

CMS Chronicle

Dear Caledonia-Mumford Parents and Residents:

First of all, I hope you and your family are well. Secondly, you will notice that this budget newsletter is different from past years due to circumstances out of our control. Please visit our website for more detailed information regarding the proposed budget and its development.

On Tuesday, May 12, 2020, the Caledonia-Mumford Board of Education unanimously adopted the proposed 2020-2021 School Budget of \$18,796,774. On June 9, 2020, district residents will cast an absentee ballot on the proposed 2020-2021 school budget (see information below). The proposed budget represents a 1.94% percent spending increase from the current year. The proposed budget calls for a 1.99% tax levy increase and for the ninth year in a row, the proposed tax levy is below the State allowable limit. In addition to the school budget, residents will also elect two candidates for the Board of Education and vote on the purchase of one school bus.

Unfortunately, the New York State Government did not provide any additional state aid to school districts for the 2020-21 school year. In fact, the State government cut education funding by 1.1 billion dollars by applying a Pandemic Aid Adjustment (a deduction). The deduction of aid resulted in Caledonia-Mumford losing \$140,605 of stimulus CARES money, which was allocated from the federal government. Furthermore, Governor Cuomo has the authority to cut aid throughout the school year if revenues fall short of expenditures. Therefore, it is inevitable that adjustments will be made during the 2020-21 school year unless the federal government provides relief.

Due to no new funding, the district reduced its proposed expenses totaling more than \$600,000 to balance the recommended budget and keep the tax levy increase below the State mandated tax cap. The reductions are identified in each budget presentation that can be viewed on our website.

Board President John Bickford said, "From the onset of the development of the 2020-21 school budget, it was our focus to provide quality educational opportunities for our students while being fiscally responsible to the tax payer." The budget that district residents are being asked to consider fulfills the District's mission and stays within the property tax cap. The Board believes that the proposed school budget maintains an educational program that will continue to be a source of pride for the community.

Vice President Arnold Rychlicki said, "This year's budget development was much more difficult than in previous years due to frozen State aid and the uncertainties of potential mid-year State aid cuts. The budget being presented to residents supports a high quality, well rounded educational program for our students."

The proposed 2020-2021 school budget will:

- Provide support to maintain its core Pre-K-12 academic programs.

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VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC Zoom – Tuesday, June 2, 2020 • 7:00 p.m

The virtual public hearing will take place via videoconference using Zoom. A weblink invitation to the virtual public hearing for the public will be posted to the school website and social medias prior to June 2, 2020.

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BUDGET VOTE/ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Due to the Covid-19 virus and restrictions enacted by Governor Cuomo, all voting will take place through the absentee ballot process.

Ballots will be mailed out on May 27, 2020. If you do not receive a ballot by June 1, 2020, please contact Terry Hasseler at 585-538-3401 or email at thasseler@cal-mum.org between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. The district will provide an exterior secure container located in front of the district office for easy drop off of completed ballots on June 9, 2020 only.



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...letter from Superintendent continued

- Provide funding for Advanced Placement courses in Math, English, Social Studies, Science, Art, and Psychology. In addition, college level courses at Genesee Community College (GCC) and Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) will continue.
- Preserve all art, music, co-curricular activities and the athletic program.
- Provide funding for a full-time School Resource Officer.
- Provide funding to implement year three of the District's Strategic Plan Initiatives.
- Adhere to the State imposed tax levy cap.
- Preserve the full-time English as a New Language teacher position.
- Maintain small class sizes.
- Include resources to support the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program and resources.
- Include additional funding for instructional materials for ELA, science and social studies curriculum.
- Include funding to implement five senior high electives AP Computer Science, Modern Drama, Performance Physical Education, War and Conflict and Law and Justice.
- Continue the district's commitment to the implementation of a multi-year Technology Plan.
- Appropriate funding to provide high-quality transportation services for district resident children.

