

# Cape Elizabeth Schools

### Superintendent's Budget Proposal for 2010-2011

# Guidelines for Building this Budget Proposal

### Cape Elizabeth Schools Our mission and vision

Our mission is to ensure that all students develop the knowledge, skills, behaviors and attitudes to become successful individuals and citizens. *To do that* we must create a dynamic organization which inspires an enthusiastic, innovative and collaborative environment that results in a high level of learning and achievement for all.

### **OUR BELIEFS**

#### About **Students and Learning**, we believe that:

- All students can learn
- All students should be challenged and supported in their learning
- All students have abilities and talents that are worthy of being recognized and developed
- All students benefit when they are held to clear and appropriate expectations
- As educators, we will connect with the strengths and passion for learning of each student by providing a meaningful and engaging education
- Education must prepare students to become competent individuals and productive citizens

### **OUR BELIEFS**

# About **Teachers and Teaching**, we believe that:

- Teachers need time for collaboration, reflection and professional development on a regular, consistent basis
- Teachers need to understand and address the different learning styles of their students
- Our community expects, values and supports excellence in teaching

### **OUR BELIEFS**

About schools as **Learning Communities**, we believe that:

- Students and staff have the right to a safe, respectful, and challenging environment conducive to learning
- Education is a shared responsibility among students, teachers, staff, parents, and the community
- A wide range of learning opportunities must be provided in order for our students and staff to be successful
- The quality of relationships directly impacts learning and achievement

#### GOAL 1: THE DISTRICT WILL ENSURE THAT THE LEARNING NEEDS OF ALL STUDENTS ARE MET:

- Instructional programs and additional support will be designed to meet the needs and enhance the educational program for each student in grades K-12.
- The District will identify, implement and continually assess student progress toward a clear set of K-12 student learning outcomes.
- The school calendar will be adjusted as needed to meet the learning and development needs of teachers and students.
- The district will ensure that students and staff experience a safe, comfortable and ethical school and district environment.
- The district will design an annual process of district and school goal setting and reporting, based on systematically collected academic and survey data measuring district, student and school performance.
- Create a K-12 curriculum that is coordinated, implemented, evaluated and refined on a regular basis. .

#### THE DISTRICT WILL ATTRACT, RETAIN, DEVELOP AND SUPERVISE THE BEST POSSIBLE STAFF FOR CAPE ELIZABETH SCHOOLS

#### Supporting Objectives

- Offer competitive compensation and professional employment opportunities
- Plan and implement an Induction support system for new teachers and those with new teaching assignments
- Review and update the district wide framework for supervision and evaluation of professional staff
- Review and update the district wide framework for professional development in order to support the District's goals and priorities.
- Extend and enhance collaborative professional development experiences and opportunities
- Participate in professional development opportunities which support the professional growth of staff and the District's goals and objectives.

# 2 Planning

### Early Thoughts

In January, based on information from Augusta, we began with a \$1.7 million reduction in budget to reach a 0% increase in taxes.

### <u>Changing Landscape</u>

- A February 1 report provided a \$40,032 decrease in State Revenue Allocations.
- A revision dated March 3 provided a \$252,512 increase in State Revenue Allocations.
- Health insurance estimates came in at a 2% increase as opposed to a 10% increase.

Decrease in Federal ARRA money on March 8, 2010.

Current Proposal(s) School Board meeting, February 23, 2010 A. 0% Tax Increase

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- B. Midpoint Budget
- C. Maintenance Budget
- D. Separate List of Possible Proposals
- \* Changing Revenues

(added as result of March 2 and 3 documents; revised on March 8, 2010 based on latest information regarding ARRA from DOE)

# **Student Enrollment**

#### **Enrollment statistics show us that**

On October 1, 2003 On October 1, 2004 On October 1, 2005 On October 1, 2006 On October 1, 2007 On October 1, 2008 On October 1, 2009

we had we had we had we had we had we had 1809 students 1826 students 1847 students 1803 students 1781 students 1750 students 1708 students\*

\* Current enrollment on March 9, 2010 is 1718.

**Prediction for 2010** 

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1687 students

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# Superintendent's Introduction

- Developing the plan (02/23/10).
- Guiding principles.
- Reviewing all components of budget areas.
- Items considered.
- Recommendations based on recent information from the State.

