

# ***JERICOH SCHOOL DISTRICT***



## **BUDGET 2014-15**

### **WORKSHOP # 4**

### **Budget Review Meeting**

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# Budget Review Calendar



- **January 16**      **Overview and Review of Codes:  
1000, 2010, 2020, 2070, 7000, 8000**
- **February 6**      **Review of Codes:  
2250, 2610, 2810, 2815, 2820, 2825, 2850, 2855**
- **February 27**      **Codes 2110, 2280, 2630, 5000, 9000**
- **March 13**      **Full Budget Review of Revenues and Expenditures**
- **March 20**      **Adoption of Budget by Board of Education**



# TAX LEVY THRESHOLD Year 3

- The allowable levy growth factor is the *lesser* of 2% or CPI.
- For the 2014-15 budget, the CPI, which will be used for the tax levy threshold calculation, is 1.46%.
- Additionally, certain allowable exclusions we received in 13-14 will not be available in 2014-15 (most notably and significant was the Retirement System exclusion).
- Accordingly, Jericho's tax levy threshold for 2014-15 will be **approximately 1.3%**, or \$1.4M.

# Jericho Tax Levy Threshold 14-15

## **JERICO UFSD TAX LEVY THRESHOLD FOR 14-15**

Prior Year Tax Levy			\$106,811,992
Tax Base Growth Factor (NYS Department of Taxation)	X		1.0044
			\$107,281,965
Current year Payment in Lieu of Taxes - PILOT (13-14)	+		\$306,442
Capital Tax Levy 13-14 to be DEDUCTED	-		(\$2,529,767)
Adjusted Prior Year Levy			\$105,058,640
Allowable Growth Factor (lesser of CPI or 2%)	X		1.0146
			\$106,592,496
PILOTS for coming year (14-15)	-		(\$569,705)
Available Carryover (none for 14-15)	+		\$0
Tax Levy Limit Before Exclusions			\$106,022,791
Retirement System Exclusion	+		\$0
Capital Tax Levy 14-15 to be ADDED	+		\$2,153,507
Maximum Allowable Tax Levy for Simple Majority			\$108,176,297
			1.28%



# Positive Outlook



- **NYS Mandated Employer Contribution Rates to the Employee Retirement System (ERS) will decrease for 2014-15.**
- **Although the NYS Mandated Employer Contribution Rates (ECR) to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) will increase in 2014-15, it will not be as significant as 2013-14. Additionally, the ECR could potentially plateau which is good news for future budgets.**
- **Health insurance premiums for calendar year 2014 reflected nominal increases.**



# Positive Outlook (continued)



- **Tax Certiorari:** the NYS Court of Appeals on February 18, 2014 issued a 30-page opinion in which it confirms that Nassau County violated the State Constitution when it acted by local law to repeal the County Guaranty. This eliminated what would have had a \$3-\$6 million annual impact to Jericho School District.
- Nassau County's only option is to change State Law via legislative action.

# Budget Summary:

## 0% (flat) Tax Levy



JERICHO PUBLIC SCHOOLS							
Budget Summary							
CODE	DESCRIPTION	Actual 2012-13	Budget 2013-14	Budget 2014-15	Percent Increase		
	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
1000	GENERAL SUPPORT	9,318,321	11,226,871	11,222,398			
1000A	CAPITAL PROJECTS	1,000,000	900,000	900,000			
2000	INSTRUCTION/ADMINISTRATION	62,217,906	69,781,189	70,883,319			
5000	PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	5,341,029	6,202,778	6,280,414			
7000	COMMUNITY SERVICES	56,550	54,000	56,000			
9000	UNDISTRIBUTED	24,125,211	29,713,871	30,230,253			
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>102,059,017</b>	<b>117,878,709</b>	<b>119,572,384</b>	<b>1.44%</b>		
	<b>REVENUES</b>						
	INTEREST	161,990	155,000	50,000			
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	815,831	300,000	215,000			
	PILOT	273,474	300,000	560,000			
	OTHER DISTRICT--TUITION, DOL/DOR	658,304	320,000	650,000			
	STATE AID	4,142,454	3,600,000	3,900,000			
	USE OF POOL AND ADMISSIONS	19,376	9,000	15,000			
	CULTURAL ARTS FEES	58,210	45,000	60,000			
	NYS OASIS PROGRAM	75,381	75,000	75,000			
	NON-PUBLIC CHARGES	681,904	700,000	600,000			
	RENTAL OF PROPERTY	502,740	490,000	475,000			
	<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>7,389,664</b>	<b>5,994,000</b>	<b>6,600,000</b>			
	APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE/RESERVES	4,100,000	4,100,000	5,600,000			
	APPROPRIATED FROM RESERVES	496,052	972,717	560,392			
	<b>TAX LEVY</b>	<b>103,489,132</b>	<b>106,811,992</b>	<b>106,811,992</b>	<b>0.00%</b>		
	<b>TOTAL REVENUE/AFB/RESERVES/LEVY</b>	<b>115,474,848</b>	<b>117,878,709</b>	<b>119,572,384</b>			



