



Nauset's Schools **NEED YOUR HELP!**

WELLFLEET TOWN WARRANT ARTICLES

FISCAL YEAR 2012 CONTINGENCY BUDGET

If passed, these 2 Articles will provide an additional \$30,000 of funding for Wellfleet Elementary School and \$251,000 for Nauset Middle & High School.

These funds are **ABSOLUTELY VITAL** to maintain EXCELLENCE in our schools and avoid devastating cuts. The tax increase for a home assessed at \$400,000 is approx. \$55 per year.

VOTE!

Town Meeting Mon. April 25 - 7:00 PM

Wellfleet Elementary School Gymnasium

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Wellfleet Elementary School—ARTICLE 6

- Rising costs have resulted in severe measures to balance our budget. Since 2003, the WES budget has been reduced by over \$300,000 resulting in staffing cuts and program reductions.
- Enrollment has increased from 131 in 08-09 to 142 in 10-11.
- We have the opportunity to vote for a \$30,000 Warrant Article.
- If this Article passes, we will be able to maintain: our technology teacher at 60%, math tutoring, and mandated special ed. therapies.

Nauset Regional Middle School & High School—ARTICLE 7

- Wellfleet's enrollment in the Regional Schools has increased while enrollment from the other 3 towns has declined. This has caused Wellfleet's assessment to rise dramatically for 11-12.
- Increased costs for items that are beyond the schools' control such as utilities, special education, and health insurance, all contribute to expenses rising much faster than 2½%.
- For the past five years the schools' have cut staff, programs, services, and supplies to keep within the limits of Prop. 2 ½.
- We have the opportunity to vote for a \$251,000 Warrant Article.
- **These funds are to MAINTAIN existing staff and RESTORE necessary programs: math, science, foreign language, music & art teachers; guidance counselors, technology, and special education.**

What could happen if the Articles do not pass?

- Wellfleet Elementary would reduce technology instruction, eliminate the math tutoring program, and cut supplies & materials.
- Nauset High School & Middle School would see increased class sizes, reduction of foreign language, art, & music programs, reduction of guidance services, and no updated technology.

What should I do?

- Be informed. Ask questions. Go to Town Meeting on Mon. April 25th at 7:00 PM @ Wellfleet Elementary School. ***STAND AND BE COUNTED!***
- Bring a friend or neighbor with you. This vote is very important!

**Please VOTE
at Town Meeting
Monday, April 25, 7:00 PM
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