on the "Hire Details" or "Hire Notes" tabs.



Clicking on "Hire Details" provides hire information about the student such as ID, hire approval date, and hire dates. Clicking on the "Hire Notes" tabs provides administrative information about the hire such as hire submission date, hire approval, date and even the name of the person who completed each action.

Finally, for those so inclined, wherever you see the "Export Details" symbol, you can click it and receive and Excel friendly csv file of the information on your screen.



We hope you like the Budget Manager. At this point, the actual earnings information and ability to view timesheets will likely be the most useful features. Since the accuracy of the projected earnings

calculations depends on how many hours you hired each student for, it may not provide the most accurate information. For example if you submitted a student hire for 12 hours, but the student typically works only 6, the feature will predict higher than actual expenses. If you would like to edit the hours for a particular student, please e-mail LifeWorks@berry.edu. As we approach the next budget cycle later in the spring, we will work with you to help you to develop accurate hours estimates.

