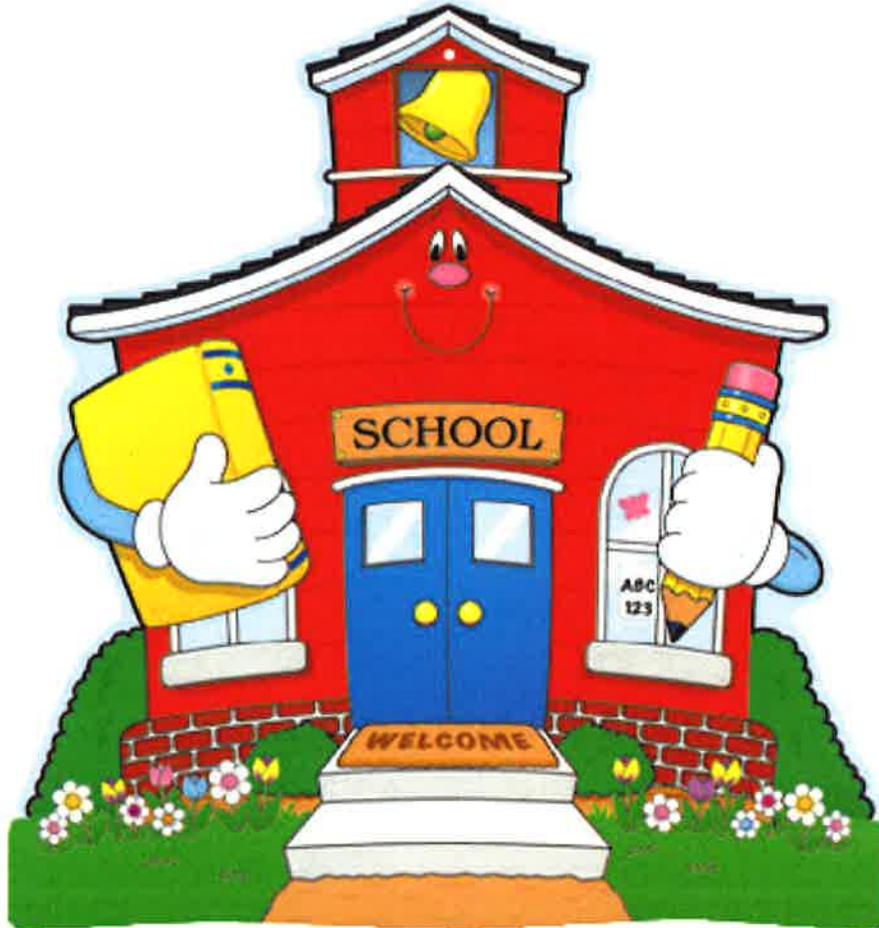


**NORTHFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2016**



SCHOOL MEETING

Open Session: 10:00 A.M. - Tuesday, March 1, 2016
Mary Granai Corrigan Auditorium
Northfield Middle/High School

Australian Balloting: Tuesday, March 1, 2016
Northfield Middle/High School Cafeteria
7:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.

PUBLIC NOTICE
OF
NORTHFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2015

VOTING ON AUSTRALIAN BALLOT ARTICLES

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 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 February 29, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at the Brown Public Library Community Room.

The following financial issues will be discussed:

Article 6: Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$10,724,543 which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year? It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$15,107.52 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 8.6% higher than spending for the current year. (Australian Ballot)

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Dated at Northfield, Vermont, on this 13 day of January, 2016.

NORTHFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT BY:



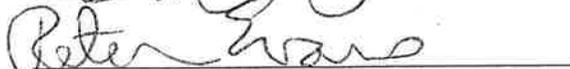
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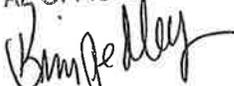
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Board of School Directors
Northfield Town School District

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NORTHFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
WARNING OF 2016 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 1, 2016 at ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 a.m.) to act upon the following articles (voting for all Australian Ballot articles and elections will be held on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 from seven o'clock in the forenoon to seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.):

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 1 year remainder of a 2 year term (Australian Ballot).

