



HOMEBOUND ACTIVITIES – 320

Homebound tutors are certified teachers employed to work with students who are not able to attend school due to a verified medical reason, including mental health issues or require alternative education, as required by law.

GIFTED ACTIVITIES - 321

The Westport Board of Education provides programs and services to students who have been identified as gifted. Programs are designed to provide gifted students with specialized in-depth instruction and opportunities for independent study. In addition, the program provides the student with positive group experiences with their intellectual peers. Program components include:

The Elementary Workshop Program – Grades K-5

Grades K-2: Identified students whose needs cannot be met in the regular program receive individual instruction from the building based Workshop Program teacher on an as needed basis.

Grades 3-5: Gifted students meet with the Workshop Program teacher in their individual schools for two hours each week. Gifted teachers also collaborate in regular education classrooms to extend units/lessons for gifted and high achieving students.

The Middle School Workshop Program – Grade 6-8: Gifted students in grades 6 and 7 meet with the Workshop Program teacher in their individual schools for three periods each week while 8th grade students meet every other week. Middle School Gifted teachers also collaborate in regular education classrooms to extend or differentiate units/lessons for gifted and high achieving students.

The High School Program – Grades 9-12: Staples High School meets the needs of identified gifted students and other high-achieving students through the school's curricular and extracurricular programs, which are richly varied. Gifted students may pursue challenging content through Advanced Placement and honors level courses, or through other special arrangements.

EDUCATIONAL INTERNS – 322

One intern will be assigned to each elementary and middle school as well as one at the high school. Interns are budgeted at \$15,000 per year. Interns in the schools enhance our relationships with local universities to better support our recruitment and retention efforts, particularly in shortage areas such as mathematics, science, and special education.

320 HOMEBOUND ACTIVITIES

2022-2023 Year-End Expense	2023-2024 Year-End Expense	2024-2025 Year-End Expense	2025-2026 BUDGET	2025-2026 Projected Expense	FACILITY	CURRENT SERVICES	ENROLL- MENT	CHANGE TO PROGRAM	2026-2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
75,350	100,277	102,994	80,000	80,000	SPECIAL EDUCATION	80,000			80,000
\$ 75,350	\$ 100,277	\$ 102,994	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	TOTAL	\$ 80,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 80,000

321 GIFTED ACTIVITIES

2022-2023 Year-End Expense	2023-2024 Year-End Expense	2024-2025 Year-End Expense	2025-2026 BUDGET	2025-2026 Projected Expense	FACILITY	CURRENT SERVICES	ENROLL- MENT	CHANGE TO PROGRAM	2026-2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
9,628	9,170	2,968	11,612	11,612	ALL SCHOOLS	19,212			19,212
\$ 9,628	\$ 9,170	\$ 2,968	\$ 11,612	\$ 11,612	TOTAL	\$ 19,212	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,212

322 EDUCATIONAL INTERNS

2022-2023 Year-End Expense	2023-2024 Year-End Expense	2024-2025 Year-End Expense	2025-2026 BUDGET	2025-2026 Projected Expense	FACILITY	CURRENT SERVICES	ENROLL- MENT	CHANGE TO PROGRAM	2026-2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
115,570	100,922	80,500	120,000	120,000	ALL SCHOOLS	120,000			120,000
\$ 115,570	\$ 100,922	\$ 80,500	\$ 120,000	\$ 120,000	TOTAL	\$ 120,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 120,000

INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS – 323

This account allows our school system to provide teachers with professional development that supports our vision to create a strong and thriving learning organization. This is consistent with Westport's Guiding Principles, in particular, Learning Always. For 2026-2027, we will continue to partner with external institutions such as The Yale Center for Emotional Intelligence, UCONN's Early College Education program, and College Board Advanced Placement. We will also continue to engage with and retain the services offered by world-class professional developers and support our teachers and administrators as they attend and present at Regional and National Conferences.