- Include funding to develop a long-term instructional and financial strategic plan.
- Provides funding to replace the elementary loading dock and sidewalk that connects the elementary and middle schools.
- This budget protects the community's investment in facilities, infrastructure and programming.
- Provides funding for summer school reading intervention program for grades 4-8.
- Provide funding to support increased professional development opportunities for staff.
- Meet legal mandates and contractual obligations.

In addition to the proposed school budget (Proposition #1), voters will be asked to vote on Proposition #2, which seeks your approval to purchase one bus 64 passenger bus not to exceed \$130,000. The bus will be financed over five years to coincide with the district's receipt of Transportation Aid.

In accordance with Governor Andrew Cuomo's Executive Order No. 202.26, our annual budget hearing will be held via videoconference. We invite you to attend the virtual annual Caledonia-Mumford Central School District Budget Hearing on Tuesday, June 2, 2020, at 7 p.m. The videoconference will be open to the public; more details and a link to the videoconference will be available on our school website and our social medias (Facebook and Twitter).

Please take the time to review the budget information in this newsletter and the information located on our website www.cal-mum.org. I am available to answer any questions about the proposed plan and encourage you to visit the district website at www.cal-mum.org for more information. Thank you for your support and investment in our students. Stay well.

Sincerely,

Robert Molisani, Superintendent of Schools

Board of Education Candidates

There are two open seats this year on the Caledonia-Mumford Central School Board of Education. Each are three-year terms commencing July 1, 2020 and expiring June 30, 2023. Both incumbent candidates are seeking re-election to seats on the CMCS Board of Education.

JOHN C. BICKFORD

Address: 2806 Graney Road, Caledonia

Lived in the CMCS District: 59 years

Family: Wife Lori; daughters Jodi Coniglio and Katie Bickford Coakley; son Jay Coniglio

Why do you wish to serve on the Cal-Mum Board of Education? It is my desire to run for an eleventh term on the Caledonia-Mumford Central School Board of Education because it is very rewarding to be part of the decisions that have a positive impact on our students' education. Gov. Cuomo has been a disappointment to upstate public schools, placing CMCS and area schools in financial jeopardy. I desire to be part of the team, together with our administration, faculty and staff that successfully manages us through this unprecedented time.

ELIZABETH DOLL

Address: 367 Leicester Road, Caledonia

Lived in the CMCS District: 41 years

Family: Husband Peter; sons Nathan and Matthew

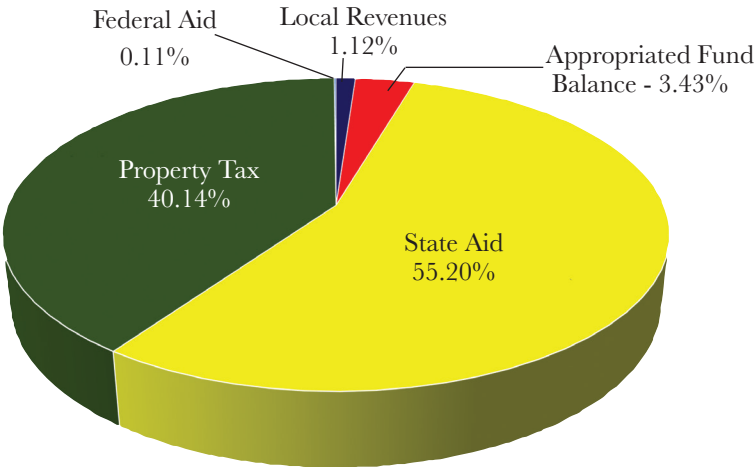
Why do you wish to serve on the Cal-Mum Board of Education? I have proudly served my community as a school board member for two terms and am seeking reelection for my third term.

I value education and the opportunities it brings students. I encourage and value transparency as well as honest and candid discussions within our board to best meet student, district and community needs.

I continue to have great respect for all staff in the CMCS school district and it would be an honor to serve our community and district for another term.