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

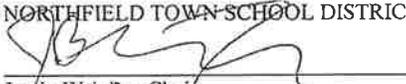
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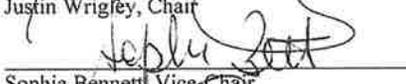
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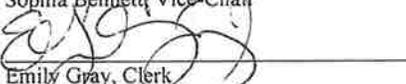
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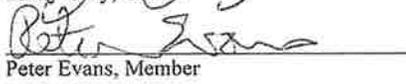
Dated at Northfield, County of Washington, and State of Vermont, this 13 day of January, 2016.

NORTHFIELD TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT BY:


Justin Wrigley, Chair


Sophia Bennett, Vice-Chair


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Peter Evans, Member


Michael Bailey, Member

Board of School Directors
Northfield Town School District

Notice: The last day to register to vote to be eligible to participate at this meeting is February 24, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at the Town Clerk's Office. Requests for mailed absentee ballots for this meeting must be received by February 29, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. at the Town Clerk's Office. Voters may also vote absentee at the Town Clerk's Office until 4:30 p.m. on February 29, 2016. 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

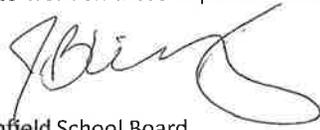
Here we are another year has passed in the operations of our schools. We have had many successes and some challenges much like every year. I enter each New Year hopeful for a bright and sunny outlook. After 11 years as a member of the Northfield School Board and the Washington South Supervisory Union Board, I have seen some very important changes in education and some not so effective changes take place because of decisions by the State legislature. I am skeptical of the impact the changes the state government has made over these years. In part, this is due to the frequency and lack of time given for new initiatives to take root effectively. At this point, it looks like the newest legislation to consolidate school districts in the State of Vermont is here to stay. I am not resistant to change, but the belaboring of school governance the State has engaged in the past six plus years has frustrated us.

I joined the school board because I could not figure out why we could not pass a budget each year in one try. Since then, as a school board and community we have managed to support our schools by passing our budgets with no extra costly re-votes. Thank you for your continuous support. In the course of my tenure, we have had minimal turnover in leadership. I believe we can attribute much of that to the community support of our schools. In the last six years, we have managed our budgets very carefully and are only up a cumulative increase amount over all six years of 1.7%. Our Governor asked schools during this time to contain costs. We worked hard to do so while many other districts did not. That said, in this next fiscal year we face more changes imposed by legislation that add penalties for over spending on what we believe is an extremely low per equalized per pupil cost threshold. We as a board have worked very hard to be fiscally conservative and to protect our taxpayers' hard-earned money. Although our budget is below a 2% increase, it puts us in the penalty column, which is unrealistic to say the least. Currently the legislature is mulling over the impact of their legislation in a slow and methodical way, leaving us in a difficult position presenting our budget to you, the voters. We have to assume they will do the right thing and change the penalty levels. We are putting forth our standard, fiscally conservative, budget rather than slashing the budget that would result in loss of programs and staff to stay under the penalty levels. We are hopeful that the legislature will make change that lessens the tax burden in our community so we may continue to educate our students in the best way possible in our community of Northfield, Vermont.

Earlier I mentioned school consolidation, another challenge that we face in the State of Vermont. The intent is to help manage costs for all, create efficiencies, and increase the quality of education and equity for all students. We discussed possibilities with the Williamstown School District and the Montpelier School District. At this time, the Montpelier School District has made it clear they are not interested in consolidation nor do they need to by legislation. However, Williamstown is very interested in consolidation as are we. The NSD Board has agreed to a study with the Williamstown School District. To begin the process of forming a union school district we must form a study committee to develop plans to consolidate. We have created a 706 study between the two districts and will pursue this over the next year. Consolidation would result in one Superintendent, one Business Manager, and other similar administration rather than each of us having all of these positions. It results in a change to one governance structure, one set of leadership and a supervisory district that would be twice the size. It does *not* result in any immediate school building closure. That would remain a decision in years to come by a newly formed Board. It does have the potential of changes at the teaching level, for example, sharing a teacher who might move between the buildings. With declining enrollment, a merge has the potential to expand our students learning opportunities by sharing and maximizing the use of resources from both districts. The process is a committee process with community members and school board members representing both towns. No local general funds support the committee process. The work of the committee and a facilitator to lead the process is state funded. When the committee has reached a conclusion as to the viability of this merger then the each towns' taxpayers will vote. Both towns will need to approve the plan for a merger to take affect and the union school district to form. There will be much more to share in coming months on spending thresholds and governance, stay tuned. We will continue to work on these important and difficult issues on the community's behalf.

