TOWN OF LISBON

NOTICE OF AMOUNTS ADOPTED AT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
FOR VOTERS AT SCHOOL BUDGET
VALIDATION REFERENDUM

TO: Clerk of Town of Lisbon, State of Maine

Pursuant to 20-A M.R.S.A. §§ 1486(2) and 2307 this Notice is to be displayed at all polling places for the school budget validation referendum to be held on November 4th, 2025, to assist the voters in voting on whether to ratify the school budget approved at the September 16th, 2025 Town Council Meeting. **Note: The amount adopted by Town Council is the amount submitted to the voters at referendum.** If the council has changed the total budget recommended by the school committee, and that change is approved at referendum, the school committee shall adjust the individual cost center lines as provided by 20-A M.R.S.A. §2307 and Town Charter.

Cost Center Summary Budget Category	Amount Proposed by School Committee
Student and Staff Support	$ 1,864,080
System Administration	$ 738,390
School Administration	$ 1,334,304
Facilities Maintenance	$ 1,623,504
Transportation and Buses	$ 1,442,085
School Nutrition Transfer	$ 231,000
Debt Service and Other Commitments	$ 873,964
Regular Instruction	$ 9,338,826
Special Education	$ 3,217,219
Career & Technical	$ 0
Other Instruction	$ 406,109

Summary of Total Authorized School Budget Expenditures

Amount Proposed by School Committee: $ 21,069,481

Amount Approved by Town Council and Submitted to Voters: $ 21,069,481

The amount approved for the school budget at the town council meeting includes locally raised funds over and above the town's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act.

Margaret Galligan-Schnell

A majority of the School Committee

Completed and countersigned by: 9/14/25 Date:
Superintendent of Schools

25-26 Subsidy Comparison Report

Lisbon School Department

(All Subsidy figures for 25/26 are Preliminary!)	FUNDING 24/25**		FUNDING 25/26		Difference
General Education Budget:			Budget Expenditures as of 06/30/2024		
Budget Expenditures-Fund 100		**$ 20,576,393**		**$ 21,069,481**	$493,088.00
Amount from Unassigned Fund Balance:					
Balance to help defray taxes	$118,211		$118,211		$0
State Grant/MLTI	$0		$0		$0
Regular Instruction Reserve Account	$93,524		$0		
Anticipated Revenue:					
Capital Reserve Fund-GPC	$67,896		$226,356		$158,460
Interest Credit	$0		$98,000		$98,000
ARF Funds	$0		$0		$0
Special Purpose School	$300,000		$260,000		($40,000)
Total Revenue		$579,631		$702,567	$122,936
Total Budget after Revenue		$19,996,762		$ 20,366,914	$370,152
Local Only Debt Service		**$421,264**		**$837,387**	$416,123
Total Budget after Revenue and Local Only Debt Service		$19,575,498		$ 19,529,527	($45,971)
100% EPS		**$16,519,388**		**$16,714,418** *	$195,030
Amount above 100% EPS		$3,056,111		$ 2,815,109	$ (241,002)
Transition Amount		**$0**		**$0** *	$0
Total Additional Local Funds		**$3,056,111**		**$ 2,815,109**	$ (241,002)
State Subsidy:					
State Contribution		**$11,696,479**		**$11,825,426** *	$128,947
Required Local Contribution	**$4,784,053**		**$4,976,177**	*	$192,124
Local Only Debt Service	$421,264		$837,387		$416,123
Local Additional Funds	$3,056,111		**$ 2,815,109**		($241,002)
Total Local Funding		**$8,261,428**		**$8,628,673**	**$367,245**
		$19,957,907		$20,454,099	$496,192

There is an increase in State Funding from 24/25 to 25/226 of $128,947

There is a increase in Local Funding from 24/25 to 25/26 of $367,245

*** Amounts based on Legislative Budget Approval FY 25/26 ED279 as of January 31, 2025**

**** Amounts from Town Council Meeting dated _____**

Adult Education:					
Anticipated Revenue	**$3,500**		**$0**	#	($3,500)
State Contribution	**$9,268**	**	**$0**	***	($9,268)
Total Local Funding	**$15,885**	**	**$0**		($15,885)
Total Expenditures	**$28,653**		**$0**		($28,653)

There is an increase in State Funding from 24/25 to 25/26 of ($9,268)

There is a decrease in Local Funding from 24/25 to 25/26 of ($15,885)

 # Amount based on actual revenue received in 24-25

***** Amount based on actual subsidy received in 24-25**

Total Increase to Taxes:	**$8,277,313**	**$8,628,673**	**$351,360**
Total increase in Budget Including Adult Education:	**$20,605,046**	**$21,069,481**	**$464,435**

