



SOMERVILLE
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Finance Meeting of the Whole

Wednesday, May 20, 2026 | 6PM

Tonight's Agenda (5.20.26)

- FY26 Projections: Salary & Non-Personnel (15)
- April Investment Roll Approval (10)
- FY27 Budget Discussion (40)
 - Open discussion to review Superintendent's Proposed FY27 Budget

FinTeam's Areas of Focus

Supporters



**Clear, timely, and
courteous
comms**

Strategists



**Improved
budgeting
process**

Stewards



**Responsible
financial mngmt**

Budget Timeline: Now thru May

- ~~(December 19th: Budget Workbooks sent to (almost) all depts)~~
- ~~January: Schools & departments build their budgets~~
- ~~January 26th: Budget Workbooks submitted~~
- ~~January 29th – Feb 8th: Bobby cleans up data & compiles all asks~~
- ~~February 9th: Budget Collaboratives begin~~
- ~~February 11th: Finance Mtg of Whole: priorities, enrollment, & precise “level-service” costs~~
- ~~February 27th: Budget Collaboratives end~~
- ~~March 2nd – 6th: Exec Team gives asynchronous feedback on asks~~
- ~~March 5: SC & PTA Meeting~~
- ~~March 10th: Exec Team meets and deliberates on key asks~~
- ~~March 11th: Fin. Mtg of Whole: Overview of key budget requests~~
- ~~March 12th – 20th: Dr. Carmona & Dr. Boston Davis review & make final recommendations~~
- ~~March 30th – April 3rd: Complete *draft* budget compiled~~
- ~~April 8th: Fin. Mtg of Whole: Draft “non-personnel” budget shared w/ SC~~
- ~~April 29th: Fin. Mtg of Whole: Draft “personnel” budget shared w/ SC~~
- ~~May 6th: Budget hearing @ ESCS auditorium~~

Development

Review & Revision

>> FY26 YTD Budget & Projections

Year-To-Date Budget Report (5.13.26)

Department	Original Budget	April 27th	May 13th	Invested	Status
Out Of School Time	\$ 980,000	\$ (90,583)	\$ (188,468)	119.2%	Over
Art	\$ 51,125	\$ (360)	\$ -	100.0%	On Target
World Languages	\$ 38,750	\$ 110	\$ 65	99.8%	On Target
Somerville High School	\$ 590,250	\$ 19,485	\$ 3,476	99.4%	On Target
Argenziano	\$ 73,100	\$ 22,092	\$ 501	99.3%	On Target
Library	\$ 82,500	\$ 12,529	\$ 832	99.0%	On Target
Curriculum	\$ 650,465	\$ 6,206	\$ 9,345	98.6%	On Target
East Somerville	\$ 67,764	\$ 7,659	\$ 1,032	98.5%	On Target
Multilingual Services	\$ 101,000	\$ 40,189	\$ 1,696	98.3%	On Target
Athletics	\$ 410,800	\$ 2,290	\$ 12,072	97.1%	On Target
Technology	\$ 803,700	\$ 322,518	\$ 26,659	96.7%	On Target
Capuano	\$ 35,990	\$ 7,575	\$ 1,289	96.4%	On Target
Special Education	\$ 10,816,200	\$ 615,935	\$ 633,929	94.1%	On Target
Transportation	\$ 1,449,194	\$ 53,849	\$ 85,849	94.1%	On Target
Music	\$ 50,625	\$ 3,653	\$ 3,510	93.1%	On Target
West Somerville	\$ 37,030	\$ 3,174	\$ 2,624	92.9%	On Target
Brown	\$ 24,930	\$ 5,609	\$ 1,895	92.4%	On Target
Kennedy	\$ 52,940	\$ 12,054	\$ 4,741	91.0%	On Target
Healey	\$ 58,220	\$ 16,390	\$ 7,134	87.7%	Under
Student Services	\$ 578,600	\$ 85,106	\$ 93,942	83.8%	Under
Facilities	\$ 442,304	\$ 72,265	\$ 72,221	83.7%	Under
Administration	\$ 715,522	\$ 166,134	\$ 136,253	81.0%	Under
Early Childhood	\$ 80,500	\$ 18,386	\$ 16,759	79.2%	Under
Winter Hill	\$ 55,540	\$ 18,925	\$ 12,703	77.1%	Under
Somerville Family Learning Collab	\$ 133,095	\$ 38,678	\$ 33,490	74.8%	Under
Professional Development	\$ 175,000	\$ 71,169	\$ 62,524	64.3%	Under
Guidance & Career Counseling	\$ 127,892	\$ 44,689	\$ 45,869	64.1%	Under
Next Wave/Full Circle	\$ 38,450	\$ 17,885	\$ 16,454	57.2%	Under
Equity Services	\$ 80,000	\$ 37,222	\$ 36,366	54.5%	Under
School Health Services	\$ 68,075	\$ 32,826	\$ 31,231	54.1%	Under
School Committee	\$ 32,650	\$ 15,477	\$ 15,477	52.6%	Under
Health	\$ 60,500	\$ 35,733	\$ 35,181	41.9%	Under
	\$ 18,962,711	\$ 1,714,867	\$1,216,651		

