



Overview of the Proposed 2018-19 School Budget

Board of Education Meeting April 9, 2018

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GNPS Mission Statement

The Great Neck Public School District provides an innovative and collaborative educational environment that supports academic excellence and the social and emotional growth of all students so that they may become life-long learners and compassionate, productive members of a diverse, global society.

What is a School District Budget?

*School Budget = School Program
= Opportunities for Children*



Goal: To ensure that current and future students enjoy, to the greatest extent possible, the same opportunities that former students have enjoyed

2018-19 Proposed Budget

Proposed Overall Budget:
\$228,302,713

Budget to Budget Increase:
\$4,991,548 or 2.24%

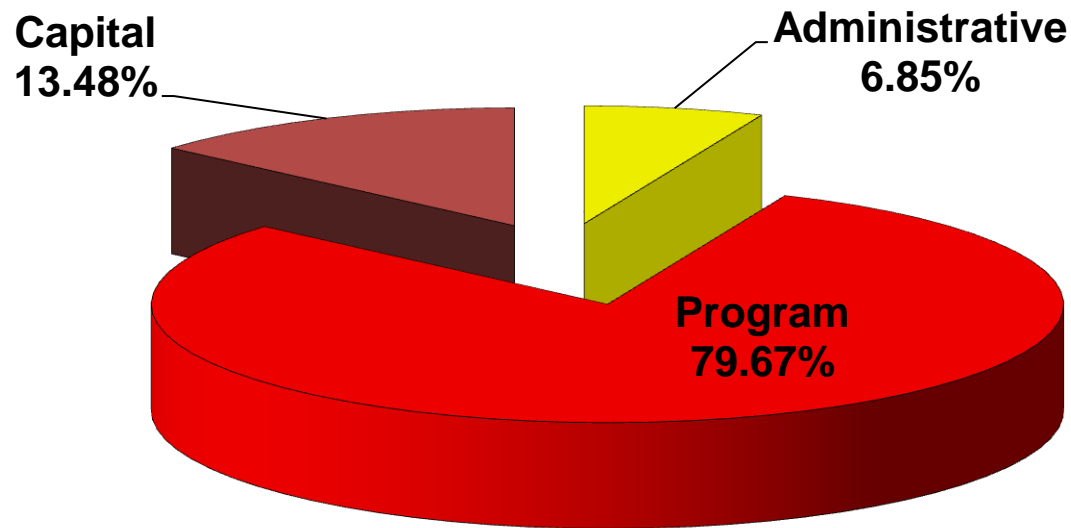
Proposed tax
levy increase
is under the
allowable tax
levy limit

Projected Tax Levy Increase:
\$5,006,535 or 2.52%



2018-19

Proposed Budget Expenditures: Three Part Budget



■ Administrative ■ Program ■ Capital

Budget Impact of Legislative Changes

Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011 established a tax levy limit on all school districts in New York State effective for the 2012-2013 school year.

	Tax Base Growth Factor %	Allowable Levy Growth Factor %	Tax Levy Limit %	% Increase
2018-2019	1.27	2.00	2.85	2.52
2017-2018	0.00	1.26	1.26	1.26
2016-2017	0.36	0.12	0.17	0.17
2015-2016	0.08	1.52	1.56	1.56
2014-2015	0.68	1.45	2.39	1.97
2013-2014	0.00	2.00	3.14	3.14
2012-2013	0.41	2.00	2.49	2.49

2018-19 State Aid Projections

- Initial projection of \$317,967 was anticipated
- The District received an additional \$390,888 in state aid

Increased state aid funding will be used to
offset new security initiatives

Great Neck Public Schools

- A long tradition of high achievement
- Excellent “return on investment”
- A history of sound fiscal management
- A commitment to continuous improvement
- A key element in making Great Neck a “destination location”
- A major component of the local economy

