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Bryan Adams



Holly Boisvert



Debbie Palumbo-Sanders



Dr. Christopher Parks



Adam Snyder

### Budget Vote Information

District residents will cast ballots on the proposed 2023 – 2024 budget at the annual budget vote and Board of Education election on **Tuesday, May 16**. Voting will take place in the **Victor Early Childhood School Boardroom** from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Voters must be at least 18 years old, a registered voter and a resident of the District for at least 30 days prior to May 16, 2023.

### Voter Registration

On Tuesday, May 9, 2023, the Victor Central School District will hold voter registration from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Conference Room. This registration is for residents currently not registered to vote in the general election.

For more information on voter registration and/or the upcoming budget vote, contact VCS District Clerk, Maureen Goodberlet at 924-3252, ext. 1402 or email her at [goodberletm@victorschools.org](mailto:goodberletm@victorschools.org).

### VCS Board of Education

Tim DeLucia  
Kristin Elliott  
Lisa Kostecki  
Elizabeth Mitchell  
Debbie Palumbo-Sanders  
Christopher Parks  
Trisha Turner



The Board of Education meets on the second Thursday of the month in the Victor Early Childhood School Boardroom at 7:15 p.m. The meetings are live-streamed on the VCS YouTube Channel: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCF0VZcOWzJcfc3jVuV\\_QQAA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCF0VZcOWzJcfc3jVuV_QQAA)

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# The 2023–2024 School Budget

## A Message from Our Superintendent Tim Terranova, Ed.D.



I am appreciative of our Board of Education adopting the 2023-24 School Budget at the April 13th Board of Education meeting. The total budget is \$98,924,377, a 10.90% increase from the 2022-23 school year's budget. This includes an increase in staffing of 24.9 positions.

Despite the increase between this year's and next year's budget, the tax levy increase (based on our tax cap for 2023-24) is 2.18%. The District is not exceeding the tax cap. The main reason why we can stay within the tax cap despite increasing the budget by 10.90% is because of the influx of sustainable state aid that is finally approved for our District.

Most importantly, we anticipate that the tax rate will go from \$15.84 per thousand in 2022-23 to approximately \$16.03\* per thousand in 2023-24, which is a 1.19% increase. There is a strong potential that the final tax rate will decrease. This is still one of the lowest tax rates in the entire Rochester region. For a \$300,000 home, this equates to an increase in taxes of \$57.00 for the year, or an increase of \$4.75 per month. A chart showing the relationship between the budget-to-budget increase, tax levy increase and projected tax rate increase can be found on page 8.

### Specifics of the 2023-24 Budget

As we review our financial parameters for the 2023-24 school year it is critical that we maintain the following budgetary strategy a) Continue to keep any increases in sustainable expenses in line with our sustainable revenue in order to continue to have stabilized tax rate increases over time, b) Continue to prioritize our spending on what is most important for our children by utilizing our 5 Year Strategic Plan as our guide, and c) Continue to fund Capital Reserves in order to stabilize debt payments over the next few years in relation to bus purchases and facility needs.

We are proposing a significant increase in positions for next school year. This is because our District was historically understaffed for many years. For example, since 2008, the Victor Central School District has lost \$107 million dollars in state aid revenue that we were supposed to receive based on our state aid formula. This loss of funding contributed to inadequate staff levels.

We have made great strides in increasing staffing the past three years, but we still have areas of need based on

our Strategic Planning goals and student to staff ratios in a variety of areas. Proposed staffing increases for next school year include:

- Special Education and Related Services to improve programming opportunities and improve the social emotional support of students
- Sections at the elementary level
- World languages, music, and fine arts to expand opportunities for all students
- Safety and Security enhancements
- A District wide Substance Abuse Counselor to support proactive teaching for all students while also working with individual students who are dealing with substance use challenges
- A Work-Based Learning Coordinator who will significantly expand opportunities for our high school students to participate in internships and mentorships across the community while increasing the rigor of the educational experience for our juniors and seniors
- Tutors for our new tutoring center (200 S High Street) to support students both academically and social-emotionally when they are temporarily out of school

Despite increasing staff the past three years, our current tax rate per \$1,000 has actually decreased since the 2019-20 school year and we expect next year's tax rate to be relatively the same. In addition, we are confident that our staffing increases will level off after next school year.

Please review the entire Budget Newsletter as it contains significant information about the 2023-24 school budget. Please reach out to me via email or phone if you have any questions. As always, we will continue to be transparent with the community and balance the needs of our children with the financial needs of our families.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Terranova". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Superintendent Tim Terranova, Ed.D.

\*Projected tax rate. Final tax rolls are not established until 6/30/23, the final tax rate to be set at the August Board of Education meeting.

## Budget Proposition

Shall the Board of Education of the Victor Central School District be authorized to expend \$98,924,377 during the school year 2023-2024 and to levy the necessary tax therefor?

## Bus Bond Proposition

- (a) That the Board of Education of the Victor Central School District, in the Counties of Ontario, Monroe and Wayne, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to purchase various school buses for use by the District; and to expend therefor, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$1,185,000;
- (b) that a tax is hereby voted in the aggregate amount of not to exceed \$1,185,000 to pay such cost, said tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; be and
- (c) that in anticipation of said tax, bonds of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of not to exceed \$1,185,000 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable.

