

WAYNE-FINGER LAKES BOCES
Annual Report



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A Message from the W-FL BOCES BOARD OF EDUCATION

Dear Colleagues -

On behalf of the Wayne-Finger Lakes Board of Education, thank you for supporting students in our region with a unified approach and keeping the priorities needed to support our region's educational success at the forefront. The leadership of component Boards of Education, district administrators, and school staff continue to move us forward together, creating a brighter future for our region's scholars.

As we reflect on the past year and look toward the future, I invite you to join our Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 10, 2024. Throughout the evening, you will have the opportunity to hear from candidates running for the BOCES Board of Education, review the proposed administrative budget, and hear from two students about their accomplishments.

Together, we have given students the tools they need to Make Success Possible. Continuing this collaborative work will enable more children and young adults to discover their path to success!

Sincerely,
Philip Rose
President of the Wayne-Finger Lakes
BOCES Board of Education



Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES AT-A-GLANCE

133

students
participated in
the Pathways
Technology
Early College
High School
program.

574

students enrolled in Special Education Programs.

Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES is committed to Making Success Possible by creating innovative opportunities and systems that support educational communities as they evolve.

242

Professional
Development
workshops held
during the 20212022 school year.

98%

of our CTE
students
graduated
with their High
School
Diploma.



BOCES is a public organization created by New York State to provide shared educational programs and services to school districts.

Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES provides many instructional programs that generally fall under the categories of Special Education and Career and Technical Education. Other services offered to districts include Technology, Professional Development, Adult Education, Operations Support, Facilities Management, and Shared Management Services.

Annual Report INTRO & OVERVIEW

Introduction

At Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES it is our goal to offer innovative, educational programs and services in support of regional needs. Our component districts are collaborative partners in establishing needed supports. To ensure this process runs efficiently, we rely on standing committees of the 25 superintendents to make recommendations regarding enhancements or budget reductions for each major program area, and to assist in the projections.

What will you find in the Annual Meeting Book?

The Annual Meeting Book includes budget overviews of our Programs and Services (Career and Technical Education, Special Education, Itinerant Services, Instructional Support and Non-instructional Support), along with the Administration Budgets, which contain two parts: Part I - Administrative Services and Part 2 - Capital/Rental.

On April 24, 2024 each component district board of education will vote on the Administrative Budget.

Conclusion

This budget document is intended to be a useful reference and resource for mutual planning. It embodies a budget process that continues to be collaborative and includes thoughtful input from component school district superintendents, staff, and board members which adds unquestionable strength to a final product owned by us all.

Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES looks forward to making a positive impact. We are excited to provide innovative services characterized by the support and leadership in building community, advancing our region through the mission of Making Success Possible for all students.



Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES BUDGET SUMMARY

NOTICE OF W-FL BOCES ANNUAL MEETING

Please take notice that the W-FL BOCES (Board of Cooperative Educational Services of the Sole Supervisory District of Ontario, Seneca, Yates, Cayuga and Wayne Counties), 131 Drumlin Court, Newark, New York will hold its Annual Meeting of the trustees and members of the boards of education of its component school districts on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Center. The meeting will also be made available virtually. The Board of Cooperative Educational Services will present its tentative administrative, capital and program budgets for 2024-2025 to the trustees and members of the boards of education of component school districts who attend such meeting, for their review. The link for the Annual Meeting can be found on our website the day of the meeting at www.wflboces.org.

The following are summaries of the tentative administrative, capital and program budgets. The amounts stated are based on current estimates and may be subject to change. complete tentative Copies the administrative, capital and program budgets will be available for inspection by the public between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. at the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Regional Support Center, Eisenhower Building, 131 Drumlin Court, Newark, New York, commencing on March 21, 2023. Please call ahead if you plan to inspect the budgets, at (315) 332-7284.

