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TO: Joel Boyd, Superintendent
FROM: Billie Jo Turner, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations
RE: March 31, 2023
Date: Budget Update with Community Vetting Slide Deck

Lowell Public Schools are committed to providing a community based budget process to ensure that our financial plan mirrors our educational plan. Below you will find a list of what has been completed in the budget process (highlighted) thus far and what the next steps are:

- 1) Enrollment projections and review
- 2) Fair Student Funding process: weights, transitional and baseline policies
- 3) Receive Governor's Budget
- 4) Distribute funds and release school allocations
- 5) Principals work with School Site Councils on QIPs and budget books
- 6) Principals present to central office team (Current)
- 7) Community vetting: 3/30, 4/3, 4/4 ad 4/18
- 8) Staff Vetting: 4/4, 4/12 and 4/16
- 9) Roll into main budget for balancing
- 10) Present Superintendent's Recommended Budget –May 3rd
- 11) School Committee votes on May 17th
- 12) City Council votes – June

Attached you will find the Budget Overview slide deck shared with the community. This is an iterative document that is based on community and staff input that has been received to date and framed through the lens of the districtwide strategic plan. The budget will continue to evolve along the way as we receive ongoing input from the families, staff, community and students.