

WARRANT TO CALL MACHIAS BAY AREA SCHOOL SYSTEM ALTERNATIVE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE (“AOS”) BUDGET MEETING (20-A M.R.S.A. S1485)

TO: Renee Patterson (for Cutler); Kayla Warren (for East Machias); Wendy Schoppee (for Jonesboro); Larry Armstrong (for Machias); Robert Boynton (for Machiasport); Bruce Stevens (for Marshfield); Anne Grange (for Northfield); Phillip Pinto (for Roque Bluffs); Ronald Hawkins (for Wesley); Steven Presley Sr (for Whiting); and Patricia Brightly (for Whitneyville), each residents of Machias Bay Area School System, State of Maine.

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify the voters of the municipalities within the Machias Bay Area School System, as shown above following your respective names, that an Alternative Organizational Structure (“AOS”) Budget Meeting will be held at the Elm Street School, 38 Jacksonville Road, East Machias, Maine at 6:00 P.M. on April 7, 2025 for the purpose of determining the Budget Meeting articles set forth below.

**ARTICLE 1A:** To elect a moderator to preside at the meeting.

**ARTICLES 1 THROUGH 2 AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES FOR THE AOS  
CENTRAL OFFICE IN COST CENTER CATEGORIES**

**ARTICLE 1:** To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Special Education.  
**AOS School Committee Recommends \$183,684.00**

**ARTICLE 2:** To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for System Administration.  
**AOS School Committee Recommends \$635,967.00**

**Note:** Although Articles 3 through 11 are proposed with no funding, they were included in the event a corrective change was needed. A vote should be taken on each of Articles 1 through 13.

**ARTICLE 3:** To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Regular Instruction.  
**AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0**

**ARTICLE 4:** To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Career and Technical Education.  
**AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0**

**ARTICLE 5:** To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Other Instruction.  
**AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0**

**ARTICLE 6:** To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Student and Staff Support.  
**AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0**

**ARTICLE 7:** To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for School Administration.  
**AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0**

ARTICLE 8: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Transportation and Buses.

AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0

ARTICLE 9: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Facilities Maintenance.

AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0

ARTICLE 10: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for Debt Service and Other Commitments.

AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0

ARTICLE 11: To see what sum the AOS will be authorized to expend for All Other Expenditures.

AOS School Committee Recommends \$ 0

**ARTICLE 12 SUMMARIZES THE PROPOSED  
AOS CENTRAL OFFICE BUDGET**

ARTICLE 12: To see what sum the AOS will authorize the AOS School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 for the support of the AOS central office budget.

AOS School Committee Recommends \$819,651.00

**ARTICLE 13 AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURE OF  
GRANTS AND OTHER RECEIPTS FOR CENTRAL OFFICE PURPOSES**

ARTICLE 13: Shall the AOS School Committee be authorized to expend such other sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for central office purposes provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

Given under our hand this day, March 26, 2025, at Machias, Maine.

*Kellie E. [Signature]*  
*Patricia Buzby*  
*Boone Kennedy*  
*[Signature]*  
*Susan [Signature]*  
*Ruth Ann Hamod*  
*Nancy [Signature]*  
*Mindy [Signature]*  
*[Signature]*  
*Debra [Signature]*

A majority of the AOS School Committee of the Machias Bay Area School System.

A true copy of the Warrant, attest: Michael Look  
Secretary,  
Machias Bay Area School System

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY  
Judith J. Clifton  
TOWN CLERK, MACHIAS, MAINE  
DATE 3/27/25

**PLEASE RETURN**

In Cutler:

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Renee Patterson, Resident of the  
Machias Bay Area School System

In East Machias:

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Kayla Warren, Resident of the  
Machias Bay Area School System

In Jonesboro:

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Wendy Schoppee, Resident of the  
Machias Bay Area School System

In Machias:

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Larry Armstrong, Resident of the  
Machias Bay Area School System

In Machiasport:

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Robert Boynton, Resident of the  
Machias Bay Area School System

In Marshfield:

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Bruce Stevens, Resident of  
Machias Bay Area School System

In Northfield:

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Anne Grange, Resident of the  
Machias Bay Area School System

In Roque Bluffs:

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Phillip Pinto, Resident of the  
Machias Bay Area School System

In Wesley:

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Ronald Hawkins, Resident of the  
Machias Bay Area School System

In Whiting:

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Steven Presley Sr, Resident of the  
Machias Bay Area School System

In Whitneyville:

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Patricia Brightly, Resident of the  
Machias Bay Area School System

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Washington County, ss.

