

SEAFORD UFSD 2018-19 Budget Development February 15, 2018



2018-19 Budget Goals

1. Balanced Budget



Maintain student programs and services while staying within the Tax Cap

2018-19 Budget Goals (cont'd)

- 3. Continue to improve financial condition
 - a. Moody's upgrade of our bonds from A1 to Aa3
 - b. Bond refunding of our 2011 bonds resulting in over \$1M of savings
 - c. Proposed establishment of Capital Reserve

2018-19 Budget Goals (cont'd)

- d. Maintain Financial Transparency
 - Financial Statements and Treasurer's
 Reports are posted on District website
 - Independent Auditor's annual public report
 - Public budget development discussions
 - Various budget documents available on District website

2018-19 Budget Goals (cont'd)

4. Enhancements

Expanding AP Capstone

Continuing
Teachers College
ELA Program

Continuing the Personal Digital Learning Initiative

Science research program advancement

Evaluation of Integrated Co-Teaching (ICT)

Expand opportunities for 8th grade Regents courses

Enhance World Language program at MS Additional professional development

Water filtration system

Ceilings at Manor & MS

Budget Development Process

- Analyze previous budget trends
- Estimate various renewal rates
- Evaluate existing programs
- Review Administrators' budget requests
- Central Office reviews "line-by-line"
- BOE to review budget in public sessions

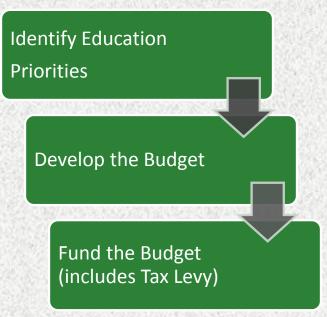
Budget Development Process (cont'd)

- Submit Tax Cap calculation by 3/1/18
- Budget Adoption anticipated 4/17/18
- Budget Hearing 5/3/18
- Budget Vote 5/15/18

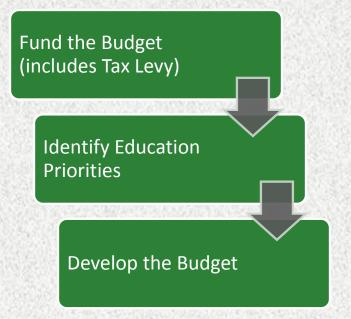
The Budget Formula

The Board of Education adopts a spending plan, which is voted on by the community, to operate the District.

