

**NORTHFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015**



SCHOOL MEETING

Open Session: 10:00 A.M. - Tuesday, March 3, 2015
Mary Granai Corrigan Auditorium
Northfield Middle/High School

Australian Balloting: Tuesday, March 3, 2015
Northfield Middle/High School Cafeteria
7:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.

PUBLIC NOTICE
OF
NORTHFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
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VOTING ON AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ARTICLES
TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2015
POLLS OPEN FROM 7:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.

NOTICE AND WARNING OF
PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL HEARING ON BUDGET QUESTIONS
NORTHFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

The legal voters of the Northfield Town School District are hereby notified and warned that a public informational hearing on the Northfield Town School District's budget questions will be held on March 2, 2015 at 6:30pm at the Brown Public Library Community Room.

The following financial issues will be discussed:

Article 6: Shall the voters of the Northfield Town School District approve the expenditure of the \$10,604,576 necessary for the support of its schools for the year beginning July 1, 2015? (Australian Ballot)

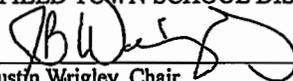
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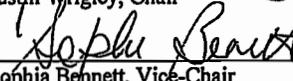
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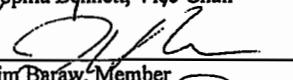
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Dated at Northfield, Vermont, on this 5th day of January, 2015.

NORTHFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT BY:


Justin Wrigley, Chair


Sophia Bennett, Vice-Chair


Jim Baraw, Member


Emily Gray, Member


Scott Page, Member

Board of School Directors
Northfield Town School District

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NORTHFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
WARNING OF 2015 ANNUAL MEETING

The legal voters of the Northfield Town School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Northfield Middle/High School on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00am) to act upon the following articles (voting for all Australian Ballot articles and elections will be held on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 from seven o'clock in the forenoon to seven o'clock in the evening (7:00am-7:00pm)):

Article 1: To elect a School District Moderator.

Article 2: To elect a School Director for a term of 3 years. (Australian Ballot)

Article 3: To elect a School Director for a term of 2 years (Australian Ballot)

Article 4: To elect a School Director for a 2-year remainder of a 3-year term. (Australian Ballot)

Article 5: To hear and act upon the reports of the Town School District.

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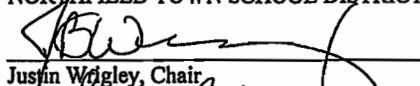
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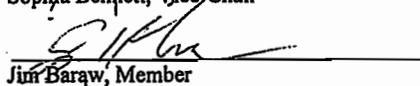
Article 10: To transact any other business proper to be brought before said meeting.

Dated at Northfield, County of Washington, and State of Vermont, this 5th day of January, 2015.

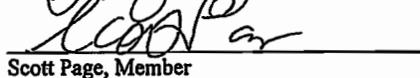
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Notice: The last day to register to vote to be eligible to participate at this meeting is February 25, 2015 at 5:00pm at the Town Clerk's Office. Requests for mailed absentee ballots for this meeting must be received by March 2, 2015 at 4:30pm at the Town Clerk's Office. Voters may also vote absentee at the Town Clerk's Office until 4:30pm on March 2, 2015. Further information on voter registration and absentee voting or any other appropriate information may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Municipal Building during normal business hours.

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Northfield Town School District

Board Chair's Annual Report

March 2015

The Northfield School Board is committed to providing a quality education for our children and doing so within our community's available resources. We are proud of the many accomplishments and initiatives happening in our schools:

- 72% of graduates from the Class of 2014 pursued higher education opportunities or military service.
- Our staff and students continue to develop a safe and positive school culture. Both schools have implemented Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) and have seen a decrease in disciplinary incidents and planning room referrals. During the spring of 2014, NMHS became a PBIS *School of Merit* following just one year of implementation.
- NES writing NECAP scores saw significant improvement between the fall of 2012 and the fall of 2013.
- Grade 11 at NMHS had science scores that exceeded the state average in the fall of 2013.
- The schools' work towards aligning the curriculum with the *Common Core State Standards* continues and the schools are prepared for the new assessment beginning this spring.
- A second annual Harvest Dinner was held during the fall of 2014 that showcased the schools' focus upon incorporating school gardens and local foods into the Northfield Food Service program. With the efforts of our students and staff, our gardens have expanded and contributed to the foods served in our school lunch and snack programs.
- *Bridges Afterschool* is in its second year at Northfield Elementary School and the Northfield Middle School. Enrollment is increasing and students are excited and engaged. The various activities allow them to explore new subjects and hobbies while simultaneously reinforcing and improving academic skills.
- Our schools have continued to enhance safety and security measures to provide a safe environment for students and staff.

