

Northport School Department

Edna Drinkwater School

Budget Proposal 2020-2021



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Dear Residents of Northport,

This has been an unprecedented time for everyone. As we prepared to complete our fifth year as an independent school system we were faced with a crisis that no one could imagine. The need to provide distance learning to our students was uncharted territory for everyone involved. In addition, the need to provide breakfast and lunches to our students in need required creativity and determination. The outpouring of support from all of you has been invaluable and greatly appreciated. Your Edna Drinkwater staff repeatedly asked the question “what more can we do to help?” And help they did in so many amazing ways!

We are pleased to present a total budget of \$3,387,704.42. That is \$233,839.41 less than 2019-2020 and amounts to 6.46% reduction. State Subsidy is up by 36.11% to \$48,092.33 and local assessment is reduced by 7.61% from last year. Once again, this is a budget that is less to the taxpayers than the last year we were part of RSU #20. A significant reason for this reduction is due to the current educational needs of our special education students and our ability to provide programming at the Drinkwater School rather than at an out of system placement.

I would like to reflect on the past school year prior to the pandemic. It was a wonderful fifth year! We have 116 students kindergarten through grade eight and forty-eight high school tuitioned students. The Drinkwater School welcomed three new staff members this year as existing staff moved on to new ventures. Our students continue to experience an amazing variety of learning opportunities both within the classroom and beyond. The creativity of this staff shines everyday! This year we have added an intervention-based math program for students needing extra support in the area of mathematics. Previously, we only offered this support for reading. Our After-School program is thriving with solid student participation. An exciting addition to our athletics program was home games for Bobcat Basketball. Previously our students could only play away games, but with some minimal renovations to our gymnasium, they are now able to host games. Our wonderful PTG provided the concession stand and fans packed the gym to cheer for our teams!

Last fall, School Committee members, Mr. Martin, our custodian Mr. Murphy, the Business Manager Luci Milewski, and I, prepared a Capital Maintenance Plan for the Edna Drinkwater facility. The plan prioritized needs ranging from immediate to long-term projections. This will greatly aid in the annual preparation of budgets. It was determined that one of the most immediate needs is the repair of the elementary wing bathrooms. This work will begin once the facilities will not be in use by students.

As year five comes to an end I would like to express my sincerest gratitude! The support that exists within our community is something we can all be grateful for. It is evident in times of crisis and important to remember when life returns to normal. Thank you all!

Peg Long

It is hard to believe that five years ago the Town of Northport made the decision to embark on a new adventure for the Drinkwater School. It seems like just yesterday we were constructing the new Middle School wing and beginning this journey. I am just as proud of the school today as I was five years ago! Our school is an amazing place for children.

This year has brought about its challenges. I am writing this letter in the middle of the Coronavirus pandemic. Our students, families, and teachers are approaching teaching and learning in a very different way. The school has now been closed and everyone has adapted to the difficulties of being inside, with little connection to others. It is hard but we continue to persevere. We are Bobcats after all!

Though the end of our year has been challenging there is also much to celebrate about the first two trimesters of our year. We have the most amazing students and families! There are 116 students enrolled in grades K-8. We have the best faculty and staff a school could possibly ask for. The teachers, educational technicians, specialists, support staff, administrators, and school board are dedicated to ensuring that the students of our school have the best learning experiences that a small school can provide. Academically, we are working harder than ever to ensure that all students get the support they need to be successful readers, authors, mathematicians, and scientists. Our summer garden program has evolved. Fresh produce and flowers were grown by our students and sold at our Drinkwater Farm Stand throughout the summer.

Bobcat pride is alive and well. Students are able to participate in cross country and basketball here at Drinkwater. For the first time ever, we were able to hold home basketball games. Our athletes made us proud each and every time they competed. Middle school students may also participate on athletic teams at Troy Howard Middle School if we do not offer the sport here on site. Our after-school program offers students the opportunity to expand their day with various activities.