Sincerely,

Justin Wrigley,
Chair of the Northfield School Board



Northfield Town

School District

Proposed Budget

FY 2017

\$10,724,523

Increase of 1.13%

Estimated Tax Rate: \$1.51

Northfield School District
Budgeted revenues Summary
FY17 (2016 - 2017)

	FY 2015 Budget	FY15 (2014-2015) Actual (Unaudited)	FY 2016 Budget	FY17 (2016 - 2017) Proposed	Dollar - \$ Increase:	Percent - % Increase:
Revenues						
Fund Balance - Prior Year	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ (100,000)	-100.00%
Secondary Tuition	\$ 200,000	\$ 149,147	\$ 120,000	\$ 151,000	\$ 31,000	25.83%
Driver Education Reimbursement	\$ 3,500	\$ 2,666	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,750	\$ (250)	-8.33%
Transportation Aid	\$ 102,934	\$ 102,682	\$ 86,468	\$ 105,175	\$ 18,707	21.63%
Vocational Transportation	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,856	\$ 35,000	\$ 37,500	\$ 2,500	7.14%
Interest Income	\$ 30,000	\$ 10,032	\$ 28,000	\$ 28,000	\$ -	0.00%
High School Completion Grant	\$ 2,000	\$ 9,124	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ (2,000)	-100.00%
Rental Income	\$ 2,000	\$ 12,150	\$ 12,000	\$ 12,000	\$ -	0.00%
Misc. Income	\$ -	\$ 4,241	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Refund of Prior year Expenditures	\$ -	\$ 14,561	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Food Service Equipment Grant	\$ -	\$ 3,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Library memorial gift	\$ -	\$ 6,547	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Miscellaneous Grants	\$ -	\$ 5,650	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Miscellaneous - Telephone Rebate	\$ -	\$ 5,800	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Act 68 Revenue:						
Education Spending Revenue	\$ 7,881,635	\$ 7,881,635	\$ 8,272,905	\$ 8,390,574	\$ 117,669	1.42%
Tech Center On Behalf (FY17 - 21.52 FTE)	\$ 109,538	\$ 109,538	\$ -	\$ 177,239	\$ 177,239	100.00%
Special Education Reimbursement						
Mainstream Block Grant	\$ 243,367	\$ 243,368	\$ 236,843	\$ 235,172	\$ (1,671)	-0.71%
Special Education Reimbursement	\$ 1,100,000	\$ 1,001,454	\$ 960,500	\$ 993,256	\$ 32,756	3.41%
Special Education - Extraordinary Reimbursement	\$ 40,000	\$ 267,599	\$ 200,000	\$ 230,715	\$ 30,715	15.36%
State Placed Student Reimbursement	\$ -	\$ 64,415	\$ 125,792	\$ -	\$ (125,792)	-100.00%
Essential Early Education	\$ 51,684	\$ 51,684	\$ 42,068	\$ 39,698	\$ (2,370)	-5.63%
Total General Fund Revenues	\$ 9,906,658	\$ 9,981,649	\$ 10,224,576	\$ 10,403,079	\$ 178,503	1.75%
Special Revenue Funds - CFG/Grants	\$ 450,000	\$ -	\$ 380,000	\$ 321,465	\$ (58,535)	-15.40%
Total Northfield School District Budgeted Revenues	\$ 10,356,658	\$ 9,981,649	\$ 10,604,576	\$ 10,724,543	\$ 119,967	1.13%
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.						