In the area of fiscal management:

- The 2013-2014 budget year ended with a surplus of \$240,000. The Board proposes transferring \$90,000 to the long-term maintenance reserve fund. \$50,000 will be applied to a deficit in the food service program. The remaining funds would be used for tax relief for the FY16 budget. Addressing facility maintenance needs continues to be a focus for the Board and administration.
- The Board continues to take a conservative approach in the development of the budget. The administration and the Board developed a FY16 budget that continues to uphold strong programmatic needs for the schools while keeping the budget to a modest increase from FY15.

The Northfield Town School District will work to ensure that our students continue on a path towards academic success, strong citizenship, and character development.

Respectfully Submitted,

Justin Wrigley, Chair

On Behalf of the Northfield Board of School Directors

***Northfield Town
School District***

***Proposed Budget
FY 2016***

\$10,604,576

Increase of 2.39%

Estimated Tax Rate = \$1.74

NORTHFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET 2016

January 5, 2015	Unaudited		FY 15 Budget	FY 16 Proposed	Variance	%
	FY 14 Budget	FY 14 Actual				
ELEMENTARY PROGRAMS						
General Elementary	\$ 1,197,212	\$ 1,191,887	\$ 1,210,602	\$ 1,033,113	\$ (177,489)	
Preschool			\$ 24,915	\$ 70,080	\$ 45,165	
Kindergarten	\$ 216,390	\$ 214,277	\$ 227,421	\$ 232,524	\$ 5,103	
Art-Elementary	\$ 84,464	\$ 89,217	\$ 94,446	\$ 97,160	\$ 2,714	
Health/Physical Education-Elementary	\$ 122,618	\$ 115,832	\$ 129,888	\$ 125,904	\$ (3,984)	
Music-Elementary	\$ 50,472	\$ 47,969	\$ 53,323	\$ 45,951	\$ (7,372)	
Guidance - Elementary	\$ 54,258	\$ 52,335	\$ 57,681	\$ 60,004	\$ 2,323	
Nurse Elementary	\$ 66,367	\$ 65,631	\$ 69,686	\$ 70,743	\$ 1,057	
Library Elementary	\$ 79,999	\$ 65,051	\$ 70,503	\$ 71,306	\$ 803	
Principal's Office - Elementary	\$ 223,090	\$ 220,784	\$ 229,810	\$ 146,685	\$ (83,125)	
TOTAL ELEMENTARY	\$ 2,094,871	\$ 2,062,982	\$ 2,168,276	\$ 1,953,471	\$ (214,805)	-9.91%
MIDDLE/HIGH PROGRAMS						
Grade 6	\$ 156,776	\$ 160,211	\$ 165,117	\$ 173,959	\$ 8,842	
Grade 7&8	\$ 293,159	\$ 350,721	\$ 307,823	\$ 297,840	\$ (9,983)	
Art - MS/HS	\$ 88,212	\$ 79,478	\$ 90,256	\$ 79,504	\$ (10,752)	
English - MS/HS	\$ 179,003	\$ 194,487	\$ 194,540	\$ 228,984	\$ 34,444	
Foreign - MS/HS	\$ 65,391	\$ 69,691	\$ 69,066	\$ 72,918	\$ 3,852	
Health Ed - MS/HS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,400	\$ 500	\$ (1,900)	
PE - MS/HS	\$ 155,260	\$ 154,192	\$ 159,806	\$ 170,553	\$ 10,747	
Family Consumer Science - MS/HS	\$ 92,360	\$ 95,306	\$ 97,405	\$ 100,390	\$ 5,045	
Tech Ed - MS/HS	\$ 87,360	\$ 93,840	\$ 89,593	\$ 39,050	\$ (50,543)	
Math - MS/HS	\$ 207,047	\$ 190,539	\$ 219,549	\$ 232,136	\$ 12,587	
Music - MS/HS	\$ 77,669	\$ 81,067	\$ 85,241	\$ 87,921	\$ 2,680	
Science - MS/HS	\$ 257,397	\$ 250,729	\$ 253,013	\$ 254,130	\$ 1,117	
Social Studies - MS/HS	\$ 162,746	\$ 163,467	\$ 170,558	\$ 175,964	\$ 5,406	
General Education MS/HS	\$ 218,512	\$ 178,218	\$ 194,750	\$ 117,500	\$ (77,250)	
Alternative HS Program - Star	\$ 119,837	\$ 112,281	\$ 125,693	\$ 78,722	\$ (46,971)	
Drivers Ed	\$ 28,560	\$ 26,711	\$ 34,324	\$ 32,502	\$ (1,822)	
Co-Curricular	\$ 249,666	\$ 228,929	\$ 251,000	\$ 235,250	\$ (15,750)	
Guidance - MS/HS	\$ 205,708	\$ 213,137	\$ 196,982	\$ 173,912	\$ (23,070)	
Nurse - MS/HS	\$ 82,535	\$ 77,986	\$ 86,059	\$ 84,230	\$ (1,829)	
Library - MS/HS	\$ 86,450	\$ 82,817	\$ 87,651	\$ 88,053	\$ 402	
Principal's Office - MS/HS	\$ 276,972	\$ 279,634	\$ 289,618	\$ 188,319	\$ (101,299)	
Total Middle/High School	\$ 3,090,620	\$ 3,083,441	\$ 3,170,444	\$ 2,912,337	\$ (258,108)	-8.14%

NORTHFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET 2016

	FY 14 Budget	FY 14 Actual	FY 15 Budget	FY 16 Proposed	Variance	%
SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS						
Special Education Instruction	\$ 1,477,235	\$ 1,561,082	\$ 1,503,876	\$ -	\$ (1,503,876)	
Out of District Tuition	\$ 140,000	\$ 378,147	\$ 220,000	\$ -	\$ (220,000)	
Essential Early Education	\$ 60,361	\$ 41,377	\$ 77,673	\$ -	\$ (77,673)	
Psychological Services	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ (3,000)	
Speech Language Services	\$ 213,557	\$ 192,050	\$ 162,421	\$ -	\$ (162,421)	
Speech--EEE	\$ 6,000	\$ 1,489	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ (6,000)	
Transportation - Out of District	\$ 80,000	\$ 104,737	\$ 95,000	\$ -	\$ (95,000)	
Total Special Education	\$ 1,981,153	\$ 2,282,882	\$ 2,067,970	\$ -	\$ (2,067,970)	-100.00%
DISTRICT EXPENDITURES						
Professional Development	\$ 26,501	\$ 23,190	\$ 26,500	\$ 21,000	\$ (5,500)	
Technology	\$ 77,000	\$ 77,136	\$ 99,000	\$ 122,000	\$ 23,000	
Vocational Ed Tuition	\$ 135,000	\$ 150,409	\$ 135,000	\$ 150,000	\$ 15,000	
Board	\$ 58,250	\$ 61,622	\$ 59,000	\$ 52,300	\$ (6,700)	
SU Assessment	\$ 867,814	\$ 852,189	\$ 913,863	\$ 4,082,843	\$ 3,168,980	
Fiscal Services-RAN Interest	\$ 26,549	\$ 23,694	\$ 28,101	\$ 24,100	\$ (4,001)	
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 984,266	\$ 951,110	\$ 905,900	\$ 546,000	\$ (359,900)	
Transportation	\$ 279,948	\$ 262,648	\$ 260,000	\$ 268,000	\$ 8,000	
Debt Service	\$ 321,909	\$ 435,346	\$ 37,601	\$ 52,526	\$ 14,925	
Total District Expenses	\$ 2,777,237	\$ 2,837,344	\$ 2,464,965	\$ 5,318,769	\$ 2,853,804	115.77%
Total Expenses	\$ 9,943,881	\$ 10,266,649	\$ 9,871,658	\$ 10,184,576	\$ 312,918	3.17%
Transfer to Food Service	\$ 25,000	\$ 55,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 10,000	
Total General Fund	\$ 9,968,881	\$ 10,321,649	\$ 9,906,658	\$ 10,224,576	\$ 317,918	3.21%
Expenses associated with Special Revenue Funds, Federal Grants	\$ 450,000		\$ 450,000	\$ 380,000	\$ -	
Total Expenses	\$ 10,418,881	\$ 10,321,649	\$ 10,356,658	\$ 10,604,576	\$ 247,918	2.39%