## Vehicle Bond Proposition

- (a) That the Board of Education of the Victor Central School District, in the Counties of Ontario, Monroe and Wayne, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to purchase various vehicles for use by the District, and to expend therefor, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$210,000;
- (b) that a tax is hereby voted in the aggregate amount of not to exceed \$210,000 to pay such cost, said tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; and
- (c) that in anticipation of said tax, bonds of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of not to exceed \$210,000 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable.

## 2023-2024 Budget - Personnel Additions

### Enrollment

- 2.0 FTE VIS General Education Teacher
- .2 FTE VIS Music Teacher
- .2 FTE VIS Physical Education Teacher

### Strategic Plan - Culture

- .8 FTE VPS/VIS Music
- .6 FTE VJH World Languages
- 1.0 FTE Building Contract Substitute Teacher
- 1.0 FTE P-6 Security Guard
- 1 Summer Security Guard
- .7 Public Relations
- 1 Track and Field Coach
- 1 Cross Country Coach
- 2 Football Modified B Coach
- .4 Athletic Assistant Teacher on Special Assignment
- 2 Indoor Track & Field Modified B Coaches
- \$20,000 of Additional Section Coverage (VJH/ VSH)
- 1 Summer Security Guard
- .4 FTE Technology Support Technician
- .3 Centralized Purchasing Clerk
- .7 FTE Transportation Clerical

### Strategic Plan - Learning and Instruction

- .4 FTE VJH Science Teacher
- 1.0 FTE P-12 STEM Coach
- 1.0 FTE VPS/VIS Support Teacher
- 1.0 FTE Teaching Assistant Online Learning Lab
- \* *Transition of Aide position to Teaching Assistant*

### Strategic Plan - Student Supports and Opportunities

- 6.0 FTE Special Education Teachers
- 1.0 FTE ECS/VPS Speech Language Pathologist
- 1.0 FTE District Wide Occupational Therapist
- 1.0 FTE VIS Psychologist
- 1.0 FTE VSH Work-Based Learning Coordinator
- 1.0 FTE Tutoring Center Teacher
- 1.0 FTE Tutoring Center Teacher Assistant
- 1.0 FTE District Wide Substance Abuse Counselor
- 1.0 FTE Interim 504 Coordinator
- .2 FTE District-Wide Adaptive P.E.
- 30 Teacher Assistants
- \* *Transition of Aide positions to Teaching Assistants*

### Total Staffing Additions\*:

- Enrollment 2.4 FTE
- Strategic Plan- Culture 5.9 FTE
- Strategic Plan - Learning and Instruction 2.4 FTE
- Strategic Plan - Student Supports & Opportunities 14.2 FTE

\* **Total Full Time Equivalent (FTE) does not include: Teaching Assistants (Transition Positions), Summer Security Guard & Coaches**

# Proposed Expenditures

	Budget 2022-2023	Proposed Budget 2023-2024	Change
<b>Administrative Component</b>			
Board of Education	\$65,096	\$77,336	\$12,240
Central Administration	\$268,799	\$278,934	\$10,135
Finance	\$567,876	\$635,103	\$67,227
Staff	\$846,702	\$870,795	\$24,093
Central Services	\$745,000	\$772,800	\$27,800
Special Items	\$1,098,500	\$1,107,000	\$8,500
Curriculum Development	\$895,208	\$992,946	\$97,738
Curriculum Supervision	\$1,695,373	\$1,739,414	\$44,041
Pupil Personnel Services	\$764,072	\$819,524	\$55,452
Employee Benefits	\$2,072,066	\$2,289,259	\$217,193
<b>Administrative Budget</b>	<b>\$9,018,692</b>	<b>\$9,583,111</b>	<b>\$564,419</b>
<b>Percent of Budget</b>	<b>10.11%</b>	<b>9.69%</b>	<b>0.63%</b>
<b>Program Component</b>			
In-Service/Staff Development	\$155,000	\$158,000	\$3,800
Teaching	\$35,428,763	\$38,667,432	\$3,238,669
Instructional Media	\$2,685,626	\$2,819,892	\$134,266
Pupil Services	\$3,897,303	\$4,354,599	\$457,296
Co-Curricular/Interscholastic Athletics	\$689,904	\$893,076	\$203,172
District Transportation Services	\$3,200,540	\$4,042,540	\$842,000
Community Services	-	-	-
Employee Benefits	\$20,921,572	\$23,090,980	\$2,169,408
Transfer to Special Aid	\$185,000	\$200,000	\$15,000
<b>Total Program</b>	<b>\$67,163,708</b>	<b>\$74,227,319</b>	<b>\$7,063,611</b>
<b>Percent of Budget</b>	<b>75.30%</b>	<b>75.03%</b>	<b>7.92%</b>
<b>Capital Component</b>			
Operation	\$3,062,119	\$3,334,932	\$272,813
Maintenance	\$1,701,042	\$2,555,120	\$854,078
Employee Benefits	\$1,348,966	\$1,490,364	\$141,398
Debt Service	\$6,903,952	\$7,733,531	\$829,579
<b>Total Capital</b>	<b>\$13,016,079</b>	<b>\$15,113,947</b>	<b>\$2,097,866</b>
<b>Percent of Budget</b>	<b>14.59%</b>	<b>15.28%</b>	<b>2.35%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$89,198,479</b>	<b>\$98,924,377</b>	<b>10.90%</b>

