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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 eighth. 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 five. There is also one middle school, the Robert E. Melican Middle School, which serves grades six through eight.

In FY2020, the proposed K-8 School budget is an increase of \$662,965 or 2.73%.

	FY2015 ACTUAL	FY2016 ACTUAL	FY2018 ACTUAL	FY2019 BUDGETED	FY2019 SIX MONTHS	FY2020 PROPOSED
NORTHBOROUGH K-8 SCHOOLS						
K-8 School Department	21,741,419	22,645,509	23,297,829	24,265,593	9,250,851	24,928,558
TOTAL	21,741,419	22,645,509	23,297,829	24,265,593	9,250,851	24,928,558

Northborough K-8 Public School											
Enrollment as of October 1, 2018											
	Grade										
School	Pre-K	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Totals
Lincoln		41	40	40	48	43	37				249
Peaslee		40	38	54	63	42	40				277
Proctor		36	35	40	43	50	34				238
Zeh		34	40	40	43	42	45				244
Melican								181	201	198	580
	0	151	153	174	197	177	156	181	201	198	1588

*Approximately 40 Northborough Pre-K students attend school in Southborough

****For detailed information regarding the Northborough K-8 Public School budget, initiatives and goals, please see the School Superintendent's FY2020 budget.****



Northborough-Southborough Regional High School

The Northborough-Southborough Regional 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 nine through twelve 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. Approximately 90% of Algonquin graduates enter post-secondary education institutions.

The Northborough-Southborough Regional High School budget is composed of an operating assessment and a debt payment related to the completed renovation/addition project. The FY2020 operating assessment is \$12,252,514 which is a \$947,800 increase, or 8.38%. This significant increase is primarily due to 21 additional students attending the high school from Northborough. The debt for ARHS increases by \$10,668, or 1.75%, to \$621,442. Additionally, the debt exclusion will be reduced by \$220,000 which is the amount of the estimated FY2020 settlement payment from the Town of Southborough as a result of the declaratory judgement for the renovation/addition project. The net effect of the combined operating assessment and new debt service is an overall budget increase of \$958,468, or 8.04%, to \$12,873,956.

	FY2016 ACTUAL	FY2017 ACTUAL	FY2018 ACTUAL	FY2019 BUDGETED	FY2019 SIX MONTHS	FY2020 PROPOSED
ALGONQUIN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL						
19981 Algonquin Regional Assessment	9,421,675	10,071,650	10,406,325	11,304,714	5,655,403	12,252,514
19981 Debt- Exclusion – Prop 2 1/2	656,493	661,206	660,574	610,774	305,387	621,442
19981 Debt – Not Excluded	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	10,078,168	10,732,856	11,066,899	11,915,488	5,960,790	12,873,956

Algonquin Regional High School Enrollment as of October 1, 2018					
	Grade				
Town	9	10	11	12	Totals
Northborough	200	258	207	229	894
Southborough	135	135	137	147	554
Other	1	2	2	2	7
	336	395	346	378	1455

****For detailed information regarding the Northborough/Southborough Regional High School budget, initiatives and goals, please see the School Superintendent's FY2020 budget.****



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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 FY2020 budget is \$21,960,000 which is an increase of \$896,000, or 4.25%.

As of October 1, 2018, 45 Northborough students attend Assabet Valley, which represents 5.38% of the FY2020 overall Assabet budget, or an operating assessment of \$694,822. This is an enrollment increase of 4 from the 41 Northborough students that attended Assabet Valley last year. Northborough's FY2020 share of the debt assessment from the completed building renovation project is \$141,488, which will continue to decline in subsequent years. The net effect of the combined operating assessment and new debt service is \$836,310, which is an increase of \$78,588, or 10.37%.

	FY2016 ACTUAL	FY2017 ACTUAL	FY2018 ACTUAL	FY2019 BUDGETED	FY2019 SIX MONTHS	FY2020 PROPOSED
ASSABET VALLEY REG TECH HIGH SCH						
53260 Assabet Regional Assessment	868,431	688,313	741,661	612,406	306,203	694,822
53265 Assabet Non-Excluded Debt	15,006	192,135	151,232	145,316	145,316	141,488
TOTAL	883,437	880,448	892,893	757,722	451,519	836,310

****For more information regarding the Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School budget, initiatives and goals, please see the Assabet Valley's School Superintendent's FY2020 budget.****





Norfolk County Agricultural High School

Norfolk County Agricultural High School (NCAHS) is a public high school that currently enrolls over 500 students from the 28 towns of Norfolk County as well as more than 40 out-of-county (tuition) towns.

In prior years Northborough 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 full cost of both tuition and transportation. Following graduation of the one attending student in 2018, no Northborough students are expected to attend this school in FY2020.

	FY2016 ACTUAL	FY2017 ACTUAL	FY2018 ACTUAL	FY2019 BUDGETED	FY2019 SIX MONTHS	FY2020 PROPOSED
NORFOLK AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL						
56470 Norfolk Agricultural Assessment	47,594	48,979	27,042	0	0	0
TOTAL	47,594	48,979	27,042	0	0	0