- **Healthy level of investment**
 - May 13, 2026:
 - 18/32 @ 90% invested
 - June 30, 2025
 - 17/32 @ 90% invested
- **Monitoring carefully**
 - Out of School Time → meeting with team to understand the why and plan for FY27
 - Athletics → was on track to exceed, now within projection
 - SHS → on track to exceed budgeted amount
- **Remaining dollars:**
 - Hold a portion for unexpected expenses
 - Invest in unfunded FY27 requests
 - Procure new curriculum early
 - Prepay FY27 out of district tuitions

Salary Projections (as of 5.6.26)

- **Headline: Trending in right direction, projecting moderate surplus**

- **Budgeted:** \$94,861,856
- **Invested:** \$72,510,569.54
- **Projected EOY Balance:** \$439,489

	Decemb er	January	February	March	April 2	April 24	May 6
2026	\$302,151	\$314,176	\$211,954	\$181,233	\$182,299	\$251,604	\$439,489
Sub 2025					\$406,961	\$462,143	\$467,292

- **Budgeted:** \$715,000

	April 2	April 24	May 6	June
LT Subs	\$747,817	\$813,048	\$893,180	
ST Subs	\$293,550	\$349,218	365,569	
Total	\$1,041,367	\$1,162,266	1,258,749	
Variance from budgeted	(\$326,367)	(\$447,266)	(543,749)	

- **Bottom Line: we have sufficient dollars to cover our salary obligations for this year!**

Key investments from April: \$2,213,098.08

Strategic Priority	Department	Vendor/Item	Amount	Source	Expected Return
Wellness & Joy	NW/FC	Roller World: PBIS Trip	550.00	Local	Motivated & engaged students
Wellness & Joy	East Somerville	Eastern Bus: field trip to Calderwood Theatre	\$550.00	Local	Authentic learning experiences
Academic Excellence	Capuano	Barnes & Noble: Books for students	\$2054.00	Local	Increased literacy proficiency in K/1 students
Equity & Access	SFLC	Justice Resource Institute: case management for housing insecure Ss	\$12,974.78	Local	SHS students who can focus on their education
Academic Excellence	West Somerville	K. Jacobsen: Executive Function Training	\$2057.50	Local	Deeper understanding of child development & more engaged Ss
Equity & Access	Athletics	Various: equipment & apparel	\$6805.50	Local	More students participating in sports
Equity & Access	Technology	Various: infrastructure maintenance	\$8695.79	Local	Safe, secure, and functional technology
Equity & Access	Art	Various: National K12 Ceramics Exhibition	\$3100.00	Revolving	Motivated & celebrated student artists
Academic Excellence	Spec Ed	Crisis Prevention Institute: De-escalation Training	\$18,596.00	Grants	Staff prepared to support children in crisis

>> Budgeting for FY27: Budget Deliberations

FY27 Superintendent's Budget Overview

- FY26: \$113,823,837
- FY27: \$122,456,384
- 7.58% year-over-year increase
- **Major investments in:**
 - Instructional staff via negotiated salary increases
 - Instructional coaching (+3.5 FTEs)
 - Special Education (+5.0 teachers)
 - Substitute support (+\$600,000)
 - Equity-driven non-personnel budgets (net +\$1,861,693 for schools and departments)

Thank you!

See you on June 17th for our final Finance Subcommittee of FY27!