

# Seaford UFSD 2019-2020 Budget

## Budget Development & Tax Levy Limit Calculation

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# Budget Goals 2019-2020

1. To create a balanced budget that supports and enhances existing programs
2. Maintain student programs and services while staying within the tax cap



# Budget Goals 2019-2020 (cont'd)

3. Continue to improve the District's financial condition by funding reserves & maintaining low fiscal stress





# Budget Goals 2019-2020 (cont'd)

## 4. 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



# Budget Enhancements 2019-2020

Expanding AP  
Capstone

Continuing  
Teachers College  
ELA Program

Continuing the  
Personalized  
Digital Learning  
Initiative

Science research  
program  
advancement

Enhancements to  
Special Education  
& PPS program

Security  
Enhancements

New 6<sup>th</sup> grade  
Math  
Curriculum

Expanded  
opportunities  
for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Science

Additional  
sports & clubs

Elementary  
Enrichment  
Program

Additional  
professional  
development

Water filtration  
system  
Ceilings at Manor &  
Harbor

# Budget Development Process

- December 2018 – January 2019: Administrators present their budgets to Central Office for review
- February 2019 – April 2019: BOE budget review
- March 1, 2019: Tax cap calculation due
- April 16, 2019: Budget adoption
- May 8, 2019: Budget hearing
- May 21, 2019: Budget vote & trustee election





# What is the Tax Cap?

- On June 24, 2011, the property tax cap was signed into law (Chapter 97 of the NYS Laws of 2011).
- The tax cap law establishes a limit on the annual growth of property taxes levied by local governments and school districts.



# Key Components: Calculation of Legal Tax Levy Limit

- Tax Base Growth Factor: Increase from 1.0077% to 1.0195%.
- Allowable Levy Growth Factor for 2019-20 = **2.00%**
- PILOTs: Payment In Lieu Of Taxes
- Capital Exclusion
- Retirement Contributions





# Tax Levy Limit Calculation

## Base Formula

$$\left( \left[ \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Prior} \\ \text{fiscal} \\ \text{year tax} \\ \text{levy} \end{array} + \begin{array}{l} \text{Prior year} \\ \text{reserve} \\ \text{offset} \end{array} - \begin{array}{l} \text{Reserve} \\ \text{amount} \\ \text{(including} \\ \text{interest} \\ \text{earned)} \end{array} \right) \times \begin{array}{l} \text{Tax base} \\ \text{growth} \\ \text{factor*} \end{array} \right] + \begin{array}{l} \text{PILOTs} \\ \text{receivable in} \\ \text{the prior fiscal} \\ \text{year} \end{array} - \begin{array}{l} \text{Tort exclusion} \\ \text{amount, prior} \\ \text{fiscal year} \end{array} \right) \\
 \times \begin{array}{l} \text{Allowable} \\ \text{levy growth} \\ \text{factor (1.00} \\ \text{to 1.02)**} \end{array} - \begin{array}{l} \text{PILOTs} \\ \text{receivable} \\ \text{in coming} \\ \text{fiscal year} \end{array} + \begin{array}{l} \text{Available} \\ \text{carryover} \end{array} = \text{Tax Levy Limit}$$

## + Transfer of Function

## + Exclusions

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Tax Levy} \\ \text{Limit} \end{array} + \begin{array}{l} \text{Net of Transfer} \\ \text{of Government} \\ \text{Function (as} \\ \text{determined by} \\ \text{OSC)} \end{array} + \begin{array}{l} \text{Tax levy necessary for} \\ \text{expenditures from} \\ \text{court orders/judgments} \\ \text{resulting from tort} \\ \text{actions for any amount} \\ \text{in excess of 5\% of the} \\ \text{total taxes levied in the} \\ \text{prior fiscal year} \end{array} + \begin{array}{l} \text{Levy necessary to pay} \\ \text{for increases to the} \\ \text{system average} \\ \text{actuarial contribution} \\ \text{rate (or normal} \\ \text{contribution rate) of} \\ \text{pension funds over 2} \\ \text{percentage points} \end{array} = \begin{array}{l} \text{Tax Levy Limit,} \\ \text{Adjusted for} \\ \text{Transfers, Plus} \\ \text{Exclusions} \end{array}$$

## Seaford UFSD - Tax Levy Limit Calculation

Prior Year Tax Levy	51,606,229
<u>Multiply by:</u> Tax Base Growth Factor	1.0195
	52,612,550
<u>Add:</u> Prior Year PILOTS 2018-2019	686,951
	53,299,501
<u>Subtract:</u> Prior Year Capital Tax Levy	1,050,495
Adjusted Prior Year Tax Levy	52,249,006
<u>Multiply by:</u> Allowable Levy Growth Factor	2.00%
	53,293,987
<u>Subtract:</u> PILOTS for 2019-2020	668,326
	52,625,661
<u>Add:</u> Tort Judgments greater than 5% of 2018/2019 tax levy	0
<u>Add:</u> ERS contribution increase greater than 2%	0
<u>Add:</u> TRS contribution increase greater than 2%	0
<u>Add:</u> 2019/2020 Capital Tax Levy	1,067,929
Allowable tax levy prescribed by Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011	<b><u>53,693,590</u></b>

4.04%  
increase

# Tax Levy Limit Calculation

- Although the tax levy limit calculation results in an allowable levy limit for 2019-2020 of 4.04%, we anticipate that the budget presented will result in a tax levy that is **less than** the allowable tax levy limit.





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## Allowable Tax Levy

<b>School Year</b>	<b>Allowable Tax Levy Growth Factor %</b>	<b>Seaford UFSD Allowable Tax Levy %</b>
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%
2019-20	2.00%	4.04%



# Why are budget materials in Spanish?

- Section 203 of Voting Rights Act of 1965 **requires** that school districts in Nassau, Suffolk & Westchester counties provide election information in Spanish as well as English.
- The obligation to translate election materials in Spanish arose when the Hispanic population in Suffolk, Nassau and Westchester Counties reached 10,000 or 5% of the County population.
- This designation regarding the population was made by the United States Census Bureau.



# Important Upcoming Dates

<b>March 6</b>	<b>March 20</b>	<b>April 3</b>
Proposed Use of Repair Reserve 2018-2019	Curriculum Highlights & Enhancements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Repair Reserve hearing</li><li>• Expenses &amp; Revenues</li></ul>
<b>April 16</b>	<b>May 8</b>	<b>May 21</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Budget Adoption</li><li>• BOCES Budget Vote</li></ul>	Budget Hearing at HS	Budget Vote and BOE Trustee Election 7am – 9pm







# Questions?

**Budget Vote**

Tuesday May 21, 2019 7AM – 9PM

Manor & Harbor Schools