Northfield School District					
Proposed FY 2016 Budget					
January 5, 2015		Unaudited		Proposed	
	FY 2014 Budget	FY 2014 Actual	FY 2015 Budget	FY 2016 Budget	
Revenues					
Secondary Tuition	\$ 225,000	\$ 198,870	\$ 200,000	\$ 120,000	
Driver Education Reimbursement	\$ 4,100	\$ 3,104	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,000	
Transportation Aid	\$ 68,000	\$ 86,511	\$ 102,934	\$ 86,468	
Vocational Transportation	\$ 34,000	\$ 34,992	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	
Interest Income	\$ 34,000	\$ 26,613	\$ 30,000	\$ 28,000	
High School Completion Grant	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,781	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	
Rental Income	\$ 16,000	\$ 12,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 12,000	
Services to Other Districts	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	
Medicaid Reimbursement		\$ 19,566			
Prior Year Fund Balance Carryover	\$ 80,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	
Non Spec. Ed State Placed Reimburse.	\$ -				
Misc. Income	\$ -	\$ 4,010			
Proceeds from Ins.		\$ 75,000			
Emergency Construction. State-aid		\$ 73,691			
Insurance Reimb.	\$ -				
Education Spending Revenue	\$ 8,311,392	\$ 8,311,392	\$ 7,991,173	\$ 8,272,905	-0.03%
WSSU Special Education Reimbursement					
Mainstream Block Grant	\$ 258,000	\$ 246,065	\$ 243,367	\$ 236,843	
Special Education Reimbursement	\$ 840,000	\$ 1,098,129	\$ 1,100,000	\$ 960,500	
Special Education - Extraordinary Reimbursement	\$ 5,000	\$ 89,712	\$ 40,000	\$ 200,000	
State Placed Student Reimbursement	\$ 40,000	\$ 36,005	\$ -	\$ 125,792	
Essential Early Education	\$ 48,389	\$ 48,389	\$ 51,684	\$ 42,068	
Services to other Districts	\$ -				
Total General Fund Revenues	\$ 9,968,881	\$ 10,445,830	\$ 9,906,658	\$ 10,224,576	
Special Revenue Funds - Grants	\$ 450,000	\$ -	\$ 450,000	\$ 380,000	
Total Revenues	10,418,881	10,445,830	10,356,658	10,604,576	
<p>Note: A copy of the detailed Northfield Town School District FY16 Budget Report is available in its entirety at the Washington South Supervisory Union Office.</p>					

District: **Northfield**
 County: **Washington**

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 Washington South

Statutory calculation. See note at bottom of page.	Recommended homestead rate from Tax Commissioner. See note at bottom of page.
9,459	1.00

Expenditures		FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016
1.	Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$10,271,496	\$10,418,881	\$10,356,658	\$10,604,576
2.	plus Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	-
3.	minus Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-
4.	Locally adopted or warned budget	\$10,271,496	\$10,418,881	\$10,356,658	\$10,604,576
5.	plus Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-
6.	plus Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	-	-	-	-
7.	Total Budget	\$10,271,496	\$10,418,881	\$10,356,658	\$10,604,576
8.	S.U. assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-
9.	Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-

Revenues		FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016
10.	Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$2,214,400	\$2,107,489	\$2,365,485	\$2,331,671
11.	plus Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-
12.	minus All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-
13.	Offsetting revenues	\$2,214,400	\$2,107,489	\$2,365,485	\$2,331,671

14.	Education Spending	\$8,057,096	\$8,311,392	\$7,991,173	\$8,272,905
15.	Equalized Pupils (Act 130 count is by school district)	639.06	638.72	616.35	594.78