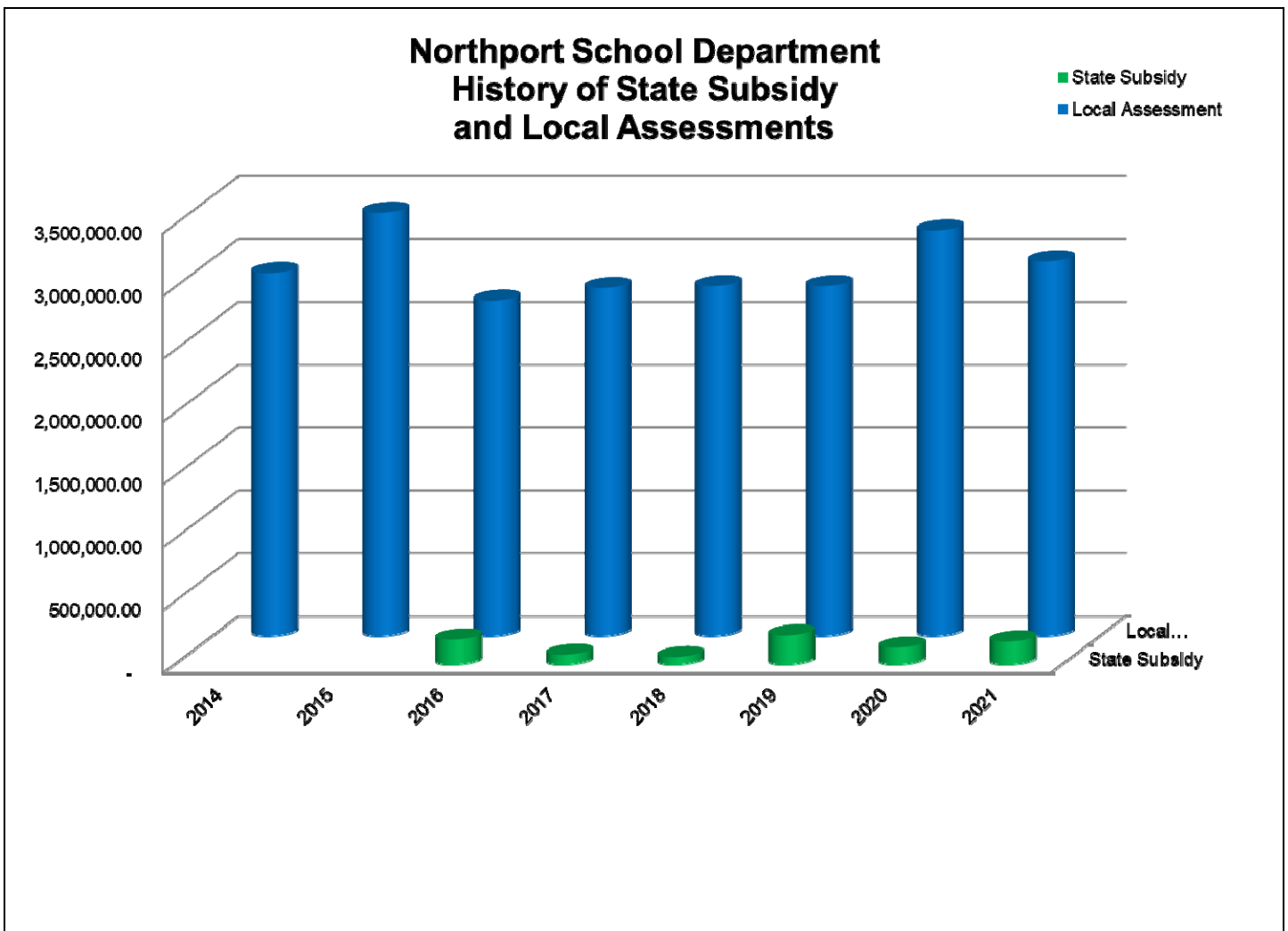
In closing, I'd like to echo the words of Coretta Scott King. She tells us that "The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members." I can't think of a time where this means more. Thank you for your continued support of our beautiful school.

Todd Martin
Principal, Drinkwater School

2019-2020 ENROLLMENTS FOR NORTHPORT SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
EDS	8	13	11	15	14	14	16	15	10					116
CHRHS										5		1		6
RSU #20														0
RSU #71										7	3	7	16	33
OTHER											2	3	2	7
TOTALS:	8	13	11	15	14	14	16	15	10	12	5	11	18	162

