

# Summary

- One of today's objectives is to understand the numbers
- From the Regional perspective
  - DCR per pupil spending is the lowest of the 33 two town academic regions
  - Actual net school spending is in the lower 20% of all districts; 80% of the districts spend more
  - DCR costs are rising, assessments are increasing
  - The region would like to budget more; These increases are not just a want of the District, but what is needed to keep pace with the continuing increase in educational costs and expectations

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- From the local perspective
  - Dudley and Charlton are challenged to maintain current foundation and assessments
  - Dudley is under its local effort; its minimum local required contributions will be increasing nearly double Charlton's MLRC increase over the next five years
  - Dudley will absorb more of the excess of NSS > requirement as the enrollment shift continues
  - Dudley and Charlton have limited capacity; Charlton more than Dudley
- A second objective for today's session is to determine where to go from here