BEFORE TAX CAP



AFTER TAX CAP



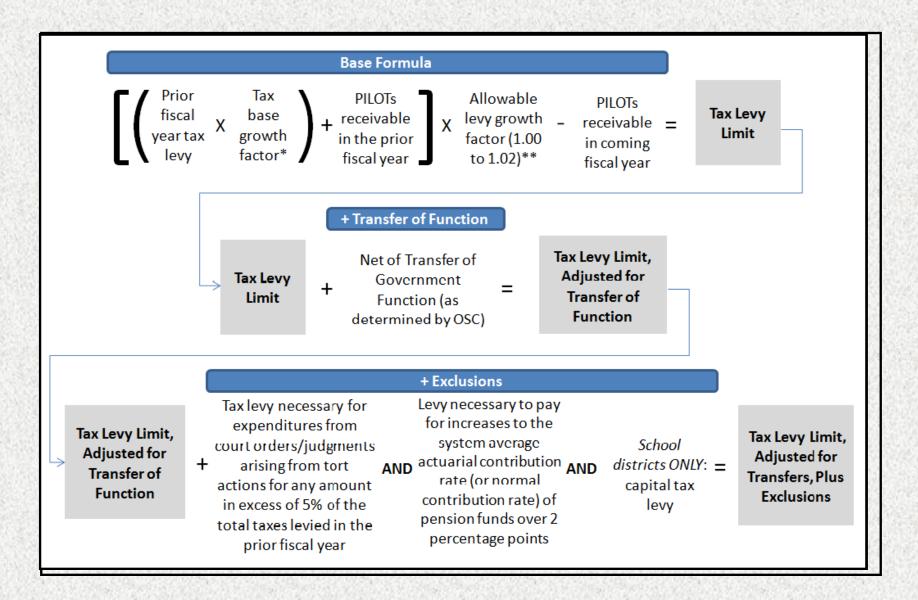
Tax Cap Legislation

- Tax levy limit (tax cap) is a fixed limitation on the increase of a district's tax levy over the prior year.
- The tax levy limit is based on a complex multi-step formula:
 - Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures the rate of inflation and is one of the variables in the tax cap formula. It is capped at 2% or the rate of inflation, whichever is less.
 - Various factors and exclusions may result in a levy higher or lower than 2%.

Allowable Tax Levy

School Year	Allowable Tax Levy Growth Factor %	Seaford UFSD Allowable Tax Levy %
2013-14	2.00%	3.59%
2014-15	1.46%	1.55%
2015-16	1.62%	2.28%
2016-17	0.12%	1.16%
2017-18	1.26%	2.02%
2018-19	2.00%	2.69%

Tax Cap Formula



Projected Tax Levy Limit %



Board of Education:

Direction on Tax Levy Limit

Option 1:

Stay within the estimated levy limit?

Requires simple majority of voters (50% + 1)

OR

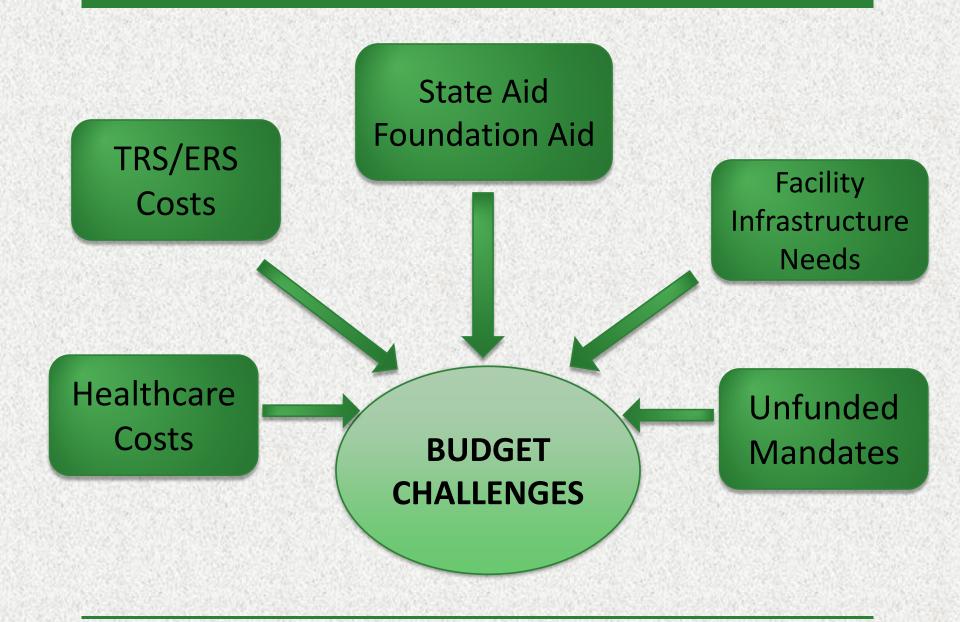
Option 2:

Exceed levy limit?

Requires 60% super majority voter approval

Capital Reserve Proposition

- A capital reserve fund allows a district to set aside money for future construction projects and improvements of facilities.
- Voter authorization is required for both the establishment of the reserve and payments from the reserve.
- Capital reserves allow for the timely completion of necessary projects that a district would otherwise have to budget for or borrow funds. This is with no additional cost to the taxpayers.



Upcoming Meetings

March 1	March 15	April 12
Repair Reserve Hearing at Harbor	CurriculumTechnology	State AidFund BalanceRevenue

April 17	May 3	May 15
Budget AdoptionBOCES Budget Vote	Budget Hearing at HS	Budget Vote and BOE Trustee Election 7am – 9pm



Questions?

Budget Vote

Tuesday May 15, 2018 7AM – 9PM Manor & Harbor Schools