Enrollment as of 06/01/2020

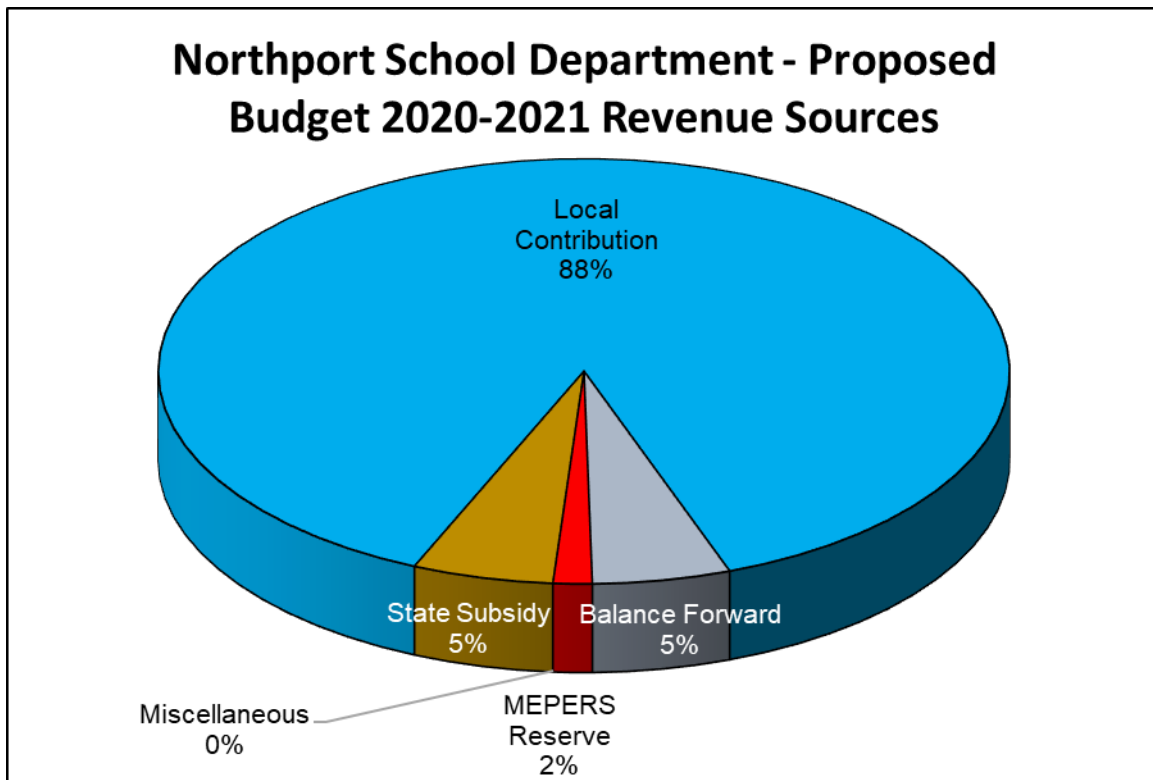


SUMMARY OF LOCAL ASSESSMENT

LOCAL ASSESSMENT	FY 2020	FY 2021	DIFFERENCE	% CHANGE
EPS Assessment	1,828,285.65	1,799,323.90	(28,961.75)	(1.58%)
Debt Service Allocation	257,067.63	259,466.00	2,398.37	0.93%
Additional Appropriation	1,138,776.82	919,985.37	(218,791.45)	(19.21%)
TOTAL LOCAL ASSESSMENT	3,224,130.10	2,978,775.27	(245,354.83)	(7.61%)

