



Shrewsbury Public Schools

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To: School Committee

Subj: VOTE ON FY17 BUS FEE AND TUITION FOR FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN AND PRESCHOOL

Vote on Bus Fee

Enclosed is a brief presentation I plan to make on the bus fee increase recommendation. Given some of the feedback I thought it worthwhile to provide a bit more factual information and refute the notion that when gas prices go down, our bus contract goes down.

Also, I have offered an alternative to completely removing the family cap on the bus fee. If the family cap were raised to “three times” the annual fee, then this pricing policy would be consistent with how we have implemented the athletic fee family cap.

Vote on Full-Day Kindergarten Tuition for 2016-2017

The committee should refer to its report and supplemental materials sent in the February 24th meeting packet. It is recommended that the annual tuition increase from \$3,700 to \$4,000 per student.

Vote on Preschool Tuition for 2016-2017

The committee should refer to its report and supplemental materials sent in the February 24th meeting packet. It is recommended that the annual tuitions increase per the chart below

| Session | FY16 Annual Tuition | Proposed FY17 Annual Tuition | Annual Difference [+8%] |
|---------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 2 Half Days | \$1,897 | \$2,049 | \$152 |
| 3 Half Days | \$2,466 | \$2,663 | \$197 |
| 4 Half Days | \$2,972 | \$3,210 | \$238 |
| 5 Half Days | \$3,637 | \$3,928 | \$291 |
| 4.5 Full Days | NA | \$6,610 | NA |

Finally, it should be noted that I sent, separately, a comprehensive, statewide survey of public school-related fees so that the committee has the most information at its disposal.