

## 2026-27 MRSD Warrant Articles in Plain Language

### Article One Plain Language: Operating Budget

Each year a default budget is identified using the actual expenses of the prior school year plus contractual obligations, and then minus any one-time expenditures.

This year's default budget is **\$41,106,512**.

The budget proposed by the district's Budget Committee was **\$40,874,456 (\$232,056 LOWER than the default)**.

If the proposed budget passes (a YES vote), the district will be funded at **\$40,874,456**. If the proposed budget fails (a NO vote), the district would be funded at the default budget level **\$41,106,512**. As of this writing, the School Board and Budget Committee are united in their support for the lower, proposed budget.

### Article Two Plain Language: MESSA Contract

This warrant article is for the current 3-year Agreement with the Monadnock Education Support Staff Association (MESSA). Support staff includes Paraprofessionals, Buildings and Grounds, and Administrative Assistants. An increase in wages and benefits, over the 2025/26 school year in the amount of \$301,287. As of this writing, the School Board and Budget Committee are united in their support for this article.

### Article Three Plain Language: Roof Replacement 800's Wing, MRMHS

This warrant article for \$100,000 allows for replacement of the roof over a portion of MRMHS based on the District's capital improvement plan. As of this writing, the School Board and Budget Committee are united in their support for this article.

### Article Four Plain Language: Upper Parking Lot Repair

This warrant article allows for the repair of a portion of the parking lot at MRMHS, in the amount of \$85,000. This area is located outside of the gymnasium. As of this writing, the School Board and Budget Committee are united in their support for this article.

### Article Five Plain Language: Special Education Expendable Trust

The Special Education Expendable Trust is designed to give the district resources should the need for additional costs for Special Education arise. Additional Special Education costs are the obligation of the District (non-negotiable). If this article passes, and ONLY if unallocated funds are available at the end of June 30, 2026, then up to \$1 will be added to this trust fund. As of this writing, the School Board and Budget Committee are united in their support for this article.

**Article Six Plain Language: District Vehicle Expendable Trust Fund**

The District Vehicle Expendable Trust Fund is designed to give the district financial resources should the need for a new vehicle arise. The district owns and operates various vehicles such as shuttle vans, plow trucks, etc. This article will not raise funds from new taxation. If this article passes, and ONLY if unallocated funds are available at the end of June 30, 2026, then up to \$25,000 will be added to this trust fund. As of this writing, the School Board and Budget Committee are united in their support for this article.

**Article Seven Plain Language: School Grounds Expendable Trust Fund**

The School Grounds Expendable Trust Fund is designed to give the district financial resources to address the need for repairs and maintenance on school grounds and school parking lots. This article will not raise funds from new taxation. If this article passes, and ONLY if unallocated funds are available at the end of June 30, 2026, then up to \$1.00 will be added to this trust fund. As of this writing, the School Board and Budget Committee are united in their support for this article.

**Article Eight Plain Language: School Bldg. Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund**

The School Bldg. Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund is designed to give the district financial resources should there be a need for unexpected major repairs to district buildings. This article will not raise funds from new taxation. If this article passes, and ONLY if unallocated funds are available at the end of June 30, 2026, then up to \$50,000.00 will be added to this trust fund.