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FISCAL YEAR 26-27 BUDGET TIMELINE

9/18/25: Budget Calendar adopted by the Board of Education.

10/14/25: Initial budget meeting with school administrators.

Fall 2025: Ongoing conversations and meetings with City Council Members and the City Solicitor to discuss and negotiate the city tax rate imposed on the New York Avenue School Building that was leased by the District to generate revenue for the school budget.

11/4/25: Referendum overwhelmingly passes at the polls, allowing the District to make state-mandated bathroom improvements with the state paying a portion of the costs (34%) instead of the local taxpayer.

Dec 2025-February 2026: Conversations resume regarding exploring Business Office Shared Services with Mainland Regional HS.

1/31/26: Department/building level budgets due to the superintendent and business administrator.

2/3/26: Board of Education Budget Committee Meeting–Finance Committee

2/9/26-2/13/26: Individual department/building level budget defense meetings with the superintendent and business administrator.

2/16/26-2/27/26: First round cuts from initial budget development, amounting to over $1,100,000.

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3/9/26: Shared Services Committee Meeting is held to review and discuss options.

3/10/26: State aid funding notification received. Somers Point Schools lost $63,037 in state funding compared to last year. Cumulative loss of $4,149,435 since 2019.

3/11/26-3/18/26: Second round cuts from budget development, amounting to over $500,000.

3/19/26: Board of Education Committee Meeting-Finance Committee to review Tentative Budget.

3/26/26: Tentative budget approved by the Board and submitted to the NJDOE County Office for review and approval.

4/16/26: Tentative budget approved by the NJDOE County Office.

4/16/26: Board of Education Committee Meeting-Instruction Committee to review Tentative Budget.

4/20/26: Board of Education Committee Meeting-Student Community Affairs to review Tentative Budget.

4/23/26: Preschool budget approved by the Office of Early Childhood Education

4/30/26: School Budget Public Presentation Hearing 7pm Jordan Road School Cafeteria.

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4/30/26: Shared Services Business Administrator Contract with Mainland Regional High School is approved.

5/6/26: Atlantic County Roundtable is held with State and Local Officials and attended by Somers Point School District to express state funding budget concerns.

5/21/26: Board of Education approves the Resolution *Urging Relief from Rising Public School Employee Health-Care Costs*, and it is forwarded to Governor Mikie Sherrill, State Treasurer Aaron Binder, Senate President Nicholas Scutari, Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin, State Senator Vincent Polistina, Assemblywoman Maureen Rowan, Assemblyman Don Guardian and the New Jersey School Boards Association.

5/22/26: Funding letter from Board President Endicott released.

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