**New York State law provides that all district budgets be identified in three categories:**

**Administrative Expenses**

- Curriculum Development
- Staff Development
- In-Service Development
- Personnel
- District Audit
- Tax Collection
- Central Printing/Mailing
- District Votes

**Program Expenses**

- All Student Services
- Instructional Support
- Transportation Operation
- Instructional Salaries and Benefits

**Capital Expenses**

- All Facilities Costs
- Debt Service
- Operations/Maintenance
- Supplies
- Utilities
- Personnel

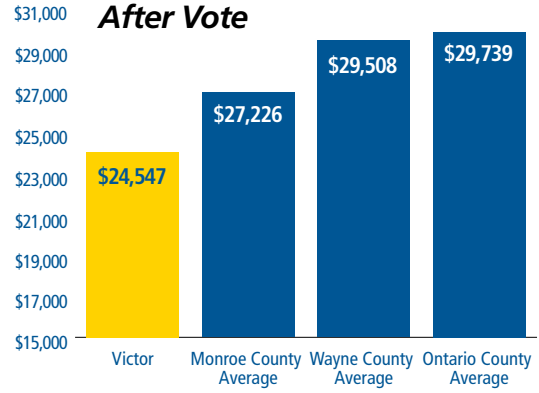
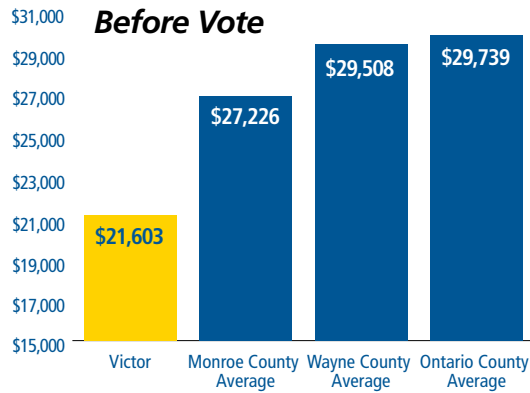
**Budget Facts:**

**Fact:**  
The budget adds supports to special education, student mental health, security and comprehensive student offerings.

**Fact:**  
The budget includes the addition of 24.9 full time equivalent (FTE) employees.

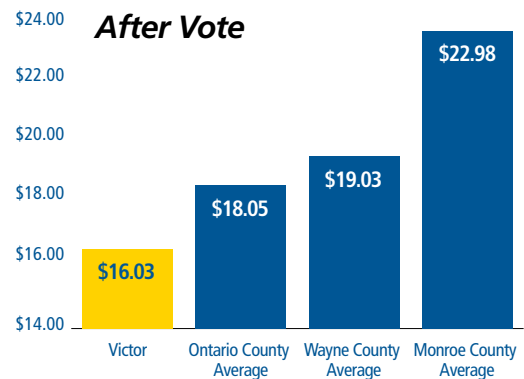
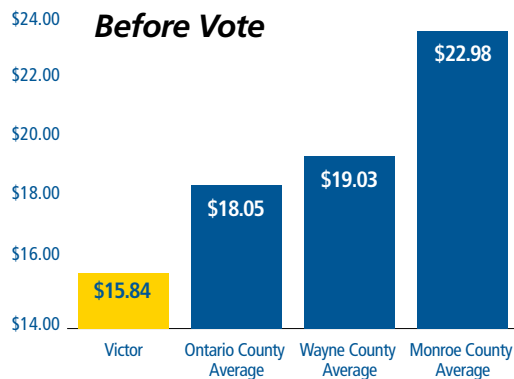
**Fact:**  
A majority of the budget to budget increase is covered by the additional state aid.

# Per Pupil Expenditures – VCS Versus County Averages



Per pupil expense is calculated by dividing total district operating expenses by student enrollment using the most recent data from the NYS Comptroller. The “after” comparison shows where VCS per pupil expense would fall using the 2023-24 proposed expenditures.

# Tax Rate Comparisons



The true value tax rate reflects the most recent data from the NYS Comptroller. The “after” comparison shows where VCS true value tax rate would be projected using the 2023-2024 proposed budget. Please note: the projected rate is subject to change as it relies upon property assessments not finalized until July. **\*\*FYE 2022 was the most recent data available for county comparison data**

# Percentage of the Budget

How Much of the Budget is?	% of Total Budget
Regular School Instruction (General Education Teaching and Support)	26.87%
Employee Benefits (Medical, NYS Pension, Payroll Tax)	27.16%
Special Instruction (Special Education Teaching and Support)	12.22%
Debt Service (Capital and Bus Bond Obligations)	7.82%
General Support (Central Administration, Buildings and Grounds, Insurance)	7.85%
Pupil Services (Counseling/Nursing/Psychology)	6.14%
Pupil Transportation	4.09%

How Much of the Budget is?	% of Total Budget
Instructional Administration (District Office and Building Offices)	1.88%
Library and Instructional Technology (Library Media and Computer Technology)	2.85%
Interscholastic Athletics (Modified - Varsity Athletics)	1.44%
Occupational Education (Skilled Trades Program)	1.19%
Co-Curricular Clubs (Advisor Stipends)	0.29%
Interfund Transfer (To Special Aid Fund - Summer School)	0.20%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

