

Warning of the 2009 Annual Meeting of the Fayston Town School District

The legal voters of the Town of Fayston School District are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Fayston Elementary School on Tuesday, March 3rd, 2009, at 1:00 PM, to transact the following business:

Article 1: To elect a moderator for the year ensuing.

Article 2: To hear and act upon the reports of the Town School District Officers.

Article 3: To see if the Town School District will authorize the School Board to borrow money in anticipation of general revenues.

Article 4: Shall the School District pay the School Directors' expenses, and if so, how much?

Article 5: To elect a School Director for a two-year term; Susan MacLean-Daley's term expires.

Article 6: To elect a School Director for a three-year term; Russell Beilke's term expires.

Article 7: To elect a treasurer for the school district for a one-year term; Nicole Belknap's term expires.

Article 8: To see if the Town School District shall transfer any fund balance to the School District's Capital Fund.

Article 9: To vote a sum of money to pay debts, if any, and expenses of the Town School District, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010.

Article 10: Shall the Town of Fayston Voters adopt the Australian Ballot process to vote on the school budget to be voted on in March 2010 and in subsequent years?

Article 11: Shall the Town of Fayston Voters adopt the Australian Ballot Process to vote on the additional education spending that exceeds the per pupil ceiling, should this vote be required in 2010 and in subsequent years?

Article 12: To discuss any other business which may properly come before the meeting.

Mike Riddell, Chair
Jean Wry
Russell Beilke

Susan MacLean-Daley, Clerk
Robert Lockett

FAYSTON TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
2009-2010 BUDGET PROPOSAL

	2007-2008		2008-2009	2009-2010	PERCENT
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROPOSED	CHANGE
<u>REGULAR EDUCATION</u>					
Salaries	456,708	497,258	522,898	534,502	
Benefits & Staff Development	160,799	159,486	196,706	188,944	
Contracted Services	37,438	31,020	29,591	70,589	
Materials and Equipment	32,050	31,679	35,550	39,550	
TOTAL REGULAR EDUCATION	686,995	719,443	784,745	833,585	6.2%
<u>SPECIAL EDUCATION & ESSENTIAL EARLY ED</u>					
Salaries	105,807	101,570	110,613	97,908	
Benefits & Staff Development	20,154	17,774	29,990	36,613	
Spec. Ed. Contracted Services	47,300	21,286	20,300	20,300	
Materials and Equipment	3,000	1,836	3,000	3,000	
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION	176,261	142,466	163,903	157,821	-3.7%
<u>COMPENSATORY EDUCATION</u>					
Salaries	40,152	40,976	43,151	45,775	
Benefits & Staff Development	4,740	4,946	5,215	5,378	
TOTAL COMPENSATORY EDUCATION	44,892	45,922	48,366	51,153	5.8%
<u>GUIDANCE SERVICES</u>					
Salaries	8,125	6,930	8,666	9,494	
Benefits & Staff Development	961	749	1,037	1,057	
Contracted Services & Supplies	1,000	357	1,000	500	
TOTAL GUIDANCE SERVICES	10,086	8,036	10,703	11,051	3.3%
<u>HEALTH SERVICES</u>					
Salaries	11,828	12,786	12,628	13,410	
Benefits & Staff Development	1,509	1,589	1,651	1,667	
Contracted Services & Supplies	700	1,256	700	700	
TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES	14,037	15,631	14,979	15,777	5.3%
<u>SPEECH SERVICES</u>					
Salaries	36,746	42,119	39,249	41,671	
Benefits & Staff Development	14,250	15,813	15,236	15,082	
Contracted Services & Supplies	1,000	681	1,000	750	
TOTAL SPEECH SERVICES	51,996	58,613	55,485	57,503	3.6%
<u>IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION</u>					
In-service	6,000	5,331	6,000	6,000	
TOTAL IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION	6,000	5,331	6,000	6,000	0.0%
<u>EDUCATION MEDIA</u>					
Salaries	22,577	22,249	23,313	23,860	
Benefits & Staff Development	7,878	7,318	8,355	8,188	
Materials & Equipment	21,000	20,765	21,200	22,100	
TOTAL EDUCATIONAL MEDIA	51,455	50,332	52,868	54,148	2.4%
BOARD EXPENSE	12,000	12,020	12,000	12,000	0.0%
WASH. WEST GENERAL ASSESSMENT	24,832	24,854	28,657	31,740	10.8%
<u>ADMINISTRATION</u>					
Salaries	93,825	95,169	99,489	102,282	
Benefits & Staff Development	21,660	22,281	27,538	29,217	
Postage, Supplies & Equipment	3,400	2,754	3,300	3,800	
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	118,885	120,204	130,327	135,299	3.8%
<u>FISCAL SERVICES</u>					
Business Management	5,266	5,259	5,811	6,612	
Payroll & Accounting Services	10,174	10,159	11,975	13,602	
Audit	2,750	2,700	2,750	2,833	
TOTAL FISCAL SERVICES	18,190	18,118	20,536	23,047	12.2%