**Northfield School District
Budgeted Expenditures Summary
2016 - 2017 (FY17)**

	FY 15 Budget	FY15 Actual	FY16 Budget	FY17 Proposed	\$ Variance	%
<u>ELEMENTARY PROGRAMS</u>						
General Elementary	\$ 1,230,602	\$ 1,192,381	\$ 1,033,113	\$ 1,023,146	\$ (9,967)	-0.96%
Preschool	\$ 24,915	\$ 24,349	\$ 70,080	\$ 127,353	\$ 57,273	81.72%
Kindergarten	\$ 227,421	\$ 223,918	\$ 232,524	\$ 174,935	\$ (57,589)	-24.77%
Art-Elementary	\$ 94,446	\$ 93,086	\$ 97,160	\$ 99,593	\$ 2,433	2.50%
Health/Physical Education-Elementary	\$ 129,888	\$ 118,242	\$ 125,904	\$ 140,402	\$ 14,498	11.52%
Music-Elementary	\$ 53,323	\$ 40,356	\$ 45,951	\$ 45,111	\$ (840)	-1.83%
Guidance - Elementary	\$ 57,681	\$ 55,587	\$ 60,004	\$ 60,281	\$ 277	0.46%
Nurse Elementary	\$ 69,686	\$ 67,307	\$ 70,743	\$ 71,845	\$ 1,102	1.56%
Library Elementary	\$ 70,503	\$ 66,331	\$ 71,306	\$ 71,458	\$ 152	0.21%
Principal's Office - Elementary	\$ 229,810	\$ 236,309	\$ 146,685	\$ 148,529	\$ 1,844	1.26%
TOTAL ELEMENTARY:	\$ 2,188,276	\$ 2,117,866	\$ 1,953,471	\$ 1,962,653	\$ 9,182	0.47%
<u>MIDDLE/HIGH PROGRAMS</u>						
Grade 6	\$ 165,117	\$ 166,804	\$ 173,959	\$ 156,938	\$ (17,021)	-9.78%
Grade 7&8	\$ 307,823	\$ 408,181	\$ 297,840	\$ 295,647	\$ (2,193)	-0.74%
Art - MS/HS	\$ 90,256	\$ 75,547	\$ 79,504	\$ 80,339	\$ 835	1.05%
English - MS/HS	\$ 194,540	\$ 228,967	\$ 228,984	\$ 246,482	\$ 17,498	7.64%
Foreign - MS/HS	\$ 69,066	\$ 66,851	\$ 72,918	\$ 72,357	\$ (561)	-0.77%
Health Ed - MS/HS	\$ 2,400	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ (500)	-100.00%
PE - MS/HS	\$ 159,806	\$ 160,855	\$ 170,553	\$ 175,320	\$ 4,767	2.80%
Family Consumer Science - MS/HS	\$ 97,405	\$ 96,869	\$ 100,390	\$ 98,623	\$ (1,767)	-1.76%
Tech Ed - MS/HS	\$ 89,593	\$ 39,115	\$ 39,050	\$ 39,626	\$ 576	1.48%
Math - MS/HS	\$ 219,549	\$ 200,409	\$ 232,136	\$ 246,719	\$ 14,583	6.28%
Music - MS/HS	\$ 85,241	\$ 82,104	\$ 87,921	\$ 89,730	\$ 1,809	2.06%
Science - MS/HS	\$ 253,013	\$ 205,539	\$ 254,130	\$ 239,294	\$ (14,836)	-5.84%
Social Studies - MS/HS	\$ 170,558	\$ 154,830	\$ 175,964	\$ 183,989	\$ 8,025	4.56%
General Education MS/HS	\$ 174,750	\$ 175,762	\$ 117,500	\$ 90,000	\$ (27,500)	-23.40%
Alternative HS Program - Star	\$ 125,693	\$ 111,931	\$ 78,722	\$ 77,490	\$ (1,232)	-1.56%
Drivers Ed	\$ 34,324	\$ 27,980	\$ 32,502	\$ 32,418	\$ (84)	-0.26%
Co-Curricular	\$ 251,000	\$ 248,321	\$ 235,250	\$ 235,861	\$ 611	0.26%
Guidance - MS/HS	\$ 196,982	\$ 221,352	\$ 173,912	\$ 179,341	\$ 5,429	3.12%
Nurse - MS/HS	\$ 86,059	\$ 79,565	\$ 84,230	\$ 85,192	\$ 962	1.14%
Library - MS/HS	\$ 87,651	\$ 89,795	\$ 88,053	\$ 88,976	\$ 923	1.05%
Principal's Office - MS/HS	\$ 289,618	\$ 282,211	\$ 188,319	\$ 208,314	\$ 19,995	10.62%
Total Middle/High School:	\$ 3,150,444	\$ 3,122,988	\$ 2,912,337	\$ 2,922,657	\$ 10,320	0.35%

