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Mission Statement:

The Stamford Public Schools prepares each and every student for higher education and success in the 21st century.



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2016-17 Superintendent's Operating Budget Request
January 19, 2016



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January 19, 2016

Mr. Geoff Alswanger
President
Stamford Board of Education

Re: 2016-17 Superintendent's Operating Budget Request

Dear Mr. Alswanger:

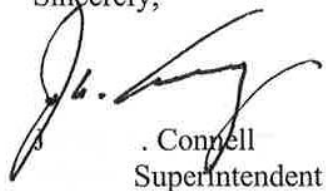
Attached for your consideration is a 2016-17 Operating Budget request in the amount of \$267,817,332 (4.98%) and a Grants Budget in the amount of \$28,523,091.

Considerable effort was expended to develop a fiscally prudent budget that preserves programs and positions and allows us to continue our instructional reform efforts. The key challenges of the 2016-17 budget are Special Education and Pupil Services, the new elementary school at 200 Strawberry Hill Avenue, reductions of grant revenue, contractual increases, enrollment, achievement, and mandates. The overall total of 4.98% is based on contracts, educational program necessities and carefully planned position reductions and budget efficiencies. The budget is driven by the Board of Education and District Goals and incorporates suggestions from the Board of Education, teachers, administrators, and the Citizens Budget Advisory Committee (CBAC).

In consideration of the current fiscal climate many areas of the budget were pared down to a bare minimum.

I look forward to your review of this budget. Please know that district staff are always available to provide additional information or clarification. I believe it will support our mission statement and build on the progress we have made on our educational initiatives.

Sincerely,



James A. Connelly
Superintendent