

**MEMO TO: BOARD MEMBERS  
DR. JOHN SIMPSON**

**FROM: BRUCE ELLERMAN**

**DATE: AUGUST 16, 2016**

**RE: 2016-17 DISTRICT TUITION RATE CALCULATION**

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Each year the Webster Groves School District sets a tuition rate for nonresident students who enroll in the district. Webster has traditionally computed this rate using the model recommended by DESE and which is used by most St. Louis County school districts in order to provide district-to-district consistency in the calculation. Under this tuition calculation model (attached), school districts compute a district-wide tuition rate based on prior year actual district expenditures—i.e. the 2016-17 tuition rate is based on actual 2015-16 expenditures. Please note Webster's practice has been to use the rate based on WADA (which includes resident students only) instead of ADA (which includes residents, VICC students and nonresident students).

The recommended tuition rate for the 2016-17 school year is \$12,332.24, which is actually down slightly (3.3%) compared to the 2015-16 rate of \$12,756.58.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions.

Note/Similar to last year, the Webster Groves School District did receive a request from the Riverview Gardens School District for fiscal relief in the form of a discounted nonresident tuition rate for students from that unaccredited district that enroll in Webster Groves. This request has not been approved by the Board in the past and is likewise not recommended for approval in 2016-17.

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**RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION....that the Webster Groves School District Board of Education approve a nonresident tuition rate of \$12,332.24 per student for the 2016-17 school year.**



**Missouri Department of Elementary & Secondary Education  
School Finance Section  
Current Expenditure Calculation**

Year: 2015-2016    District: 096-114 WEBSTER GROVES

Version: Open

**Total Current Operating Expenditure**

1	Part III-B, Line 2999 Total Instruction & Support		52,700,617.92
2	Part III-B, Line 2999 Object 6500 Capital Outlay	959,444.47	
3	Part II, Line 5150 Food Service Program	432,323.85	
4	Part II, Line 5165 Food Service Non-Program	371,087.94	
5	Part II, Line 5170 Student Activities	1,790,100.25	
6	Part II, Line 5333 Food Service - State	8,741.01	
7	Part II, 5445-49 Food Service - Federal	413,339.34	
8	Part II, Line 5481 Summer Food Service Program	0.00	
9	Part II, Line 5810 Tuition From Other Districts	341,792.85	
10	Part II, Line 5820-30 Area Voc/Contracted Ed Fees	0.00	
11	Part II, Line 5841 Transportation From Other LEAs For Non-Disabled Students	0.00	
12	Part II, Line 5842 Transportation From Other LEAs for Students with Disabilities	0.00	
13	Part II, Line 5843 Transportation From Other LEAs for ECSE Students with Disabilities	<u>0.00</u>	
14	Total lines 2 - 13		<u>4,316,829.71</u>
15	Total Current Operation Expenditures (line 1 minus 14)		48,383,788.21

**Pupil Data**

Subject Year Average Daily Attendance (ADA)	4,049.0325
Subject Year Weighted Average Daily Attendance (WADA)	3,923.3573

**Calculations**

Current Expenditures per Average Daily Attendance (ADA) (Total Current Operating Expenditures / ADA)	Preliminary	11,949.47
Current Expenditures per Weighted Average Daily Attendance (WADA) (Total Current Operating Expenditures / WADA)	Preliminary	12,332.24
Special Education - State High Need Fund Threshold (3 X Current Expenditures per ADA)	Preliminary	35,848.41
Special Education - Federal High Need Fund Threshold (5 X Current Expenditures per ADA)	Preliminary	59,747.35