Projected Revenues

	2019/20 Final	2020/21 Proposed.....	% of Budget
Local Revenues <i>(tuition, fees, rentals, interest, miscellaneous, interfund transfers)</i>	\$309,000	\$210,500.....	1.12%
Appropriated Fund Balance.....	\$595,000	\$645,000.....	3.43%
State Aid.....	\$10,115, 221	\$10,376,450.....	55.20%
Property Tax/Penalties/PILOTS	\$ 7,400,040	\$7,544,824.....	40.14%
Federal Aid.....	\$20,000	\$20,000.....	.11%
Total Projected Revenue	\$18,439,261	\$18,796,774.....	100.00%



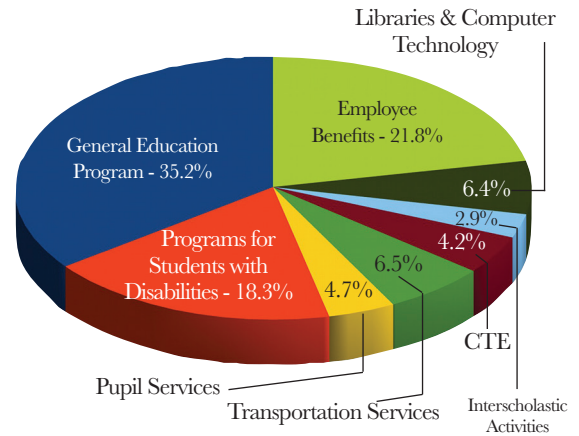
Proposed 2020-2021 Three Part Budget Summary

2019-20 Budget	2020-21 Proposed	%
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PROPOSED PROGRAM BUDGET

PROPOSED PROGRAM BUDGET PERCENT OF TOTAL BUDGET 69.82%

General Education Program	\$ 4,554,963	\$4,621,250	35.2%
Programs for Students with Disabilities	\$2,568,384	\$2,401,598	18.3%
Career and Technical Education.....	\$607,138	\$552,772	4.2%
Libraries and Computer Technology.....	\$912,247	\$844,431	6.4%
Pupil Services	\$ 608,881	\$619,206	4.7%
Interscholastic Activities	\$377,350	\$377,846	2.9%
*Transportation Services	\$834,499	\$846,720	6.5%
Employee Benefits.....	\$2,801,617	\$2,860,240	21.8%
TOTAL	\$13,265,079	\$ 13,124,063	100.00%

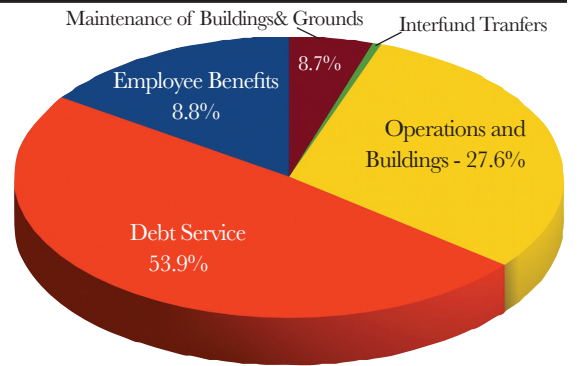


2019-20 Budget	2020-21 Proposed	%
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PROPOSED CAPITAL BUDGET

PROPOSED CAPITAL BUDGET PERCENT OF TOTAL BUDGET 18.85%

Operations and Buildings.....	\$948,589	\$977,639	27.6%
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds	\$ 310,677	\$308,325	8.7%
Debt Service	\$1,624,345	\$1,911,126	53.9%
Interfund Transfer to Special Aid.....	\$0	\$33,000	.99%
Employee Benefits.....	\$291,819	\$312,537	8.8%
TOTAL	\$3,175,430	\$3,542,627	100.00%