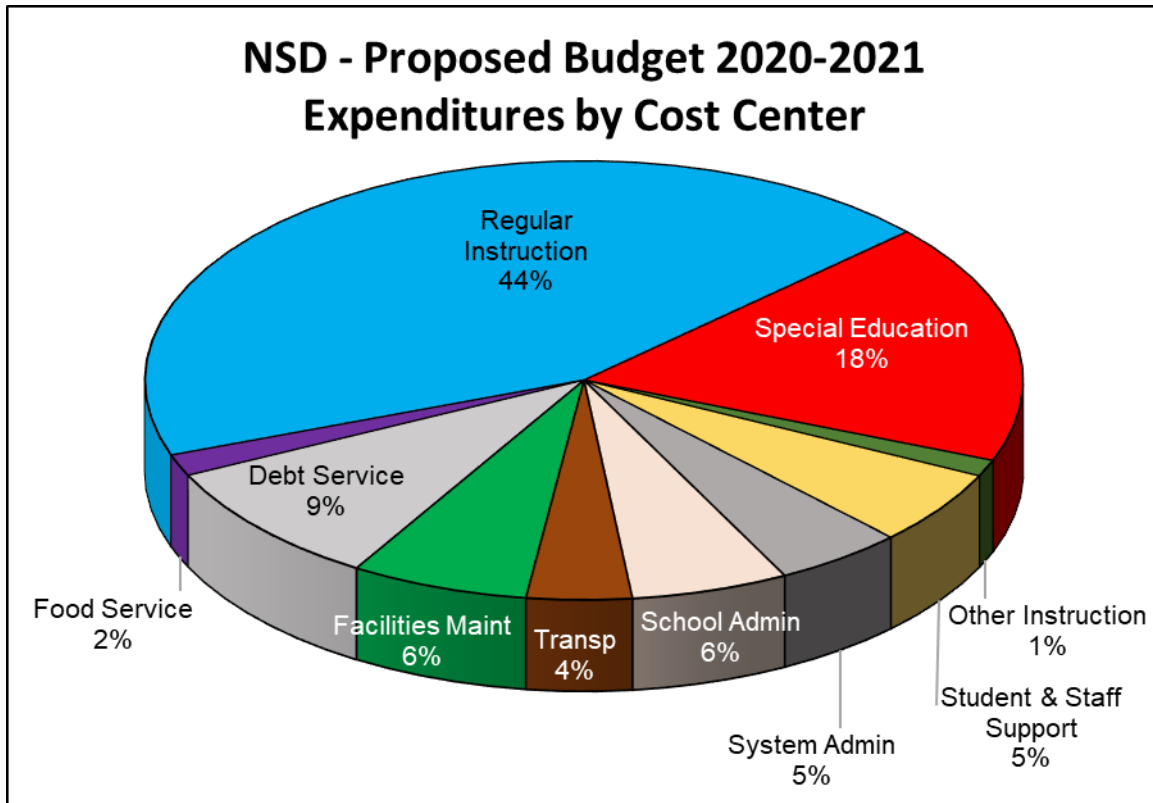
SUMMARY OF OTHER REVENUES

OTHER REVENUES	FY 2020	FY 2021	DIFFERENCE	% CHANGE
MEPERS Reserve Account	50,000.00	50,000.00	0.00	
Subsidy	133,193.48	181,285.33	48,091.85	
Miscellaneous	24.00	24.00	0.00	
Carryover/Balance Forward	294,196.25	177,619.82	(116,576.43)	
TOTAL REVENUES	3,701,543.83	3,387,704.42	(313,839.41)	(8.47%)



SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES BY COST CENTER

COST CENTER	FY 2020	FY 2021	DIFFERENCE	% CHANGE
Regular Instruction	1,595,358.83	1,481,306.91	(114,051.92)	(7.15%)
Special Education	723,195.87	602,904.7	(120,291.17)	(16.63%)
Other Instruction	28,516.47	41,334.64	12,818.17	44.95%
Student & Staff Support	174,818.18	186,644.40	11,826.22	6.76%
System Admin	153,663.10	160,974.19	7,311.09	4.76%
School Admin	193,580.37	196,099.16	2,518.79	1.3%
Transportation	164,408.36	131,308.36	(33,100.00)	(20.13%)
Facilities/Maintenance	300,413.84	221,748.76	(78,665.08)	(26.19%)
Debt Service	313,873.41	311,634.96	(2,238.45)	(0.71%)
Food Service & Other	53,715.40	53,748.34	32.94	0.0006%
Total Expenditures	3,701,543.83	3,387,704.42	(313,839.41)	(8.47%)



Edna Drinkwater School Calendar 2020 – 2021

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Important Dates

- 7/4 Independence Day
- 8/26 Teacher Professional Development Day
- 8/27 All Staff Professional Development Day
- 8/28 All Staff Professional Development Day
- 8/31 1st Day of School Grades 1-8
- 9/1 1st Day of School Kindergarten
- 9/7 Labor Day
- 10/12 Indigenous Peoples Day
- 11/11 Veterans Day
- 11/20 End of 1st Trimester
- 11/25 Early Dismissal @ 12:00 p.m.
- 11/26 Thanksgiving Day (No School on 11/27)
- 12/4 1st Trimester Report Cards Sent Home
- 12/7 Parent Conference Week
- 12/22 Early Dismissal @ 12:00 p.m.
- 12/25 Christmas Day
- 1/1 New Year's Day
- 1/18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- 2/15 Presidents' Day
- 3/5 End of 2nd Trimester
- 3/19 2nd Trimester Report Cards Sent Home
- 3/22 Parent Conference Week
- 4/19 Patriots' Day
- 5/31 Memorial Day
- 6/11 Tentative Last Day of School – 12:00 Dismissal
- 6/14 All Staff Professional Development Day
- 6/15 Teacher Records Day / All Staff Report
- 6/16 Teacher Comp Day – Fall
- 6/17 Teacher Comp Day - Spring

Calendar Key

- H** Holiday
- I** No School, Work Day for Teachers
- E** Early Release @ 12:00 p.m.

- 175 Student Days
- 183 Teacher Days
- 179 Educational Technician Days
- 2 Teacher Comp Days (Conferences)
- 5 Snow Days Built into the Calendar
- 1 Teacher Planned PD Day

Northport Town Meeting

July **16**, 2020

7:00 p.m.

