

BOARD OF EDUCATION

GUIDELINES FOR BUDGET INPUT FOR THE 2026-27 BUDGET

These guidelines are for the **Budget Input Session** on February 17, 2026.

WELCOME & OVERVIEW

- The Board values input from individuals and groups, and the budget input session has been planned to make people feel as comfortable as possible.
- To ensure that the business of governing education takes place as smoothly as possible and that all viewpoints are heard, Board meetings follow structured rules of order. These guidelines have been prepared specifically for parties interested in providing input for the 2026-27 budget.

PREPARING YOUR PRESENTATION

- We would like to remind you that this is a public meeting, with the potential for media coverage and other members of the public in attendance, who may receive a copy of your presentation and may report on the proceedings.
- Presentations are to be directed at the corporate Board, not individual Trustees. It is requested that individuals avoid written or verbal comments that negatively reflect on any individual.
- When submitting your request to provide input to budgetfeedback@sd43.bc.ca you are asked to provide the following information:
 - o name, title and email of all presenters (required).
 - o which partner group you are representing (if applicable).
 - written statement of the budget matter you wish to present feedback or input on with clear and direct connections to the goals and objectives in *Directions 2025*, the Board's vision document (required).
 - o any attachments you may wish the Board to receive to support your feedback (optional).
- The Board would appreciate receiving an advance copy of your presentation, which can be provided through to budgetfeedback@sd43.bc.ca.
- Due to meeting time constraints, PowerPoints and/or videos cannot be accepted as part of your presentation.

- To permit the Board to hear all input in a timely manner, individuals are asked to keep presentations, to no more than five (5) minutes.
- Individuals should be prepared to answer questions from Trustees wishing to learn more about your input.
- Interested parties will be placed on the agenda to provide input only after the above guidelines have been met.

THE PROCESS

- If you or your group would like to provide input on the 2026-2027 budget, please submit the required information by 9:00 am on Wednesday, February 11th. Your submission should be made via email to budgetfeedback@sd43.bc.ca.
- You will receive confirmation from the Office of the Secretary Treasurer regarding your request to provide input to the Board of Education.

KEY DATES

Please note that there will be opportunities for questions at each of the meetings outlined above.

BUDGET INPUT		
Wednesday, February 11 9:00 am	Deadline for Input Submission	Please submit the information as outlined above to budgetfeedback@sd43.bc.ca
Tuesday, February 17 6:30 pm	Special Board Meeting (Education Learning Centre)	Opportunity for interested parties/partner groups to provide input on budget priorities
PRESENTATION OF PRELIMINARY BUDGET		
Tuesday, April 14 7:00 pm	Regular Board Meeting (Education Learning Centre)	Presentation of 2024/25 Preliminary Budget
BUDGET FEEDBACK		
Thursday, April 16 9:00 am	Deadline for Feedback Submission	Please submit the information as outlined to budgetfeedback@sd43.bc.ca
Tuesday, April 21 6:30 pm	Special Board Meeting (Education Learning Centre)	Opportunity for individuals/partner groups to provide feedback on the proposed budget
PRESENTATION & APPROVAL OF BUDGET		
Tuesday, April 28 7:00 pm	Regular Board Meeting (Education Learning Centre)	Final presentation and approval of 2026/27 Budget which incorporates any changes requested by Board