

Stamford Public Schools EXCELLENCE IS THE POINT

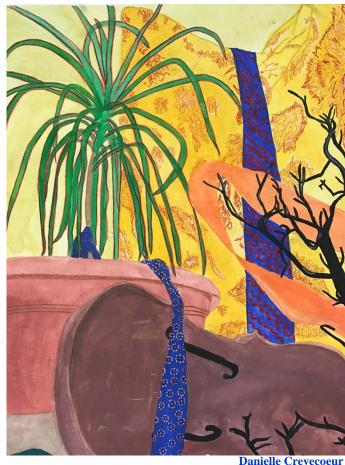
Mission Statement:

The mission of the Stamford Public Schools is to provide an education that cultivates productive habits of mind, body and heart in every student.



EARL KIN **Superintendent of Schools**

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Ria Bordia Toquam Magnet School, Grade 2 Art Teacher: Susan D'Agostino

Westhill High School, Grade 11

Superintendent's 2018-19 Budget Recommendation January 12, 2018



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Earl Kim, Superintendent of Schools

January 12, 2018

Mr. David Mannis, President Stamford Board of Education

Re: Superintendent's 2018-19 Budget Recommendation

Dear Mr. Mannis:

Attached for your consideration is the proposed 2018-19 Operating Budget in the amount of \$273,725,595 (1.48%) and Grants Budget in the amount of \$29,053,744.

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The budget is driven by the Board of Education and District Goals and incorporates suggestions from the Board of Education, teachers, and administrators. Currently the Citizens Budget Advisory Committee (CBAC) is working to come up with additional budget ideas which may assist the Board of Education during its budget review process.

In consideration of the current fiscal climate we believe this is a responsible budget and also allows for program upgrades.

I look forward to your review of this budget. I believe it will support our mission and build on the progress we have made on our educational initiatives. Please know that district staff are always available to provide additional information or clarification.

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