**Northfield School District
Budgeted Expenditures Summary
2016 - 2017 (FY17)**

	FY 15 Budget	FY15 Actual	FY16 Budget	FY17 Proposed	Variance	%
SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS						
Special Education Instruction	\$ 1,503,876	\$ 1,386,187	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Out of District Tuition	\$ 220,000	\$ 813,567	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Essential Early Education	\$ 77,673	\$ 58,873	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Psychological Services	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,001	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Speech Language Services	\$ 162,421	\$ 55,639	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Speech--EEE	\$ 6,000	\$ 200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Transportation - Out of District	\$ 95,000	\$ 160,599	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
Total Special Education:	\$ 2,067,970	\$ 2,478,066	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.00%
DISTRICT EXPENDITURES						
Professional Development	\$ 26,500	\$ 18,516	\$ 21,000	\$ 51,000	\$ 30,000	142.86%
Technology	\$ 99,000	\$ 79,764	\$ 122,000	\$ 104,894	\$ (17,106)	-14.02%
Vocational Ed Tuition	\$ 135,000	\$ 201,243	\$ 150,000	\$ 344,787	\$ 194,787	100.00%
Board	\$ 59,000	\$ 41,200	\$ 52,300	\$ 54,300	\$ 2,000	3.82%
SU Assessment	\$ 913,863	\$ 913,863	\$ 4,082,843	\$ 4,223,060	\$ 140,217	3.43%
Fiscal Services-RAN Interest	\$ 28,101	\$ 18,034	\$ 24,100	\$ 22,000	\$ (2,100)	-8.71%
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 905,900	\$ 866,394	\$ 546,000	\$ 479,070	\$ (66,930)	-12.26%
Transportation	\$ 260,000	\$ 300,487	\$ 268,000	\$ 30,000	\$ (238,000)	-88.81%
Debt Service	\$ 37,601	\$ 55,798	\$ 52,526	\$ 73,660	\$ 21,134	40.24%
Total District Expenses:	\$ 2,464,965	\$ 2,495,299	\$ 5,318,769	\$ 5,382,770	\$ 64,001	1.20%
Sub Total NF Expenditures:	\$ 9,871,658	\$ 10,214,222	\$ 10,184,576	\$ 10,268,079	\$ 83,503	0.82%

**Northfield School District
 Budgeted Expenditures Summary
 2016 - 2017 (FY17)**

Transfer to Food Service	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 35,000	\$ (5,000)	-12.50%
Other Transfers	\$ -	\$ 148,896	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ -	0.00%
Sub Total General Fund and Transfers:	\$ 9,906,658	\$ 10,398,118	\$ 10,224,576	\$ 10,403,079	\$ 178,503	1.75%
<i>Expenses associated with Special Revenue Funds, Federal Grants</i>	\$ 450,000	\$ -	\$ 380,000	\$ 321,465	\$ (58,535)	-15.40%
Total Northfield School District Expenditures:	\$ 10,356,658	\$ 10,398,118	\$ 10,604,576	\$ 10,724,543	\$ 119,967	1.13%

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

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Washington South

Property dollar equivalent yield **9,955**
Homestead tax rate per \$9,955 of spending per equalized pupil **1.00**
Income dollar equivalent yield per 2.0% of household income **11,065**

Expenditures

	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	
1. Budget (local budget, including special programs, full technical center expenditures, and any Act 144 expenditures)	\$10,418,881	\$10,356,658	\$10,604,576	\$10,724,543	1.
2. <i>plus</i> Sum of separately warned articles passed at town meeting	-	-	-	-	2.
3. <i>minus</i> Act 144 Expenditures, to be excluded from Education Spending (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-	3.
4. Locally adopted or warned budget	\$10,418,881	\$10,356,658	\$10,604,576	\$10,724,543	4.
5. <i>plus</i> Obligation to a Regional Technical Center School District if any	-	-	-	-	5.
6. <i>plus</i> Prior year deficit repayment of deficit	-	-	-	-	6.
7. Total Budget	\$10,418,881	\$10,356,658	\$10,604,576	\$10,724,543	7.
8. S, U, assessment (included in local budget) - informational data	-	\$913,863	\$4,082,843	\$4,223,060	8.
9. Prior year deficit reduction (included in expenditure budget) - informational data	-	-	-	-	9.

