## **Helena Public Schools**

#### **OPERATIONAL SERVICES**

#### Fiscal and Business Management

The Superintendent is responsible for the District's fiscal and business management. To that end, the Superintendent, in conjunction with the Clerk, shall prepare a budget that supports immediate and long-range goals and established priorities within all areas i.e., instructional, noninstructional, and administrative programs. This budget shall be presented to the Board prior to the date required by state law.

### Budget Year, Adoption and Amendments

The District's fiscal year is from July 1 until June 30. Prior to presentation of the proposed budget for adoption, the Superintendent and the Clerk shall prepare recommendations for the Board's consideration, with supporting documentation when necessary. This budget shall represent the culmination of an ongoing process of planning for the fiscal support needed for the District's educational programs. Upon adoption by the Board, the budget shall be forwarded to the County Superintendent as provided by law.

The Board may transfer money among funds as provided by law. In addition, the Board, by resolution, may determine that a budget amendment is necessary and shall proceed to amend the budget pursuant to law.

# **Budget Implementation**

The Superintendent shall implement the District's budget and provide the Board with a monthly financial report. The amount budgeted as the expenditure in each fund is the maximum amount that may be expended for that category, except when a transfer of funds is authorized by the Board. All purchasing shall be handled pursuant to Board policy and any administrative regulations.

| Legal References:                                     | <ul> <li>§ 20-9-115, MCA</li> <li>§ 20-9-131, MCA</li> <li>§ 20-9-133, MCA</li> <li>§ 20-9-162, MCA</li> <li>§ 20-9-163, MCA</li> </ul> | Notice of final budget meeting<br>Final budget meeting<br>Adoption and expenditure limitations of final<br>budget<br>Authorization for budget amendment adoption<br>Resolution for budget amendment |
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| Cross References:                                     |   |   |
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