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Building with the  
Massachusetts School  
Building Authority

Amesbury Public Schools

# The Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA)

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- Authority Established in 2006
- Funding From 1% of the 6.25% MA Sales Tax – consistent revenue source
- Responsible for All School Construction in the Commonwealth

# City of Amesbury

## Reimbursement Rate Calculations

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- 2014 \*Base Rate 54.16%
- Additional Percentages:
  - Model School Program 5%
  - Green Initiatives 1-2%
  - Preventative Maintenance 1-2%

\* Base Rates Calculated Jan 1<sup>st</sup> every year

# Massachusetts School Building Authority - Current Programs

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- Accelerated Repair Program (APR)
  - Windows, Roofs, and Boilers
- Core Program
  - Extensive Repairs, Renovations, additions/renovations, and new school construction.

# Submitting Required Information to MSBA – Statement of Interest

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- Required to Submit Statement of Interest (SOI) annually
- SOI's are submitted indicating “Priority” needs
- SOI's must be voted by School Committee and City Council each year

# What Information is included in Statement of Interest?

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- SOI had 8 “Priority” needs areas
  - Replacement or Renovation which is structurally unsound
  - Elimination of existing severe overcrowding
  - Prevention of the loss of accreditation
  - Prevention of severe overcrowding expected to result from increased enrollments

# What Information is included in Statement of Interest? cont.'

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- Replacement, renovation, or modernization to increase energy conservation
- Short term enrollment growth
- Replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings
- Transition from court-ordered Racial Imbalance

# What SOI's have been submitted to MSBA for Amesbury?

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- Amesbury Elementary School
  - Priority #2 - elimination of severe overcrowding
  - Priority #4 - Prevention of severe overcrowding expected to result from increased enrollments
  - Priority #7 – Replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings

# MSBA's SOI Submission Calendar

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- Core Program

  - Due Friday April 11<sup>th</sup>

- Accelerated Repair Program

  - Due Friday February 14<sup>th</sup>

- SOI's voted by both School Committee and City Council

# MSBA Core Program

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- Amesbury Elementary School SOI
  - Populated from previous submitted SOI's
  - Updated information to reflect current existing conditions
  - Vote by School Committee
  - Vote by City Council
  - Submit to MSBA by April 11<sup>th</sup> 2015