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Good Morning Staff and Parents,

Last night, the BOE budget passed! Another budget season is behind us and we can now move forward implementing the quality programs and services that will support our learners and staff during the 2021-22 school year.

I want to thank our Board of Education, administrative team, and Central Office leaders who worked diligently throughout the budget season developing a thoughtful operational plan, addressing questions from Town members and residents, advocating for the academic, social and emotional needs of our students, as well as supporting the instructional and professional development needs of our staff.

I also need to recognize our PTA Presidents and parents who worked on the sidelines to share pertinent budget information with the community. A special shout out to members of the PEAC (Parent Educator Advisory Council) budget subgroup who inspired student voting (on special topics) that took place in all of our schools and the natural discussions that event prompted for families as a result. What a creative connection prior to the referendum.

Despite a challenging year and a myriad of uncertainties, we remain grateful for the support you all continue to show as members of the Newtown community on behalf of our students.

Thank you,

Dr. Lorrie Rodrigue, Superintendent