2018-19 Budget Highlights

- Below the tax levy cap
- Maintains all current programs at the elementary and secondary levels.
- Maintains Board of Education elementary class size guidelines
- Maintains funding for extracurricular programs, music, arts and athletics
- Maintains AIS services, English as a New Language (ENL) programs, the continuum of special education programs, and opportunities of support for all learners

2018-19 Budget Highlights:

Academic Enhancements

- Add 1.0 FTE school psychologist position
- Add 1.0 FTE social worker position
- Add 1.0 FTE special education TA position (secondary level)
- 1.0 FTE contingency elementary position
- 2.0 FTE contingency secondary level positions
- Funding for Next Generation Science Standards textbooks, curriculum writing, supplies and materials

2018-19 Budget Highlights:

Academic Enhancements (cont'd)

- Funding for professional development and curriculum writing to address revised NYS Social Studies Framework
- Provide ongoing professional development training for teachers including Next Generation Science Standards and Elementary/Middle School Responsive Classroom Curriculum initiatives
- Funding for mental health curriculum writing projects
- Provide resources for technology upgrades in support of the 1:1 iPad initiative in grades 3-12 and maintaining inventory of classroom computers

2018-19 Budget Highlights: Operations & Facilities

- Funding for replacement security cameras at North and South High Schools
- Five (5) additional full-time security guards
- New filtration drinking fountains
- Redesign of school websites
- Building condition/health & safety capital projects identified for each school (see budget book)



2018-19 Budget Highlights:

Ongoing Health and Safety Capital Projects

- Replace HVAC in south building at Village School
- Renovate athletic field bathrooms at NHS and SHS
- Replace water heater at NHS and Parkville School
- Upgrade auditorium stage lighting at NHS and SHS
- Repave fire road, walkways on South Complex and NMS
- Replace curved concrete staircase on Polo Road at NMS
- Ceiling replacement & lighting upgrade SMS lobby
- Repave upper Saddle Rock parking lot and assess drainage
- Replace flooring at NMS, Lakeville, JFK, EMB, Lakeville and SMS
- Convert storage areas into educational spaces at JFK
- Resurface, replace equipment and fencing around NMS tennis and basketball courts
- Replace exterior doors at EMB
- Window replacement & HVAC restoration at Grace Avenue
- Replace roof and siding at Beach Road Maintenance Garage
- District- exterior masonry repair; remove, replace and illuminate flagpoles

Proposed Security Capital Project

Construction of main entrance security vestibules or 'man traps' at all district facilities.

- Secure double door lock barrier entrances
- Additional security camera at each entrance
- Electronic locks on both sets of interior/exterior doors
- Intercom buzzer system
- Secure pass through for drop off items
- Interior entrance doors will have bullet resistant glazing
- Bullet resistant film installed on all exterior doors and adjacent glass near main entrances

This additional \$1,542,315 project could be funded through district reserves and fund balance

Future Security Initiatives

Awaiting results from two external security audits

- Nassau County Police Department (along with village police departments) are in the process of conducting security assessments for all district facilities.
- An RFP (Request for Proposal) for an independent security audit by a private firm has also been issued to conduct a similar assessment.

Once received, findings and recommendations will be shared with the community at a future Board of Education meeting.

FAST FACTS

- Unlike most Long Island public school districts, student enrollment in Great Neck has steadily increased.
- The Great Neck Public Schools receives only 4% of its revenue funding from state aid.
- Since the introduction of the NYS Tax Cap Legislation, the average Great Neck Public School tax levy increase in Great Neck has been less than 1.87%
- In the last five years, over \$3 million has been reduced from the annual operating budget-- without sacrificing educational excellence.
- The annual operating budget allocates over \$5 million to provide services to non-public school students, including bus transportation, textbooks, health services, special education services, school library materials and computer software loan programs.

- The quality and educational excellence of the Great Neck Public School District has always been one of the community's greatest assets.
- The 2018-19 proposed budget will continue to preserve and enhance the educational opportunities for our next generation of learners.
- Additional school budget information is available via the district website and upcoming mailings

www.greatneck.k12.ny.us



Contingent (Austerity) Budget

If the budget vote fails, the BOE would be required to adopt a contingent “austerity” budget.

