

# FY17 Wellesley Public Schools Budget

Annual Town Meeting 2016

# BUDGET GUIDELINES

- **Town and School Committee Guideline** **4% increase**
  
- **Additional School Committee Guidelines**
  - Provide a high quality educational experience for all students which meets our core values
  - Meet legal mandates
  - Address Level Service, Strategic Plan and Other Critical Needs
  - Seek programmatic efficiencies
  - Balance District goals with the Town-wide Financial Plan

# WPS BUDGET GOALS

- Alignment with the District Strategic Plan
- Collaboration (internal and external)
- Transparency in Budget Development and Decision-Making

# FY17 Budget Architecture



# WPS Strategic Plan

1. Focus on Every Child, in Every Classroom, Every Day
2. Invest in Educators
3. Provide Broad-Based Learning Opportunities as Part of a World Class Public School System
4. Align Resources with Educational Needs

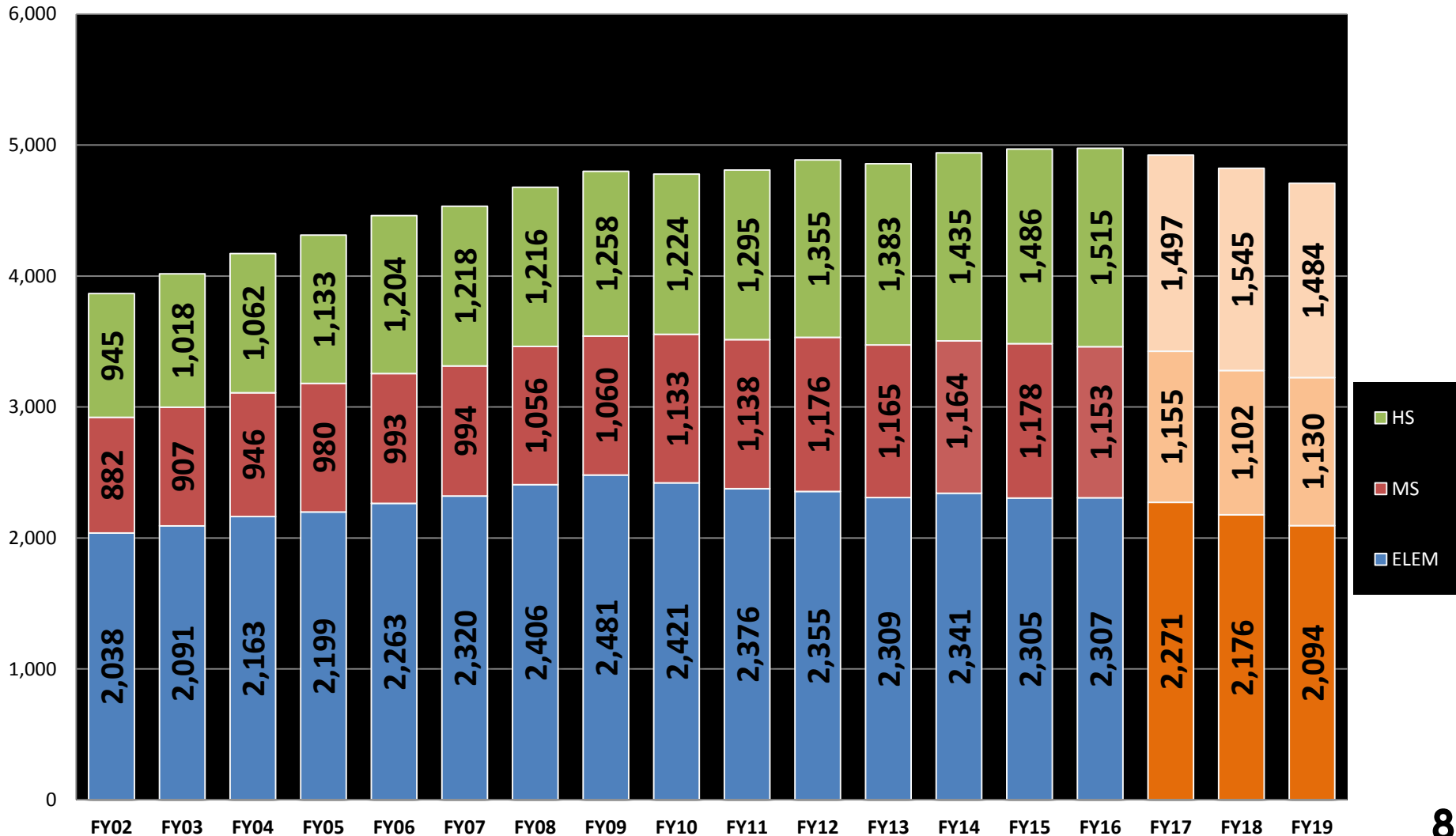
# KEY CHALLENGES IN THE FY17 BUDGET

- Increasing Costs of Maintaining Level Service (approximately 3.5%)
- Continued Investments in the WPS Strategic Plan

## FY17 BUDGET DRIVERS

- Enrollment
- Compensation
- Special Education

# WPS Enrollment History & Projections





# FY17 Budget: Enrollment

Learning  
Caring  
Innovating

Grade	FY16 Actual	FY17 Projection	Change FY16A-FY17P
