

Guiding Principles for the Development of the Annual Thames Valley District School Board Operational Budget

1. **Compliance with Legal and Regulatory Requirements:** Budget allocations adhere to provincial regulations and legislative requirements.
2. **Fiscal Responsibility and Efficiency:** Seek to identify efficiencies and reduce expenses while maintaining a focus on student outcomes and staff well-being.
3. **Student-Centered Decision Making:** Prioritize budgets that directly impact student learning, well-being, and achievement.
4. **Alignment with Strategic Goals:** The budget reflects and supports the board's multi-year strategic plan and goals:
 - a. Support Student Achievement
 - b. Create Safe Spaces for All
 - c. Become the Best Place to Work, Learn, and Grow
 - d. Work Together With Communities
5. **Alignment with Ministry of Education Student Achievement Plan:** The budget reflects and supports the Student Achievement Plan:
 - a. Achievement of learning outcomes in core academic skills
 - b. Preparation of students for future success
 - c. Student engagement and well-being