# Marlborough Board of Education 2023-2024 Budget Highlights

The BOE Budget maintains a commitment to class sizes, programs, and services that are integral to the success of Marlborough Elementary School students.

It contains the necessary investments in staffing, curriculum, instruction, professional development, and operations as outlined in the MES Strategic Continuous Improvement Plan (SCIP) to run an outstanding, safe, and happy school to meet learners where they are and lead them to gains in the acquisition of fundamental knowledge and skills.

# The Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Plan amount to a 0.71% increase over FY23 funding.

- The Operating Budget includes the addition of two necessary positions; a School Resource Officer (SRO) & a Director of Operations (Facilities/Technology/ Security Systems/Transportation)
- A significantly smaller Capital Plan request compared to FY23 funding buffers the Operating Budget increase of 4.96% (2% of which is due to the added positions).
- The Capital Improvement Plan funding request includes (1) An Architectural Study, necessary to be eligible for federal and state reimbursement for projects. The study would lead to the development of a long-term Capital Plan; (2) Continued maintenance of the school building's brick exterior, and; (3) Replacement of five exterior doors.

# **BOE FY24 Budget Summary**

Operating & Capital Plan Budgets: **\$8,531,429** An increase of \$59,897 (**0.71% increase**)

TOWN BUDGET HEARINGS April 17th & MAY 1st MES Cafeteria, 7:00 PM

TOWN BUDGET REFERENDUM MAY 2nd MES Community Room, 6:00 AM-8:00 PM

#### **MES: Excellent Return on Investment**

- \* State School of Distinction in Math
- \* 15th out of 182 schools on the Next Gen. Science Standards (NGSS) assessment

**MES Vision:** To inspire wonder, awe, and curiosity and to motivate young minds to embrace learning.

**MES Mission Statement:** In a partnership of family, school, and community, our mission is to educate, challenge, and inspire each individual to excel and become a contributing member of society.

# **Budget - Supported Strategic Investments**

• Retain and recruit highly-qualified and caring staff and provide relevant professional development

• Implement a Literacy Program which is aligned to the Science of Reading- including explicit and systematic foundational instruction in K-3

- Continue to implement the Math Program with fidelity
- Support robust Essential Arts and After-School Club programs to provide students with a well-rounded learning experience
- Maintain critical student supports: School Psychologists/BCBA, AHM Social Worker, Speech & Language Pathologist, Occupational and Physical Therapy Services, and Paraeducators
- Support the social and emotional wellbeing of students
- Continue improved early intervention
- Maintain up-to-date technology tools to enhance instruction

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