

## **DB - ANNUAL BUDGET**

One of the primary responsibilities of the Board is to secure adequate funds to carry out a high-level program of instruction.

The adopted annual school budget is the financial outline of the District's educational program; it is the legal basis for the establishment of tax rates. The annual school budget process is an important function of District operations and should serve as a means to improve communications within the school organization and with the residents of the community.

The Superintendent will be responsible for preparing, and presenting to the Board for adoption, the annual school budget. The Board expects the Superintendent to work closely with the principals and other administrators to assess the needs of the schools. The principals will confer with appropriate staff in getting budgetary requests and information on requirements.

Before presenting the budget to the Budget Committee and the School District, the Board will scrutinize it thoroughly. Once adopted, it shall be adhered to and supported by the entire Board as presented.

### Statutory/Regulatory/Policy/Handbook Cross References

RSA 32:4, Preparation of Budgets: Estimate of Expenditures and Revenues

RSA 32:5, Budget Preparation

RSA 197:5-a, School meetings and Officers: Budget

Handbook (None)

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