# Victor Central School District, NYS Required Budget Notice

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2022-23 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2023-24 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2023-24 School Year
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$89,198,479	\$98,924,377	\$97,721,986
Increase/(Decrease) for the 2023-24 School Year		\$9,725,898	\$8,523,507
Percentage Increase/(Decrease) in Proposed Budget		10.90%	9.56%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		8.0%	
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$55,045,566	\$56,247,957	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable			
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable **			
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy			
<b>E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A+B+C-D)</b>	<b>\$54,045,566</b>	<b>\$56,247,957</b>	<b>\$55,045,566</b>
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$1,671,566	\$1,944,556	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$53,374,419	\$54,303,401	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E-B-F+D)	\$53,374,419	\$54,303,401	
I. Difference: (G-H); (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval - See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions)**	\$0	\$0	
Administrative Component	\$9,018,692	\$9,583,111	\$9,289,253
Program Component	\$67,163,708	\$74,227,319	\$74,202,881
Capital Component	\$13,016,079	\$15,113,947	\$14,229,852

Should the 2023-24 budget be defeated and a contingent budget be adopted, the District will reduce operating costs by increasing class sizes district-wide, eliminating extra-curricular clubs, reducing athletic teams, and eliminating some non-mandatory instructional program offerings, Universal Pre-Kindergarten offerings, and instructional leadership. Additionally, equipment purchases must be eliminated and community groups will be required to pay for all costs associated with the use of buildings. (This statement is made pursuant to Section 2023 of NYS Education Law.)

## STAR Program Information

Town	Basic Star		Enhanced Star		Description	Amount
	Exemption Value	Maximum Rebate	Exemption Value	Maximum Rebate		
East Bloomfield	\$30,000	\$477	\$74,900	\$1,085	Various school buses and vehicles for use by the District	\$1,185,000
Farmington	\$28,500	\$485	\$71,160	\$1,074		
Macedon	\$30,000	\$462	\$74,900	\$1,029		
Perinton	\$27,900	\$461	\$69,660	\$1,037	Various school buses and vehicles for use by the District	\$210,000
Victor	\$29,700	\$477	\$74,150	\$1,074		

\*\* 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 requirement)

The NYS School Tax Assessment Relief (STAR) program provides qualified homeowners with a \$30,000 assessment reduction for tax purposes. Senior citizens receive a \$70,700 exemption.

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2023-24 by the qualified voters of the Victor Central School District, Ontario County, New York, will be held in the Early Childhood School Board of Education Room in said district on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 between the hours of 6:00am and 9:00pm, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

# Budget to Budget

	2022-23	2023-24 Projections	\$ Change	% Change
<b>Budget to Budget</b>	\$89,198,479	\$98,924,377	\$9,725,898	10.90%
<b>Tax Levy</b>	\$55,045,566	\$56,247,957	\$1,202,391	2.18%
<b>Tax Rate Per Thousands</b>	\$15.84	\$16.03*	\$0.19	1.19%

\* Projected tax rate. Final rolls are not established until 6/30/23, the final tax rate to be set at the August Board of Education meeting.

# Victor Central School 2023-2024 Budget Revenue Plan

	Budget 2022-23	Proposed 2023-24
State Aid	\$ 55,045,566	\$ 56,247,957
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$ 2,666,480	\$ 3,385,889
Other Local Revenues	\$ 387,000	\$ 615,000
<b>Total Local Sources</b>	<b>\$ 58,099,046</b>	<b>\$ 60,248,846</b>
State Aid	\$ 27,098,744	\$ 35,068,618
BOCES Aid	\$ 2,476,716	\$ 3,094,276
Instructional Materials Aid	\$ 418,973	\$ 412,637
<b>Total State Sources</b>	<b>\$ 29,994,433</b>	<b>\$ 38,575,531</b>
Medicaid	\$ 75,000	\$ 100,000
<b>Total Federal Sources</b>	<b>\$ 75,000</b>	<b>\$ 100,000</b>
Fund Balance/Reserves	\$ 1,030,000	\$ -
<b>Total use of Fund Balance and Reserves</b>	<b>\$ 1,030,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 89,198,479</b>	<b>\$ 98,924,377</b>

Home Assessment	Additional Tax Monthly
100,000	\$1.58
200,000	\$3.17
300,000	\$4.75
400,000	\$6.33
500,000	\$7.92

# Questions & Answers

**Q:** Are there any new positions in next year's budget?

**A:** Yes, in total there are 24.9 Full-Time Equivalent additions to the budget. See details on page 4.

**Q:** Does this include staffing for the former YMCA Building?

**A:** Yes, this covers all necessary expenses for utilities and staffing. Renovations will be in the Capital Project.

**Q:** Is the District receiving its full amount of state aid yet?

**A:** Yes, with the NYS budget adopted in April, Victor is finally receiving its full state aid.

**Q:** Will the District receive any of the state aid they didn't receive in prior years?

**A:** It is unlikely that the District will ever receive any of the \$107 million dollars in lost revenue.

**Q:** Does the tax rate projection include the next Capital Project?

**A:** No it does not. Expenses related to the Capital Project will not be incurred next year.



# Five Residents Seek to Fill Board of Education Seats



**Bryan Adams**  
1706 Marion Way,  
Farmington, NY, 14425

**RESIDENCY:**  
8 Years, 8 Months

**EDUCATION:**

- Nazareth College - Bachelor of Arts in English Literature (Spring 2004)

- Nazareth College -

Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (Winter 2009)

- Southern New Hampshire University - PhD in International Business (anticipated completion Spring 2025)

**PROFESSION:**

- Clinical Assistant Professor of Marketing  
Director of M.S. degree in Marketing Communications Leadership
- Director of B.S. degree in Digital Marketing Strategy
- Co-Chair, Academic Assessment Committee

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:**

- Board of Directors, Victor Community Baseball and Softball (Youth Softball)
- Comprehensive Planning Committee Member, Town of Farmington

**FAMILY:**

Cassie Adams, Assistant Nurse Manager, Pluta Cancer Center (URMC) and Board Member of Victor Youth Football and Cheer  
Josaphine Adams, 11, Grade 6, Victor Intermediate School. Charlotte Adams, 8, Grade 3, Victor Primary School.