# Proposition # 2

(increased to \$3.8M in order to address additional security upgrades)



- Shall the Board of Education be authorized to appropriate and expend a total amount of \$3,800,000 from current funds available within the general fund for the projects listed below, including incidental and necessary expenses in connection therewith:

**Renovation of the Jericho High/Middle School Auditorium**  
**District-wide security upgrades**



# Budget Strategies

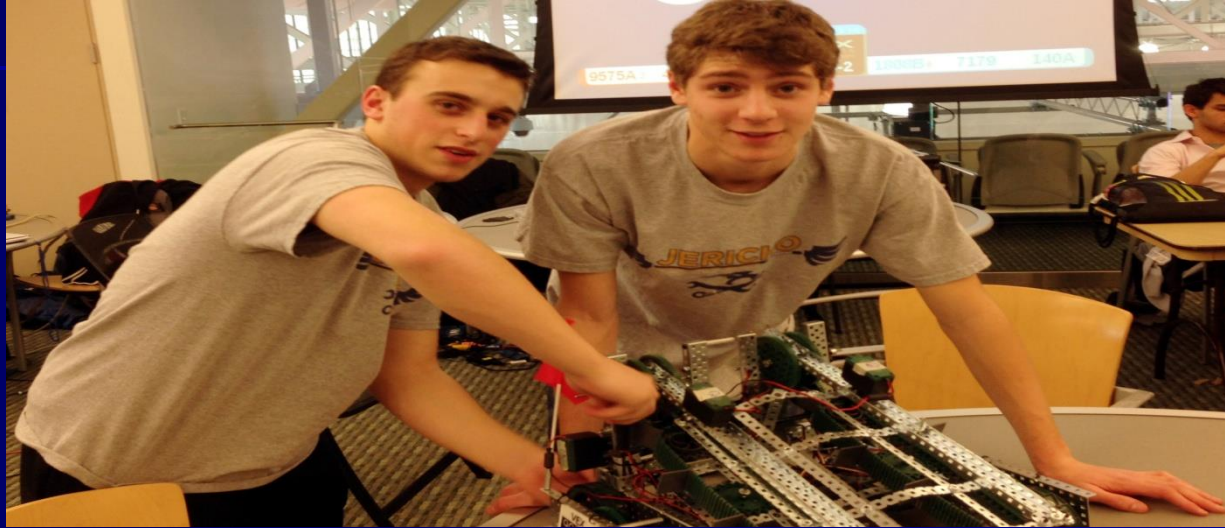
- **Remain committed to being a premier school district and continue to deliver a high quality, 21<sup>st</sup> Century education.**
- **Commitment to our district mission and goals.**
- **Keep a multi-year perspective on the budget.**
- **Long-range planning for our educational programs and goals.**
- **Maintain our building reconditioning projects.**
- **Continue our technology replacement plans and expand technological initiatives district-wide.**
- **Continue to pursue efficiencies in all areas of the district.**

# Why Do We Need a FUND BALANCE and What Is Its value?



- To assure the public that the budget plan will tolerate a certain amount of unexpected adversity without forcing a crisis.
- To meet unanticipated expenses and to provide for “rainy day” emergencies.
- To provide options for long-term planning (e.g. capital reserve).
- A stable fund balance is an indicator of good money management.
- A stable fund balance results in a good credit rating which leads to lower interest costs for long and short-term borrowing.
- Managing fund balances is one of the most difficult tasks of the budgeting process, since budgets are only estimates of expenditures and anticipated revenues.

