



2023-2024 Budget Discussion Board of Education Meeting December 6, 2022



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Budget Development

Ensure the continuing excellence in all academic and extra-curricular programs while developing a fiscally responsible budget that stays within the tax levy cap.



Step 1



Develop Guiding Principles

- Align budget decision with strategic vision - "Forward in Excellence"
- Educate the Whole Child
- Consider degree of impact on students and number of students impacted

Step 2



Input From Stakeholders

- Ongoing input from Board of Education, PTA Council, Citizens' Finance Committee, Building Administration, and other.

Step 3



Budget Variables

- Calculate Estimated Tax Levy Cap
- Use of Fund Balance or use of other Reserves
- Expenditure Increases
- State Aid/Building Aid

Step 4



Budget Calendar

- July-October - Ongoing budget discussions
- December - Budget overview made to the Board
- January-March - Budget presentations made to the Board
- April - Board adopts the budget

Step 5



Budget Vote

- May 16, 2023 - Budget Vote and Trustee Election

2023-2024 Annual Budget

Revenues

Property Taxes
State Aid
Sales Tax
Other



Expenses

Salaries & Benefits
Transportation
Debt Service
Utilities
Other



Driving Factors - Revenues

- **CPI for Tax Levy Cap Calculation - CPI trending above 2.0% (Currently around 6.0%, last year it was at 4.7%)**
 - **Maximum levy with exclusions anticipated between 2.75%-3.50%**
- **State Aid**
 - **Increase in Foundation Aid - Projected \$1.3M-\$1.5M**
 - **Decrease in Building Aid - Projected \$600K-\$700K**
 - **Net Increase - Projected \$700K-\$800K**
- **Sales Tax**
 - **Projected increase - \$200K-\$300K**
- **Appropriated Fund Balance**
 - **Current use - \$528,555**
 - **Projected use - \$400K-\$600K**



Driving Factors - Expenses

- **NYS TRS Pension Rate Decrease – from 10.29% to 9.50%-10.00%**
- **NYS ERS Pension Rate Potential Increase – from 11.6% to 13.1%**
- **Anticipated Health Insurance Rate Increases**
 - **Empire Plan –**
 - **Calendar Year 2023 Aggregate Projected Increase of 6%-7%**
 - **Calendar Year 2024 Aggregate Projected Increase of 6%-7%**
 - **PNW Consortium Plan –**
 - **Fiscal Year Projected Increase of 5%-7%**
- **Utilities Uncertainty**
 - **Oil prices today \$4.90 per gallon vs last year \$2.61 per gallon**
 - **Electricity supply rate increased from \$0.0561 to \$0.1279 per KWh**
 - **Cost avoidance with Energy Performance Contract**



Budget History

Year	Budget	B to B Change	Tax Rate % Increase	Assessments	CPI Figure	Dollars Raised via CPI or \$ Change in Tax Levy
2022-23	\$100,982,930	3.59%	2.66%	475,651,355	4.70%	\$1,653,984
2021-22	\$97,483,143	2.98%	1.81%	478,764,547	1.23%	\$1,576,203
2020-21	\$94,658,222	1.05%	1.63%	478,020,792	1.81%	\$1,345,220
2019-20	\$93,677,220	2.65%	2.51%	477,821,337	2.44%	\$2,037,808
2018-19	\$91,257,500	3.31%	1.84%	477,380,603	2.13%	\$1,747,595
Average		2.77%	2.26%	477,181,877		



4 Year Reserve and Fund Balance Analysis

Reserve	6/30/2022	6/30/2021	6/30/2020	6/30/2019
Retirement Contributions (ERS Reserve)	\$1,176,919	\$3,449,610	\$3,273,119	\$1,163,707
Retirement Contributions (TRS Reserve)	\$1,327,825	\$1,325,572	\$787,188	\$0
Tax Certiorari Reserve	\$8,219,991	\$6,708,586	\$4,491,565	\$4,480,364
Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve	\$230,592	\$229,138	\$194,051	\$139,268
Capital Reserve	\$4,489,687	\$0	\$0	\$3,178,705
Unassigned Fund Balance	\$4,036,578	\$3,899,427	\$3,788,143	\$3,743,569
Appropriated Fund Balance/Retirement Contribution Reserve (ERS)	\$528,555	\$324,982	\$1,168,497	\$674,191
Total	\$20,010,147	\$15,937,315	\$13,702,563	\$13,379,804



Tax Certiorari Review

Tax Certiorari Payments

2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024
\$15,870	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,483,242	\$1,064,247

Amount Available in Tax Certiorari Reserve **\$ 4,672,502**

Plaintiffs' Claims Pending **\$16,227,384**

Many of these claims are ongoing and will be resolved in upcoming years. There is one large tax certiorari that represents over 70% of the potential liability.

The District continues to monitor these claims and reserves funds accordingly. Currently, we are reserved for 28.79% of the petitioners' requests.



Debt Service 2022-2023 and Beyond

Debt Issued	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
2006-2009 Building Project	\$3,379,444	\$3,378,844	\$3,398,800	\$3,396,950
\$13.6M Building Project	\$889,300	\$884,550	\$888,550	\$886,175
\$10.7M Safety & Security Project	\$562,528	\$563,778	\$564,028	\$563,278
\$8.9M Energy Performance Contract	\$380,931	\$761,862	\$761,862	\$761,862
Totals	\$5,212,203	\$5,589,034	\$5,613,240	\$5,608,265



Future Infrastructure Needs - Capital Reserve Fund

The voters will be asked via a separate proposition on the ballot, to authorize use of \$6,000,000-\$6,500,000 of funds from the Capital Reserve Fund 2022 that was established in May 2022.



Capital Reserve Fund 2022 Planned Usage

- **Capital Reserve Fund 2022 Planned Usage:**
 - **Athletic upgrades including, but not limited to the following:**
 - **Tennis**
 - **Six new tennis courts at the High School**
 - **Softball**
 - **Turf entire field at Primrose**
 - **Baseball**
 - **Turf entire field at the High School**
 - **Building renovations at the High School and Primrose**



Upcoming BOE Meeting Dates and Budget Topics

Jan. 17, 2023	Budget Planning Session (Non-Instructional)
Feb. 14, 2023	Budget Planning Session (Instructional)
March 21, 2023	Budget Planning Session (Summary)
April 18, 2023	Budget Summary and Budget Adoption
May 2, 2023	Public Budget Hearing
May 16, 2023	Budget Vote and Trustee Election



Questions?