Education Spending per Equalized Pupil		FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016
16.		\$12,607.73	\$13,012.58	\$12,965.32	\$13,909.18
17.	minus Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$443.73	\$615.28	-	-
18.	minus Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual	\$4.93	-	\$4.85	-
19.	minus Less amount of deficit if deficit is SOLELY attributable to tuitions paid to public schools for grades the district does not operate for new students who moved to the district after the budget was passed	-	-	-	-
20.	minus Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils	-	-	-	-
21.	minus Estimated costs of new students after census period	-	-	-	-
22.	minus Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition	NA	-	-	-
23.	minus Less planning costs for merger of small schools	-	-	-	-
24.	minus Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015	NA	NA	NA	-
25.	plus Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	-	-	-	-
26.	Per pupil figure used for calculating District Adjustment	\$12,608	\$13,013	\$12,965	\$13,909
27.	District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%) (\$13,909 / \$9,459)	144.534% <small>based on \$8,723</small>	142.198% <small>based on \$9,151</small>	139.637% <small>based on \$9,285</small>	147.047% <small>based on \$9,459</small>

Prorating the local tax rate		FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016
28.	Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate to be prorated (147.047% x \$1.000)	\$1.2864 <small>based on \$0.89</small>	\$1.3367 <small>based on \$0.94</small>	\$1.3684 <small>based on \$0.98</small>	\$1.4705 <small>based on \$1.00</small>
29.	Percent of Northfield equalized pupils not in a union school district	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
30.	Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (100.00% x \$1.47)	\$1.2864	\$1.3367	\$1.3684	\$1.4705
31.	Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	85.21%	87.01%	83.58%	84.44%
32.	Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$1.4705 / 84.44%)	\$1.5097 <small>based on \$0.89</small>	\$1.5363 <small>based on \$0.94</small>	\$1.6372 <small>based on \$0.98</small>	\$1.7415 <small>based on \$1.00</small>

If the district belongs to a union school district, this is only a PARTIAL homestead tax rate. The tax rate shown represents the estimated portion of the final homestead tax rate due to spending for students who do not belong to a union school district. The same holds true for the income cap percentage.

33.	Anticipated income cap percent to be prorated (147.047% x 1.94%)	2.60% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.56% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.71% <small>based on 1.94%</small>	2.85% <small>based on 1.94%</small>
34.	Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (100.00% x 2.85%)	2.60% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.56% <small>based on 1.80%</small>	2.71% <small>based on 1.94%</small>	2.85% <small>based on 1.94%</small>
35.	Percent of equalized pupils at union 1	-	-	-	-
36.		-	-	-	-

- Following current statute, the base education amount is calculated to be \$9,459. The Tax Commissioner has recommended base tax rates of \$1.00 and \$1.535. The administration also has stated that tax rates could be lower than the recommendations if statewide education spending is held down.
 - Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.
 - The base income percentage cap is 1.94%.

Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness, FY2016 Report
16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2)(K)

School: Northfield Elementary School
S.U.: Washington South S.U.

A list of schools and school districts in each cohort may be found on the DOE website under "School Data and Reports":
<http://www.state.vt.us/educ/>

FY2014 School Level Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school, enrollment ≥ 200 but <300
(40 schools in cohort)

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)
3 out of 40

School level data		Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller →	Pownal Elementary School	PK - 6	276	18.80	1.00	14.68	276.00	18.80
	Dothan Brook School	PK - 5	281	23.90	1.00	11.76	281.00	23.90
	Summit Street School	PK - 3	292	19.40	1.00	15.05	292.00	19.40
	Northfield Elementary School	PK - 5	297	27.30	1.00	10.88	297.00	27.30
← Larger	Bristol Elementary School	PK - 6	298	27.50	1.00	10.84	298.00	27.50
	Integrated Arts Acad at HO Wheeler	PK - 5	298	27.50	1.00	10.84	298.00	27.50
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data			250.20	20.73	1.06	12.07	235.48	19.51

School District: Northfield
LEA ID: T142

Special education expenditures vary substantially from district to district and year to year. Therefore, they have been excluded from these figures.

The portion of current expenditures made by supervisory unions on behalf of districts varies greatly. These data include district assessments to SUs. Including assessments to SUs makes districts more comparable to each other.

