

Budget Discussion

December 4, 2024

Budget 2

Budget Guidance

Using our Class Size Policy and resources such as the Picus Report to determine what a quality Tier 1 (classroom) Tier 2 (intervention) Tier 3 (special education) Program looks like that values *quality over quantity*. Additionally, administration will look at efficiency and redundancy of supports and services across all schools.

1.0 Non-Instructional Support Staff

1.0 Non-Academic Staff Position

Facilities and Stipends for additional work

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In our initial review of redundancy and staffing we offer the following:

1.0 Non-Instructional Support Staff

1.0 Non-Academic Staff Position

Additional Budget reductions

Facilities and Stipends for additional work

These reductions result in a budget that is a 6.49 percent overall budget increase (7.04% last presentation)

I anticipate that we will have additional suggestions for combining services across our schools in the next budget round as well as a reduction in professional and support staff (non-special ed)

Overview of the CLA Change in the Yield Bill

Why did they do this?

- 1) A way to smooth away the impacts of real estate fluctuations from the CLA.
- 2) This change will make the pre-CLA property tax rate closer to the post-CLA tax rate.
 - a. This is done by comparing local CLAs to the statewide average CLA

ESTIMATED FY26 STATEWIDE ADJUSTMENT FACTORS BY TOWN ISSUED DEC. 2024

Town	Estimated CLA	Estimated SACLA	Estimated Statewide Adjustment (Applied to Tax Rates)
Barre City	*65%	72%	90% *(estimated 139%)
Barre Town	79%	72%	109%

*This will be higher (estimated 100%) based on reappraisal

Investment in our quality vs. quantity of staffing

Picus Report \$156.00 per student and 10 Professional Development Days/year

Developing the knowledge and skills of all staff to provide high quality instruction and to support the social emotional learning for all students to be successful.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Consolidated Federal Grant \$300,000.00

Building Effective Strategies for Teachers (BEST) \$11,000

Project Aware \$10,000

Questions

NEXT STEPS