

## **SCHOOL CHOICE SPENDING POLICY**

The School Committee's general policy on school choice spending is that a portion of school choice funds will be used to support the district's annual operating budget to provide comprehensive programming to choice and non-choice students. School Choice funds can also be used for capital improvement projects to enhance education, within DOR policy, as long as the School Committee is operating from a prioritized and endorsed Capital Improvement Plan.

Prior to authorizing the expenditure of any school choice funds held by the District, the School Committee will ensure:

- Maintenance of a reserve approximately equal to the prior year's grant monies received

Should circumstances warrant action on the part of the School Committee in conflict with these guidelines, a decision to expend or transfer school choice funds for any other purpose must be discussed and endorsed at a School Committee meeting with the decision documented in writing that includes a full explanation of alternatives considered and the rationale used to arrive at the decision.

Adopted By The  
Hadley School Committee: May 19, 2014