SUMMARY OF TENTATIVE ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET Total Personnel Services \$ 2,084,750 (Salaries of all Central Administrative and Supervisory Personnel) \$ 891,775 Total Employee Benefits (Benefits of all Central Administrative and Supervisory Personnel) (Compensation of District Superintendent of Schools): State Salary \$ 43,499 **BOCES Salary** \$ 164.750 Annualized Benefits \$ 37,481 Other Remuneration \$ 2,976,525 Total Administration Personnel & Employee Benefits: Equipment 16.500 Supplies and Materials 32,345 Revenue Note Interest 15,000 **Total Contract Expense** 573,750 Net Transfers (other than capital) 247.100 **TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET:** \$ 3,863,200

SUMMARY OF TENTATIVE CAPITAL BUDGET

Rent of Facilities	\$ 2,044,000
Transfer to Capital Projects Fund	\$ 1,983,200
Bond Trustee Fee or Dormitory Authority	
Overhead Fee	\$
TOTAL CAPITAL BUDGET:	\$ 4,027,200

SUMMARY OF TENTATIVE PROGRAM BUDGET

Career and Technical Education	\$ 15,449,116
Special Education	\$ 55,612,972
Itinerant Services	\$ 7,016,675
Direct Instruction	\$ 6,817,234
Instructional Support	\$ 43,177,916
Non-Instructional Support	\$ 38,900,854
TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET:	\$ 166,974,767

Administrative & Capital BUDGET

2024-2025 Proposed Administrative Budget

The Wayne-Finger Lakes Administrative Budget covers central management costs which include: The Board of Education; Superintendent Office, Central Administration; Business Services and Human Resources. Education Law mandates that the BOCES Administrative Budget includes certain expenses, including interest expense, legal costs, retiree health insurance premiums and Medicare Part B reimbursements. All of the component districts pay a share of the Administrative Budget and the Capital Budget using the Resident Weighted Average Daily Attendance (RWADA) method. Each component district's RWADA charge will vary from year to year depending on how their district's RWADA compares to the total of all component school districts.



2024-2025 Budget Summary

Overall, the Administrative and Capital Budget has increased \$206,700 or 2.7%. Separately, the Administrative Budget has increased 5.7% and the Capital Budget had no change. Fortunately, favorable bank interest rates on deposits has increased the BOCES' interest income which reduced the total cost impact to districts to \$32,016 or 0.5%.

The budget increase is attributable to contractual salary increases, changes in health insurance elections and premium increases, and an increase in retirement system contributions. Consistent with prior years, the retirement systems' contribution rates were set slightly below anticipated with the expectation that retirement system reserves would be utilized as necessary.

Administrative & Capital **BUDGET**

	2022-2023 Actual Expenditure		2023-2024 Adopted Budget	2024-2025 Proposed Budget		2024-2025 Budget Change		2024-2025 Percent Budget Change
ADMINISTRATIVE Budget								
Salaries	\$ 1,899,572	\$	1,911,100	\$	2,084,750	\$	173,650	9.1%
Equipment	5,613		16,500		16,500		-	0.0%
Supplies	25,588		34,325		34,325		-	0.0%
Other Expense	297,529		382,305		402,150		19,845	5.2%
Conference	51,281		101,000		101,000		-	0.0%
Travel	2,823		20,250		20,250		-	0.0%
Employee Benefits	790,208		863,624		891,775		28,151	3.3%
Internal Svc/Pymt to Other BOCES	323,565		327,396		312,450		(14,946)	-4.6%
Sub-Total	\$ 3,396,179	\$	3,656,500	\$	3,863,200	\$	206,700	5.7%
CAPITAL Budget	\$ 4,009,945	\$	4,027,200	\$	4,027,200	\$	-	0.0%
Sub-Total	\$ 4,009,945	\$	4,027,200	\$	4,027,200	\$	-	0.0%
TOTAL ADMIN. & CAPITAL BUDGET	\$ 7,406,124	\$	7,683,700	\$	7,890,400	\$	206,700	2.7%







Programs & SERVICES

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Programs & Services:

CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Career and Technical Education programs provide junior and senior students in the Wayne-Finger Lakes region an opportunity to achieve high academic and technical skills. Our programming offers individualized courses and provides students an opportunity to acquire technical skills, which are transferable to college or the workplace. We continue to ensure relevant programming by maintaining strong partnerships with the business community, achieving national certifications in a number of programs, focusing on school improvement through the High Schools That Work (HSTW) model and achieving New York State Program Approval for our programs. Students have the opportunity to graduate with a technical endorsement on their high school diploma if they successfully pass an industry based technical assessment and successfully complete an approved technical and career program. The Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Career and Technical Instructional programs are available at Wayne Technical and Career Center in Williamson, and Finger Lakes Technical and Career Center in Stanley.





