

LEXINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

RECOMMENDED FY11 BUDGET GUIDELINES

In order to provide for the educational needs of Lexington students, the Superintendent will develop a fiscal year 11 budget that will:

1. Continue the current level of services with the understanding the School Committee will consider equal-cost substitutions in the recommended budget with all assumptions clearly defined.
2. Ensure all legal mandates will be met.
3. Ensure professional staffing guidelines will be met.
4. Continue to identify and plan alternatives that will provide services in more cost-effective ways (e.g., build more in-house capacity to avoid some special education out-of-district costs, reduce energy consumption, reduce special education transportation costs per rider).
5. Maintain capital assets in order to support the instructional program, protect the physical assets of the Town of Lexington, and to ensure the health and safety of our students and staff.
6. Identify ways to reduce the budget, if there are not sufficient monies available to fund a level-service budget.