

Message from the Superintendent

Dear District Residents,

The Beekmantown Central School District Board of Education requests voter consideration of a proposed \$46,064,390 spending plan for the 2021-2022 school year. Voting on the budget, transportation, selection of four (4) Board members and capital reserve will take place from 11:00 am to 8:00 pm on **Tuesday, May 18, 2021**, in the **Learning Theater, Haynes Road, across the street from the District Office located at 197 Haynes Road, Plattsburgh, NY.**

The School District Budget Notice (other side) details important information that helps explain the 2021-2022 budget and highlights comparisons between this plan and the budget adopted in 2020-2021.

In crafting our budget, the district continued to be mindful of our students, employees and taxpayers. As such, we propose a tax levy increase of 2.68%. In 2020-2021 our tax levy increase was 2.76% and 2.56% in 2019-2020.

The district presented the 2021-2022 spending plan at a public hearing on May 11, 2021. Due to internal spending controls, continued extensive grant writing, reconfiguration in some areas, along with our state and federal aid, we remain focused on providing the most outstanding programmatic offerings for our students allowed under the current funding structure.

As part of the district's ongoing bus replacement plan, a proposition to purchase three (3) buses at an estimated cost not to exceed \$356,000. This purchase is reimbursed back to the district at a ratio of 75.1% by NYSED. The district will trade or sell three (3) school buses to offset the remaining balance.

Additionally, the district is seeking the passage of a Capital Reserve under Proposition IV. This Capital Reserve will safeguard existing funds for a future capital project. These funds will **offset** the need for a tax increase from local property owners when the Board of Education along with the Superintendent initiates the next capital project. It should be noted that

voter approval is required to use these funds once safeguarded in the Capital Reserve.

Our employees, administration and Board of Education remain committed to building a world class educational system for students so they can become *quality contributors to society and self.*

The details of the proposed budget are posted on our district website www.bcsdk12.org and can be viewed by clicking on the budget information link found under Quick Links.

In closing, I wish to thank our school community for your continued support of our staff and students.

Sincerely,



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Superintendent of Schools

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School District Budget Notice

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2020-21 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2021-22 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2021-22 School Year *
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$ 44,594,793	\$46,064,390	\$45,474,958
Increase/Decrease for the 2021-22 School Year		\$1,469,597	\$880,165
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		3.30 %	1.97%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		1.23%	
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$21,863,639	\$22,449,618	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	\$0	\$0	
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable **	\$0	\$0	
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy	\$0	\$0	
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$21,863,639	\$22,449,618	\$21,863,639
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$398,340	\$	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$21,465,299	\$	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	\$21,465,299	\$	
I. Difference: G - H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval - See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$0	\$	
Administrative Component	\$3,844,551	\$4,053,689	\$3,954,689
Program Component	\$34,666,351	\$35,955,438	\$36,035,264
Capital Component	\$6,083,891	\$6,055,263	\$5,485,005

* Assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2021-22 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law includes expenditures considered essential to maintain the education programs, preserve property and ensure the health and safety of students and staff with an emphasis for expenditures in general considered absolutely necessary to operate and maintain schools, except for those items which the status themselves either provide mandates for or give discretion to the Board of Education. Items which are statutorily considered non-contingency expenses include but are not limited to items such as student supplies, certain non-collectively bargained wage increases, certain equipment, certain vehicles, non-essential transportation, community use of facilities resulting with additional expenses to the district and community education programs.

** List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval requirements)

Description	Amount
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$

NOTE: Please submit an electronic version (Word or PDF) of this completed form to: emscmgts@nysed.gov

Under the Budget Proposed
for the 2021-22 School Year

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings¹

\$526

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2021-22 by the qualified voters of the Beekmantown Central School District, Clinton County, New York, will be held at the Beekmantown School (**Learning Theater located on the Haynes Rd**) on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 between the hours of 11:00am and 8:00pm, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine. **NYS DOH COVID guidelines will be followed.**

1. The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.