FAYSTON TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
2009-2010 BUDGET PROPOSAL

	2007-2008		2008-2009	2009-2010	PERCENT
	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROPOSED	CHANGE
MAINTENANCE					
Salaries	48,110	44,812	48,630	37,938	
Benefits & Staff Development	13,122	10,018	17,363	6,507	
Building Supplies & Operations	89,700	113,099	99,867	114,040	
TOTAL MAINTENANCE	150,932	167,929	165,860	158,485	-4.4%
DAILY TRANSPORTATION	77,259	74,809	41,158	42,804	4.0%
DEBT SERVICE					
Principal	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000	
Interest	11,642	11,642	9,347	7,051	
Debt Interest - (Short Term)	-	18,717	-	10,500	
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	46,642	65,359	44,347	52,551	18.5%
FOOD SERVICE	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	0.0%
TOTAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COSTS	1,493,462	1,532,067	1,582,934	1,645,964	4.0%
Fayston Special Article	28,677	28,677	28,849	13,631	-52.8%
VOCATIONAL TUITION	-	-	-	-	
Total Fayston Elementary School	\$ 1,522,139	\$ 1,560,744	\$ 1,611,783	\$ 1,659,595	3.0%
Harwood Union Assessment (including HU Special Articles)	1,076,731	1,067,901	-	-	
Total Fayston Request	\$ 2,598,870	\$ 2,628,645	\$ 1,611,783	\$ 1,659,595	3.0%
Revenues					
Local Revenue					
Town Rental	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	
Interest on Investments	2,000	50,184	2,000	12,500	
Miscellaneous	-	113	-	-	
Prior Year Fund Balance	28,677	28,677	28,849	13,631	
State Revenue					
Special Education Reimbursement	85,329	76,317	79,234	67,277	
Transportation Reimbursement	33,554	31,660	34,767	33,290	
Mainstream Block Grant	27,774	27,774	33,244	35,356	
EEE Grant	10,738	1,907	11,927	12,503	
Small School Grant	21,400	42,567	46,358	24,436	
Federal Revenue					
IDEA-B Grant	15,914	18,323	18,323	18,516	
IDEA-B Grant-Preschool	-	107	-	-	
Subtotal Local, State and Federal Revenues	245,386	297,629	274,702	237,509	-13.5%
Education Spending Grant	\$ 2,353,484	\$ 2,344,654	\$ 1,337,081	\$ 1,422,086	6.4%
Total Revenues	\$ 2,598,870	\$ 2,642,283	\$ 1,611,783	\$ 1,659,595	3.0%

The Fayston School District's audited Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2008 are available online at www.faystonelementary.org, at the WWSU offices in Waitsfield, Vermont or by calling 802-496-2272, extension 116.

FAYSTON TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
2009-2010 BUDGET PROPOSAL

	2008-2009 BUDGET	2009-2010 PROPOSED	PERCENT CHANGE
<u>Education Tax Rates</u>			
<u>Fayston Elementary School:</u>			
Equalized Pupils	103.49	111.11	
Education Spending per Pupil (PK-6)	\$ 12,920	\$ 12,799	-0.9%
Base Education Spending per Pupil	\$ 8,210	\$ 8,544	
District Spending Adjustment	157.369%	149.801%	
Base Homestead Education Tax Rate**	\$ 0.87	\$ 0.86	
Equalized Homestead Tax Rate (PK-6)	\$ 1.369	\$ 1.288	
% of Fayston students at Fayston Elementary School	55.61%	58.46%	
Portion of District Equalized Homestead Rate to be assessed by town	\$ 0.761	\$ 0.753	
<u>Harwood Union School District:</u>			
Equalized Pupils (Fayston 7-12)	82.61	78.95	
Education Spending per Pupil (7-12)	\$ 11,835	\$ 12,162	2.8%
Base Education Spending per Pupil	\$ 8,210	\$ 8,544	
District Spending Adjustment	144.153%	142.346%	
Base Homestead Education Tax Rate**	\$ 0.87	\$ 0.86	
Equalized Homestead Tax Rate (7-12)	\$ 1.254	\$ 1.224	
% of Fayston students at Harwood Union	44.39%	41.54%	
Portion of District Equalized Homestead Rate to be assessed by town	\$ 0.557	\$ 0.508	
<u>Combined (PK-12):</u>			
Equalized Pupils (PK-12)	186.10	190.06	2.1%
Equalized Homestead Tax Rate (Combined PK-12)	\$ 1.318	\$ 1.261	-4.3%
Common Level of Appraisal (CLA)	76.28%	72.14%	
Estimated Homestead Property Tax Rate**	\$ 1.728	\$ 1.748	1.2%
Base Homestead Income Rate	1.80%	1.80%	
Actual Homestead Income Rate	2.73%	2.64%	-3.3%
Base Non-Residential Education Tax Rate**	\$ 1.360	\$ 1.350	
Non-Residential Education Tax Rate	\$ 1.783	\$ 1.871	4.9%

Combined Equalized Tax Rate for FY2010-11 is calculated by adding the proportionate share (based on equalized pupils) of the equalized homestead tax rate for each school district

** As estimated by the DOE, Final rate to be determined by the Legislature

**Changes and/or adjustments made to the education funding formula may change these estimates.

Comparative Data for Cost-Effectiveness
16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2)(K)

School: Fayston Elementary School
S.U.: Washington West S.U.

