

SECTION II LOCATION OF REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL

The regional district school shall be located in Fall River within a three-mile radius of the Route 24 and President Avenue traffic circle.

SECTION III TYPE OF REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL

The regional district school shall be a vocational-technical high school consisting of grades nine through twelve, inclusive. The committee is hereby authorized to establish and maintain state-aided vocational education, acting as trustees therefore, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74 of the General Laws and acts amendatory thereof, in addition thereto or dependent thereon.

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(A) Classification of Costs

For the purpose of apportioning assessments levied by the District against the member municipalities, costs shall be divided into two categories, namely, capital costs and operating costs.

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(B) Capital Costs

Capital costs shall include all expenses in the nature of capital outlay such as the cost of acquiring land, the cost of constructing, reconstructing, and adding to buildings, and the cost of remodeling or making extraordinary repairs to a school building or buildings, including without limitation the cost of the original equipment and furnishings for such buildings or additions, plans, architects' and consultants' fees, grading and other costs incidental to placing school buildings, and additions and related premises in operating condition. Capital costs shall also include payment of principal of and interest on bonds, notes or other obligations issued by the District to finance capital costs.

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(3) Operating Costs

Operating costs shall include all costs not included in capital costs as defined in subsection IV (B) but including interest on temporary notes issued by the District in anticipation of revenue.

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(D) Apportionment of Capital Costs

Capital costs shall be apportioned annually in December for the calendar year as follows:

- (1) Capital costs incurred in connection with the construction, equipping and placing in operation of the initial district school building, including the payment of principal and interest on bonds, notes or other obligations of the District issued to finance such capital costs, shall be apportioned on the basis of the member municipalities' total school population and total population determined as to any member municipality by adding together the ratio which its school population bears to the total school population of all the member municipalities and the ratio which its population bears to the total population of all the member municipalities and dividing the sum by two. Total school population shall be an average of the school population for the school years 1960-1961, 1961-1962 and 1962-1963 and shall include students residing in the member municipality enrolled in public, private and parochial schools, wherever located, grades 1-12 as of October 1st; and population as used in this clause shall be the population of each member municipality according to the 1960 National census.

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- (2) Capital costs other than those apportioned pursuant to clause (1) of this subsection, whether incurred in connection with the construction of an addition to or the reconstruction, replacement, remodeling or the making of extraordinary repairs to said initial school building, including the payment of principal of and interest on bonds, notes or other obligations issued by the District to finance such capital costs, shall be apportioned on the basis of the member municipalities' total school population and the member municipalities' population, determined as to any member municipality by adding together the ratio which its school population bears to the total school population of all member municipalities and the ratio which its population bears to the total population of all the member municipalities and dividing this sum by two. School population as used in this clause (2) shall be an average of the school population as of October 1st in each of the three calendar years previous to the date the committee votes to authorize the incurring of such capital costs and shall include students residing in

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- (2) the member municipality enrolled in public, private, and parochial schools wherever located, grades 1-12, and population as used in this clause (2) shall be the population of each member municipality according to the last preceding National or State census prevailing on the date the committee votes to authorize the incurring of such capital costs.
- (3) As to any capital costs consisting of the payment of principal and interest on bonds, notes or other obligations issued by the District to finance capital costs under the provisions of either clause (1) or clause (2) of this subsection IV (D), the ratio shall not be changed during the period in which such bonds, notes or other obligations are outstanding, except as provided in subsection VII (A).
- (4) Prior to the beginning of each school year the committee shall determine the enrollment capacity of the district school for the school year. The committee may from time to time increase or decrease the capacity so determined. In order to limit enrollments to such capacity, a quota shall be established for each member

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- (4) community equal to such capacity multiplied by the community's total share of capital costs under Section IV (D)(1) and (2) for the calendar year ending within the school year divided by the total shares of such capital costs for all the member communities. It is agreed that no member community shall be allocated more than its maximum quota of students except by annual consent of the regional vocational school committee. Such consent shall require the concurring votes of the committee members from at least all but one of the member communities. In the case of the City of Fall River, such concurrence shall be by vote of a majority of the committee members from the City of Fall River. The committee is authorized to adopt rules and regulations in order to carry out the intent of this paragraph, including without limitation rules and regulations relating to the date or dates on which enrollments shall be determined for the purpose of calculating quotas, the enrollment of students after such date or dates and the tentative enrollment of students subject to quota limitations.

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- (5) All enrollments used in determining capitalization costs shall be subject to verification to the satisfaction of the regional vocational school committee by the treasurer of the regional vocational school district.
- (6) It is agreed that the per cent of capital costs under clause (1) of this subsection shall be apportioned to each community as follows, subject to appropriate adjustment in case any one town does not become a member town:

	<u>% of Capital Cost</u>	<u>Rounded Percent</u>
Fall River	76.50235	76.5
Somerset	9.82090	9.8
Swansea	8.35150	8.4
Westport	5.32525	5.3
	<u>100.00000</u>	<u>100.0</u>

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(E) Apportionment of Operating Costs

Operating costs for the first calendar year next following the establishment of the regional school district and for every calendar year thereafter shall be apportioned to the member municipalities on the basis of their respective pupil enrollments in the regional school. Each member municipality's share for each calendar year shall be determined by computing the ratio which that municipality's pupil enrollment in the regional district school on October 1 of the year next preceding the year for which the apportionment is determined bears to the total pupil enrollment from all the member municipalities in the regional district school on the same date. In the event that enrollment in the regional district school has not been accomplished by October 1 of any year, operating costs shall be apportioned on the basis of enrollment in grades nine through twelve of pupils residing in each member municipality and receiving education at such municipality's expense on October 1 of that year.

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(F) Times of Payment of Apportioned Costs

Each member municipality shall pay to the District in each year its proportionate share, certified as provided in subsection V (C), of the capital and operating costs. Except as otherwise provided in subsection V (A), the annual share of each member municipality shall be paid in such amounts and at such times that at least the following percentages of such annual share shall be paid on or before the dates indicated, respectively:

April 1	25%
June 1	50%
September 1	75%
December 1	100%

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(G) Application of State Grants

Any school construction grants received by the District from the Commonwealth, including reimbursements received under the provisions of Section 6 of Chapter 645 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, shall be applied only to the payment of capital costs as defined in subsection IV (B) of this agreement.