



Furnace Brook Middle School

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Since beginning my employment with the Marshfield Public Schools in August of 2001, one of my goals has been to find ways to create and support a sense of community among the Furnace Brook Middle School stake holders. As a result of much hard work and commitment on the part of teachers, parents, students, community leaders, and the administrative team of the Marshfield Public Schools, Furnace Brook Middle School has become an outstanding example of what a true middle school should be in every sense of the definition.

Today Furnace Brook Middle School students receive a very comprehensive and challenging curriculum experience, where each student is expected to meet high standards while being provided the support and opportunities to become successful learners. As a community, we have also worked very hard to establish a culture and climate where our first priority has been to focus on what is in the best interest of children. This has resulted in establishing an environment where children enjoy being in school by being a part of the school community.

Anticipating that Massachusetts' current and future state revenue shortfalls will impact our district's student programs and opportunities, the Marshfield School Committee and Marshfield Public Schools administrative team have scheduled a series of parent budget forums. The agendas for these meetings will include a review of the current and anticipated financial challenges facing the Marshfield Public Schools as well as opportunities for parents to share views and ideas with the School Committee.

On **Monday, November 16, 2009**, the Furnace Brook Middle School parent budget forum will be held in the middle school auditorium from **7:00 - 8:30 P.M.** Similar meetings have been scheduled for elementary school parents (November 12th) and high school parents (November 18th).

I sincerely hope you will be able to attend our November 16th parent budget forum.

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