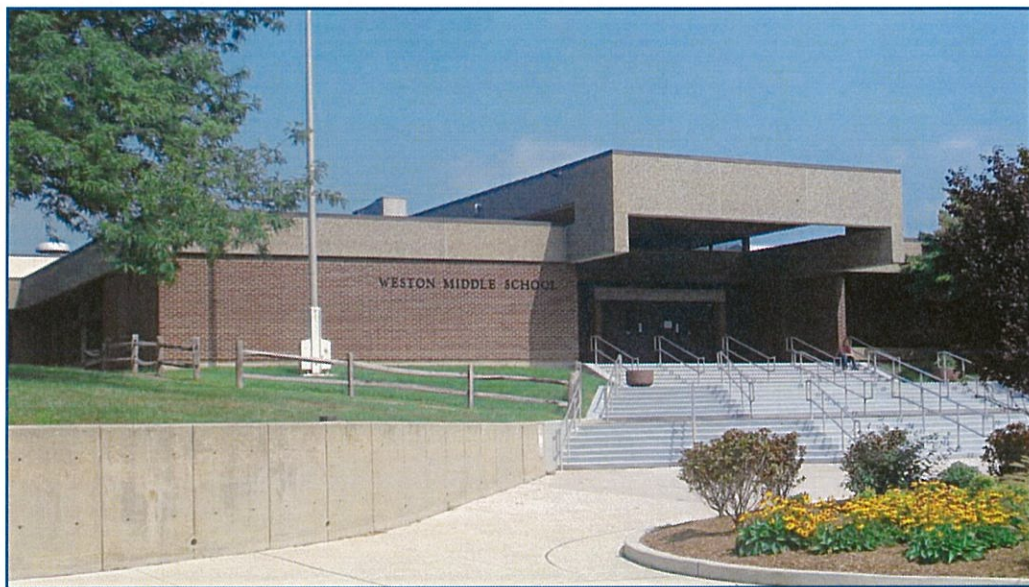




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WESTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Weston Middle School is committed to the goal of providing students with an exemplary middle level education. Our dedicated teachers are critical resources in helping our students develop the essential capacities and content knowledge to achieve at high levels. Our faculty and staff believe that these middle school years are key to the academic growth and social-emotional development of our students and they strive to nurture their growth throughout the school day and through a rich variety of co-curricular programs. The proposed budget supports our district initiatives and aligns with our mission and commitment to meet the unique needs of our adolescent learners. We have a projected enrollment for the 2017-18 school year of 570 students, which represents a decrease of 15 students from our current enrollment.

Staffing: The proposed budget preserves the teaming model, an important component of effective middle school instruction. In this model, an interdisciplinary team of teachers shares the same students for core academic classes. Our projected enrollment for 6th grade is 188 students, for 7th grade 192 students, and for 8th grade 190 students. We have not proposed any changes to our certified staffing levels.

Teaching and Learning: Our intervention and support program will continue to include 1.0 FTE for math and 1.0 FTE for reading. We will also continue to include .3 FTE for Organization and Study Time (OST), which provides general academic support for regular education students. Our core academic subjects as well as our practical and fine arts courses are designed to prepare students to be critical thinkers, creative problem solvers, and effective communicators who can work efficiently both as individuals and as members of a team. Our PTO generously provided funds to allow our 8th grade students to experience a “Colonial Day” with a full day of sessions run by the 5th Connecticut Regiment, a group of Revolutionary War Re-enactors. The pilot program this year was successful and the budget allows us to continue to fund this experience.

Educational Technology: The technology budget includes funding for a 1:1 computer program for the middle school, recognizing that computers are tools that students need regular, dependable access to throughout the day. We will still provide additional, specialized computer and software support for discipline-specific needs for courses such as tech and engineering, music, etc.

School Environment: A safe physical environment and a positive school climate are essential for optimal learning to take place. This budget includes funds for safety inspections for the fitness room and the Project Adventure course. It also reinstates the furniture replacement plan that was put on hold during the past few budget cycles. Our co-curricular program is constantly re-evaluated to make sure that our offerings meet the needs and interests of our students. Certain clubs have been discontinued and replaced with clubs/activities such as the school newspaper, the gay/straight alliance, and chess club.

We are fortunate to have the support of the Weston Middle School PTO and the Weston Education Foundation which provide funds to support innovation and enhancements during the course of the year. Thanks to the generosity of these organizations, we have been able to bring in guest speakers, special programs, and equipment to enrich our students middle school experience.