FY2013 School District Data

Cohort Description: K - 12 school district
(33 school districts in cohort)

School district data (local, union, or joint district)		Grades offered in School District	Student FTE enrolled in school district	Current expenditures per student FTE EXCLUDING special education costs	Cohort Rank by FTE (1 is largest) 14 out of 33
Smaller →	Rivendell Interstate School District	PK-12	450.29	\$15,132	Current expenditures are an effort to calculate an amount per FTE spent by a district on students enrolled in that district. This figure excludes tuitions and assessments paid to other providers, construction and equipment costs, debt service, adult education, and community service.
	Windsor	PK-12	507.18	\$13,936	
	Williamstown	PK-12	534.11	\$10,220	
	Northfield	PK-12	621.22	\$11,545	
← Larger	Enosburgh	PK-12	625.43	\$11,516	
	Stowe	PK-12	697.56	\$12,065	
	Winooski ID	PK-12	752.46	\$15,286	
Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data			804.5	\$12,969	

FY2015 School District Data

LEA ID	School District	Grades offered in School District	School district tax rate			Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates		
			SchIDist Equalized Pupils	SchIDist Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	SchIDist Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Common Level of Appraisal	MUN Actual Homestead Ed tax rate
Smaller →	T247 Windsor	PK-12	461.41	14,270.73	1.5062	1.5062	105.39%	1.4292
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Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness, FY2016 Report
16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2)(K)

School: Northfield Middle/High School
 S.U.: Washington South S.U.

A list of schools and school districts in each cohort may be found on the DOE website under "School Data and Reports":
<http://www.state.vt.us/educ/>

FY2014 School Level Data

Cohort Description: Junior/Senior high school
 (23 schools in cohort)

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)
 15 out of 23

School level data		Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller →	Poultney High School	7 - 12	223	26.00	2.00	8.58	111.50	13.00
	Richford Jr/Sr High School	7 - 12	225	21.20	2.00	10.61	112.50	10.60
	Windsor High School	7 - 12	277	20.70	1.50	13.38	184.67	13.80
	Northfield Middle/High School	6 - 12	308	32.30	1.40	9.54	220.00	23.07
← Larger	Williamstown Middle/High School	6 - 12	315	23.80	2.00	13.24	157.50	11.90
	Green Mountain UHS #35	7 - 12	348	29.73	2.00	11.71	174.00	14.87
	Leland And Gray UHS #34	7 - 12	362	32.79	1.75	11.04	206.86	18.74
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data			387.83	37.17	2.14	10.43	180.90	17.34

School District: Northfield
 LEA ID: T142

Special education expenditures vary substantially from district to district and year to year. Therefore, they have been excluded from these figures.

The portion of current expenditures made by supervisory unions on behalf of districts varies greatly. These data include district assessments to SUs. Including assessments to SUs makes districts more comparable to each other.

FY2013 School District Data

Cohort Description: K - 12 school district
 (33 school districts in cohort)

Grades offered in School District

Student FTE enrolled in school district

Current expenditures per student FTE EXCLUDING special education costs

Cohort Rank by FTE (1 is largest)
 14 out of 33

School district data (local, union, or joint district)

Smaller →	Rivendell Interstate School District	PK-12	450.29	\$15,132
	Windsor	PK-12	507.18	\$13,936
	Williamstown	PK-12	534.11	\$10,220
	Northfield	PK-12	621.22	\$11,545
← Larger	Enosburgh	PK-12	625.43	\$11,516
	Stowe	PK-12	697.56	\$12,065
	Winooski ID	PK-12	752.46	\$15,286
Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data			804.5	\$12,969

Current expenditures are an effort to calculate an amount per FTE spent by a district on students enrolled in that district. This figure excludes tuitions and assessments paid to other providers, construction and equipment costs, debt service, adult education, and community service.

