

Public Education

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Northborough K-8 Public Schools

It is the mission of the Public Schools of Northborough to maximize academic achievement, social responsibility and lifelong learning by attending to the intellectual and developmental needs of individual students in supportive classroom environments.

The Northborough School Committee consists of five (5) members elected by the voters of the Town of Northborough. The Northborough Public School System serves children in grades Kindergarten through 8. There are four elementary schools: the Fannie E. Proctor School, the Lincoln Street School, the Marion E. Zeh School, and the Marguerite E. Peaslee School. These four schools serve children from Kindergarten through grade 5. There is also one middle school, the Robert E. Melican Middle School, which serves grades 6, 7 and 8.

As of October 1, 2012, a total of 1,891 students attend the Northborough schools—enrollment of 1,249 students in grades K-5 at the four town elementary schools and an enrollment of 642 students for grades 6-8 at the Middle School. In FY2014, the proposed K-8 School budget is an increase of \$877,287 or 4.50%.

	FY2010 ACTUAL	FY2011 ACTUAL	FY2012 ACTUAL	FY2013 BUDGETED	FY2013 SIX MONTHS	FY2014 PROPOSED
NORTHBOROUGH K-8 SCHOOLS						
K-8 School Department	17,450,696	17,791,049	18,453,076	19,495,277	6,131,763	20,372,564
TOTAL	17,450,696	17,791,049	18,453,076	19,495,277	6,131,763	20,372,564

****For detailed information regarding the Northborough K-8 Public School budget, initiatives and goals, please see the School Superintendent's FY2014 budget.****



Northborough-Southborough Regional High School

The Northborough-Southborough Regional High School Committee consists of five (5) members from Northborough and five (5) members from Southborough. The Northborough-Southborough Regional School District houses students from grades 9 through 12 in Algonquin Regional High School. Algonquin is a comprehensive high school; that is, a school designed to meet the needs of a variety of students, including students preparing to enter a four-year college or university, students who will continue their education for a shorter period of time in a junior college, vocational or technical school, and students preparing to enter the workforce. The school is organized in a Lower School for grades 9-10 and an Upper School for grades 11-12. An Instructional Support Unit serves all students in all grades. Approximately 90% of Algonquin graduates enter post-secondary education institutions

As of October 1, 2012, a total of 863 Northborough students attend the Northborough-Southborough Regional High School. This represents 58.39% of the total student enrollment in grades 9-12. The Northborough-Southborough budget is composed of an operating assessment and a debt payment related to the completed renovation/addition project. In FY2014 the operating assessment increases \$801,892, or 9.98% to \$8,835,115. However, the debt for ARHS decreases by \$623,862, or 48.82% to \$659,761.

It is important to note that the net effect of changes to the ARHS assessment and debt service is an overall increase of 1.85%, or \$172,559.

	FY2010 ACTUAL	FY2011 ACTUAL	FY2012 ACTUAL	FY2013 BUDGETED	FY2013 SIX MONTHS	FY2014 PROPOSED
ALGONQUIN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL						
19981 Algonquin Regional Assessment	7,962,259	7,696,524	7,817,716	8,033,223	4,050,161	8,835,115
19981 Debt- Exclusion – Prop 2 1/2	875,871	1,131,427	1,267,629	1,289,094	644,547	659,761
19981 Debt – Not Excluded	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	8,838,130	8,827,951	9,085,345	9,322,317	4,694,708	9,494,876

****For detailed information regarding the Northborough/Southborough Regional High School budget, initiatives and goals, please see the School Superintendent's FY2014 budget.****



Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School

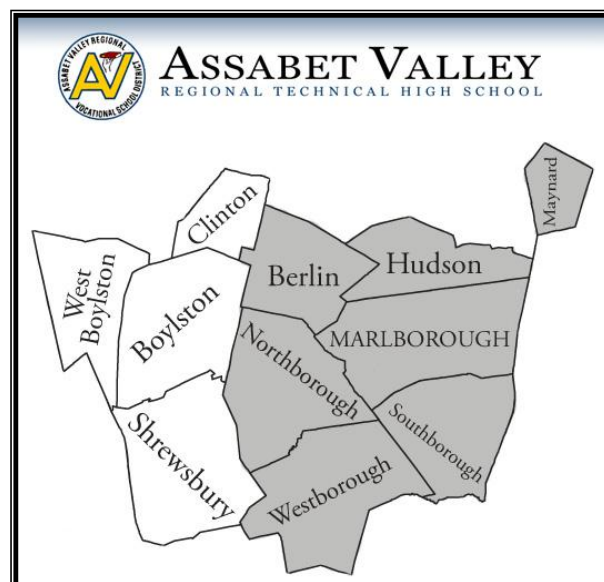
Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School is a vocational school composed of the member communities of Berlin, Hudson, Marlborough, Maynard, Northborough, Southborough and Westborough. Northborough's assessment is based upon the number of students from Town attending the school. The total FY2014 budget is \$17,794,000 which is a \$194,000 or 1.12% increase.

A \$62.4 million building renovation project has been approved by all of the member communities. The Massachusetts School Building Authority voted to fund 53.48% of the project. The construction will begin in the summer of 2013. Northborough's debt assessment will be \$1,044 in FY2014, \$15,660 in FY2015 and \$39,413 in FY2016. The debt assessment will peak in FY2017 at \$166,934.

As of October 1, 2012, 46 Northborough students attend Assabet Valley, which represents 6.53% of the FY2014 budget, or an operating assessment of \$646,939. This is a decrease from the 49 Northborough students on October 1, 2011. The total FY2014 assessment, including the \$1,044 in debt service is \$647,983.

	FY2010 ACTUAL	FY2011 ACTUAL	FY2012 ACTUAL	FY2013 BUDGETED	FY2013 SIX MONTHS	FY2014 PROPOSED
ASSABET VALLEY REG TECH HIGH SCH						
53260 Assabet Regional Assessment	600,335	680,836	517,488	656,645	328,323	647,983
TOTAL	600,335	680,836	517,488	656,645	328,323	647,983

****For more information regarding the Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School budget, initiatives and goals, please see the Assabet Valley's School Superintendent's FY2014 budget.****





Norfolk County Agricultural High School

Norfolk County Agricultural High School (NCAHS) is a public high school in Walpole Massachusetts that offers academic and vocational training to 489 students from 27 towns, one city and more than 40 out of county (tuition) towns.

In prior years the Town has borne the expense of tuition and transportation to the NCAHS in the Town's portion of the budget. This expense is borne by the Town because students have the freedom to seek admission to schools with state-approved vocational technical education programs pursuant to M.G.L. c. 74 603 CMR 4.00 and are known as Chapter 74 approved programs. Since the Town of Northborough did not offer the particular vocational technical education program in which the student was interested, either at the high school or the regional vocational technical high school to which the town belongs, the student then had the option to apply to any school which offered such a program.

In this case the student applied for admission and was accepted, under the Chapter 74 non-resident option, to the NCAHS program. Once accepted the Town is required to bear the cost of both tuition and transportation.

There are no students expected to attend this school for the next fiscal year.

	FY2010 ACTUAL	FY2011 ACTUAL	FY2012 ACTUAL	FY2013 BUDGETED	FY2013 SIX MONTHS	FY2014 PROPOSED
NORFOLK AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL						
56470 Norfolk Agricultural Assessment	33,277	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	33,277	0	0	0	0	0