



Saint Paul
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

FY25 Budget Engagement

Framework and strategy for engaging the public in
FY25 budget-related initiatives

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Engagement Objective



What are the community values and priorities?



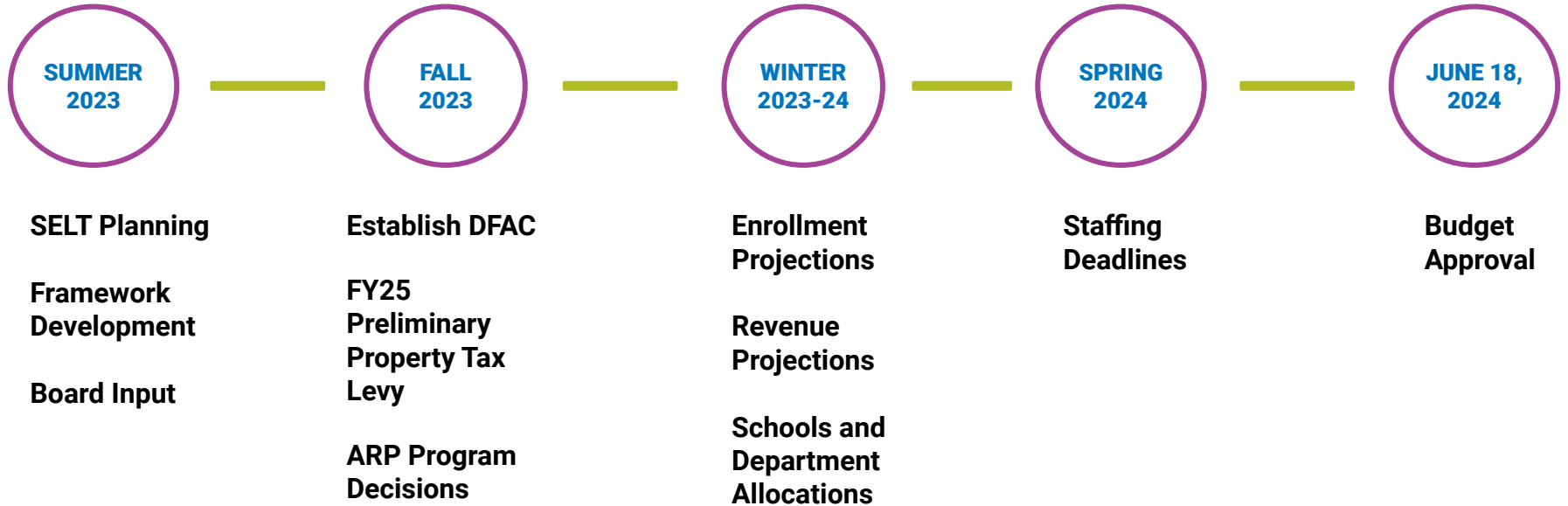
IAP2 Spectrum of Public Participation

International Association for Public Participation
www.iap2.org

INCREASING IMPACT ON THE DECISION 

	Inform	Consult	Involve	Collaborate	Empower
Public Participation Goal	To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions.	To obtain public feedback on analysis, alternatives and/or decisions.	To work directly with the public throughout the process to ensure that public concerns and aspirations are consistently understood and considered.	To partner with the public in each aspect of the decision including the development of alternatives and the identification of the preferred solution.	To place final decision making in the hands of the public.
Promise to the Public	We will keep you informed.	We will keep you informed, listen to and acknowledge concerns and aspirations , and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.	We will work with you to ensure that your concerns and aspirations are directly reflected in the alternatives developed and provide feedback on how public input influenced the decision.	We will look to you for advice and innovation in formulating solutions and incorporate your advice and recommendations into the decisions to the maximum extent possible.	We will implement what you decide.

