



SOMSD 2017-2018 School Budget

How will your tax dollars be used to support our local public schools as they strive to prepare each and every student for post-secondary educational success and to educate all students to be responsible and productive members of the global society at large?

Whether you have children enrolled in SOMSD schools or not, the school budget affects every resident of South Orange and Maplewood. Our property taxes fund our schools. In addition, the quality of education and extracurricular activities offered by our schools has a tremendous impact on property values and desirability of our two towns.

The 2017-2018 Preliminary School Budget is being developed to support the district goals set by the Board of Education. The district goals are set annually and are designed to help the district continue to build momentum in enhancing student learning, strengthening teaching, engaging parents as partners, operating more efficiently, and doing more with less.

The Board of Education invites community input throughout the budget process.

How Can You Learn More?

- [Watch](#) the preliminary budget presentation from the February 27 Board of Education Meeting.
- Read about the 2017-2018 School Budget on our [website](#)
- Attend one of our upcoming public meetings (see schedule below)
- Watch the video of one of the budget presentation on our [on demand](#) server (meeting videos are generally posted within 2 business days)

How Can You Provide Feedback or Ask Questions?

- Speak at one of the upcoming public meetings (see schedule below)
- Contact us through [Let's Talk!](#)

2017-2018 Budget Calendar – **Note Corrected Times!!**

Tues. Mar 7 7:00pm	Board of Education Budget Workshop <i>Administration presents proposed budget including official state aid numbers.</i>	Montrose Early Childhood Center 356 Clark Street, South Orange
Mon. Mar 13 7:00pm	Community Forum on the 2017-2018 Budget <i>Update to community on the proposed budget, and opportunity for community members to provide feedback.</i>	Montrose Early Childhood Center 356 Clark Street, South Orange
Sat. Mar. 18 9:30am	Board of Education Meeting <i>BOE considers/adopts preliminary budget to submit to Essex County Superintendent for approval to advertise.</i>	Montrose Early Childhood Center 356 Clark Street, South Orange
Mon. Apr. 24 7:30pm	Board of Education Meeting <i>Public Hearing/Action to Levy 2017-2018 school tax.</i>	Columbia High School Library 17 Parker Avenue, Maplewood