

ANNUAL BUDGET

The annual budget is the financial expression of the educational program of the school district, and it mirrors the district's goals and challenges.

The budget therefore is more than just a financial instrument and requires a cooperative effort among the committee, the staff, and the community to ensure sound fiscal practices for achieving the educational goals and objectives of the school district.

Public school budgeting is regulated and controlled by legislation, state regulations, and local school committee requirements. The operating budget for the school district will be prepared and presented in line with state policy and in accordance with the requirements of M.G.L. 71:16B.

The superintendent will serve as budget officer but he may delegate portions of this responsibility to members of his staff, as he deems appropriate. The three general areas of responsibility for the superintendent as budget officer will be budget preparation, budget presentation, and budget administration.

LEGAL REF: M.G.L. Chapter 71: 16B

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