WESTON MIDDLE SCHOOL
ENROLLMENT AND STAFFING

2016-2017 Actual				2017-2018 Projected					
Enroll- ment	# of Classes	Average Class Size	Staff	Program	Enroll- ment	# of Classes	Average Class Size	Staff	Change
STAFF SUMMARY									
CERTIFIED STAFF									
Core Subject Classroom Teachers									
			7.20	English				7.20	0.00
			6.50	Mathematics				6.50	0.00
			5.40	Science				5.40	0.00
			5.40	Social Studies				5.40	0.00
			<u>24.50</u>	Total Core Subject Classroom Teachers				<u>24.50</u>	0.00
Special Subject Classroom Teachers									
			4.10	World Language				4.10	0.00
Practical & Fine Art Classes									
			1.00	Art				1.00	0.00
			3.40	Health & Physical Education				3.40	0.00
			3.70	Music				3.70	0.00
			0.60	Innovation and Discovery Lab				0.60	0.00
			2.00	STEM Program				2.00	0.00
			<u>10.70</u>					<u>10.70</u>	0.00
Academic Support									
			1.00	Reading Specialist				1.00	0.00
			0.30	Academic Assistance				0.30	0.00
School-wide									
			0.00	Learning Commons Technology Specialist				0.50	0.50
			<u>1.00</u>	Library Media Specialist				<u>0.50</u>	-0.50
Administration									
			1.00	Principal				1.00	0.00
			1.00	Assistant Principal				1.00	0.00
			<u>43.60</u>	TOTAL CERTIFIED STAFF				<u>43.60</u>	0.00
NON-CERTIFIED STAFF									
Clerical									
			1.00	Principal's Secretary				1.00	0.00
			1.38	School Secretary				1.38	0.00
Paraprofessionals									
			1.50	Instructional - English, Math & Science				1.50	0.00
			1.00	Library				1.00	0.00
			<u>4.88</u>	TOTAL NON-CERTIFIED STAFF				<u>4.88</u>	0.00
			48.48	TOTAL STAFF SCHOOL'S COST CENTER				48.48	0.00

**ENROLLMENT AND CERTIFIED STAFFING BY CORE SUBJECT
BY GRADE & PROGRAM**

<i>Enroll- ment</i>	<i>Sections</i>				<i>Enroll- ment</i>	<i>Sections</i>			
				6TH GRADE					
186	9	20.7	3.60	English*	190	9	21.1	3.60	0.00
156	8	19.5	1.60	6 Math 2**	168	8	21.0	1.60	0.00
17	4	4.3	0.40	6 Math 2 E**	30	4	7.5	0.40	0.00
23	1	23.0	0.20	6 Math 3	22	1	22.0	0.20	0.00
186	9	20.7	1.80	Science	190	9	21.1	1.80	0.00
186	9	20.7	1.80	Social Studies	190	9	21.1	1.80	0.00

**double period*

***The 2E course is in addition to the 6-2 Course. Students are enrolled in both.*

<u>9.40</u>	Total 6th Grade Content Teachers	<u>9.40</u>	<u>0.00</u>
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7TH GRADE

194	9	21.6	1.80	English	188	9	20.9	1.80	0.00
34	4	8.5	0.40	7 Math 2 E	37	4	9.3	0.40	0.00
148	7	21.1	1.40	7 Math 2	164	8	20.5	1.60	0.20
41	2	20.5	0.40	7 Algebra	24	1	24.0	0.20	-0.20
194	9	21.6	1.80	Science	188	9	20.9	1.80	0.00
194	9	21.6	1.80	Social Studies	188	9	20.9	1.80	0.00

<u>7.60</u>	Total 7th Grade Content Teachers	<u>7.60</u>	<u>0.00</u>
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8TH GRADE

205	9	22.8	1.80	English	192	9	21.3	1.80	0.00
76	4	19.0	0.80	Pre-Algebra 8	74	4	18.5	0.80	0.00
78	4	19.5	0.80	Algebra 1	77	4	19.3	0.80	0.00
45	2	22.5	0.40	Geometry 8 Honors	41	2	20.5	0.40	0.00
8	2	4.0	0.20	8 Math Advantage	12	2	6.0	0.20	0.00
205	9	22.8	1.80	Science	192	9	21.3	1.80	0.00
194	9	21.6	1.80	Social Studies	192	9	21.3	1.80	0.00

<u>7.60</u>	Total 8th Grade Content Teachers	<u>7.60</u>	<u>0.00</u>
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Physical Education and Health									
186	8	23.3	0.8	6th Grade Physical Education	190	8	23.8	0.8	0.00
194	8	24.3	0.8	7th Grade Physical Education	188	8	23.5	0.8	0.00
205	9	22.8	0.9	8th Grade Physical Education	192	9	21.3	0.9	0.00
153	9	17.0	0.30	6th Grade Wellness	190	9	21.1	0.3	0.00
158	9	17.6	0.30	7th Grade Health	188	9	20.9	0.3	0.00
204	9	22.7	0.30	8th Grade Health	192	9	21.3	0.3	0.00
			3.40	Total PE/Health Teachers				3.40	<u>0.00</u>