**PERSONAL STATEMENT:**

I'm thrilled to be considered for the Victor Central School District Board of Education. As a dedicated parent, community member, and business educator, I've experienced

the power of education and am eager to contribute my expertise and passion to the district.

Professionally, I possess skills in strategic planning, budgeting, and collaboration, which I'll use to make informed decisions about resources and long-term goals. I'm committed to working closely with board members, educators, administrators, and stakeholders to create a supportive, inclusive, and innovative learning environment.

Understanding students' needs and maintaining open communication with parents and families is crucial. I'll emphasize academic excellence, critical thinking, problem solving, and social-emotional skills while supporting innovative educational practices and technology integration.

In conclusion, my personal, professional, and community experiences make me confident in my ability to contribute to the Board of Education and positively impact Victor's students and community. Thank you for considering my candidacy.



**Holly Boisvert**  
Victor, NY 14564

**RESIDENCY:**  
40 years

**EDUCATION:**

- Walden University - M.S. Education Elementary Reading and Math
- St. John Fisher College B.S. Childhood and Special Education, Cum Laude

- Student Teaching Placement was at the Victor

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# Five Residents Seek to Fill Board of Education Seats

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Intermediate School

**PROFESSION:**

- Former 1st grade teacher; Red Jacket (Manchester-Shortsville CSD)
- Former 3rd grade teacher, West Irondequoit CSD
- Substitute teacher at VCSD in the early 2000's
- 1:1 teacher aide, at VIS, 2017-2018 school year
- Substitute teacher, Victor CSD (VCSD), 2019-2020 school year

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:**

Volunteer and support teams and activities family participates in.

**FAMILY:**

Husband Rick, 8th and 5th grader

**STATEMENT:**

Some of you may recognize my name. It is my third time running. They say, "three times a charm." I'm asking for your vote to make that happen. I chose to run because, for the first time in a while, I'm excited where our District is headed and empowered by some of the positive changes that have occurred. I would be a strong asset to keep this momentum moving forward and see to it the District continues on a path to keeping every student safe, feeling supported, and reaching their fullest INDIVIDUAL potential. I bring an educational background, credentials and experience. Most importantly, I know how to listen, advocate and very passionately fight for each and every student to be seen heard and feel a part of this Victor CSD. I welcome and thank you for your vote on 5/16!



**Debbie Palumbo-Sanders**

6310 Gillis Rd.  
Victor, NY 14564  
585.924.0752

**RESIDENCY:**

65 years minus 4 years away for employment.

**EDUCATION:**

- K-12 Victor Central Schools

- Cornell University B.S. Plant Sciences
- University of Arkansas M.S. Plant Pathology

**PROFESSION:**

Horticulture, focusing on biological pest control of vegetables and greenhouse crops.

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:**

Currently, Farmington-Victor Kiwanis member which supports the children of our community, provide quilts for Comfort Quilters to distribute to those in need. Prior service on the Victor-Farmington Library Board, and the Board of Directors for Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ontario County.

**FAMILY:**

My husband Tom and I put our roots down in Victor and raised 3 children here who have all graduated from VCS.

**STATEMENT:**

As a lifelong member of the Victor Farmington community, I value the education system that supports thousands of our students every year. My 10th year of service to the district will wrap up with the end of the '22-'23 school year; I thank you for that honor and trust. When asked 'why' I would continue to serve, my answer is simple: I believe in the future and the future lies in the hands of our youth. As the district continues to move forward I, once again, ask for your

# Five Residents Seek to Fill Board of Education Seats

support to help guide Victor Central Schools.

The operation of our district is complex as we strive to meet the needs of all of our children. The role of the VCS Board of Education is to balance the needs of the students while remaining fiscally responsible to the taxpayers. I will continue to ask questions to ensure that this balance is maintained so our community will prosper for years to come.



## Dr. Christopher Parks

1691 Lillybrook Court,  
Farmington

### RESIDENCY:

12 years of residency  
in district

### EDUCATION:

- B.S. Management w/  
minor in Economics -  
St. John Fisher University

- Post-Bac English - Nazareth College
- M.S. Education - Nazareth College
- Ed.D. Executive Leadership - St. John Fisher University

### PROFESSION:

Teacher, Administrator, Coach

### COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Vice President, Victor Central School District Board, coach and assistant coach for various Victor community and Greater Rochester area youth sports (basketball, lacrosse, soccer, volleyball), Former Board Member of Camp Stella Maris, Former Member of the Dean's Advisory Committee for St. John Fisher University School of Education, Section Five Boys' Volleyball Committee, various Victor Central School District Committees (Athletic Hall of Fame, District-wide School Safety Team,

Facilities Committee, Visual and Performing Arts Hall of Fame)

### FAMILY:

Wife: Jenn Parks, Children: Talin (14), Ryder (12), Hope (10), Rory (8)

