

Public Education

Section 7



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Northborough K-8 Public Schools

It is the mission of the Public Schools of Northborough to maximize academic achievement, social responsibility and lifelong learning by attending to the intellectual and developmental needs of individual students in supportive classroom environments.

The Northborough School Committee consists of five (5) members elected by the voters of the Town of Northborough. The Northborough Public School System serves children in grades Kindergarten through eighth. There are four elementary schools: the Fannie E. Proctor School, the Lincoln Street School, the Marion E. Zeh School, and the Marguerite E. Peaslee School. These four schools serve children from Kindergarten through grade five. There is also one middle school, the Robert E. Melican Middle School, which serves grades six through eight.

In FY2022, the proposed K-8 School budget is an increase of \$621,834 or 2.47%.

	FY2018 ACTUAL	FY2019 ACTUAL	FY2020 ACTUAL	FY2021 BUDGETED	FY2021 SIX MONTHS	FY2022 PROPOSED
NORTHBOROUGH K-8 SCHOOLS						
K-8 School Department	23,297,829	24,263,961	24,492,750	25,177,844	8,974,557	25,799,678
TOTAL	23,297,829	24,263,961	24,492,750	25,177,844	8,974,557	25,799,678

School	Grade	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Totals
Lincoln		38	39	40	53	44	45				259
Peaslee		37	41	43	35	57	62				275
Proctor		35	49	36	38	39	41				238
Zeh		36	39	39	38	40	43				235
Melican								176	160	183	519
		146	168	158	164	180	191	176	160	183	1526

*Approximately 47 Northborough Pre-K students attend school in Southborough

****For detailed information regarding the Northborough K-8 Public School budget, initiatives and goals, please see the School Superintendent's FY2022 budget.****



Northborough-Southborough Regional High School

The Northborough-Southborough Regional School Committee consists of five (5) members from Northborough and five (5) members from Southborough. The Northborough-Southborough Regional School District houses students from grades nine through twelve in Algonquin Regional High School. Algonquin is a comprehensive high school; that is, a school designed to meet the needs of a variety of students, including students preparing to enter a four-year college or university, students who will continue their education for a shorter period of time in a junior college, vocational or technical school, and students preparing to enter the workforce. Approximately 90% of Algonquin graduates enter post-secondary education institutions.

The Northborough-Southborough Regional High School budget is composed of an operating assessment and a debt assessment related to the completed renovation/addition project. The FY2022 operating assessment is \$13,004,868 which is a \$417,693 increase, or 3.32%. The debt for ARHS increases by \$15,617, or 2.47%, to \$647,846. Additionally, the debt exclusion will be reduced by approximately \$220,000 which is the amount of the estimated FY2022 settlement payment from the Town of Southborough as a result of the declaratory judgement for the renovation/addition project. The net effect of the combined operating and debt assessment is an overall budget increase of \$433,310, or 3.28%, to \$13,652,714.

	FY2018 ACTUAL	FY2019 ACTUAL	FY2020 ACTUAL	FY2021 BUDGETED	FY2021 SIX MONTHS	FY2022 PROPOSED
ALGONQUIN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL						
19981 Algonquin Regional Assessment	10,406,325	11,304,714	12,252,514	12,587,175	6,293,588	13,004,868
19981 Debt- Exclusion – Prop 2 1/2	660,574	610,774	621,442	632,229	316,115	647,846
19981 Debt – Not Excluded	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	11,066,899	11,915,488	12,873,955	13,219,404	6,609,702	13,652,714

	Grade				
Town	9	10	11	12	Totals
Northborough	194	204	194	269	861
Southborough	118	116	125	133	492
Other	2	2	2	2	8
	314	322	321	404	1361

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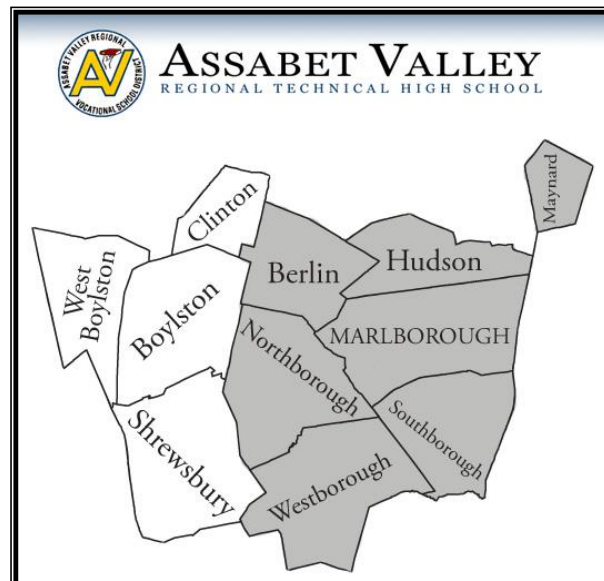
Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School

Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School is a vocational school composed of the member communities of Berlin, Hudson, Marlborough, Maynard, Northborough, Southborough and Westborough. Northborough’s assessment is based upon the number of students from Town attending the school. The total FY2022 budget is \$23,104,000 which is an increase of \$667,000, or 2.97%.

As of October 1, 2020, 59 Northborough students attend Assabet Valley, which results in an operating assessment of \$934,658. This is an enrollment increase of 6 students from the 53 Northborough students that attended Assabet Valley last year. Northborough’s FY2022 share of the debt assessment from the completed building renovation project is \$133,832, which will continue to decline in subsequent years. The net effect of the combined operating assessment and new debt service is \$1,068,490 which is an increase of \$65,644, or 6.55%.

	FY2018 ACTUAL	FY2019 ACTUAL	FY2020 ACTUAL	FY2021 BUDGETED	FY2021 SIX MONTHS	FY2022 PROPOSED
ASSABET VALLEY REG TECH HIGH SCH						
53260 Assabet Regional Assessment	741,661	612,406	694,822	865,186	432,593	934,658
53265 Assabet Non-Excluded Debt	151,232	145,316	141,488	137,660	137,660	133,832
TOTAL	892,893	757,722	836,310	1,002,846	570,253	1,068,490

****For more information regarding the Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School budget, initiatives and goals, please see the Assabet Valley’s School Superintendent’s FY2022 budget.****





Norfolk County Agricultural High School

Norfolk County Agricultural High School (NCAHS) is a public high school located in Walpole that currently enrolls over 500 students from the 28 towns of Norfolk County as well as more than 40 out-of-county (tuition) towns.

In prior years Northborough has borne the expense of tuition and transportation to the NCAHS in the Town’s portion of the budget. This expense is borne by the Town because students have the freedom to seek admission to schools with state-approved vocational technical education programs pursuant to M.G.L. c. 74 603 CMR 4.00 and are known as Chapter 74 approved programs. Since the Town of Northborough did not offer the particular vocational technical education program in which the student was interested, either at the high school or the regional vocational technical high school to which the town belongs, the student then had the option to apply to any school which offered such a program.

Following several years of no NCAHS expenses, the Town was notified that a student applied for admission and was accepted, under the Chapter 74 non-resident option, to the NCAHS program. Once accepted the Town is required to bear the full cost of both tuition and transportation. The FY2022 cost for one student’s tuition and transportation costs is \$38,500.

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NORFOLK AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL						
56470 Norfolk Agricultural Assessment	27,042	0	0	0	0	38,500
TOTAL	27,042	0	0	0	0	38,500