Revenues

	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	
10. Offsetting revenues (categorical grants, donations, tuitions, surplus, etc., including local Act 144 tax revenues)	\$2,107,489	\$2,365,485	\$2,331,671	\$2,156,731	10.
11. <i>plus</i> Capital debt aid for eligible projects pre-existing Act 60	-	-	-	-	11.
12. <i>minus</i> All Act 144 revenues, including local Act 144 tax revenues (Manchester & West Windsor only)	-	-	-	-	12.
13. Offsetting revenues	\$2,107,489	\$2,365,485	\$2,331,671	\$2,156,731	13.

	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	
14. Education Spending	\$8,311,392	\$7,991,173	\$8,272,905	\$8,567,812	14.
15. Equalized Pupils	638.72	616.35	594.78	584.40	15.

	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	
16. Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	\$13,012.58	\$12,965.32	\$13,909.18	\$14,660.87	16.
17. <i>minus</i> Less ALL net eligible construction costs (or P&I) per equalized pupil	\$615.28	-	-	NA	17.
18. <i>minus</i> Less share of SpEd costs in excess of \$50,000 for an individual (per eqpup)	-	\$4.85	\$8.83	NA	18.
19. <i>minus</i> 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 (per eqpup)	-	-	-	NA	19.
20. <i>minus</i> Less SpEd costs if excess is solely attributable to new SpEd spending if district has 20 or fewer equalized pupils (per eqpup)	-	-	-	NA	20.
21. <i>minus</i> Estimated costs of new students after census period (per eqpup)	-	-	-	NA	21.
22. <i>minus</i> Total tuitions if tuitioning ALL K-12 unless electorate has approved tuitions greater than average announced tuition (per eqpup)	-	-	-	NA	22.
23. <i>minus</i> Less planning costs for merger of small schools (per eqpup)	-	-	-	NA	23.
24. <i>minus</i> Teacher retirement assessment for new members of Vermont State Teachers' Retirement System on or after July 1, 2015 (per eqpup)	NA	NA	-	NA	24.
25. Allowable growth per pupil spending threshold (secs. 37 & 38, Act 46, 2015)	threshold = \$15,456	threshold = \$16,166	threshold = \$17,103	District Threshold	25.
26. <i>plus</i> Excess Spending per Equalized Pupil over threshold (if any)	NA	NA	NA	\$14,199.70	26.
27. Per pupil figure used for calculating District Equalized Tax Rate	\$13,013	\$12,965	\$13,909	\$15,122.04	27.
28. District spending adjustment (minimum of 100%)	142.198% based on \$9,151	139.637% based on \$9,285	147.047% based on \$9,459	NA	28.

Prorating the local tax rate

	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	
29. Anticipated district equalized homestead tax rate (to be prorated by line 30) [(\$15,122.04 + (\$9,955.00 / \$1,000))	\$1.3367 based on \$0.94	\$1.3684 based on \$0.98	\$1.4558 based on \$0.99	\$1.5190 based on \$1.00	29.
30. Percent of Northfield equalized pupils not in a union school district	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	30.
31. Portion of district eq homestead rate to be assessed by town (100.00% x \$1.52)	\$1.3367	\$1.3684	\$1.4558	\$1.5190	31.
32. Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	87.01%	83.58%	100.24%	100.49%	32.
33. Portion of actual district homestead rate to be assessed by town (\$1.5190 / 100.49%)	\$1.5363 based on \$0.94	\$1.6372 based on \$0.98	\$1.4523 based on \$0.99	\$1.5116 based on \$1.00	33.

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.

	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	
34. Anticipated income cap percent (to be prorated by line 30) [(\$15,122.04 + \$11,065) x 2.00%]	2.56% based on 1.80%	2.51% based on 1.80%	2.65% based on 1.80%	2.73% based on 2.00%	34.
35. Portion of district income cap percent applied by State (100.00% x 2.73%)	2.56% based on 1.80%	2.51% based on 1.80%	2.65% based on 1.94%	2.73% based on 2.00%	35.
36. Percent of equalized pupils at union 1	-	-	-	-	36.
37. Percent of equalized pupils at union 2	-	-	-	-	37.

