



July 12, 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians:

As you may be aware, the Waincott School's proposed budget for the 2023-2024 school year was not approved by the legally required sixty percent majority. Therefore, the District is now obligated to follow contingent budget guidelines, which severely limits the amount that we are able to spend for this school year.

In a good faith effort to adhere to these guidelines, the following reductions and changes are anticipated for the 2023-2024 school year:

- Fourth grade students will remain in the school house instead of attending East Hampton, Sag Harbor or Bridgehampton
- Intervention services will only be provided to those students who are mandated to receive them
- There will be no field trips
- There will be no school funded pizza lunches
- Special area subjects, Art, Music, Technology and Physical Education, may be eliminated
- The school district will not fund Preschool for the 2023-2024 school year

These decisions were not made lightly. Some of these items are not allowed in a contingent budget and others are cost savings that are necessary for the District to comply with New York State Education Department requirements.

The District is in contact with our local Assemblyman to seek relief from some or all of these contingent budget mandates. Please be assured that the Board and the staff of the Waincott School remain committed to providing your children with a positive and enjoyable experience during the 2023-2024 school year. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

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Deborah A. Haab
School Superintendent