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To: Franklin School Committee
From: Sara E. Ahern, Superintendent of Schools
Date: March 5, 2020
Re: FY 21 Budget Discussion on March 10, 2020

This memo serves to frame the discussion of the FY 21 Superintendent's Recommended Budget on March 10. As you are aware, Miriam Goodman, School Business Administrator, and I presented the FY 21 Superintendent's Recommended Budget at the February 25, 2020 School Committee Meeting. Following that presentation the School Committee's Budget Subcommittee met on March 4, 2020.

I provide the following information to you in order to facilitate the Committee's discussion of the proposed budget:

1. [FY 21 Superintendent's Recommended Budget](#) (Executive Summary) and [Presentation](#)
2. A History of [Expense Mitigation Strategies and Efficiencies](#) since FY 03
3. [FY 20 Final Budget](#), including [budget reductions](#) and [additions](#), from the [FY 20 Budget Hearing](#)
4. 2018-2019 [Counseling Review](#) recommendations and actions taken to address needs
 - a. Reallocation of resources to add 2.0 adjustment counselors at elementary schools
 - b. Examination of personnel roles and skill sets; creating efficiencies with meetings
 - c. Recruitment of four counseling interns to augment support services

We look forward to sharing with you some areas of efficiency that we anticipate we may be able to incorporate into the FY 21 budget. Additionally, we look forward to the opportunity to discuss possible risks associated within certain areas of the budget if not supported.

I look forward to the Committee's discussion and feedback on the recommended budget.