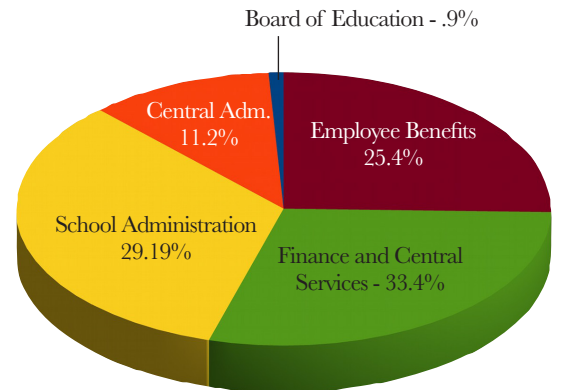


2019-20 Budget	2020-21 Proposed	%
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PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET

PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET PERCENT OF TOTAL BUDGET 11.33%

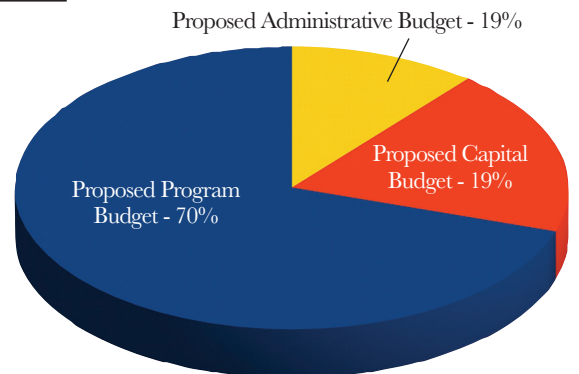
Board of Education	\$ 19,589	\$19,760	.9%
Central Administration	\$224,629	\$239,336	11.2%
Finance and Central Services	\$ 644,500	\$711,467	33.4%
School Administration.....	\$592,848	\$618,881	29.19%
Employee Benefits.....	\$517,186	\$540,640	25.4%
TOTAL	\$1,998,752	\$2,130,084	100.00%



TOTAL PROPOSED BASIC BUDGET... \$18,439,261 \$18,796,774

Total Proposed Budget 2020-2021

PROPOSED PROGRAM BUDGET, PERCENT OF TOTAL BUDGET	70%
PROPOSED CAPITAL BUDGET, PERCENT OF TOTAL BUDGET	19%
PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET, PERCENT OF TOTAL BUDGET	11%



Property Tax Report Card

	Budgeted 2019-20 (A)	Proposed 2020-21 (B)	Percent Change (C)
Total Budgeted Amount, not Including Separate Propositions	\$18,439,261	\$18,796,774	
A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount ¹	\$7,175,040	\$7,317,824	
B. Tax Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	0	0	
C. Tax Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable ²	0	0	
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy, if Applicable	0	0	
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$7,175,040	\$7,317,824	
F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit	\$92,436	\$133,192	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions ³	\$7,083,511	\$7,184,632	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	\$7,082,604	\$7,178,450	
I. Difference: (G - H); (negative value requires 60.0% voter approval) ²	\$907	\$6,182	
Public School Enrollment			
Consumer Price Index	2.00%	1.81%	(9.5%)

¹ Include any prior year reserve for excess tax levy, including interest.

² Tax levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion under the School Tax Levy Limit and may affect voter approval requirements.

³ For 2020-21, includes any carryover from 2019-20 and excludes any tax levy for library debt or prior year reserve for excess tax levy, including interest

	Actual 2018-19 (D)	Estimated 2019-20 (E)
Adjusted Restricted Fund Balance	\$1,324,032	\$1,827,000
Assigned Appropriated Fund Balance	\$365,000	\$365,000
Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance	\$732,128	\$1,248,000
Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance as a Percent of the Total Budget	3.97%	6.6%



Annual Budget Referendum 2020-2021

Proposition #1

BUDGET RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposed budget of expenditures for the fiscal year 2020-2021 in the amount of \$18,796,774, and for the purposes shown in the statement of estimated expenditures adopted by the Board of Education, be one and the same, hereby is approved and the amount thereof shall be raised by a levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the school district.