To learn more about the career and technical programs available at Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES visit: www.wflboces.org/cte

Career & Technical Education **BUDGET OVERVIEW**

CAREER AND TECHNICAL	2022-2023		2023-2024		2024-2025	2	2024-2025	2024-2025
EDUCATION	Actual	Α	Adopted Budget	Proposed Budget		Budget		Percent Budget
	Expenditure						Change	Change
Salaries	\$ 6,264,422	\$	6,491,478	\$	7,021,479	\$	530,001	8.2%
Equipment	491,993		208,046		208,046		-	0.0%
Supplies	458,916		450,000		450,000		-	0.0%
Other Expense	762,577		583,315		561,674		(21,641)	-3.7%
Conference	31,523		21,950		31,950		10,000	45.6%
Travel	-		-		-		-	0.0%
Employee Benefits	3,326,123		4,312,401		4,435,372		122,971	2.9%
Internal Svc/Pymt to Other BOCES	2,513,782		2,536,639		2,740,595		203,956	8.0%
TOTAL	\$ 13,849,336	\$	14,603,829	\$	15,449,116	\$	845,287	5.8%





Programs & Services: SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special Education programs are provided for students with disabilities, including those who need social, functional, communication, and physical skills development in addition to specific learning strategies. All 25 component districts in the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES region have a Committee on Special Education (CSE). The CSE committee identifies students' needs and develops Individualized Education Plans (IEP) to address those needs. Services provided include instruction and therapies to support students with emotional disabilities, autism, learning needs and developmental disabilities.

Related services are provided for students by certified or licensed occupational therapists, physical therapists, speech/language therapists, adaptive physical education instructors, psychologists, school counselors, social workers, and/or teachers of the visually impaired.

Additional support services are provided for our component districts through our Clinical Support Services, Special Education Consultant Services and the Assistive Technology department.

To learn more about special education programs available at Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES visit: https://www.wflboces.org/teaching-and-learning/special-education

Special Education BUDGET OVERVIEW

SPECIAL EDUCATION	2022-2023		2023-2024		2024-2025		2024-2025	2024-2025
	Actual Expenditure	F	Adopted Budget	Pr	oposed Budget	Bu	dget Change	Percent Budget Change
Salaries	\$ 19,196,678	\$	21,099,807	\$	21,654,638	\$	554,831	2.6%
Equipment	521,483		225,595		225,595		-	0.0%
Supplies	208,796		127,261		127,261		-	0.0%
Other Expense	1,455,672		1,513,703		1,815,078		301,375	19.9%
Conference	11,108		39,200		39,200		-	0.0%
Travel	17,701		32,950		32,950		-	0.0%
Employee Benefits	12,470,596		16,613,416		16,973,294		359,878	2.2%
Internal Svc/Pymt to Other BOCES	10,543,631		13,018,727		14,744,956		1,726,229	13.3%
TOTAL	\$ 44,425,665	\$	52,670,659	\$	55,612,972	\$	2,942,313	5.6%





Programs & Services: ITINERANT SERVICES

Itinerant Management Services provide component districts support and efficiencies by providing BOCES staff through a shared service, who typically support two or more school districts. The itinerant service enables component districts to increase their service offerings without adding the expense of a full-time position. These services are directly billed to the participating districts. An initial offering of specific personnel is based on final request data for the upcoming year. However, requests for shared itinerants can occur throughout the year. By utilizing the



itinerant services, our region supports the growth of our regional capacity and collaboration while promoting the primary purpose of a BOCES by offering cost-saving benefits to our component districts.

