Horry County Schools
Budget Assumptions/Parameters – Fiscal Year 2016-17

The administration will prepare a recommended budget based upon the following *ASSUMPTIONS*:

1. The student population is expected to increase by 817 new students (preliminary estimate).

2. Certain basic operational costs are expected to increase for the 2016-17 fiscal year including but not limited to insurances and utilities.

3. Employees will be provided a step increase based upon their years of experience and any cost of living adjustment as determined by the State.

4. Personnel allocation formulae will essentially remain the same as the current fiscal year.

5. Title I and other special funds will be used to provide additional opportunities to ensure that all children have a fair, equal, and significant opportunity to obtain a high-quality education and reach, proficiency on challenging State academic achievement standards and state academic assessments.

6. Revenue projections will be based upon the most recent version of the State Appropriations Bill.

The administration will prepare a recommended budget that is in compliance the Board of Education's governance policies and the following *PARAMETERS*:

1. The District will comply with all applicable State and/or Federal laws and regulations.

2. Resources will support the District's vision to be a premier world-class school system in which every student acquires an excellent education.

3. The District will provide the curriculum programs and instructional support which have been proven to be effective for students, with a primary emphasis on literacy.

4. The District must provide the instructional support essential to meet the State and Local accountability goals.

5. The District must provide resources for unfunded mandates.

6. The support services and operational aspects of the District will be maintained such that the essential services provided to students and staff will be continued.

7. The District will identify funding sources for new programs and/or initiatives.