

**Burlington School District Policy
E 3: ANNUAL BUDGET**

Former Policy DB

One of the primary responsibilities of the Board of School Commissioners is to secure adequate funds for the operation of the Burlington Schools in order to meet student educational needs. The quality and quantity of educational programs are directly dependent on securing needed funds and managing them effectively and efficiently. The annual school budget is the planning management tool, which delineates the district's educational priorities and programs, and forms the basis for voter review and approval of the budget according to State of Vermont Educational ACT 60 guidelines. The Board budget process includes input from school district administrators and staff, central administration, educational priorities for the next school year, along with public hearings, which include the school board and general public. The budget document itself is based upon the most current funding information available along with the projection of current revenues and expenditures for next year. This process enhances the community understanding of the importance of educational funding and provides them with an opportunity to review specific school educational programs and the effectiveness of the educational services that are provided.

Cross References: E 15 Budgeting for Maintenance of Building and Grounds

June 9, 1998	First reading
June 23, 1998	Second reading & adoption
November 12, 2002	First reading
December 10, 2002	Second reading & adoption
July 16, 2013	First Reading
August 13, 2013	Second Reading & Adoption