Examples of itinerant staff positions include English as a New Language Instructors, Library Media Specialists and Clinical Support Staff, to name a few. Other services of a support nature and shared management services include: School Lunch Managers, Transportation Supervisors, Facilities Directors, Centralized Business Office supports (CBO), HVAC-R Services, Energy System Services and Family Counseling Supports.

Itinerant Services BUDGET OVERVIEW

ITINERANT SERVICES	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2024-2025	2024-2025
	Actual	Adopted Budget	Proposed Budget	Budget Change	Percent Budget
	Expenditure				Change
Salaries	\$ 4,000,254	\$ 4,360,681	\$ 4,727,535	\$ 366,854	8.4%
Equipment	30,951	9,306	11,306	2,000	21.5%
Supplies	30,523	17,432	18,932	1,500	8.6%
Other Expense	284,339	434,043	370,843	(63,200)	-14.6%
Conference	7,128	10,450	10,950	500	4.8%
Travel	21,579	33,650	38,350	4,700	14.0%
Employee Benefits	2,129,418	2,681,568	2,980,046	298,478	11.1%
Internal Svc/Pymt to Other BOCES	(1,267,299)	(583,786)	(1,141,287)	(557,501)	95.5%
TOTAL	\$ 5,236,893	\$ 6,963,344	\$ 7,016,675	\$ 53,331	0.8%





Programs & Services: DIRECT INSTRUCTION

Direct Instruction Service provides specialized programs for identified groups of students. Through the programs and services Direct Instruction offers, districts are able to provide students access to arts-in-education programming, enrichment opportunities, Pathways in Technology Early College High School (PTECH), The Experiential School at PTECH as well as instructional support such as summer school and alternative educational settings. These programs are provided on a collaborative basis for districts that may not have enough students to justify additional staff or expenditures. With Direct Instruction Programs, Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES is able to work collaboratively with Districts to create innovative regional student opportunities.



Direct Instruction **BUDGET OVERVIEW**

DIRECT INSTRUCTION	2022-2023		2023-2024		2024-2025	2	2024-2025	2024-2025
	Actual A		dopted Budget	Proposed Budget		Budget		Percent Budget
	Expenditure						Change	Change
Salaries	\$ 3,324,817	\$	3,508,839	\$	3,779,952	\$	271,113	7.7%
Equipment	6,390		28,112		22,885		(5,228)	-18.6%
Supplies	13,450		39,738		22,300		(17,438)	-43.9%
Other Expense	874,170		1,172,578		1,140,967		(31,611)	-2.7%
Conference	250		3,556		6,856		3,300	92.8%
Travel	4,638		13,900		12,200		(1,700)	-12.2%
Employee Benefits	920,603		1,095,343		1,226,996		131,653	12.0%
Internal Svc/Pymt to Other BOCES	799,346		1,042,019		605,078		(436,941)	-41.9%
TOTAL	\$ 5,943,664	\$	6,904,085	\$	6,817,234	\$	(86,852)	-1.3%





Programs & Services: INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT

Instructional Support encompasses areas of the educational programs that enhance the quality of education for students and provide innovative solutions. Included are opportunities for collaborative curriculum development, staff development at all levels and coordination of extensive learning materials and services. Instructional Support also provides the planning, technical support and coordination necessary to the integration and use of computers, software and network resources in the various curriculum areas.

Two larger service areas supported under Instructional Support are EduTech and Staff Development.

EduTech

The Genesee Valley/Wayne-Finger Lakes Educational Technology Service (EduTech) serves 25 school districts of the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES and the 22 school districts of the Genesee Valley BOCES. The EduTech team works collaboratively with component school districts to ensure students and staff receive innovative solutions and support for their technology needs. As their programs and services continue to grow, the EduTech team remains committed to high quality, prompt service.

*EduTech Services are offered under Instructional Support and Non-Instructional Support. As EduTech operates under a singular budget, their summary description is included in the Instructional Support section of the Annual Report.

