

District of Columbia Budget Process & Education Spending

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DCPS BUDGET TIMELINE

1) Hearings (November)

The Chancellor kicks off the collaborative budget development process with a public hearing to announce the three main budget priorities.

2) Parent and Community Input (November - December)

DCPS invites community members to provide thoughts on the budget through meetings and online platforms.

3) Citywide LSAT Meetings (November)

The Chancellor conducts three hands-on budget planning meetings with principals and LSATs.

4) DCPS Budget Development (December - January)

The Chancellor kicks off the formal budget development process, addressing how the budget will support the DCPS priorities and how it reflects feedback from the community, principals, and LSATs.

5) School Budget Allocations (February - March)

Principals receive final budget allocations & construct their budgets in collaboration w/LSATs and community.

6) DC Government Budget Review (March)

The Chief Financial Officer announces revenue projections, which form the basis for the DCPS budget.

7) DCPS Budget Finalized (March)

DCPS submits final school and central office budgets to the Mayor.

EDUCATION BUDGET

CAPITAL vs. OPERATING

COUNCIL'S ROLE:

What can be changed and when?

BUDGET BASICS

APRIL 4: MAYOR transmits the FY18 Budget to the DC Council



COUNCIL review period: agency hearings



Committee **MARK-UPS**, submitted to the Committee of the Whole



CHAIRMAN & Council Budget Office reconcile committee reports and council-wide priorities



MAY 30: COUNCIL holds first vote on the budget



COUNCIL holds final vote on the budget



Budget is sent to the **MAYOR**, who may sign or veto

Important FY18 Dates – Not Final

- **Comprehensive Annual Financial Review (CAFR):**
 - Released -- February 1, 2017
 - Hearing -- February 2, 2017
- **Performance Oversight Hearings:**
 - February 6, 2017 - March 17, 2017
- **Budget Transmitted to Council:**
 - April 4, 2017
- **Budget Oversight Hearings:**
 - April 7, 2017 – May 11, 2017
- **Committee Budget Markups:**
 - May 16-18, 2017
- **First Vote On Budget:**
 - May 30, 2017

BUDGET CONTACTS

>> Start at the school level: LSAT, Principal, PTA/PTO

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