State of Maine

TO: The AOS School Committee of the Machias Bay Area School System  
\_\_\_\_\_ 3/31 \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

The undersigned certify that they have notified the voters of Machias Bay Area School System of the time and place of the AOS budget meeting by posting an attested copy of the within warrant as follows:

	DATE(S)	LOCATION(S)
Town of Cutler		
Town of East Machias		
Town of Jonesboro		
Town of Machias	3/31/25	Machias Town Office
Town of Machiasport		
Town of Marshfield		
Town of Northfield		
Town of Roque Bluffs		
Town of Wesley		
Town of Whiting		
Town of Whitneyville		

being at least seven days prior to the AOS budget meeting and being public and conspicuous places in each of said municipalities.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ 3/31 \_\_\_\_\_, 2025

AOS 96

Machias Bay Area School System

Central Office

Proposed FY26 Budget

2025 - 2026

**AOS 96 Machias Bay Area School System  
Proposed 2025/2026 Budget  
Central Office Administration and Support Services  
(Superintendent, Special Ed Director and Support Staff Personnel)**

Office of the Superintendent				
		2024/2025	2025/2026	inc/(dec)
<b>Salaries</b>				
Superintendent		\$ 122,400.00	\$ 110,000.00	\$ (12,400.00)
Assistant Superintendent		\$ -	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
<b>Salaries</b>				
Business Manager		\$ 65,720.00	\$ 70,720.00	\$ 5,000.00
Support Staff	3.5 BK & 1 Sec	\$ 197,964.00	\$ 212,264.00	\$ 14,300.00
<b>TOTAL All Salaries</b>		<b>\$ 386,084.00</b>	<b>\$ 417,984.00</b>	<b>\$ 31,900.00</b>
<b>Medical Insurance</b>		\$ 66,560.00	\$ 87,464.00	\$ 20,904.00
<b>Social Security</b>		\$ 16,349.00	\$ 17,546.00	\$ 1,197.00
<b>Medicare</b>		\$ 5,599.00	\$ 6,061.00	\$ 462.00
<b>MainePers</b>		\$ 2,736.00	\$ 5,886.00	\$ 3,150.00
<b>PFML</b>		\$ -	\$ 2,090.00	\$ 2,090.00
<b>Unemployment</b>		\$ 384.00	\$ 384.00	\$ -
<b>Workers Comp</b>		\$ 1,506.00	\$ 1,631.00	\$ 125.00
<b>Disability Insurance</b>		\$ 2,160.00	\$ 2,208.00	\$ 48.00
<b>Service Contract</b>		\$ 48,709.00	\$ 51,863.00	\$ 3,154.00
<b>Repairs to Equipment</b>		\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ (500.00)
<b>Repairs to Building</b>		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ (500.00)
<b>Building Contents Insurance</b>		\$ 3,163.00	\$ 3,314.00	\$ 151.00
<b>Postage</b>		\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ -
<b>Phones/Internet</b>		\$ 4,404.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 96.00
<b>Advertising</b>		\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -
<b>Travel &amp; Conferences</b>		\$ 7,300.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ (5,100.00)
<b>Office Supplies</b>		\$ 9,500.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 500.00
<b>Electricity</b>		\$ 3,750.00	\$ 3,795.00	\$ 45.00
<b>Fuel</b>		\$ 3,500.00	\$ 3,500.00	\$ -
<b>Technology/Equipment</b>		\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -
<b>Lease/Purchase</b>		\$ 3,204.00	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 96.00
<b>Dues &amp; Fees</b>		\$ 3,701.00	\$ 4,291.00	\$ 590.00
<b>Miscellaneous</b>		\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 577,559.00</b>	<b>\$ 635,967.00</b>	<b>\$ 58,408.00</b>

Special Ed Administration				
		2024/2025	2025/2026	inc/(dec)
<b>Salaries</b>				
<b>Special Ed Director</b>		\$ 79,905.00	\$ 83,094.00	\$ 3,189.00
<b>Secretary Salaries</b>		\$ 42,315.00	\$ 47,175.00	\$ 4,860.00
<b>TOTAL SALARIES</b>		\$ 122,220.00	\$ 130,269.00	\$ 8,049.00
<b>Medical Insurance</b>		\$ 36,389.00	\$ 35,375.00	\$ (1,014.00)
<b>Social Security</b>		\$ 2,624.00	\$ 2,925.00	\$ 301.00
<b>Medicare</b>		\$ 1,773.00	\$ 1,889.00	\$ 116.00
<b>MainePers</b>		\$ 3,572.00	\$ 3,623.00	\$ 51.00
<b>PFML</b>		\$ -	\$ 652.00	\$ 652.00
<b>Unemployment</b>		\$ 144.00	\$ 144.00	\$ -
<b>Workers Comp</b>		\$ 477.00	\$ 509.00	\$ 32.00
<b>Disability Insurance</b>		\$ 828.00	\$ 828.00	\$ -
<b>Professional Credit</b>		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Contracted Services</b>		\$ 2,148.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ (148.00)
<b>Repairs &amp; Maintenance</b>		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Lease Space</b>		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Postage</b>		\$ 700.00	\$ 720.00	\$ 20.00
<b>Telephone</b>		\$ 2,500.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ (1,300.00)
<b>Advertising</b>		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 300.00	\$ (700.00)
<b>Travel/Conference</b>		\$ 2,000.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ (500.00)
<b>Office Supplies</b>		\$ 1,500.00	\$ 750.00	\$ (750.00)
<b>Equipment</b>		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Dues &amp; Fees</b>		\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
<b>Assessment / Testing Material</b>		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL</b>		\$ 178,875.00	\$ 183,684.00	\$ 4,809.00
<b>TOTAL CENTRAL OFFICE</b>		\$ 756,434.00	\$ 819,651.00	\$ 63,217.00

