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Mission Statement:

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

2015-16 Superintendent's Operating Budget Request
January 12, 2015



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January 12, 2015

Mrs. Jackie Heftman
President
Stamford Board of Education

Re: 2015-16 Superintendent's Budget Request

Dear Mrs. Heftman:

Attached for your consideration is a 2015-16 Operating Budget request in the amount of \$258,348,153; (3.93%) and a Grants Budget in the amount of \$27,148,176.

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 2015-16 budget are contractual increases, enrollment, achievement, mental health, and mandates. Additionally, the budget proposal includes significant resources to support Special Education and ELL student learners. The overall total of 3.93% 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 non-instructional areas of the budget were pared down to a bare minimum.

I look forward to your support to bring forth this budget. I believe it will support our mission statement and build on the progress we have made on our educational initiatives.

Sincerely,

Winifred Hamilton, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Schools