

# 2013-2014 Budget Guidelines

***IMPORTANT - Due to the importance of each guideline, the following bullets are NOT listed in a specific prioritized order.***

- ❖ Develop a ***STUDENT BASED BUDGET*** focused on excellence in student learning and achievement for today and into the future.
- ❖ Support implementation of the District's comprehensive Action Plan Addressing:
  - Rigorous 21st century curriculum, Common core Standards and associated assessments
  - Data informed practices including collaborative inquiry, evidence-based supervision/evaluation and responsive instruction/intervention
- ❖ Provide support and resources for strategic planning actions:
  - Further development of the new 2013-2017 strategic initiative on student learning
  - Revision of the District Mission, Vision, and Values statements
  - Implementation of the annual operational goals
- ❖ Meet legal mandates and contractual obligations
- ❖ Provide for fiscal stability into the future:
  - Maintain financially prudent and sustainable reserve accounts
  - Protect the community's investment in facilities and infrastructure
- ❖ Manage the impact of investment in education with sensitivity to limited community resources:
  - Seek opportunities to maximize current revenue and develop new revenue sources
  - To the degree possible, reduce expenses in areas most removed from direct student contact
  - Seek cost efficiencies to further address the costly impact of unfunded mandates
  - Balance community expectations for services and programs, while being cognizant of changes in property values, income levels, and economic uncertainties
  - Manage impact of revenue reductions and tax levy cap enactment

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