323 INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT

2022-2023 Year-End Expense	2023-2024 Year-End Expense	2024-2025 Year-End Expense	2025-2026 BUDGET	2025-2026 Projected Expense	FACILITY	CURRENT SERVICES	ENROLL- MENT	CHANGE TO PROGRAM	2026-2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
6,450	3,386	1,983	6,850	6,850	COLEYTOWN ELEM	6,200			6,200
6,152	4,651	1,100	6,850	6,850	GREENS FARMS	7,150			7,150
4,227	3,620	3,756	6,850	6,850	KINGS HIGHWAY	7,150			7,150
4,694	4,685	1,790	6,850	6,850	LONG LOTS	7,150			7,150
8,429	5,968	4,454	6,850	6,850	SAUGATUCK	6,200			6,200
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5,068	3,344	6,959	7,900	7,900	BEDFORD	8,300			8,300
6,196	3,433	4,346	7,150	7,150	COLEYTOWN MIDDLE	7,350			7,350
31,441	39,944	40,883	49,284	49,284	STAPLES	51,234			51,234
-	-	-	8,500	8,500	PRESCHOOL	8,500			8,500
432	1,962	1,050	2,000	2,000	NURSING	2,000			2,000
20,962	30,605	11,508	31,393	31,393	CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION	34,004			34,004
30,468	13,984	33,522	36,700	36,700	SPECIAL ED	38,800			38,800
221,998	229,570	268,288	380,050	381,455	TEACHING AND LEARNING CENTER	430,050			430,050
548	1,003	3,061	2,400	2,400	MAINTENANCE	2,400			2,400
6,742	9,552	9,771	10,850	10,850	TECHNOLOGY - ALL SCHOOLS	10,950			10,950
\$ 353,807	\$ 355,707	\$ 392,471	\$ 570,477	\$ 571,882	TOTAL	\$ 627,438	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 627,438

PUPIL SERVICES – 324

Support services for children with special needs such as interpreters, translators, nursing, and other support services.

PPT CONSULTATIONS – 325

This service is required when an Individual Educational Planning (IEP) team, through the Planning and Placement Team (PPT) process, determines that an outside consultant is necessary to provide professional and technical services to the team to provide special education children with appropriate programs. These children have significant needs and have very complex learning profiles and programs. We will continue to require the services of Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBAs), neuropsychologists, and psychiatrists to meet the needs of some of our students with complex learning needs.

STUDENT EVALUATIONS – 327

Outside professional evaluations are required when (1) a parent requests an outside evaluation, as allowed by law, or (2) the Planning and Placement Team deems it necessary to secure additional information regarding a student.

MEDICAL SERVICES – 328

This account covers the consultative services rendered by the Board Medical Advisor who provides professional and technical assistance. This includes funds that have been included to accommodate monthly consultations for psychiatric issues as well as physicians who are specialists in unique areas such as asthma, etc.

324 PUPIL SERVICES

2022-2023 Year-End Expense	2023-2024 Year-End Expense	2024-2025 Year-End Expense	2025-2026 BUDGET	2025-2026 Projected Expense	FACILITY	CURRENT SERVICES	ENROLL- MENT	CHANGE TO PROGRAM	2026-2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
1,205	1,678	5,000	5,000	5,000	SPECIAL EDUCATION	5,000			5,000
5,658	2,546	1,760	8,000	8,000	HEALTH	8,000			8,000
\$ 6,863	\$ 4,224	\$ 6,760	\$ 13,000	\$ 13,000	TOTAL	\$ 13,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,000

325 PPT CONSULTATIONS

2022-2023 Year-End Expense	2023-2024 Year-End Expense	2024-2025 Year-End Expense	2025-2026 BUDGET	2025-2026 Projected Expense	FACILITY	CURRENT SERVICES	ENROLL- MENT	CHANGE TO PROGRAM	2026-2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
317,578	288,152	238,641	305,000	305,000	SPECIAL EDUCATION	305,000		(88,000)	217,000
	-				PRESCHOOL	-			-
\$ 317,578	\$ 288,152	\$ 238,641	\$ 305,000	\$ 305,000	TOTAL	\$ 305,000	\$ -	\$ (88,000)	\$ 217,000

327 STUDENT EVALUATIONS OUTSIDE PROFESSIONALS

2022-2023 Year-End Expense	2023-2024 Year-End Expense	2024-2025 Year-End Expense	2025-2026 BUDGET	2025-2026 Projected Expense	FACILITY	CURRENT SERVICES	ENROLL- MENT	CHANGE TO PROGRAM	2026-2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
120,048	132,151	113,610	130,000	117,500	SPECIAL EDUCATION	120,000			120,000
\$ 120,048	\$ 132,151	\$ 113,610	\$ 130,000	\$ 117,500	TOTAL	\$ 120,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 120,000

