

Proactive Budget Process

Over the last two years, the District Administrative Budget Committee has worked on creating a proactive budget model in accordance with the District's long-range plan, **Farmington Forward**. This model has a long-term strategy that looks at the prioritization of the programs and services that the District offers. Based upon these priorities, the goal is to establish a budget that meets the achievement needs of students. Over the next year, the District will be living into this model and there will be several opportunities for staff and community input. A public Budget Information Forum is tentatively set for Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 7 p.m. at the Maxfield Training Center, 33000 Thomas St., in downtown Farmington.

The District Financial Strategies Committee, which is comprised of staff, parents and community members, will also participate in budget discussions and act as a sounding board for establishing the District's budget for the future.

For a review of the budget that was adopted for this school year and a primer on how Farmington Public Schools is funded, please see the District's budget document which is located on the District's web site, www.farmington.k12.mi.us, and look for Budget Information in the Quick Links section.

Farmington Public Schools has reduced more than \$33 million since 2002, but costs are growing exponentially and many of the budget factors are out of the District's control.