**Anticipated Receipts**  
**7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026**

From Fund Balance	\$ 20,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$ -
Local Allocation	<u>\$ 799,651.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 819,651.00</b>

Proposed Gross Budget 2025/2026	\$ 819,651.00	
Gross Budget 2024/2025	<u>\$ 756,434.00</u>	
	\$ 63,217.00	8.36% Increase

Proposed Net (after applying fund balance) 2025/2026	\$ 799,651.00	
Net Budget 2024/2025	<u>\$ 741,434.00</u>	
	\$ 58,217.00	7.85% Increase

**Central Office Administration and Support Services  
Town's % NET  
(Superintendent and Support Staff Personnel)**

Town	Proposed 2025/2026	Number of Students	% of Students	2024/2025 Budget	Number of Students	% of Students	Inc/(Dec)
Cutler	47,977.90	74	7.73%	46,576.53	81	8.23%	1,401.37
East Machias	147,197.51	226	23.72%	139,154.57	242	24.58%	8,042.94
Jonesboro	43,734.96	67	7.05%	43,701.44	76	7.72%	33.51
Machias	196,480.94	301	31.67%	172,793.17	301	30.52%	23,687.76
Machiasport	55,158.27	85	8.89%	46,289.02	81	8.18%	8,869.26
Marshfield	51,568.09	79	8.31%	50,026.64	87	8.84%	1,541.43
Northfield	13,707.97	21	2.21%	11,787.89	21	2.08%	1,920.09
Roque Bluffs	10,444.17	16	1.68%	12,362.90	22	2.18%	(1,918.74)
Wesley	8,159.51	13	1.32%	5,750.19	10	1.02%	2,409.31
Whiting	26,436.80	41	4.26%	21,275.70	37	3.76%	5,161.11
Whitneyville	19,582.81	30	3.16%	16,388.05	29	2.89%	3,194.76
<b>Totals</b>	<b>620,448.94</b>	<b>951</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>566,106.08</b>	<b>985</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>54,342.82</b>

**Central Office Administration and Support Services  
(Special Ed Director and Support Staff Personnel)**

Town	Proposed 2025/2026	Number of Students	% of Students	2024/2025 Budget	Number of Students	% of Students	Inc/(Dec)
Cutler	13,857.30	74	7.73%	14,425.17	81	8.23%	(567.86)
East Machias	42,514.54	226	23.72%	43,097.36	242	24.58%	(582.82)
Jonesboro	12,631.81	67	7.05%	13,534.70	76	7.72%	(902.89)
Machias	56,748.89	301	31.67%	53,515.53	301	30.52%	3,233.36
Machiasport	15,931.17	85	8.89%	14,336.10	81	8.18%	1,595.06
Marshfield	14,894.23	79	8.31%	15,493.67	87	8.84%	(599.43)
Northfield	3,959.23	21	2.21%	3,650.81	21	2.08%	308.42
Roque Bluffs	3,016.55	16	1.68%	3,828.90	22	2.18%	(812.35)
Wesley	2,356.68	13	1.32%	1,780.89	10	1.02%	575.79
Whiting	7,635.65	41	4.26%	6,589.27	37	3.76%	1,046.38
Whitneyville	5,656.03	30	3.16%	5,075.54	29	2.89%	580.49
<b>Totals</b>	<b>179,202.07</b>	<b>951</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>175,327.92</b>	<b>985</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>3,874.15</b>

**Totals NET Budget 799,651.00**

**741,434.00**

**Central Office Administration and Support Services  
Combined Totals**

Town	Proposed 2025/2026	Number of Students	% of Students	2024/2025 Budget	Number of Students	% of Students	Inc/(Dec)
Cutler	61,835.20	74	7.73%	61,001.70	81	8.23%	833.50
East Machias	189,712.05	226	23.72%	182,251.92	242	24.58%	7,460.12
Jonesboro	56,366.77	67	7.05%	57,236.14	76	7.72%	(869.38)
Machias	253,229.82	301	31.67%	226,308.69	301	30.52%	26,921.13
Machiasport	71,089.45	85	8.89%	60,625.12	81	8.18%	10,464.32
Marshfield	66,462.31	79	8.31%	65,520.31	87	8.84%	942.00
Northfield	17,667.21	21	2.21%	15,438.69	21	2.08%	2,228.51
Roque Bluffs	13,460.72	16	1.68%	16,191.79	22	2.18%	(2,731.07)
Wesley	10,516.19	13	1.32%	7,531.08	10	1.02%	2,985.11
Whiting	34,072.45	41	4.26%	27,864.97	37	3.76%	6,207.49
Whitneyville	25,238.83	30	3.16%	21,463.58	29	2.89%	3,775.25
<b>Totals NET Budget</b>	<b>799,651.00</b>	<b>951</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>741,434.00</b>	<b>985</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>58,216.97</b>