Staff Development

The mission of the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES Staff Development Team is to lead the region in forward thinking and innovative approaches that impact the achievement of all learners. Our services align to the NYS learning standards and are designed to strengthen instruction, improve curriculum, staff and student wellness and assessment practices by building capacity at local levels. Delivery of services is differentiated to best meet the districts' needs and may include workshops (in-district and regional) as well as instructional and SEL coaching.

Instructional Support BUDGET OVERVIEW

INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT	2022-2023 Actual		2023-2024 dopted Budget	2024-2025 Proposed Budget		2024-2025 dget Change	2024-2025 Percent Budget
	Expenditure						Change
Salaries	\$ 5,381,738	\$	6,877,957	\$	6,491,024	\$ (386,933)	-5.6%
Equipment	328,608		415,180		389,373	(25,807)	-6.2%
Supplies	147,128		194,104		160,703	(33,401)	-17.2%
Other Expense	3,217,707		3,110,212		3,665,305	555,093	17.8%
Conference	41,100		126,875		118,500	(8,375)	-6.6%
Travel	50,827		84,788		81,338	(3,450)	-4.1%
Employee Benefits	2,594,679		3,613,721		3,638,488	24,767	0.7%
Internal Svc/Pymt to Other BOCES	2,155,970		1,535,719		1,565,210	29,491	1.9%
District Based Purchased	26,248,531		26,352,124		27,067,975	715,851	2.7%
TOTAL	\$ 40,166,288	\$	42,310,680	\$	43,177,916	\$ 867,236	2.0%





Programs & Services: NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT

Non-Instructional Support at Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES includes a variety of programs and services that assist in the efficient operation and management of a school district while not directly impacting the education of students. Areas that are supported under Non-Instructional Support include administrative, personnel, operations, facilities and functional support. These collaborative services allow school districts access to programs and services that provide innovative solutions and cost savings for the districts. Examples of these services include: Cooperative Purchasing, Shared HVAC-R, Central Business Office and the Imaging Center. A full list of services can be found in our Catalog of Services.



Non-Instructional Support **BUDGET OVERVIEW**

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT	2022-2023 Actual		Ac	2023-2024 Adopted Budget		2024-2025 Proposed Budget		024-2025 dget Change	2024-2025 Percent Budget
	١	Expenditure							Change
Salaries	\$	7,690,376	\$	9,431,491	\$	9,452,513	\$	21,022	0.2%
Equipment		844,519		502,638		541,869		39,231	7.8%
Supplies		100,476		196,020		186,699		(9,321)	-4.8%
Other Expense		3,326,128		3,963,826		3,791,517		(172,309)	-4.3%
Conference		40,223		52,585		67,635		15,050	28.6%
Travel		39,146		82,839		79,089		(3,750)	-4.5%
Employee Benefits		3,640,171		5,194,604		5,217,271		22,667	0.4%
Internal Svc/Pymt to Other BOCES		4,119,083		3,713,383		3,512,578		(200,805)	-5.4%
District Based Purchased		8,843,792		16,036,683		16,051,683		15,000	0.1%
TOTAL	\$	28,643,914	\$	39,174,069	\$	38,900,854	\$	(273,215)	-0.7%





Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES REGION



Proudly serving the following counties in the Wayne-Finger Lakes Region of New York State:

CAYUGA

ONTARIO

SENECA

WAYNE

YATES



Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES CENTRAL STAFF & BOARD OF EDUCATION

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It is Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES' policy to provide for and promote equal opportunity in education and employment. Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES does not discriminate, in its programs and activities, against: (i) any student or any candidate for admission (or parent of any such student or candidate); (ii) any employee or applicant for employment; or (iii) any third party, on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age; and, it provides equal access to its facilities to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Further, Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES does not discriminate on the basis of religion or creed, religious practice, ethnic group, weight, sexual orientation, gender, military status, genetic status, marital status, domestic violence victim status, criminal arrest or conviction record, or any other basis prohibited by state or federal non-discrimination laws, or unless based upon a bona fide occupational qualification or other exception. Inquiries regarding Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES' non discrimination policies and grievance procedures or Title IX should be directed to:

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