



## EAST LYME PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

This letter is an update on the proposed East Lyme Public Schools budget for the 2024-2025 school year.

The proposed budget was presented to the Board of Education on Monday, January 8, 2024. The district is reflecting a 6.08% increase over the current fiscal year. This increase will provide the continued high level of service and programs for students. Additionally, there are no staffing reductions directly impacting employed positions, and we have requested additional staffing support for areas within special education and student services. For a detailed look at the proposal, budget video, and associated information and documents please go to the East Lyme Public Schools [website](#) to view the 2024-2025 Budget Information.

A Board of Education 'Public Budget Hearing' will take place at East Lyme High School on Monday, February 26, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. There are scheduled Board of Education meetings before the February hearing where budget deliberations will take place. Input from parents, students, staff, and the community is welcome through public comment at our meetings. Directly following the 'Public Budget Hearing' on February 26<sup>th</sup>, the Board of Education will hold its scheduled 'Special Board of Education Meeting' at 7:00 p.m. to vote on the adoption of next year's budget. After Board of Education adoption, it will be sent to the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance.

Any other information and future budget meeting dates or adjustments will be posted on our district website. Please feel free to use the following email address with any thoughts, ideas, concerns, or feedback you may have: [ELPSBudget@elpsk12.org](mailto:ELPSBudget@elpsk12.org). The information you provide is appreciated as we collaboratively prepare for the needs of our students and staff in next year's operating budget. Thank you again for your continuing support of our outstanding school district.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey R. Newton  
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