### STATEMENT:

THANK YOU! As a board member for the past six years, it has been my privilege and honor to serve our Victor Central Schools and the Victor community. We are a community committed to one another, and as such we honor our past, celebrate our present, and endeavor for our future. We are a community devoted to our students and to one another. Students, teachers, parents, staff, administrators, and residents all contribute to making Victor exceptional, and a "destination district." It is incumbent upon the Board of Education to place the formation and well-being of our students, the support and development of our teachers, staff and administrators, the safety of all our students and adults, the communication and collaboration with our families, and the transparency with all of those we serve at the forefront of what we do. We are charged with serving our district with the fullest dedication and resolve, and the Board of Education must be devoted to the success of each and every individual in our great district. As a district and community, we have faced and overcome challenges and enjoyed and celebrated achievements and successes. "To Teach, To Support, To Improve, To Achieve!" is not and cannot be just a stated mission. It is and must continue to be the compass that points our district true North. We must recognize and address our shortfalls so that we may become better in our practices, policies, and ways of proceeding. We must

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# Five Residents Seek to Fill Board of Education Seats

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maintain open communication, operate with transparency, embrace accountability, seek feedback and input from teachers, staff and the whole community, face challenges with united courage, recognize areas for growth, facilitate positive change, and endeavor to be the best. If entrusted with the opportunity to continue to serve our community on the Board of Education, I will once again be guided by and committed to the premise and reality of servant leadership and the desire to “put students first.” We must listen with open ears. We must reflect with open hearts. We must discern with open minds. We must be purposeful with decisions. We must be Victor. Together as a school district we are VICTOR STRONG, and I am grateful to be considered to continue to help strengthen the future for all in our district for years to come.



## **Adam Michael Snyder**

7124 Gillis Road,  
Victor, NY 14564

**RESIDENCY:**  
7 Years as of July 2023

**EDUCATION:**  
• Bachelor of Arts in  
History and Education,  
Houghton College,  
2004

- Graduate of Navy Flight School, Pensacola, FL, 2007
- Graduate of Marine Corps Command and Staff, Quantico, VA, 2018

**PROFESSION:**

- Naval Aviator in the United States Marine

- Corps Reserve, Lieutenant Colonel
- Central New York Sales Representative for Toth’s Sports

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:**

- Member of the Board and Coach for the Victor Youth Lacrosse Program
- Coach and Assistant for the Victor Youth Basketball, Football and Soccer Programs

**FAMILY:**

- Wife: Hannah Snyder, 41, Lifelong Victor resident
- Daughter: Jordyn Snyder, 16, Victor Student
- Son: Lincoln Snyder, 13, Victor Student
- Daughter: Liberty Snyder, 11, Victor Student
- Son: Jace Snyder, 9, Victor Student

**STATEMENT:**

I am running for the Victor school board of education out of civic duty and love for our district. The Victor campus is the center of our community and has well-served students from the days of a small tightly-knit rural school, to the present flourishing suburban district. It’s important to equip, prepare, and ultimately support our school staff to continue with excellence as the community continues to grow and evolve around them. I have the unique experience in my job as a salesman and project manager with Toth’s Sports to everyday work alongside school Superintendents, Directors of Facilities, and Athletic Directors. Our team helps school administrator’s cast a vision, budget, and execute large and small-scale capital improvement projects in districts across the state. I would like to use my experience to assist the board of education remain financially responsible as they adapt to the ever-increasing needs and challenges.

# News Notes



## 2023 Capital Project Vote Slated for July

VCS will hold a special vote on the proposed 2023 Capital Project either this summer or fall. A major theme of the \$74,992,780 project is building renovations, including overhauling the District's new 200 South High Street building into a tutoring center. Other themes include innovation to support 21st Century learning, safety and security, facility repairs and enrollment and space needs. Capital projects are used by districts for repairs, as well as to add infrastructure on a regular basis (typically 5 to 7 years) outside of the general fund.

## New Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee Off to a Strong Start

This past January VCS formed a new Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee. The purpose of the committee is to integrate DEI throughout the three primary focus areas of the District's Strategic Plan: *Culture, Learning and Instruction and Student Supports and Opportunities*. The 35-member committee, comprised of students and adults from across the District and community, has been meeting twice a month since January.

## VIS Opens New Library

This past February, the Intermediate School unveiled its new library renovation. The 3000 square foot handicap accessible space, which includes the former VIS stage area, features vaulted ceilings, a new lighting system, circulation desk, an open reading room, and an instructional area with the latest technologies. The VIS library serves up to 300 students each day. In addition to structured classroom lessons, students can go there to borrow Chromebooks, pick up printing, work independently or in small groups, or read quietly.



## Senior High Drama Club Presents Titanic, the Musical

The SH Drama Club presented the story of the Titanic in a fresh, orchestral, operatic way this past March. English teacher and show producer, Jeremy Hawkinson, said the SH version utilized a large ensemble cast to bring each char-

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acter's story to life. Other meaningful show attributes included an incredible set designed under the direction of art teacher, David Denner, and powerful vocals led by music teacher Kristin Mellema.



## Junior High Presents Elf, the Musical

This past November, the Junior High kicked-off the holiday season with the colorful, comical musical, Elf! Students, staff, and community members young and old enjoyed three performances of the popular production. As always, VCS musicals and plays are free for our senior citizens.