Under the new tax levy cap law, the district would must revert to last year’s 1.26% tax levy cap. This means the school district could not collect any more revenue through property taxes than it collected this year.

This would require a reduction of more than \$5.96 million from the property tax levy impacting class size, staffing, academic programs, non mandated study skills, reading, math and special education services, after school clubs and athletic programs, early morning drop off, capital purchases and transportation services.

All contractual and debt service obligations for 2018-19 would remain in effect.

TABLE IV

2017-2018 CLASS I TAX RATES

2017-2018			2017-2018		
RANK	DISTRICT	TAX RATE	RANK	DISTRICT	TAX RATE
1	Hewlett- Woodmere	1424.627	32	East Williston	952.962
2	Hempstead	1369.99	33	Roosevelt	948.1
3	Westbury	1367.37	34	Valley Stream-24	946.004
4	Levittown	1308.16	35	Island Trees	945.692
5	Plainedge	1303.273	36	Bethpage	935.541
6	Baldwin	1205.351	37	Jericho	934.265
7	Lynbrook	1188.578	38	Valley Stream-30	928.944
8	Amityville	1177.812	39	Herricks	903.949
9	Merrick	1167.973	40	Carle Place	903.597
10	Freeport	1167.619	41	Franklin Square	843.074
11	Malverne	1164.924	42	New Hyde Pk-GC Pk	842.758
12	East Rockaway	1149.316	43	Mineola	839.597
13	Syosset	1135.356	44	Floral Park-Bellerose	836.35
14	Woodbury	1135.356	45	Uniondale	814.646
15	Locust Grove	1135.356	46	Cold Spring Harbor	771.486
16	Seaford	1127.516	47	Glenwood Landing	769.778
17	Rockville Centre	1110.448	48	Glen Head	769.778
18	Farmingdale	1108.083	49	Sea Cliff	769.778
19	North Merrick	1107.775	50	Port Washington	758.997
20	Plainview	1107.155	51	Brookville	754.843
21	Old Bethpage	1107.155	52	Locust Valley	754.843
22	North Bellmore	1105.178	53	Bayville	754.843
23	Bellmore	1089.892	54	Hicksville	747.276
24	Wantagh	1083.213	55	Garden City	710.154
25	Valley Stream	1023.075	56	Long Beach	678.753
26	West Hempstead	1021.718	57	Island Park	661.132
27	Massapequa	998.144	58	Great Neck	645.818
28	Oceanside	997.982	59	Lawrence	618.614
29	East Meadow	976.656	60	East Norwich	614.711
30	Elmont	967.745	61	Oyster Bay	614.711
31	Roslyn	963.494	62	Manhasset	535.655

Actual 2018-19 figures will be available in September

Coming Soon:

Estimate Your School District Taxes with the Property Tax Calculator



NYS Election Law & Rules for Voter Registration

- In order to vote, you must be 18 years of age or older, a citizen of the U.S. and have lived in the district for at least 30 days.
- Register to vote at Phipps Administration Building on school days, 9AM – 4PM.
- You must register by Thursday, May 10 to vote on Tuesday, May 15.
- Qualified voters can obtain applications for absentee ballots from the district website. Completed ballots must be received by 5PM on Tuesday, May 15.