Elementary	2,307	2,271	-36
Middle School	1,153	1,155	+2
High School	1,515	1,497	-18
Total Enrollment	4,975	4,923	-52

# FY17 Budget: Compensation

- Steps (16) & Lanes (4) Model
- 49% of staff are between Steps 1 and 15
- Each Step represents a 4.17% salary increase
- Percentage salary increase (COLA) in addition to step increase
- 51% of staff are at the top step
- Currently in negotiations with WTA for a new contract

# FY17 Budget: Special Education

- Mandated by Federal and State Laws and Regulations
- Approximately 900 Students in Special Education (17%)
- 67 Students budgeted in Out-of-District Placements
- Projected State Reimbursement under the Circuit Breaker Program is \$369,000 higher than FY16
- 1.4% Overall Increase in FY17 Special Education over FY16

# FY17 Special Education Budget

<b>Costs</b>	<b>FY16 Budget</b>	<b>FY17 Request</b>	<b>\$Change</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Personal Services	\$13,738,340	\$14,403,227	\$664,887	4.83%
Expenses				
• Inclusion	\$749,566	\$774,204	\$24,638	3.28%
• Out-of-District Tuition	\$6,484,852	\$6,440,447	\$(44,405)	-0.68%
• Less: Circuit Breaker	\$(2,619,319)	\$(2,988,362)	\$(369,043)	14.10%
• Transportation	\$1,294,489	\$1,294,676	\$187	0%
<b>Total Net Cost</b>	<b>\$19,647,928</b>	<b>\$19,924,192</b>	<b>\$276,264</b>	<b>1.41%</b>

