Policies

Westerly Public Schools No. 3010 School Committee Annual Budget and Format

The annual operating budget of the Westerly School District is the financial plan for the operation of the School District for a period of one year. It is intended to provide a framework for both expenditures and revenues for that year and to translate into financial terms the programs and activities of the District.

The Superintendent of Schools and the administrative staff will assume responsibility for the development and preparation of the annual School District budget and for its presentation and review by the School Committee. The Superintendent will work closely with principals and staff members in developing this budget and in outlining the long – range and short – term needs of the School District. After a proposed budget has been developed, the Superintendent will, with the assistance of the other staff members, present a recommended budget to the School Committee for review and adoption. This annual budget, as adopted by the School Committee, shall be presented to the Westerly Town Council and Town Meeting in the manner prescribed by Town Charter.

The annual operating budget of the Westerly School District will be presented in a manner and format consistent with the laws of the state of Rhode Island and regulations of the Rhode Island Department of Education. The budget proposal as presented to the School Committee shall be fully itemized and classified in conformance with the chart of accounts of Westerly Public Schools and with state and federal reporting requirements.

The budget document, as adopted by the School Committee and presented to the Town Council, must include the following information:

- The proposed annual expenditure within the district chart of accounts.
- Estimates of revenue sources.

Reference: Titles 16-2-9, 16-2-11, 16-2-21, 16-2-21.2, 16-2-21.3, and 16-2-21.4 of the General Laws of Rhode Island.

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