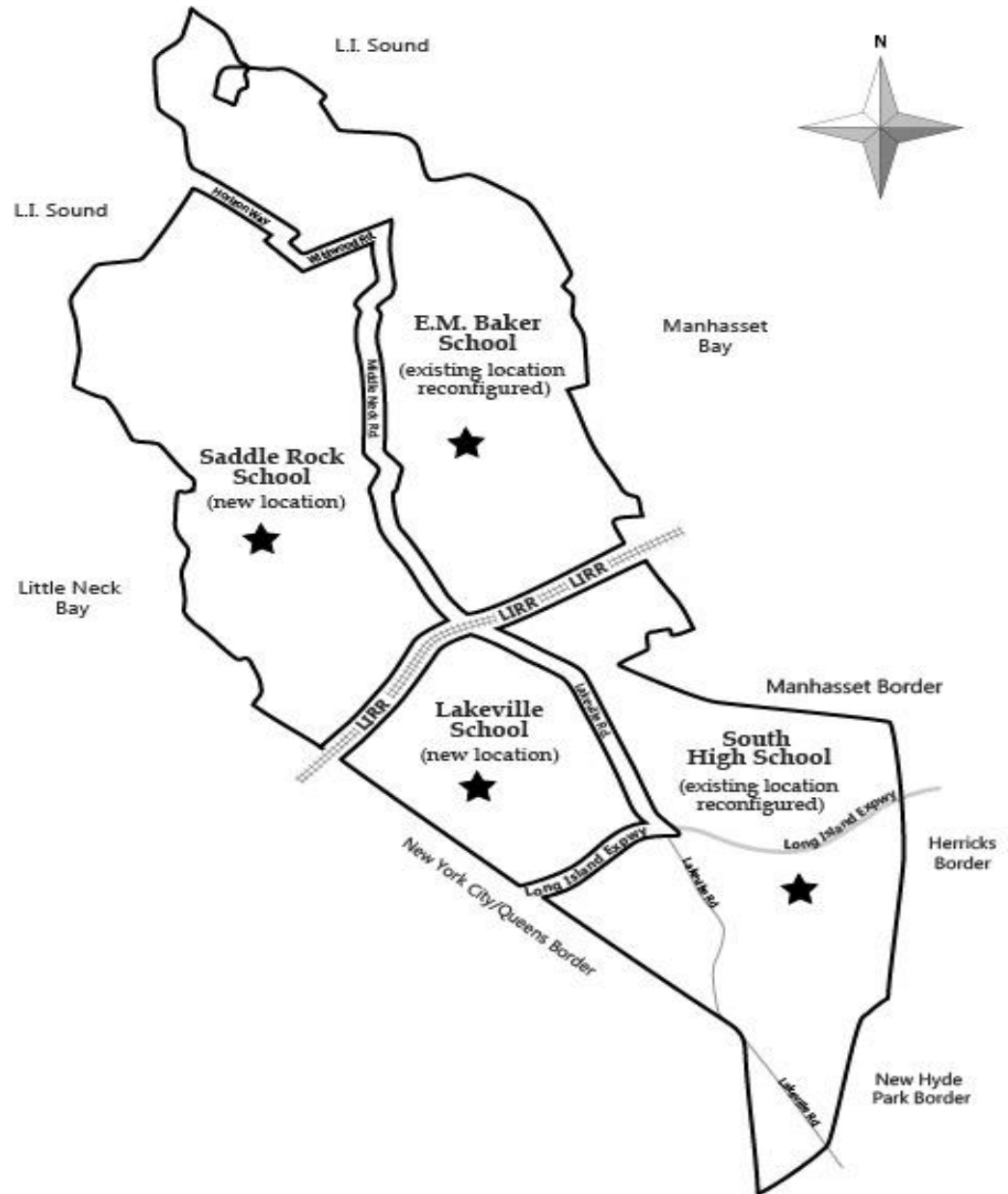
School Budget Vote- May 15th

Polls are open 7 a.m. – 10 p.m.

- Baker School – Multipurpose Room
- Saddle Rock School- Multipurpose Room
- Lakeville School- Auxiliary Gym
- South High School – West Gym



GNPS Four Voting Zones



Great Neck Poll Place Finder

Link may be found on GNPS home page

<https://nb.findmypollplace.com/greatneckufsd/>

Where To Vote

- Select Town Name
- Select Street Name

Am I Registered

- Enter Last Name
- Enter First Name
- Enter Zip Code
- Enter DOB (mm/dd/yyyy)

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO VOTE
on Tuesday, May 15th





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