# FY17 BUDGET PROPOSAL

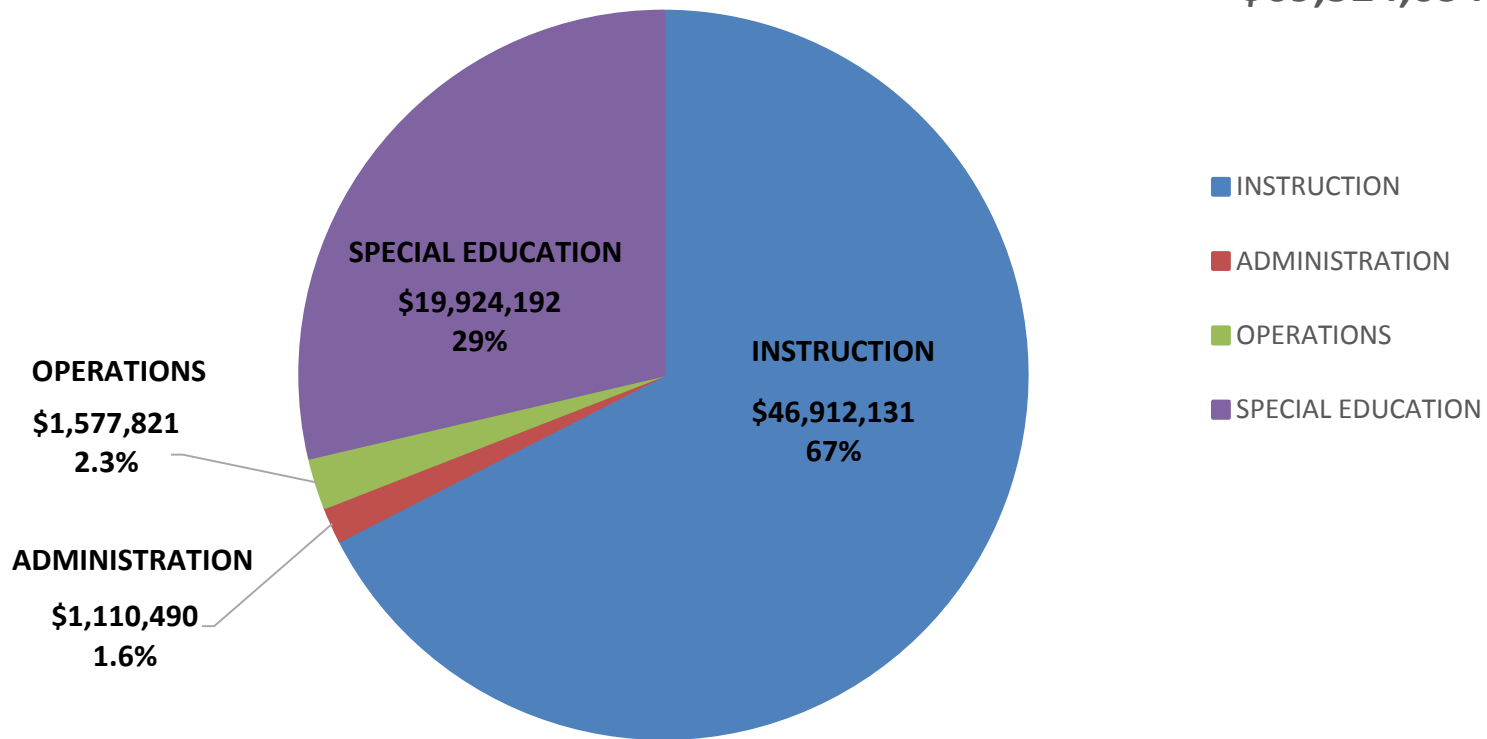
# FY17 Voted Budget

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	FY16	FY17 ORIGINAL	FY17 FINAL	INC/DEC	% INC
Personal Services	\$58,223,703	\$61,594,950	\$61,371,110	\$3,147,407	5.40%
Expenses	\$8,465,456	\$8,341,268	\$8,153,524	(\$311,932)	(3.62%)
Total	\$66,689,159	\$69,936,218	\$69,524,634	\$2,835,475	4.25%
Capital	\$856,066	\$1,364,413	\$784,920	(\$71,146)	(8.31%)

# FY17 Voted Budget

**FY17 BUDGET REQUEST**  
**\$69,524,634**



# FY17 Budget Funding by Level

	Amount	FY17 v FY16
<b>Total FY16 Budget</b>	<b>\$66,689,159</b>	
+ Base Budget Increase	\$2,169,788	3.25%
- Savings and Efficiencies	\$(100,803)	-0.15%
+ Level Service Additions & Mandates	\$322,453	0.48%
<b>Total Level Service Budget</b>	<b>\$69,080,597</b>	<b>3.58%</b>
+ Strategic Plan Investments	\$429,037	0.64%
+ Other Critical Needs	\$15,000	0.03%
<b>Total FY17 Budget</b>	<b>\$69,524,634</b>	<b>4.25%</b>



