

On September 2, 2008 our South Burlington City Council voted to change the day that South Burlington residents vote on City and School budgets from the third Tuesday in May to the first Tuesday in March, also known as Vermont Town Meeting Day.

This change means that School budget inputs and public budget reviews will be held during December and January of 2008 in preparation for the March 3, 2009 vote.

School budget proposals will be reviewed at the following meetings:

November 18, 2008 - Citizens Budget Committee Meeting 7-8:30 p.m. FHTMS Library

December 10, 2008 – Presentation of the school budget to the School Board, 7:00 p.m. SBHS Cafeteria

December 17, 2008 – Budget work session, School Board meeting, 7:00 p.m. FHTMS Library

Copies of the presentations to the School Board will be posted on the School District website, <http://www.sbschools.net/>

Information about additional opportunities for public review of the school budget will be communicated as they become available. Please watch this space for updated information.

Seventy percent of the voters in South Burlington do not have children in the school system. Therefore, it is very important that the voters who do have children in the school system voice what investments they prefer be made for the education of the children in our city. Your PTO would like to facilitate this communication of the proposed school budget to the parents in our community. Ideas and suggestions are welcome and may be directed to your local PTO or to PTO volunteer and RM Central School/FHT Middle School parent Lisa Levite, [lisalevite@comcast.net](mailto:lisalevite@comcast.net), 860-1506.