**We care for ourselves.  
We care for each other.  
We care for our school.**

## VPS Unveils New Logo

This past winter the Primary School created new school wide expectations and one of the goals was to be more visible. Within that work, the idea of a new logo evolved. The result was a beautiful, eye-catching image that brings together hands and heart, and underscores the school's main message, *Victor Primary*

*Cares!* The new logo was created by VCS graduate Emma Seager ('15), a current graphic artist.



## VCS Hosts A Celebration of Cultures

On March 9, 2023, VCS English Language Learners held their 8th annual "A Celebration of Cultures" dinner at St. Patrick's Church in Victor. The last time the dinner was held was in 2020! More than 200 students, family members and staff attended the multi-cultural event which featured foods from various parts of the world provided by our families, traditional clothing, and music. More than 24 languages are represented on the VCS campus.

## VCS Adds New Streaming Service for Music Concerts

The new VCS Music Channel enables you to watch VCS music concerts in the comfort of your own home. And, if you cannot watch the concert in real time,

you can watch it at your convenience by accessing the service's music library. For access to the channel, to: <https://www.victorschools.org/departments/arts/vcs-concert-channel>

## 2023 Volunteer of the Year Honored

Victor resident Elaina Camporeale was named the recipient of the 2023 Volunteer Committed to Service Award. Camporeale, the parent of three VCS



students, was selected for her extensive PTSA work across campus that included coordinating and supporting field trips, the Primary School's popular Wee Deliver program, the 6th

Grade Celebration, and the Junior High Jolly Trolley. The Volunteer Committed to Service Award was created by Victor Central Schools and the Victor Teachers' Association to pay tribute to individuals who give of their time and talents to VCS, whether it is through one major event or years of service.

## VCS 2022-2023 Retirees

### Victor Early Childhood School

Deborah Putch – 1999- 2023,

*Building Secretary*

Jennifer Eveleigh - 2002-2023,

*Occupational Therapist*

Linda Izzo – 2003- 2023,

*Elementary Teacher, Mentor Teacher*

### Victor Primary School

Linda Holly – 2006 – 2022,

*Teacher Aide*

Kathryn Bell – 2009- 2022,

*Teacher Aide*

Joanne Lowe – 2003-2023,

*Music Teacher*

### Victor Intermediate School

Nancy Iadanza – 2006-2023,

*Elementary Teacher*

Wendy Corso – 1997-2022,

*Teacher Aide*

### Junior High School

Frank Clark – 1988- 2023,

*Physical Education Teacher*

Suzanne Gassmann – 1995- 2023,

*Social Studies Teacher*

### Senior High School

Karen Brion – 1992- 2023,

*Science Teacher*

Debra "Susie" Blanding – 2001- 2022,

*Teacher Aide*

John Ryan- 1993-2023,

*Social Worker*

### Transportation

Wayne Brotsch - 2002-2022,

*School Bus Driver*

### District Office

Shelia Rittenhouse - 2013-2022,

*Payroll*

# News Notes



## Academics

∞ Last spring, the Junior High was renamed a High Performing Middle School by the NYS Department of Education and identified as a “School to Watch.” Schools identified as schools to watch are academically excellent, responsive to the developmental challenges of young adolescents and socially equitable, with high expectations for all students. The JH has maintained this extraordinary status for the past 17 years.



∞ In June 2022, 93% of our seniors graduated with a Regents diploma, 63% earned a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation, and 32% graduated with Advanced Designation with Honors.

∞ In its 2022 ranking the U.S. News & World Reports ranked Victor Senior High the 97th best school in New York State out of 1212 high schools in NY State (top 7%) and 976th best school nationally out of 17,843 public high schools nationwide (top 5%). Locally, Victor Senior High School was ranked 6th out of 75 high schools (top 8%).



∞ Seventy-one Senior High students competed at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center’s NYS DECA Career Conference in March. Of those, 16 students qualified to compete at the International Career Development Conference held in Orlando, Florida.

∞ Last May, Victor Junior and Senior High Schools received national recognition from the national Project Lead the Way (PLTW) organization. It was the second year the VJH was recognized as a Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Distinguished Gateway School and the fourth year that the VSH was recognized.







## Arts

🌀 This past January, eight VCS students' artwork was chosen to be part of the "Start Here" Art Show at RIT. Amanda Miller (gr. 9) and Bella Man (gr. 12) received awards for their work.



🌀 The Victor Indoor Percussion Ensemble was named the 2023 New York State Percussion Circuit Champion! They also secured the highest overall score in both Music and Effect, two of the three

categories percussion ensembles are evaluated on.

🌀 Senior, Enzo D'Jesus was selected to participate in the All-National Mixed Choir in 2022.



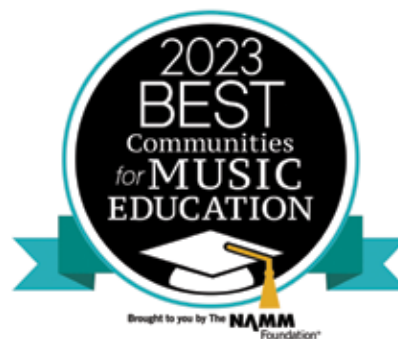
🌀 Stella Sciortino and Julian Chumacero were selected to participate in the NYSSMA Conference All-State Symphonic Orchestra in 2022.

🌀 More than 100 VCS music students in grades 5-12 were chosen to attend FLMEA All County Festivals and 39 students in grades 7-12 were selected to attend NYSSMA Area All-State music Festivals.