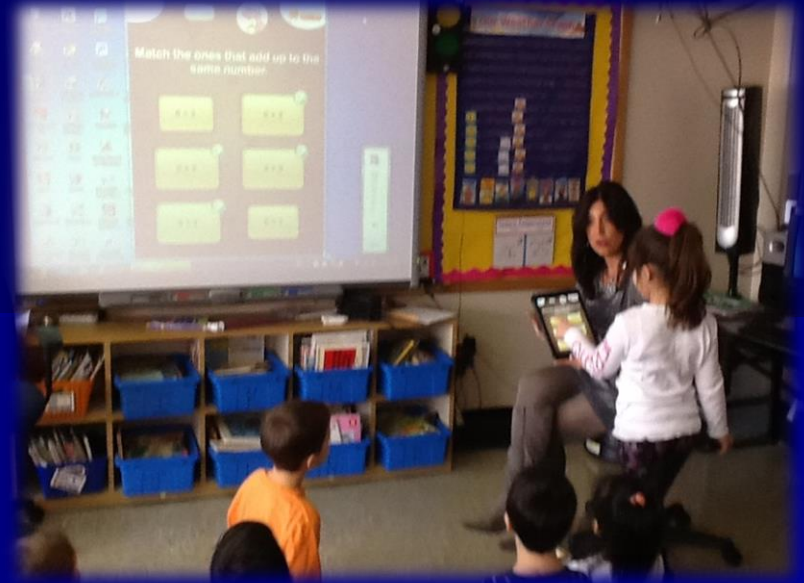
# Highlights of 2014-2015 Budget



- 0% (flat) tax levy
- Increase investment in technology
- Program continuation in all areas



# Computer Technology



- The district owns more than 1500 computers.
  - Age range-brand new to five years old.
- Added iMacs to video editing classes..
- Replaced over 330 desktops/laptops/projectors/smartboards/printers district-wide.
  - Added 3D printer
- Implemented 180 new iPads for: Assistive Technology, Elementary classrooms , 4 carts of 30 each for: Science, Technology, World Language & ELA.
- Implemented AirServer to wirelessly connect iPads to projectors.
- Implemented Robocall system for attendance and emergency calling.
- Created standards-based electronic report cards for elementary schools.
- Upgraded data center and enhanced disaster recovery capabilities.
- Automated data synchronization between PowerSchool and Edline, Robocall and Transfinder.



# Computer Technology 2014-2015



- **Increase Wi-Fi access throughout the school district.**
  - including a guest network and capabilities for BYOD.
- **460 new iPads throughout district:**
  - 250 iPads for the elementary schools, 1 additional cart (30 iPads) for Science, World Language, and Science, and 2 carts (60 iPads) for the Math and Social Studies departments
- **Replace over 250 desktops; 75 laptops.**
- **Replace projectors/Smartboards/printers as needed.**
- **Additional CNC printer.**
- **Upgrade network connectivity between buildings.**
- **Increase network speed and reliability.**
- **Backup internet access.**
- **Enhance disaster recovery capabilities.**
- **Additional iMacs for video editing classes.**

# Elementary Program Highlights

## Continuing in 14-15

- Band & Orchestra for Grades 4 & 5
- Library
- Student Leaders/Safety Patrol
- Cultural Arts
- Science Labs
- World Languages
- Co-Teaching Program
- ELA & Math After-School Support Grades 3-5
- Social/Emotional Literacy Components
- Various Student Enrichment Opportunities
  - Science
  - Mandarin
  - Coding



# Middle School Program Highlights

## Continuing in 14-15

- Middle School Teaming/Student Team Advisors
- OLWEUS Anti-Bullying Program
- BRAVE Program/BRAVE Ambassadors
- Co-teaching Program
- Electives:
  - Mock Trial Elective
  - Project History Elective
  - SEEDLINGS Elective
  - Competitive Science Elective
  - ❖ Enhancements: Coding, Gadgets, & Gizmos
- Diversity Day
- Wise Start
- Chinese Language
- Mathletes/Math Olympiad/American Math Competition
- Mathcounts Long Island Champions
- Study Island
- S.A.D.D. Students Against Destructive Decisions
- V.A.L.U.E. Credit Program-Community Service
- Mentoring Program
- Project A.I.M. (HS students mentoring 6<sup>th</sup> grade students)
- Participation in Nassau County Anti-bias Consortium
- Personal Best Initiative