- Following current statute, the Tax Commissioner recommended a property yield of \$9,955 for every \$1.00 of homestead tax per \$100 of equalized property value. The Tax Commissioner also recommended an income yield of \$11,157 for a base income percent of 2.0% and a non-residential tax rate of \$1.538. New and updated data have changed the proposed property yield to \$9,870 and the income yield to \$11,065.
- Final figures will be set by the Legislature during the legislative session and approved by the Governor.
- The base income percentage cap is 2.0%.

Washington South Supervisory Union
 SU #43
 Budgeted Expenditures and Revenues Summary
 GY2017 (2016 - 2017)

	FY 15 Budget	FY15 Actual	FY 16 Budget	FY17 Proposed	\$ Change	% Change
WSSU #43 Budgeted Expenditures:						
Superintendent's Office	\$ 292,844	\$ 271,924	\$ 296,789	\$ 288,196	\$ (8,593)	-2.9%
Fiscal Services	\$ 175,132	\$ 167,198	\$ 176,660	\$ 131,653	\$ (45,007)	-25.5%
Technology	\$ 293,969	\$ 291,290	\$ 296,344	\$ 306,335	\$ 9,991	3.4%
Curriculum	\$ 61,950	\$ 68,114	\$ 71,230	\$ 52,107	\$ (19,123)	-26.8%
Administrative Assist.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 271,500	\$ 237,027	\$ (34,473)	-12.7%
General Educational Support	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 257,000	\$ 209,963	\$ (47,037)	-18.3%
Operation & Maint.	\$ 63,561	\$ 65,221	\$ 465,074	\$ 451,521	\$ (13,553)	-2.9%
Special Education Administration	\$ 127,947	\$ 130,465	\$ 138,422	\$ 133,379	\$ (5,043)	-3.6%
Special Education Direct	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,293,294	\$ 2,308,615	\$ 15,321	0.7%
Speech Language Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 112,500	\$ 143,194	\$ 30,694	27.3%
Essential Early Education	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 58,650	\$ 2,000	\$ (56,650)	-96.6%
Special Education Transp.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150,000	\$ 165,465	\$ 15,465	10.3%
Transfers and Other Expenditures	\$ -	\$ 31,942	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
WSSU Transportation Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 314,920	\$ 314,920	100.0%
Food Service	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 67,736	\$ 67,736	100.0%
Bridges Program	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,596	\$ 30,596	100.0%
Total Budgeted Expenditures	\$ 1,015,403	\$ 1,026,154	\$ 4,587,463	\$ 4,842,707	\$ 255,244	5.56%
True						
WSSU #43 Budgeted Revenues:						
Assessment from Roxbury	\$ 101,540	\$ 101,540	\$ 504,620	\$ 604,647	\$ 100,027	19.8%
Assessment from Northfield	\$ 913,863	\$ 913,863	\$ 4,082,843	\$ 4,223,060	\$ 140,217	3.4%
Interest Income	\$ -	\$ 213	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
VSBIT Safety Grant	\$ -	\$ 5,039	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%
Miscellaneous	\$ -	\$ 1,113	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,000	100.0%
Total Budgeted Revenues	\$ 1,015,403	\$ 1,021,768	\$ 4,587,463	\$ 4,842,707	\$ 255,244	5.56%

	Actual FY2017	Two Year ADM Count 12.15.15	Town Portion \$ in Dollars Of SU Budget
Two Year Average ADM			
Northfield ADM - Percentage of Total	87.48%	579.63	\$ 4,223,060
Roxbury ADM - Percentage of Total	12.52%	82.99	\$ 604,647
Total WSSU Allocation	100.00%	662.62	\$ 4,827,707

Note: A copy of the detailed Washington South Supervisory Union FY17 Budget Report is available in its entirety at the Washington South Supervisory Union office.