A list of schools and school districts in each cohort may be found on the DOE website under "School Data and Reports":
<http://www.state.vt.us/educ/>

FY2008 School Level Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school, enrollment ≥ 100 but <200
(44 schools in cohort)

Cohort Rank by Enrollment (1 is largest)
35 out of 44

School level data		Grades Offered	Enrollment	Total Teachers	Total Administrators	Stu / Tchr Ratio	Stu / Admin Ratio	Tchr / Admin Ratio
Smaller →	Elm Hill School	K - 5	120	8.90	1.00	13.48	120.00	8.90
	Saxtons River Elementary School	K - 5	121	10.90	1.00	11.10	121.00	10.90
	Lincoln Community School	K - 6	121	10.60	1.00	11.42	121.00	10.60
	Fayston Elementary School	PK - 6	122	10.60	1.00	11.51	122.00	10.60
	Weathersfield Elem. School	K - 4	123	7.00	1.00	17.57	123.00	7.00
← Larger	Ludlow Elementary School	K - 6	123	14.19	1.00	8.67	123.00	14.19
	Samuel Morey Elementary	K - 5	126	12.63	1.00	9.98	126.00	12.63
Averaged SCHOOL cohort data			142.18	12.88	1.00	11.04	141.86	12.85

School District: Fayston
LEA ID: T075

Special education expenditures vary substantially from district to district and year to year. Therefore, they have been excluded from these figures.

In prior years, these figures were limited to districts' own current expenditures. The portion of current expenditures made by supervisory unions on behalf of districts varies greatly. This year's figures include district assessments to SUs. The advantage is that districts are more comparable to each other. The consequence is that **THESE FIGURES ARE NOT COMPARABLE TO FIGURES USED IN PRIOR YEARS.**

FY2007 School District Data

Cohort Description: Elementary school district, FY2007 FTE ≥ 100 but < 200
(34 school districts in cohort)

Grades offered in School District | Student FTE enrolled in school district | Current expenditures per student FTE EXCLUDING special education costs

Cohort Rank by FTE
(1 is largest)
33 out of 34

School district data (local, union, or joint district)

Grades offered in School District	Student FTE enrolled in school district	Current expenditures per student FTE EXCLUDING special education costs		
Smaller →	Salisbury	K-6	101.90	\$12,145
	Fayston	PK-6	103.17	\$10,732
	Whitingham	PK-5	103.55	\$11,515
← Larger	Fletcher	PK-6	105.39	\$11,378
	Cavendish	PK-6	112.05	\$10,923
Averaged SCHOOL DISTRICT cohort data		137.55	\$11,391	

Current expenditures are an effort to calculate an amount per FTE spent by a district on students enrolled in that district. This figure excludes tuitions and assessments paid to other providers, construction and equipment costs, debt service, adult education, and community service.

FY2009 School District Data

LEA ID	School District	Grades offered in School District	School district tax rate			Total municipal tax rate, K-12, consisting of prorated member district rates			
			SD Equalized Pupils	SD Education Spending per Equalized Pupil	SD Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Equalized Homestead Ed tax rate	MUN Common Level of Appraisal	MUN Actual Homestead Ed tax rate	
Smaller →	T043	Cavendish	PK-6	103.21	15,295.37	1.7028	1.4800	1.0045	1.4733
	T075	Fayston	PK-6	103.49	12,919.91	1.3691	1.3181	0.7628	1.7280
	T211	Underhill ID	K-4	103.51	12,265.99	1.2998	1.2238	-	2.4426
← Larger	T197	Stockbridge	PK-6	107.32	11,710.91	1.2410	1.2410	0.9880	1.2561
	T099	Huntington	PK-4	108.89	13,051.53	1.3830	1.2570	0.9611	1.3079

The Legislature has required the Department of Education to provide this information per the following statute:

16 V.S.A. § 165(a)(2) The school, at least annually, reports student performance results to community members in a format selected by the school board. . . . The school report shall include:

(K) data provided by the commissioner which enable a comparison with other schools, or school districts if school level data are not available, for cost-effectiveness. The commissioner shall establish which data are to be included pursuant to this subdivision and, notwithstanding that the other elements of the report are to be presented in a format selected by the school board, shall develop a common format to be used by each school in presenting the data to community members. The commissioner shall provide the most recent data available to each school no later than October 1 of each year. Data to be presented may include student-to-teacher ratio, administrator-to-student ratio, administrator-to-teacher ratio, and cost per pupil.