FY25 Budget Timeline

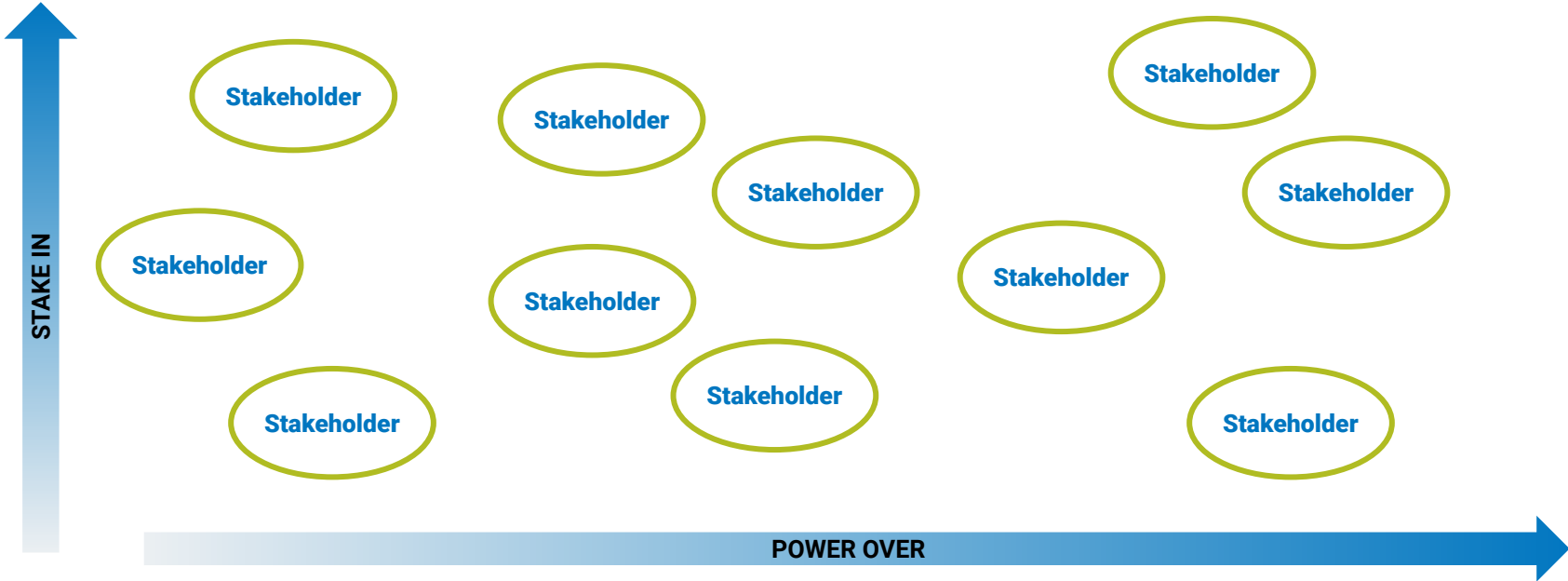


How will District leadership prepare?

- District leadership training around gathering and using community values to prioritize resources
- Complete the engagement design process
 - Objectives, stakeholder mapping, timeline, etc.

Stakeholder Mapping Example

Definition: A stakeholder is an individual or group that can make a claim on your project’s attention, resources, or output – or is affected by your work or activities



Potential Engagement Strategies

VIRTUAL DIGITAL

Regular updates to constituents

- Email (opt-in)
- Newsletters

School Finance 101

Surveys

“Let’s Talk”

IN PERSON

Public input engagement sessions

- Identifying the community’s values/priorities

ARP-specific input

Site-based sessions

Focus groups

TARGETED

Financial advisory group

Provides regular input on District financial management including policies, budgeting, reporting, business processes, internal controls, etc.

Community relations champions

Acts as liaison between District leadership and community to build understanding, strengthen relationships and communicate decisions and priorities.

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Discussion Questions

1. What will **success** look like at the end of this budget engagement process?
2. Based on what we have discussed so far, what **guidance** would you have for the FY25 engagement process?
3. What do you want from **engagement**? What is the goal?