

2012-2013 District Budget Development

If you are a parent, a senior citizen or just a concerned resident, the South Colonie Board of Education wants you to get involved in your schools.

The school board invites you to participate in the annual budget development process and be a part of the planning for the 2012-2013 school year. It's easy ... just attend one or all of our budget workshops and let your voice be heard. A schedule is listed on the right, with all meetings leading up to the annual School Budget Vote on May 15th. At these meetings, you will be treated to an informative presentation on various budget topics and have an opportunity to comment and ask questions.

So please help spread the word and help make the budget development process a real community affair!

All meetings are held at the South Colonie District Office with the exception of the Special Open Budget Discussions/Q & A sessions and the May 1 public hearing.

2012-13 Budget Calendar

DATE/TIME	TOPIC
Tuesday, January 10 7:00 p.m.	Transportation, Operations and Maintenance, and Secured Youth Detention Facility
Tuesday, February 7 7:00 p.m.	<i>Support Services</i> — Board of Education and Central Office expenses, Public Information/Printing/Postage, Legal Expenses, Insurance, Debt Service, Interfund Transfers, Continuing Ed, and Interscholastic Athletics
Thursday, February 9 7:00 p.m.	Special Budget Meeting — Open discussion with Q & A Session held at Veeder Elementary School Cafetorium
Thursday, March 1	Submit information to calculate Tax Levy Limit to Office of NYS Comptroller
Tuesday, March 6 7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting <i>Topics</i> — Special Ed and Pupil Personnel Services
Tuesday, March 13 7:00 p.m.	Special Budget Meeting — Open discussion with Q & A Session held at Shaker Road Elementary Library
Thursday, March 15 7:00 p.m.	<i>Fringe Benefits & Instructional Program</i> Enrollment Projections, Instructional Staffing, Support Staffing, Textbooks, Curriculum Development, Staff Development, Library & Media Technology, Building Budgets, Summer School, Central Avenue Learning Center (CALC) and Information Technology
Tuesday, March 20 7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting (1st draft of the Budget)
Thursday, March 29 7:00 p.m.	Budget Meeting/Work Session/Budget Adjustments
Tuesday, April 3 7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting Budget Review — Second budget draft presented
Monday, April 16	Last day to file petition for School Board member
Tuesday, April 17 7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting — Budget Adoption
Tuesday, April 24	Copies of Budget Material Available in Schools
Tuesday, May 1 7:00 p.m.	Public Hearing on recommended Budget – Saddlewood Elementary School Cafetorium Regular Board Meeting — 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 15	District Budget Vote & School Board Elections 11:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Voting at all five district elementary schools ONLY

Volunteers needed at the polls, call 869-3576, ext. 2443