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**City of Portsmouth  
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**Education**

**Business Center Vision**

All students will demonstrate knowledge, skills, character and civic responsibility. This will enable them to shape their own demands.

**Mission Statement**

For all students, the Portsmouth Public School mission is to provide a quality education. To this end Portsmouth city Public Schools will ensure:

- An effective instructional program
- A safe and orderly environment
- An atmosphere conducive to learning
- A motivated, committed and skilled staff

<b>Business Units</b>	<b>FY 2006 Actual</b>	<b>FY 2007 Adopted</b>	<b>FY 2007 Amended</b>	<b>FY 2008 Adopted</b>
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**Business Unit Mission Statement**

The mission of the Portsmouth Public Schools is to educate all students to meet high academic standards and to prepare all students for citizenship.

**Description of Services Provided**

School Board Goals:

1. The primary purpose of all disciplines is for students to apply knowledge, facts, concepts and skills in new situations.
2. All schools will promote an environment conducive to learning in which all members of the school community practice the system's established policies.
3. Individual schools will operate in feeder patterns that provide consistent, comprehensive opportunities and early intervention strategies for students to acquire the knowledge and demonstrate sound physical, mental and emotional health.
4. Curriculum development and implementation, including staff development will be a dynamic process which supports student learning. A primary focus will be on reading, math, written and oral communication, science and social studies.
5. Schools will welcome and encourage involvement of parents, community members and businesses that directly support our educational goals. Working together, we will insure that all students develop the skills and abilities to be contributing members of the community.

<b>Expenditure Categories</b>	<b>FY 2006 Actual</b>	<b>FY 2007 Adopted</b>	<b>FY 2007 Amended</b>	<b>FY 2008 Adopted</b>
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**Major Budget Variances**

The approved FY 08 budget for Portsmouth Public Schools includes a transfer from the City of \$49,791,970, an increase of \$7.1 million over FY 07 and includes funding to be designated by the schools for programs as outlined below:

- A teachers' salary scale developed by staff and the Portsmouth Teachers' Association which provides an average salary increase of 6-7% This scale ensures that teachers' salaries in Portsmouth are competitive with surrounding communities through the first sixteen years of a teacher's career.
- Other employees - 3.5% COLA Pay Scale Adjustment + Phase II of Equity Study.
- Increased supplements for teachers in leadership positions
- Science Pathways Program for Elementary and Middle School students
- Spanish Language piloted at Elementary Schools
- Middle School athletics program expansion
- Improvement in Wilson High athletic facilities
- Expansion of Career and Technical courses - horticulture, hotel management and child care providers.
- 11% health insurance increase
- Twelve month employment for teaching specialist
- Eight replacement school buses
- Reduction of 34 teachers/paraprofessionals due to declining enrollment