Proposition #2

BUS RESOLUTION

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Caledonia-Mumford Central School District is hereby authorized to undertake the acquisition of one (1) 64-passenger school bus at an estimated maximum cost of \$130,000, less trade-in value, if any, and that such costs, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments; and, in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary not to exceed \$130,000 shall be issued, or the school district may enter into an installment purchase contract if the Board of Education determines that it is in the best interest of the school district to finance the purchase in that method.

Proposition #3

FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION - VOTE FOR ANY TWO (2)

Two district residents have submitted petitions to run for two seats on the Board of Education. Each open seat is for a three-year term beginning July 1, 2020 and expiring on June 30, 2023.

☐ JOHN BICKFORD

☐ ELIZABETH DOLL

Qualified voters are persons that are United States citizen, eighteen years of age or older and a legal resident of the school district for at least 30 days prior to the date of the vote.



Caledonia-Mumford Central School District Budget Notice

Overall Budget Proposal

	Budget adopted for the 2019-2020 school year	Budget proposed for the 2020-2021 school year	Contingency budget for the 2020-2021 school year*
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$18,439,261	\$18,796,774	\$18,653,990
Increase/Decrease for the 2020-2021 school year		\$357,513	214,729
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		1.94%	1.16%
Change in Consumer Price Index		1.81%	1.81%
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$7,175,040	\$7,317,824	
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)	\$7,175,040	\$7,317,824	
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$92,436	\$133,192	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$7,083,511	\$7,184,632	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	\$7,082,604	\$7,178,450	
I. Difference: G - H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval – See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$907	\$6,182	
Administrative Component	\$1,998,752	\$2,130,084	\$2,022,028
Program Component	\$13,265,079	\$13,124,063	\$13,089,335
Capital Component	\$3,175,430	\$3,542,627	\$3,542,627

* Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2020-21 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law.

In the event the proposed budget is defeated and a contingency budget is adopted, the District would be prohibited from purchasing equipment, certain supplies, as well as any costs associated with the community use of school facilities.

STATE REGULATIONS REGARDING THE BUDGET:

State regulations require that school districts inform the public of the options available to the Board of Education in the event that a budget is not passed. A Board of Education has several options: • Resubmit the original budget for another vote • Submit a revised budget for voter approval • Adopt a contingent budget at a 0% tax levy increase

Under the educational law regarding a contingent budget, the spending increase cannot exceed the total amount of spending in the prior year budget. A contingent budget requires that the Board of Education charge for community use of school facilities and grounds for non-school activities.



Caledonia-Mumford Central School
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Caledonia, NY 14423

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Estimated Tax Information

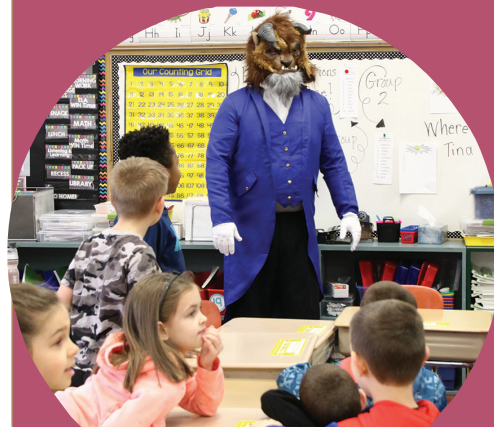
Homeowners are eligible for tax relief under New York State's School Tax Relief Program (STAR). Upon application, homeowners may be eligible for up to a \$30,000 decrease in their assessment. Senior citizens (age 65 and older) may be eligible for Enhanced STAR for up to a \$69,800 decrease in their assessment.

Maximum 2020-21 STAR Exemption Savings*

School District	Municipal	Basic	Enhanced
District: Caledonia		\$590	\$1,317
District: Chili		\$530	\$1,181
District: LeRoy		\$579	\$1,290
District: Riga		\$530	\$1,181
District: Wheatland		\$521	\$1,191

* Per NYS Department of Tax and Finance

Due to recent changes to the STAR application process, homeowners are encouraged to visit www.tax.ny.gov/star for more details.



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