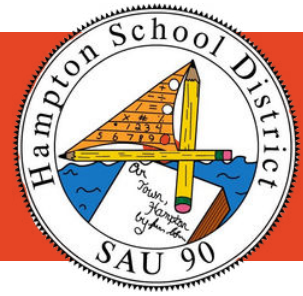


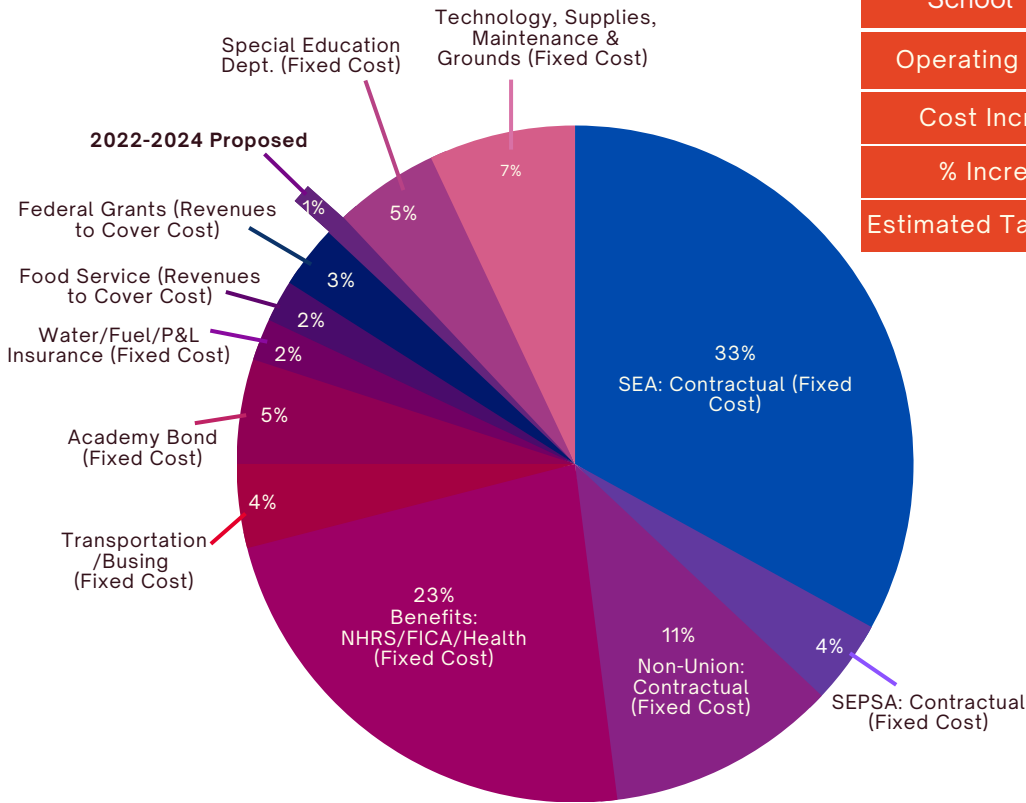
Hampton School District

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Proposed 2023-2024 Budget

Comparison Between the 2022-2023 Budget and Proposed 2023-2024 Budget



School Year	2022-2023	2023-2024
Operating Budget	\$25,647,496	\$26,809,604
Cost Increase	\$1,162,108.00	
% Increase	4.53%	
Estimated Tax Impact	\$0.30	

OPEN DISTRICT POSITIONS TO BE ELECTED: ONE SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER POSITIONS FOR 3-YEAR TERMS

When to File: Wednesday, Jan. 18 to Friday, Jan. 27 at 5 p.m.

Where to File: Town Clerk's Office, 100 Winnacunnet Road, during regular business hours.

Deliberative Session (1st Session): Monday, Feb. 6, at Hampton Academy Gymnasium.

Voting Day (2nd Session): Tuesday, March 14, at Winnacunnet High School Dining Hall. Polls open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Board Member Name	Term End
Andrea Shepard	2023
Frank Deluca	2024
Wendy Rega	2024
Virginia "Ginny" Birdle Russell	2025
Les Shepard	2025

Warrant Articles

Article 1: Operating Budget: Shall the School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$26,809,604? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$26,541,165, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Majority vote required.) *Recommended by the School Board 5-0-0. Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 7-2-0. Note: Warrant Article #1 (operating budget) does not include appropriations in any other warrant articles.*

Article 2: Long-Term Maintenance: Shall the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300,000 to continue long term maintenance, repair and modernization work to include technical and/or engineering services at Hampton’s Marston and Centre school buildings and grounds? This article is a continuation of an annual program planned to keep the buildings updated and in good condition, thereby protecting the taxpayer’s investment. Projects planned for 2023-25 are listed below. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7 VI and will not lapse until these projects are completed or June 30, 2025, whichever is earlier. (Majority vote required.) *Recommended by the School Board 5-0-0. Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 9-0-0*

Marston School	
SAU 90 Security Secured Separate Entrance	\$75,000
LED Lighting Upgrades (phased)	\$75,000
Roof Repairs (ongoing)	\$10,000
Total	\$160,000

Centre School	
Improve playgrounds, Develop a Play Area for Pre-K	\$125,000
Roof Repairs (ongoing)	\$10,000
Total	\$135,000
ADA Improvements (district-wide)	\$5,000

Article 3: Fund Balance Retention: Shall the School District adopt the revisions to RSA 198:4-b, II enacted in 2020, which allows the district to retain up to 5% of the District’s net assessment in any year, allows the expenditure of any amount retained after the School Board first holds a public hearing, and further requires the School Board to include a report on any retained fund balance in its annual report to the District? (Majority vote required.) *Recommended by the School Board 5-0-0*

Key Components of a Fund Balance Retention Law for School Districts:

- Designed to Help with Unusual/Emergency Expenditures
 - Weather related events, snow, ice, floods
 - Sudden infrastructure failure Tuition or Special Education overexpenditures
 - Peterborough’s situation – hacking/theft of funds.
- Vote Required No New Tax Impact/Fund Balance Already Raised an Apporatiated
- Amount Based on Net Assessment
- Limitations on Amount Retained- Not Cumulative
- Annual Reporting of Fund Balance
- Fund balance can be used to stabilize the tax rate over time by smoothing out peaks and valleys of appropriations and fluctuations in revenue (state adequacy funds) and could help avoid a deficit for the District.

Article 4: Child Benefit Services: Shall the School District vote to raise and appropriate funds in the amount of \$57,503 to provide child benefit services, in accordance with RSA 189:49, for students who are residents of the Hampton School District and attend Sacred Heart School located in Hampton, New Hampshire? BY PETITION. (Majority vote required.) *Recommended by the School Board 4-1-0. Recommended by the Municipal Budget Committee 8-0-1*



Article 5: Citizen's Petition: "Shall the following provisions relating to SAU 90 funds be adopted? All funds in the SAU90 budget may not be dispersed or redistributed to any private, charter, or religious school or institution." BY PETITION. (Majority vote required.)