328 MEDICAL SERVICES

2022-2023 Year-End Expense	2023-2024 Year-End Expense	2024-2025 Year-End Expense	2025-2026 BUDGET	2025-2026 Projected Expense	FACILITY	CURRENT SERVICES	ENROLL- MENT	CHANGE TO PROGRAM	2026-2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	HEALTH	20,000			20,000
\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	TOTAL	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000

OTHER PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL SERVICES – 330

This account supports a variety of fees and charges of organizations and individuals that are not employed by the Board of Education. These fees include testing, scoring of tests, consultant fees for research and assessment, residency investigations, audit costs, piano tuning, accompanists and other technical assistance. PSAT testing for grades 10 and 11 is also included in this account.

The records of the Westport Public Schools are audited every year by an outside, independent auditor, hired by the Town. Included in this category are the funds which the Board of Education pays for the audit of the End of the Year Fiscal Report.

This account also covers the costs for technical projects, such as development of management and school plans, engineering analysis, architectural plans, survey and research support through Hanover Incorporated, etc.

LEGAL & NEGOTIATION SERVICES – 331

Legal Counsel is necessary in order to negotiate with the various labor groups contracted with the Westport Public Schools. Legal counsel also advises the Board and administration on matters pertaining to the education of students, including policy development. Related expenses, such as filing fees and arbitration and mediation fees are also supported by this account. Legal services are needed for special education cases, legal opinions, interpretations, and grievance arbitration, contract review and negotiations.

330 OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

2022-2023 Year-End Expense	2023-2024 Year-End Expense	2024-2025 Year-End Expense	2025-2026 BUDGET	2025-2026 Projected Expense	FACILITY	CURRENT SERVICES	ENROLL- MENT	CHANGE TO PROGRAM	2026-2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
1,490	1,040	2,545	1,150	1,150	COLEYTOWN ELEM	1,150			1,150
3,465	8,705	-	1,940	1,940	GREENS FARMS	1,940			1,940
1,966	195	1,000	3,690	3,690	KINGS HIGHWAY	3,690			3,690
38,235	32,447	31,510	30,000	30,000	LONG LOTS	30,000			30,000
1,640	2,250	650	1,640	1,640	SAUGATUCK	1,640			1,640
4,181	5,009	7,325	7,090	7,090	BEDFORD	7,090			7,090
3,286	655	19,210	6,000	6,000	COLEYTOWN MIDDLE	6,000			6,000
36,107	25,520	22,295	87,500	87,500	STAPLES	87,385			87,385
84,720	136,968	99,304	59,700	59,700	CENTRAL ADMIN	80,000			80,000
64,760	106,937	123,854	170,440	182,937	TEACHING AND LEARNING	214,519			214,519
193,047	162,076	176,775	190,000	190,000	SPECIAL EDUCATION	213,088		(88,000)	125,088
13,910	18,004	11,143	48,445	48,445	MAINTENANCE	48,445			48,445
48,386	42,605	42,759	40,000	40,000	INSTRUCTIONAL TECH	40,000			40,000
\$ 495,193	\$ 542,411	\$ 538,370	\$ 647,596	\$ 660,092	TOTAL	\$ 734,947	\$ -	\$ (88,000)	\$ 646,947

331 LEGAL & NEGOTIATIONS SERVICES

2022-2023 Year-End Expense	2023-2024 Year-End Expense	2024-2025 Year-End Expense	2025-2026 BUDGET	2025-2026 Projected Expense	FACILITY	CURRENT SERVICES	ENROLL- MENT	CHANGE TO PROGRAM	2026-2027 PROPOSED BUDGET
294,751	496,323	360,503	420,000	420,000	CENTRAL ADMIN	420,000			420,000
279,408	335,902	398,538	300,000	300,000	SPECIAL EDUCATION	325,000			325,000
\$ 574,159	\$ 832,225	\$ 759,041	\$ 720,000	\$ 720,000	TOTAL	\$ 745,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 745,000