* Vermont Education Lawbook, Title 16, § 261a. Duties of the Supervisory Union Board

Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness, FY2017 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/>

FY2015 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 →	Richford Jr/Sr High School	7 - 12	215	22.21	2.00	9.68	107.50	11.11
	Arlington Memorial High School	6 - 12	216	19.20	1.00	11.25	216.00	19.20
	Windsor High School	7 - 12	294	24.20	1.50	12.15	196.00	16.13
	Northfield Middle/High School	6 - 12	295	32.50	1.40	9.08	210.71	23.21
	Williamstown Middle/High School	6 - 12	327	20.50	2.00	15.95	163.50	10.25
← Larger	Green Mountain UHS #35	7 - 12	337	33.00	2.00	10.21	168.50	16.50
	Leland And Gray UHS #34	7 - 12	349	30.93	1.00	11.28	349.00	30.93
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data			379.17	35.32	1.99	10.73	190.83	17.78

School District: Northfield
LEA ID: T142

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FY2014 School District Data

Cohort Description: K - 12 school district
 (34 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 34

Smaller →	Rivendell Interstate School District	PK-12	455.11	\$15,352
	Williamstown	PK-12	529.66	\$10,795
	Windsor	PK-12	533.16	\$11,463
	Northfield	PK-12	583.75	\$13,327
	Enosburgh	PK-12	625.89	\$11,662
← Larger	Winooski ID	PK-12	723.48	\$14,413
	Stowe	PK-12	783.16	\$11,543
Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data			787.86	\$13,311

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FY2016 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	479.24	13,731.65	1.4372	1.4372	108.59%	1.3235
	T068 Enosburgh	PK-12	500.69	11,550.60	1.2089	1.2089	101.92%	1.1861
	T243 Williamstown	PK-12	533.24	13,257.61	1.3876	1.3876	89.14%	1.5567
	T142 Northfield	PK-12	594.78	13,909.18	1.4658	1.4658	100.24%	1.4523
	T198 Stowe	PK-12	703.13	14,306.64	1.4974	1.4974	99.96%	1.4980
← Larger	T132 Morristown	PK-12	761.69	13,724.35	1.4364	1.4364	105.10%	1.3667
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FY2015 School Level Data

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 (39 schools in cohort)

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)
 4 out of 39

School level data		Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller →	Windsor State Street School	PK - 6	274	16,80	1.50	16.31	182.67	11.20
	Hardwick Elementary School	PK - 6	277	21.00	1.00	13.19	277.00	21.00
	C P Smith School	K - 5	277	21,25	1.00	13.04	277.00	21,25
	Northfield Elementary School	PK - 5	278	27.10	1.00	10.26	278.00	27.10
← Larger	Summit Street School	PK - 3	285	19.00	1.00	15.00	285.00	19.00
	Oak Grove School	PK - 6	290	12.00	1.00	24.17	290.00	12.00
	Integrated Arts Acad at HO Wheeler	PK - 5	296	24,50	1.00	12.08	296.00	24.50
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data			246.77	19.81	1.06	12.46	231.90	18.61

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TOWN & SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

MARCH 3, 2015

Pursuant to the foregoing WARNING, the legal voters of the Town of Northfield met at Northfield High School on March 3 2015 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 Superintendent 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 2- year (remainder of three year):

Peter M. Evans	634
Write-ins	4
Blanks	84

School Director 2 year

Write-ins	44
Blanks	678

School Director 3 year

Sophia Bennett	541
Write-ins	5
Blanks	175

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

Motion made by Justin Wrigley; seconded by Sophie Bennett
Question called Article 5.approved

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)

Yes 416*

No 299

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 2015-2016 school year?(according to VSA Title 16,section 562) (Australian ballot)

Yes 426*

No 280

Article 8. Shall the voters of the Northfield Town School District authorize the transfer of \$90,000 of the General Fund Balance to the Capital Improvement Fund ? (Australian ballot)

Yes 477*

No 225

Article 9. Shall general obligation bonds or notes of the Northfield Town School District in an amount not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), subject to reduction from the receipt of available state and federal grants-in-aid, and other financial assistance, be issued for the purpose of financing the Northfield Elementary School Playground in the Town of Northfield for improved drainage and installation of a track, at an estimated cost of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000)? (Australian ballot)

Yes 387*

No 319

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

No discussion

Motion to adjourn made; Don Wallace; seconded by Anne Donahue.

Motion approved

Meeting Adjourned: 10:10a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Pedley, CVC
Town Clerk/Treasurer

Attest:
Steven Jeffrey
Town Moderator

Attest:
Charlene McCarney
Chair of the Justice of Peace