# **Key Dates for 2024-2025 Budget**

### MONDAY, 11/13/2023, 6:00PM

Regular School Board business meeting with budget review

# MONDAY, 12/11/2023, 6:00PM

Regular School Board business meeting with budget review

### MONDAY, 1/8/2024, 6:00PM

Regular School Board business meeting with final budget review before public hearing

### WEDNESDAY, 1/24/2024

First filing date for district officers
One Moderator, 1-year term
Two School Board Members,
3-year term

# FRIDAY, 2/2/2024

Last filing date for district officers

### WEDNESDAY, 2/7/2024

Last date for Petitioned Warrant
Articles

# WEDNESDAY, 2/14/2024, 6:00PM,

# WES Multi-Purpose Room

Public Budget Hearing followed by Regular School Board business meeting with review and approval of final budget and warrant for Annual Meeting (SNOW DATE - THURSDAY, 2/15/2024)

# SATURDAY, 2/24/2024

Last date to Post the Warrant, Budget and Default Budget

# SATURDAY, 3/2/2024

Annual Report is available with final budget and warrant (ballot questions)

# SATURDAY, 3/9/2024

WES Multi-Purpose Room Annual Meeting and Voting

### **COLOR CODE**

- Regular Board Meetings
- Very important for voters to attend
- Warnings to post or report available
- Filing information for candidates

# Washington School District

62 Wolf Way, Washington, NH 03280



# Key Budget Dates & Information Fiscal Year 24-25

Washington School Board
Arin Mills, Chair
Eric Hodges, Vice-Chair
Laura Botelho
Tyler Garvin
Danielle Moore

#### **SAU#34**

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#### WHAT IS THE SCHOOL BOARD?

The school board is made up of elected citizens, with elections taking place by ballot vote at the Washington Annual Meeting in March. To become a candidate for school board or moderator, one must file at the Washington Town Office in Washington. The Washington School Board includes five members from the town of Washington serving staggered three-year terms.

# WHAT DOES THE SCHOOL BOARD DO?

The Washington School Board is primarily responsible for determining policy for the operation of the school–including curriculum, finances, and operations. The school board develops and monitors a budget each year.

#### WHEN DOES THE WSB MEET?

The Washington School Board meets on the second Monday of each month, except during the budget season when meetings are held more often. Meetings are usually held in the Washington Elementary School Art room. All meetings are open to the public.



# Where to find the warrant & budget before the March vote?

Posted at Washington town office Posted on the bulletin boards at WES

Online at www.hdsd.org



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Request a copy from the SAU#34 Office

#### WHAT IS SAU#34?

The school districts of Washington, Hillsboro-Deering, and Windsor are a part of School Administrative Unit (SAU) #34 which serves as a "business front office" to handle all operational, business, and human resource functions of the school districts and to support a quality education for all students. The costs associated with running the SAU Offices are shared by the three member districts using an apportionment formula based on student enrollment.

#### **SAU #34 SCHOOL BOARD**

The SAU #34 School Board is made up of all of the members of the three district school boards. There are 13 members total, five from Washington, five from Hillsboro-Deering, and three from Windsor. The primary responsibilities of the SAU Board are the supervision and evaluation of the Superintendent and setting the SAU Budget.

# WHAT HAPPENS AT THE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING?

The School Board must hold at least one Public Hearing on its budget not later than 25 days before its Annual Meeting. Notice of the hearing must be given at least seven (7) days in advance. All purposes and amounts of the proposed appropriations must be included in the budget and special warrant articles, and must be discussed at the final hearing. If after the hearing, any additions are made, the District must hold an additional hearing. Posted budget forms must be certified, and show amounts on a "gross" basis, and include columns that show both the appropriation for the current year and the expense for the previous year. Any special articles must note whether or not the appropriation is recommended by the School Board.

# WHAT HAPPENS AT THE ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING?

A meeting of every school district must be held annually between March 1 and March 25, inclusive, or in accordance with RSA 40:13 if adopted in the district, for raising and appropriating money for the support of schools for the fiscal year beginning the next July 1, for the transaction of other district business and, in those districts not electing their district officers at town meeting, for the choice of district officers. RSA 197:1.

