

Dedham School Committee Goals

2017-18

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FY19 Budget

By the Spring 2018 Town Meeting, the Committee will establish and support a FY19 Budget that will serve the needs of all students and teachers. The Committee will achieve a fair collective bargaining agreement with our teachers that allows the District to attract and retain the best educators possible while also being fiscally responsible and respecting the financial pressures facing Dedham taxpayers.

Safe/Supportive/Inclusive Schools And School Environment

The Dedham Public Schools are committed to ensuring a safe, healthy, inclusive learning environment for all students. During the 2017-18 School Year, the Dedham School Committee will conduct a comprehensive review (inventory) of current policies, services, and access regarding student safety, support, and inclusivity.

This review will be informed by:

- o MetroWest Adolescent Health Survey
- o Panorama school climate survey
- o Counseling services access and availability
- o SAPC (Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition) parent survey
- o Community feedback
- o Cultural proficiency assessment

District Strategic Plan Restructuring Information/Oversight

At least every third meeting during the 2017-18 School Year, the Committee will gather input on the implementation and effectiveness of the District ReStructuring Plan. This input will be informed by :

- o Instructional Coaches
- o SPED Team Leaders (ETLs)
- o Director of Counseling
- o Curriculum Coordinators
- o Baseline data/assessments - Student outcomes
- o Shifts in practice & outcomes

Long Range Facilities Master Plan

The Committee will gather information and input from the entire community to update the 2013 School Facilities Master Plan. This will be done by formal School Committee meetings at all school buildings, and through formal and informal data gathering via surveys, focus groups, and meetings with other Town Committees.

Communications And Public Relations

During the 2017-18 School Year, the Committee will develop a comprehensive communication, community relations and evaluation plan including a focus on social media presence, district branding, community access, timeliness of information dissemination, and an infrastructure for long term sustainability.