**Jericho Middle School has been re-designated a National Middle School to Watch (1 of only 300 Middle Schools in the nation to earn this designation)**

# High School Program Highlights Continuing 14-15



- **Broad array of Advanced Placement opportunities**
- **Science / Social Science / Pre-Calculus Research:** Four year program that allows students to perform actual research with top researchers for the betterment of our world.
- **BOLT (Building Outstanding Leaders for Tomorrow):** Leadership class that challenges students to make a difference in the school and the world
- **Project Lead the Way:** International pre-engineering program that offers up to 16 college engineering credits.
- **Senior Experience:** Integrated internship experience that allows students to learn about government and economics in the real world
- **Virtual Enterprise:** Virtual business consortium where students build a business from the ground up and sell their wares to other VE businesses across the globe.
- **Broad array of elective and extracurricular opportunities**
- **Co-Teaching Program**



# High School Program Highlights Continuing 14-15



- Numerous competitions including some of these examples:
  - National History Day, Ethics Bowl, Mock Trial, Mock UN, Debate
  - NCTE Writing Awards, Poetry Out Loud, Teen Ink, Walt Whitman Poetry, Hofstra Journalism
  - National Spanish/Italian/French/Latin Exams, Italian Poetry, Language Essay Competitions
  - Intel, Siemens, Dupont, Toshiba, Explora Vision, National Science Bowl, MIT Think, Brain Bee, LI Science & Engineering Fair
  - Extensive World Language Program: culture trips to Italy, Spain, China, and Montreal



# With an Eye and Ear Towards the ARTS

- 8 Jericho musicians selected to perform at NY All-State Conference
- Jericho art students represented at Nassau Art Supervisors Association
- Art display panels in lobby for student and faculty projects
- 26 concerts in ten months; pit orchestra for musicals
- 500 plus NYSSMA entries
- 83 All-County Students - 26 LISFA Musicians
- Herricks Jazz Festivals
- Ad hoc ensembles perform at nursing homes and senior citizens facilities
- Homecoming Parade and football games – Pep Rallies
- Fund-raising concerts – Tri-M Music Honor Society
- Graduation Band
- Jericho hosts NYSSMA Piano Festival
- National Art Honor Society and Tri-M National Music Honor Society



# ATHLETICS

- The Jericho Athletic Program currently consists of:
  - 29 Varsity Teams
  - 15 Junior Varsity Teams
  - 23 Middle School Teams
- Participation:
  - 398 High School students participated on our 18 fall teams
  - 270 High School students are currently participating on 13 winter teams
  - 203 Middle School students participated on our 10 fall teams
  - 258 Middle School students are currently participating on 13 winter teams
- A New York State Scholar Athlete School of Distinction for 9 consecutive years.
  - The most by any school district in New York State.
- 2 fall teams were named Scholar Athlete State Champions in 2013.
- Boys Soccer won the New York State Championship in 2011, 2012 & 2013.
- Boys Swimming and Diving won their 7<sup>th</sup> consecutive Division Championship.
- Boys Badminton captured their 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive Nassau County Championship.
- In the past 7 years, the Jericho Athletic Program has won:
  - 12 Nassau County Championships
  - 19 Conference Championships
  - 2 individual athletes earned State Championship honors in their respective sports
  - 12 individual athletes received All-State honors



# Jericho High School

## In Constant Pursuit of Excellence

- **100% Graduation Rate**
  - 98% Graduates of Class of 2013 attending college
  - 99% Regents Diploma Rate
  - 84% Advanced Regents Diploma
- **29 National Merit Commended Students**
  - 7 National Merit Finalists
  - 13 National Merit Winners
- **88% student body taking at least one Advanced Placement course over career**
  - 158 Advanced Placement Scholars
  - 67 Advanced Placement Scholars with Honor
  - 44 Advanced Placement Scholars with Distinction
  - 4 National Advanced Placement Scholars
- **8 Intel Semifinalists of the top 300 nationally**
- **2 Intel Finalists of the top 40 nationally**
- **1 Siemens Semifinalists**
- **9 consecutive NY School of Distinction Awards (only school in NY)**





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- **The information in this document will be presented at Budget Workshop # 4 on Thursday, March 13, 2014 at the Middle School Library at 7:30PM. At that time Victor Manuel, Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs will review this information with the Board of Education.**