FY2015 School District Data

LEA ID	School District	Grades offered in School District	School district tax rate			Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates		
			SchlDist	SchlDist	SchlDist	MUN	MUN	MUN
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Washington South Supervisory Union						
FY 2016 Budget						
December 16, 2014		Unaudited				
	FY 14	FY 14	FY 15	FY 16		
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Superintendent's Office	\$ 281,749	\$ 274,392	\$ 292,844	\$ 296,789	\$ 3,945	
Fiscal Services	\$ 170,131	\$ 165,087	\$ 175,132	\$ 176,660	\$ 1,528	
Technology	\$ 271,115	\$ 263,931	\$ 293,969	\$ 296,344	\$ 2,375	
Curriculum	\$ 70,347	\$ 55,690	\$ 61,950	\$ 71,230	\$ 9,280	
Administrative Assist.				\$ 271,500	\$ 271,500	*
General Educational Support				\$ 257,000	\$ 257,000	*
Operation & Maint.	\$ 61,465	\$ 67,595	\$ 63,561	\$ 465,074	\$ 401,513	*
Special Education Administr	\$ 120,265	\$ 128,750	\$ 127,947	\$ 138,422	\$ 10,475	
Special Education Direct				\$ 2,293,294	\$ 2,293,294	*
Speech Language Services				\$ 112,500	\$ 112,500	*
Essential Early Education				\$ 58,650	\$ 58,650	*
Special Education Transp.				\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	*
<u>Total Expenditures</u>	\$ 975,072	\$ 955,445	\$ 1,015,403	\$ 4,587,463	\$ 3,572,060	351.79%
<u>Revenue's</u>						
Assessment from Roxbury	\$ 107,258	\$ 105,329	\$ 101,540	\$ 504,620		
Assessment from Northfield	\$ 867,814	\$ 852,189	\$ 913,863	\$ 4,082,843		
Prior Year Fund Balance		\$ 17,554				
VSBIT Safety Grant		\$ 8,174				
Misc./Interest		\$ 3,913				
<u>Total Revenues</u>	\$ 975,072	\$ 987,159	\$ 1,015,403	\$ 4,587,463	\$ 3,572,060	351.79%
<u>Average ADM</u>	FY 2014	FY2015	Estimate FY2016			
Northfield Average	89.00%	89.00%	89.00%			
Roxbury Average	11.00%	11.00%	11.00%			
Total WSSU Allocation	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%			
<i>Note: A copy of the detailed Washington South Supervisory Union FY16 Budget Report is available in its entirety at the Washington South Supervisory Union office.</i>						
<i>* Vermont Education Lawbook, Title 16, § 261a. Duties of the Supervisory Union Board</i>						

1/15/2015

TOWN & SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

MARCH 4, 2014

Pursuant to the foregoing WARNING, the legal voters of the Town of Northfield met at Northfield High School on March 4, 2014 at 10:00 in the forenoon.

SCHOOL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:00 a.m.

Article 1. To elect a School District Moderator.

Richard Cleveland nominated Steve Jeffrey; seconded by Don Wallace

Nominations closed and the Clerk was instructed to cast one vote. Steve Jeffrey elected Town & School Moderator.

Donald Wallace made a motion (presented by Steve Jeffrey) to amend rules for non Northfield residents to be able to answer questions: School Superintendant and Town Manager; seconded by Richard Cleveland.

Question called and amendment passed

Richard Cleveland made a motion to amend the amount of people needed to request paper ballot from seven to twenty-five. Seconded: by Don Wallace.

Question called amendment passed.

School Director 1- year remainder of three year:

James H. Baraw (elected)	568
Write-ins	17
Blanks	158

School Director 2- years:

Emily Gray (elected)	590
Write-ins	6
Blanks	147

School Director 3- years:

Write-ins	68
Blanks	675

Article 5. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town School District.

Motion made by Justin Wrigley; seconded by Jim Baraw

Question called Article 5.approved

Article 6. Shall the voters of the Northfield Town School District approve the expenditure of the \$10,356,658.00 necessary for the support of its schools for the year beginning July 1, 2014? (Australian ballot)

Yes 418*

No 316

Kathleen Lott asked about the proposed budget and the tax rate of \$1.67 (page 3) Ms. Lott wanted to know if this was based upon this budget. Justin Wrigley stated yes this is the generated rate through the proposed budget. Mr. Wrigley explained that the budget being voted on today is \$62,225 less than the current operating budget.

Article 7. Shall the voters of Northfield authorize the Northfield Town School District to borrow money, in anticipation of revenue, not to exceed anticipated revenue for the 2014-2015 school year?(according to VSA Title 16,section 562) (Australian ballot)

Yes 425*

No 304

Article 8. Shall the voters of the Northfield Town School District authorize the transfer of 30% of the FY13 surplus to the Long-Term Maintenance Fund? (Australian ballot)

Yes 543*

No 183

Article 9. To transact any other business proper to be brought before said meeting.

No discussion

Motion to adjourn made; Don Wallace; seconded by Richard Brockway.

Motion approved

Meeting Adjourned: 10:08a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Pedley, CVC
Town Clerk/Treasurer

Attest:
Steven Jeffrey
Town Moderator

Attest:
Charlene McCarney
Chair of the Justice of Peace