2016-2017 Budget Guidelines

Board of Education Meeting

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:
 - Integration of data systems that allows for easy and timely accessibility of data for teachers, administrators, students and families
 - Implementation of rigorous, engaging and authentic curriculum, instruction and assessments
 - Providing experiences, both curricular and extracurricular, that supports the varied interests of the whole child
 - Hiring and Retaining employees of the highest quality
- ❖ Provide *HIGH QUALITY* Professional Development focused on:
 - Strategic Initiative
 - Curriculum, assessment and instruction
 - Social and Emotional learning
 - Continuous improvement for instructional and non-instructional staff members
- Manage the impact of investment in education with sensitivity to limited community resources by:
 - Seeking new sources of revenue
 - Balancing community expectations for services and programs, while being cognizant of changes in property values, income levels, and economic uncertainties
 - Seeking cost efficiencies to further address the costly impact of unfunded mandates
- Provide for fiscal stability into the future through:
 - Maintaining financially prudent and sustainable reserve accounts such as
 - o Technology
 - o Capital Reserve Fund
 - Protecting and maintaining our Aa1 bond rating
 - Protecting the community's investment in facilities and infrastructure
 - Advocacy with legislators relative to appropriate levels of funding
- Meet legal mandates and contractual obligations