# FY17 BUDGET: LEVEL SERVICE & MANDATES

- Reduced 2 sections for elementary enrollment decline
- Rolled HS ERP Program into the operating budget (previously funded by WEF and PTSO)
- Support for HS Science sections based on enrollments/demand
- 2.0 Added Kindergarten TA's for sections
- Incorporated .50 of Elem World Language teacher funded by WEF in FY16
- 8.8 Special Education TA's, Nursing support, and other mandated Special Education costs
- Labor Counsel costs previously covered by the Town

# STRATEGIC PLAN: Elementary World Language

## WORLD LANGUAGE LEARNING: EUROPEAN UNION VS. UNITED STATES

### EUROPEAN UNION



6 TO 9 YEARS OLD  
AGE MOST STUDENTS BEGIN  
WORLD LANGUAGE STUDY

9  
YEARS MOST STUDENTS  
STUDY WORLD LANGUAGES

### UNITED STATES



14 YEARS OLD  
AGE MOST STUDENTS BEGIN  
WORLD LANGUAGE STUDY

2  
YEARS MOST STUDENTS  
STUDY WORLD LANGUAGES

# FY17 BUDGET: STRATEGIC PLAN INVESTMENTS

- 3.0 FTE for implementation of Elementary World Language at Gr. 3 in two pilot schools and K-2 in all other elementary schools (5.0 FTE total in FY17)
- 0.50 FTE Increase in Social Worker position at elementary to full-time
- 1.0 FTE New crisis interventionist at MS for social/emotional assessment and support
- 1.2 FTE New Cornerstones therapeutic program at the HS
- 0.20 FTE for Video/TV Production course as part of STEAM initiative

## FY17 BUDGET: OTHER CRITICAL NEEDS

- Special Education Supplies for Launch programs, and Revolving Account adjustments (\$15,000 total)

# FY17 FEES and OFFSETS

- Revenue generated from tuitions paid by students from neighboring districts attending WPS Special Education in-district programs (\$90,000)
- Significant increase in Circuit Breaker Reimbursement to offset out-of-district costs (\$369,043)
- Proposed market adjustment to PAWS Preschool tuition (\$26,000)
- Unable to make progress in reducing or eliminating fees, particularly in instructional programs

# FY17 Cash Capital Budget

Furniture/Fixtures/Equipment \$43,529

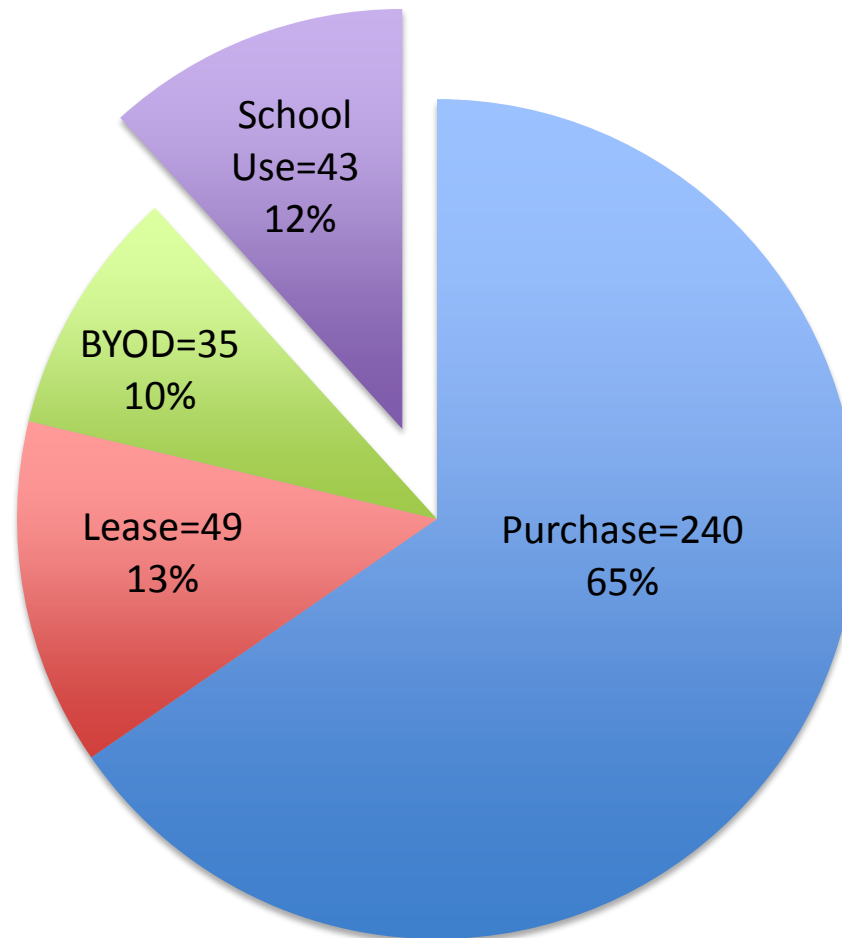
- Only Highest Priority Instructional Equipment for Classrooms
- Delayed Classroom Furniture Replacement

