

# **Early Light Academy Budgeting Policy**



## **POLICY**

Early Light Academy (“the “School”) will comply with the budgeting requirements of Utah law, including but not limited to Utah Code Title 53G, Chapter 7, Part 3.

The School’s Director is appointed as the budget officer. Before June 1 of each year, the budget officer shall prepare a tentative budget, with supporting documentation, to be submitted to the Board of Directors.

The tentative budget and supporting documents shall include the following items:

- (a) the revenues and expenditures of the preceding fiscal year;
- (b) the estimated revenues and expenditures of the current fiscal year;
- (c) a detailed estimate of the essential expenditures for all purposes for the next succeeding fiscal year; and
- (d) the estimated financial condition of the School at the close of the current fiscal year.

The tentative budget shall be filed with the School’s Director for public inspection at least 15 days before the date of the tentative budget's proposed adoption by the Board of Directors.

Before June 30 of each year, the Board of Directors will adopt a budget for the next fiscal year.

By the sooner of July 15 or 30 days of adopting a budget, the Board of Directors will file a copy of the adopted budget with the state auditor and the Utah State Board of Education (“USB”).

## **Maintenance of Effort**

Because the School receives federal funds, including Title I, Part A funds, the School is obligated to comply with certain maintenance of effort (“MOE”) requirements. The School adopts this policy in order to ensure that the School complies with MOE requirements.

The School will not use applicable federal funds to reduce the level of expenditures from state and/or local funds for the education of students below the level of those expenditures for the preceding fiscal year. Unless an exception applies or a waiver is granted and taking into account allowable reductions, the School will budget from state and/or local funds at least the same total spent for that purpose from the same state and/or local funds source(s) for the most recent prior year for which information is available.

The School acknowledges that if MOE requirements are not satisfied, then the USBE may penalize the School by reducing the School’s federal funding by a proportional amount the following year.