World Language									
51	2	25.5	0.20	6th Grade French	50	2	25.0	0.20	0.00
48	2	24.0	0.40	7th Grade French	52	3	17.3	0.60	0.20
57	3	19.0	0.60	8th Grade French	59	3	19.7	0.60	0.00
11	1	11.0	0.20	Intro to French	0	0	0.0	0.00	-0.20
120	5	24.0	0.50	6th Grade Spanish	125	5	25.0	0.50	0.00
112	5	22.4	1.00	7th Grade Spanish	120	6	20.0	1.20	0.20
114	5	22.8	1.00	8th Grade Spanish	112	5	22.4	1.00	0.00
11	1	11.0	0.20	Intro to Spanish	0	0	0.0	0.00	-0.20
4.10 Total World Language								4.10	0.00
Art									
157	10	15.7	0.33	6 Art	190	10	19.0	0.33	0.00
153	10	15.3	0.33	7Art	188	10	18.8	0.33	0.00
174	10	17.4	0.33	8Art	192	10	19.2	0.33	0.00
1.00 Total Art								1.00	0.00
Tech Ed									
152	9	16.9	0.30	6 Tech & Eng	190	9	21.1	0.30	0.00
161	9	17.9	0.90	7 Tech & Eng	188	8	23.5	0.80	-0.10
174	8	21.8	0.80	8 Tech & Eng	192	9	21.3	0.90	0.10
2.00 Total Tech Ed								2.00	0.00
Innovation and Discovery Lab									
143	9	15.9	0.30	7 Science Discovery Workshop	188	9	20.9	0.30	0.00
172	9	19.1	0.30	8 Passion Project	192	9	21.3	0.30	0.00
0.60 Innovation and Discovery								0.60	0.00
Music									
8	1	8.0	0.10	6 Beginning Band	21	1	21.0	0.10	0.00
31	1	31.0	0.10	6 Band	39	1	39.0	0.10	0.00
51	1	51.0	0.10	6 Chorus	47	1	47.0	0.10	0.00
46	1	46.0	0.10	6 Orchestra	33	1	33.0	0.10	0.00
35	3	11.7	0.30	6 Group Guitar	45	3	15.0	0.30	0.00
57	1	57.0	0.10	7 Band	62	1	62.0	0.10	0.00
54	1	54.0	0.10	7 Chorus	48	1	48.0	0.10	0.00
29	1	29.0	0.10	7 Orchestra	34	1	34.0	0.10	0.00
35	3	11.7	0.30	7 Piano Lab	53	3	17.7	0.30	0.00
57	1	57.0	0.10	8 Band	64	1	64.0	0.10	0.00
58	1	58.0	0.10	8 Chorus	57	1	57.0	0.10	0.00
28	1	28.0	0.10	8 Orchestra	25	1	25.0	0.10	0.00
64	4	16.0	0.40	8 Music Tech	71	4	17.8	0.40	0.00
39	12	3.3	0.48	6 Band Lessons	60	12	5.0	0.48	0.00
46	4	11.5	0.16	6 Orchestra Lessons	33	4	8.3	0.16	0.00
57	10	5.7	0.40	7 Band Lessons	62	10	6.2	0.40	0.00
29	3	9.7	0.12	7 Orchestra Lessons	34	3	11.3	0.12	0.00
57	10	5.7	0.40	8 Band Lessons	64	10	6.4	0.40	0.00
28	3	9.3	0.12	8 Orchestra Lessons	25	3	8.3	0.12	0.00
3.68								3.68	

Project Challenge									
21	2	10.5	0.20	Grade 6 Project Challenge	21	2	10.5	0.20	0.00
15	2	7.5	0.20	Grade 7 Project Challenge	21	2	10.5	0.20	0.00
23	2	11.5	0.20	Grade 8 Project Challenge	15	2	7.5	0.20	0.00
			0.60	Total Project Challenge				0.60	0.00
Mock Trial									
17	1	17.0	0.03	7 Mock Trial 1	20	1	20.0	0.03	0.00
17	1	17.0	0.03	7 Mock Trial 2	20	1	20.0	0.03	0.00
29	1	29.0	0.03	8 Mock Trial 1	24	1	24.0	0.03	0.00
29	1	29.0	0.03	8 Mock Trial 2	24	1	24.0	0.03	0.00
			0.13	Total Mock Trial				0.13	0.00
OST									
21	3	7.0	0.10	6 OST	18	3	6.0	0.10	0.00
33	3	11.0	0.10	7 OST	31	3	10.3	0.10	0.00
36	3	12.0	0.10	8 OST	30	3	10.0	0.10	0.00
			0.30	Total OST				0.30	0.00
			1.00	Reading Intervention				1.00	0.00