Technology \$741,391

- Completion of 1:1 Implementation at Gr. 8 at the Middle School
- Postpone BYOD Program at High School
- Delayed Replacement Cycle of Computers, Laptops, Printers, Projectors
- Minimize New Equipment for Students and Staff
- Maintain Network Infrastructure

# FY17 Cash Capital Budget

Current Grade 6  
(367 Students)



# FY17 Cash Capital Overview

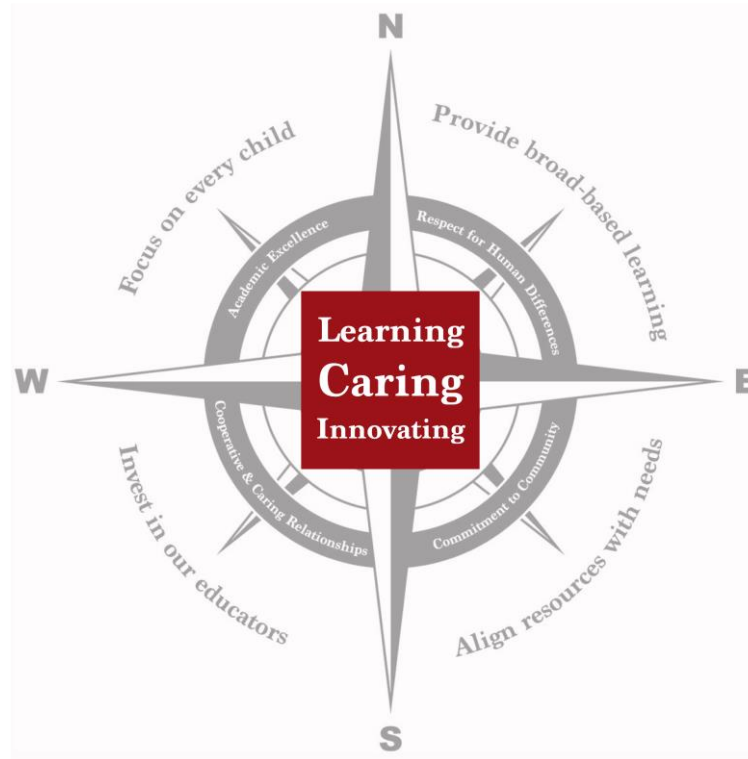
	FY16 Budget	FY17 Plan	FY17 Final	FY16-17 \$ Change	FY16-17% Change
FF&E	\$128,381	\$ 215,400	\$ 43,529	(\$84,852)	-66.1%
Technology	\$727,685	\$1,149,013	\$741,391	\$13,706	1.88%
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>\$856,066</b>	<b>\$1,364,413</b>	<b>\$784,920</b>	<b>(\$71,146)</b>	<b>-8.31%</b>

The final Capital Plan was a reduction of \$579,493 from the original Plan of \$1,364,413 (-42%) to meet 4% Operating Budget



# Capital Projects

- Hardy/Hunnewell/Upham (Article 22)
- High School Track and Field Project (Article 20)
- Fiske and Schofield Renovations
- Middle School Windows
- School Security



Thank you