### Influences on the Development of a School Budget

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Student educational needs Current fixed costs, i.e. salaries, benefits, Federal and State mandates Limited state funding Class size/enrollment Debt services Town Council and citizen financial plans

#### Amongst items considered carefully

- changing level of student population in all grades,
- development of strong curriculum, instruction and assessment programs and activities for student learning,
- use of the Curriculum Management Plan (CMP) to review and revise each and every component of our CIA plans,
- effectiveness of every program offering within the system,
- use of appropriate data to assess individual student performance as well as group performance in each program,
- strength of teacher commitment in the development and implementation of professional leadership teams,
- use of instructional support to help identified students develop appropriate learning skills along with effective learning plans,
- the role of Community Services in our educational programs,
- care and cleanliness of our buildings to ensure safe and well maintained facilities,
- safe and caring transportation of students,
- appropriate food service programs to meet student nutritional needs, *and*
- effective use of our resources for athletic and co-curricular activities.

2010-2011	CAPE ELIZABETH SCHOOL BUDGET
SU	MMARY - WITH ARRA FUNDS

		0% Tax Increase			Midpoint Budget			Maintenance Budget			
	2009-2010	2010-2011	\$ inc/dec	% inc/dec	2010-2011	\$ inc/dec 9	% inc/dec	2010-2011	\$ inc/dec	% inc/dec	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET:	\$20,005,086	\$20,150,094	\$145,008	0.72%	\$20,571,907	\$566,821	2.83%	\$20,992,799	\$987,713	4.94%	
REVENUES:											
State Revenue Allocation Use of Undesignated Funds Medicaid State Agency Clients HS Activity fees Town Undesignated Funds	\$2,571,272 250,000 \$154,810 \$40,000 \$43,000 \$200,000	\$2,823,784 250,000 \$125,000 \$40,000 \$45,000 \$0	\$252,512 \$0 -\$29,810 \$0 \$2,000 -\$200,000	9.82%	\$2,823,784 250,000 \$125,000 \$40,000 \$45,000 \$0	\$252,512 \$0 -\$29,810 \$0 \$2,000 -\$200,000	9.82%	\$2,823,784 250,000 \$125,000 \$40,000 \$45,000 \$0	\$252,512 \$0 -\$29,810 \$0 \$2,000 -\$200,000	9.82%	
REVENUE SUBTOTAL:	\$3,259,082	\$3,283,784	\$24,702	0.76%	\$3,283,784	\$24,702	0.76%	\$3,283,784	\$24,702	0.76%	
LOCAL PROPERTY TAX	\$16,746,004	\$16,866,310	\$120,306	0.72%	\$17,288,123	\$542,119	3.24%	\$17,709,015	\$963,011	5.75%	
TOTAL REVENUES	\$20,005,086	\$20,150,094	\$145,008	0.72%	\$20,571,907	\$566,821	2.83%	\$20,992,799	\$987,713	4.94%	
COMPUTATION OF TAX RATE											
TOWN VALUATION (IN MILLIONS)	\$1,335.5	\$1,345.0	\$9.5	0.71%	\$1,345.0	\$9.5	0.71%	\$1,345.0	\$9.5	0.71%	
MILLS RAISED FOR EDUCATION	12.54	12.54	0.00	0.00%	12.85	0.31	2.50%	13.17	0.63	5.00%	
PROPERTY TAX FOR EDUCATION MEDIAN HOME											
\$253,800	\$3,182.65	\$3,182.65	\$0.00	0.00%	\$3,262.25	\$79.60	2.50%	\$3,341.67	\$159.02	5.00%	

## What this book contains

Introduction by the Superintendent Summary of 2010-2011 Budget with ARRA Funds. Series of charts providing overview of important data including School Funding, Fund Balances, Major Budget Changes, Requested Changes, Chart of Cost as a %age of Budget in 2010-2011 General Operating Budget. Narratives by each department head.

## Items to be Considered

- Possible furnace replacement at the high school.
- Planning for preparation of 2011-2012 budget.
- Loss of federal ARRA revenues.
- Decreasing General Purpose Aid to Education.

### In closing . . .

- Please take time to review each section of the book
- Formulate initial questions and send copies to fellow Board members, the administrators and me
- Feel free to ask more questions in the meeting
- Allow us time to ensure accurate responses
- Work together to make final adjustments based on the educational needs of students
- Balance the student needs and the financial realities