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Dear Sudbury Community,

We are pleased to share this at-a-glance update highlighting the Sudbury School Committee's work over the past several months. Our goal is to provide a clear snapshot of recent decisions, ongoing priorities, and upcoming work, while encouraging continued community engagement.

[To read our At-a-Glance Newsletter, please click here.](#)

During this six-month period, the School Committee focused on its core responsibilities, including review and approval of the FY27 budget and budget guidelines, policy review and adoption, collective bargaining agreements, approval of grants and gifts, and coordination with Town leadership on capital planning and long-term infrastructure needs.

This work also included important governance and engagement efforts. The Committee created a Budget Subcommittee to strengthen oversight of the budget and budget development process, established a new LGBTQ+ Parent Advisory Council to support connection, inclusion, and community voice, and updated the School Committee Handbook to clarify processes that support effective participation by parent advisory councils, consistent with their role and charge.

Expanding opportunities for community participation has been a key School Committee priority. This year, the Committee adopted updated policies that formalize hybrid meeting practices and allow for both in-person and remote public comment. The Committee also introduced community listening sessions, holding one in November and planning a second session in March (date forthcoming).

Policy work continues to be a major focus of the Committee. Over the past several months, we have reviewed, updated, and adopted a number of policies to strengthen transparency, accessibility, inclusion, and alignment with current law and best practices.

We value community questions, feedback, and participation and encourage you to attend a meeting, whether in person or remotely, or to reach out to us at any time:

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Warmly,

The Sudbury School Committee

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