🌀 This year, 14 VSHS students were inducted into the Tri-M National Honor Society.

🌀 The VCS Music program has been named a Best Communities for Music Education for the past three years by the National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM) Foundation.



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## Athletics

All 2022-2023 Spring, Fall and Winter Varsity Teams earned the NYS Public High School Athletic Association Scholar-Athlete Distinction! This means each team's average GPA for 75% of the roster was greater than or equal to 90.

### Fall 2022 Championships:

**Girls Cheer:** Section V, Class AA

#### Individuals Section V:

##### Girls Swimming:

Erin DeHollander: 200 Freestyle, 100 Breaststroke

Meredith Hogan: 200 Freestyle Relay, 400 Freestyle Relay

Eileen Kopp: 200 Freestyle Relay

Mandy Miller: 200 Freestyle Relay

Zoey Prezyna: 400 Freestyle Relay

Morgan Wagner: 200 Individual Medley, 400 Freestyle Relay



## Winter

### 2022-2023 Championships:

#### Boys Basketball:

Section V, Class AA (first in 45 years)  
New York State Champions (first in program history)



#### Girls Cheer:

New York State D1 Large School Grand Champion

New York State D1 Large School Sportsmanship Award

#### Individual Section V:

##### Boys Wrestling:

Ty Rader: Section V, Division 1, 285#

Sam Ricci: Section V, Division 1, 160#

##### Boys Bowling:

Tim Doan and Adam Wakelee, members of the NYS Section V Composite Championship Team

##### Indoor Track and Field:

Terreque Davis - 55m Hurdles, 4x400m Relay

Colden Chierichella - 4x400m Relay

Pat Purcell - 4x400m Relay

Quinten Slaughter - 4x400m Relay

Grace Woodworth - 1000m, 4x400m Relay

Julia Sodoma - 4x400m Relay

Lia Brasacchio - 4x400m Relay

Melody Harloff - 4x400m Relay

Lauren Schrader - Pole Vault

##### Alpine Skiing:

Johnny Haggarty, member of the NYS Section V Composite Championship Team



# Adobe President of Digital Media and 2023 VCS Graduate of Distinction to Speak at Victor Educational Foundation Speakers Series Event

On Wednesday, May 10 at 7:00 pm, David Wadhvani, Victor Class of 1989 alumnus and President of Digital Media for Adobe\*, will share his thoughts on the



role of tech companies, the rise of artificial intelligence and the importance of socially responsible computing at a special talk hosted by the Victor Central Schools Educational Foundation. "An

Evening With David Wadhvani" will be held in the VJH/SH Auditorium. All proceeds from this special speaking engagement will benefit The Victor Central Schools Educational Foundation. **For more information go to: <https://www.ticketsignup.io/TicketEvent/VCSEFSpeakerSeries>**

On Thursday, May 11, Wadhvani, the 2023 Graduate of Distinction Recipient, will spend the school day speaking with students in the Senior High School about business, technology, and leadership. That evening, at 7:15 pm, he will be formally inducted into the prestigious VCS Graduate of Distinction program at a special recognition ceremony at the Board of Education meeting in the Early Childhood School Boardroom.

Graduates of Distinction are Victor Central School District alumni who have achieved distinction through outstanding accomplishment or significant contribution within their school, family, career, community, or personal life.

\*<https://www.adobe.com/about-adobe/leaders/david-wadhvani.html>

**AN EVENING WITH**

**DAVID WADHWANI**  
President of Digital Media, Adobe

**May 10, 2023 at 7PM**

A Victor graduate, David grew up in the Finger Lakes and went on to become a tech industry leader.

Hear his thoughts on the role of tech companies, the rise of artificial intelligence and the importance of socially responsible computing.

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The New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services maintains a list of registered sex offenders and offers many resources through its web site, [criminaljustice.state.ny.us](http://criminaljustice.state.ny.us). People may search the Sex Offender Registry using the criteria of name, county or zip code. Parents and guardians may want to talk with children about interacting with adults and people they do not know.

# VCS Class of 2023 Graduation Ceremony

**Sunday, June 11 @ 7:30 pm**

**Innovation Field**  
(formerly Frontier Field)

One Morrie Silver Way, Rochester, NY

*Rain Date: Monday, June 12, 7:30 pm.*

For questions about this event, please contact  
Senior High School secretary,  
Joan Randall at 924-3252, extension 6404 or  
email her at [randallj@victorschools.org](mailto:randallj@victorschools.org)

## Victor Central Schools 126TH ALUMNI BANQUET

**Sunday, June 11, 2023**

Ravenwood Golf Club  
929 Lynaugh Road, Victor, NY 14564  
Cash bar at 5:00 pm • Dinner at 6:00 pm

For tickets contact Sue Masseth:  
[susanjmasseth@gmail.com](mailto:susanjmasseth@gmail.com) • 585-727-2359

**DINNER & DANCING**

*Twentieth Annual Senior Citizen's Ball*


**FREE AND OPEN TO ALL**  
**Victor Central School District**  
**SENIOR CITIZENS!**

**Saturday, May 6, 2023 • 5:00–7:00 p.m.**


**@Victor Early Childhood School Gymnasium**  
Entertainment provided by "Western New York Big Band"


*Reservations required! Call VCS School & Community Relations  
at 924-3252, ext. 1408 or email [welche@victorschools.org](mailto:welche@victorschools.org)*

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