LISBON SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT PROPOSED 2025-2026 BUDGET
COST CENTERS
AS OF 8/18/2025

BUDGET BY ARTICLE	APPROVED BUDGET 2024-2025	PROPOSED BUDGET 2025-2026	$ DIFFERENCE INCREASE (DECREASE)	% DIFFERENCE INCREASE (DECREASE)
STUDENT & STAFF SUPPORT	$ 1,765,837	$ 1,864,080	$ 98,243	5.56%
Includes: Guidance, Nurse, Library, Technology System Administrator, Improvement of Instruction, Technology Funds, and Curriculum Funds.				
	$ -			
SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION	$ 689,308	$ 738,390	$ 49,082	7.12%
Includes: School Committee, Superintendent, Community Relations, and Business Office.				
	$ -			
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	$ 1,252,628	$ 1,334,304	$ 81,676	6.52%
Includes: All Principals				
	$ -			
FACILITIES MAINTENANCE	$ 1,954,110	$ 1,623,504	$ (330,606)	-16.92%
Includes: Custodial K-5, Custodial 6-8, Custodial 9-12, Custodial CO, and Grounds & Maintenance of Plant.				
	$ -			
TRANSPORTATION AND BUSES	$ 1,111,105	$ 1,442,085	$ 330,980	29.79%
	$ -			
SCHOOL NUTRITION TRANSFER	$ 231,000	$ 231,000	$ -	0.00%
	$ -			
DEBT SERVICE	$ 1,100,962	$ 873,964	$ (226,998)	-20.62%
	$ -			
REGULAR INSTRUCTION	$ 8,793,285	$ 9,338,826	$ 545,541	6.20%
Includes: Elementary Instruction, Lisbon Community School, PWSugg Middle, Secondary Instruction, Lisbon High School, English as a Second Language, Gifted & Talented, and Gartley Street School.				
	$ -			
SPECIAL EDUCATION	$ 3,269,218	$ 3,217,219	$ (51,999)	-1.59%
CAREER & TECHNICAL	$ -	$ -	$ -	0.00%
OTHER INSTRUCTION	$ 408,941	$ 406,109	$ (2,832)	-0.69%
Includes: Co-Curricular				
	$ -			
Total General Fund Articles	$ 20,576,393	$ 21,069,481	$ 493,087	2.40%
ADULT EDUCATION	$ 28,653	$ -	$ (28,653)	-100.00%
Total of All Articles	$ 20,605,046	$ 21,069,481	$ 464,434	2.25%

LISBON SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE 2025-2026 BUDGET
WARRANT ARTICLES
AS OF 8/18/2025

PLEASE NOTE:
Actions taken in accordance with the following articles must be taken by a recorded vote.

ARTICLE 1:

To see what sum the Council will authorize the Lisbon School Department to appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act (Recommend $16,519,388) and to see what sum the Council will raise as the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15688.

School Committee Recommends **$ 4,976,177**

Council Recommends _____

"Explanation: The Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that a municipality must raise in order to receive the full amount of state dollars."

ARTICLE 2: To see what sum the Council will authorize the Lisbon School Department to raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the legislative body for non-state-funded school construction projects, or non-state-funded portions of school construction projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12.

Amount Recommended **$ 837,387**

Council Recommends _____

"Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the municipality/district long-term debt for major capital school construction projects and minor capital renovation projects that is not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the voters or other legislative body."

ARTICLE 3: Shall the Town of Lisbon raise and appropriate **$2,815,109** in additional local funds, which exceeds the State's Essential Programs and Services allocation model as required to fund the budget recommended by the school committee.

The school committee recommends **$2,815,109** for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State's Essential Programs and Services funding model.

School Committee Recommends **$ 2,815,109**

Council Recommends _____

1) Co-Curricular/ Extra-curricular activities and transportation: The EPS formula only supports 20% of Lisbon's total expenditures.
2) The formula does not provide for any classroom size reductions.
3) Substitute Pay: The State Allocates half a day per student. This does not cover long term absences where substitutes are paid at a higher rate.
4) Special Education: This additional amount is partly due to year old student information, summer school, scheduling and reduced financial support at the Federal and State levels.
5) The formula does not cover the actual costs related to Nutrition, System Administration or Student Support Services (Guidance, Nursing, Social Work and SRO).

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the school administrative unit's local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the Lisbon School Department's budget for educational programs.

ARTICLE 4:

To see what sum the Council will authorize the Lisbon School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 from the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state-funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpected balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of schools.

School Committee Recommends **$ 21,069,481**

Council Recommends _____

LISBON SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
SCHOOL COMMITTEE 2025-2026 BUDGET
WARRANT ARTICLES
AS OF 8/18/2025

ARTICLE 5:

To see if the Council will authorize the Lisbon School Department to appropriate **$0** for Adult Education and raise **$0** as the local share; with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program.

School Committee Recommends **Yes**

Council Recommends _____

ARTICLE 6:

To see what sum the Council will authorize the Lisbon School Department to expend for Adult Education.

School Committee Recommends **$ -**

Council Recommends _____

ARTICLE 7:

In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the Council authorize the School Committee to expend sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school purposes, provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

School Committee Recommends **Yes**

Council Recommends _____

Definitions of Terms

Lisbon School Department

Appropriate:	Appropriate means to designate money for a particular use. For example, Article 14 asks if you will "appropriate" or designate money to be spent for additional local funds.
Raise:	Raise means to collect money. As used in the warrant articles, it gives the school department the authority to collect money from the town or taxpayers.
Budget Expenditures:	The amount the school department anticipates spending.
Essential Programs and Services (EPS):	The Essential Programs and Services (EPS) funding model was developed by the State of Maine to fund and service certain components of the cost of education. The funded components are the education allocation resources, as identified by the State, for all Maine students to achieve "the Standards in the 8 content subject areas of the Maine Learning Results system." This is considered a base line.
100% EPS:	This is an amount that is calculated by the state based on the Essential Programs and Services funding model.
Over 100% EPS:	This is the amount of Budget Expenditures that are over the 100% EPS amount. Additional Revenue and Local Only Debt Service are deducted prior to calculating the amount Over 100% EPS.
State Contribution:	This is the amount that the State provides towards the cost of education in the Town of Lisbon.
Required Local Contribution:	This is the amount that the Town must raise in order to receive the state contribution.
Local Only Debt Service:	The Local Only Debt Service Article is only for payments on new school construction projects or the construction of a new addition to an existing building for which there is no state participation. This does not include amounts to be raised for minor capital projects or the payment of loans for minor capital projects, such as roof replacement, boiler replacement or window replacements.
Local Additional Funds:	This is the additional amount needed to support the budget expenditures for the year. This amount consists of the Transition Amount plus the amount Over 100% EPS.