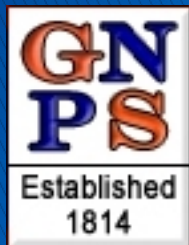


# Great Neck Public Schools Budget Meeting

## 2017–18 Budget Overview

### Highlights & Background Information

March 9, 2017



Dr. Teresa Prendergast, Superintendent of Schools  
Mr. John Powell, Assistant Superintendent for Business

# Budget Strategies

- ▶ Remain committed to district mission and goals
- ▶ Continue delivery of instructional and extra-curricular programs
- ▶ Pursue operational efficiencies district-wide

# Maintaining Fiscal Strength

- ▶ Keep a multiyear perspective on the budget
- ▶ Maintain and renovate facilities
- ▶ Ensure that reserves and fund balance are adequate
- ▶ Continue strong financial controls and oversight as evidenced by;
  - The 2016 Office of the NYS Comptrollers Audit Report
  - Aaa Credit Rating
  - Unqualified External Audit Opinion  
(Independent auditor's judgment that a company's financial records and statements are fairly and appropriately presented)

# Cost Savings Initiatives

- ▶ Self Insurance
  - Workers Compensation
  - Unemployment Insurance
- ▶ Cooperative Purchasing and Transportation
- ▶ Collective Bargaining
  - Health Insurance Cost Sharing
- ▶ Internal Financing of Capital Expenditures
  - The use of Reserves and Fund Balance to fund Capital needs (3 Propositions in the last 8 years totaling \$45,771,135)

# Cost Savings Initiatives (contd)

- ▶ Recovery of Costs through increased Revenues
  - Rental Fees for Use of Facilities
  - Summer and Recreation Program Fees
  - Adult Education Fees
- ▶ Inter-Governmental Agreements
  - Great Neck Park District – Security
- ▶ Grant Funding
- ▶ Energy Performance Contract
- ▶ Retirement Incentive

# 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
2012–2013	0.41	2.00	2.49	2.49
2013–2014	0.00	2.00	3.14	3.14
2014–2015	0.68	1.45	2.39	1.97
2015–2016	0.08	1.52	1.56	1.56
2016–2017	0.36	0.12	0.17	0.17
2017–2018	0.00	1.26	1.26	1.26

# Impact of Legislative Changes

Project Description	Approved Grant 2012-13	Approved Grant 2013-14	Approved Grant 2014-15	Approved Grant 2015-16	Approved Grant 2016-17
AVL summer program for children with handicapping conditions	\$422,852	\$464,165	\$418,718	\$476,645	\$513,633
Employment preparation education	\$413,573	\$413,641	\$421,512	\$421,492	\$434,424
Fund for the improvement of education (physical education)	\$483,390	\$380, 820	\$395,694	\$0	\$0
IDEA Part B, flowthrough - Public Law 99-142, Section 611	\$1,523,249	\$1,713,318	\$1,936,937	\$1,398,163	\$1,598,088
IDEA Part B, preschool incentive - Public Law 99-457, Section 619	\$49,779	\$54,125	\$61,518	\$45,710	\$76,330
Nassau Department of Drug and Alcohol	\$73,306	\$74,987	\$73,306	\$73,306	\$73,416
NCLB - Title I (basic grant) Chapter I	\$419,134	\$419,473	\$565,377	\$563,041	\$564,947
NCLB - Title 2A (size reduction & Eisenhower)	\$165,263	\$160,114	\$273,821	\$158,737	\$155,744
Universal Pre-Kindergarten	\$654,324	\$654,324	\$654,324	\$654,324	\$654,324
WIA Title 2, Adult Education	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
NCLB - Title IIIA Immigration	\$68,600	\$0	\$84,571	\$55,724	\$0
Title III Part A, LEP	\$57,268	\$61,122	\$71,726	\$50,024	\$48,654
Teacher Centers	\$29,409	\$41,022	\$41,021	\$40,971	\$41,051
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$4,460,147</b>	<b>\$3,178,485</b>	<b>\$4,998,525</b>	<b>\$3,938,137</b>	<b>\$4,160,611</b>

# Impact of Financial Changes

- ▶ NY State mandated Retirement System Employer Contribution Rate Reductions (based on investment performance and actuarial assumption methods)

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
<b>Teachers Retirement System</b>	17.53%	13.26%	11.72%	9.80%
<b>Employees Retirement System</b>	20.10%	18.20%	15.50%	15.30%



# Impact of Financial Changes (Select Miscellaneous Revenue)

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	2,948,245	6,810,505*	7,161,995	7,995,142
Adult Education	600,000	600,000	650,000	900,000
Day School Tuition from Other Districts	1,000,000	1,300,000	1,750,000	2,425,000

\* LIPA Reform Act of 2013. This reduced the Real Property Tax Levy and increased the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) revenue code by \$3,739,963. The additional \$122,297 increase is the result of the gradual increase in PILOT payments as a result of PILOT agreements that increase over time.

# Impact of Financial Changes

## ► Employer Taxes

		Actual Wage Base				
		2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 (estimated)
<b>Social Security</b>	6.20%	\$117,000	\$118,500	\$118,500	\$127,200	\$131,800
<b>Medicare</b>	1.45%	No Limit	No Limit	No Limit	No Limit	No Limit

## • Health Insurance Premiums

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
<b>Year-to-Year Increase</b>	4.00%	5.20%	8.00%	12.50%

Employee contributions have also increased.

# 2017-18 Preliminary Budget Summary

- ▶ Proposed overall budget:  
\$223,311,165
- ▶ Budget-to-budget increase:  
\$4,163,800 or 1.90%
- ▶ Projected tax levy increase:  
1.26%

# Proposed Revenue Increases

## 2016-2017 Final Revenue Budget

**\$ 219,147,365**

Real Property Taxes	\$ 2,467,808
Day School Tuition from Other Districts	\$ 675,000
Adult Education	\$ 250,000
Registration Fees; Elementary Recreation	\$ 125,000
Middle School Enrichment	\$ 175,000
Appropriated Reserves	\$ (453,045)
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$ 832,147
Other Miscellaneous Revenues	\$ 91,890

**\$ 4,163,800**

## 2017-2018 Preliminary Revenue Budget

**\$ 223,311,165**

# Preliminary Expenditure Changes

## 2016-2017 Expenditure Budget

**\$219,147,365**

Personnel Services	\$2,151,710
Teachers' Retirement	(\$2,278,080)
Employees' Retirement	\$331,437
Health Insurance	\$2,892,920
Supplies & Materials	\$202,016
Transportation	\$166,865
Contractual & Other	\$577,217
Capital	\$162,000
BOCES Services	(\$336,003)
Equipment	\$260,579
All Other Expenditures	\$33,139

**\$ 4,163,800**

## 2017-2018 Preliminary Expenditure Budget

**\$223,311,165**

# BOE Budget Meetings & Adoption

- ▶ Informal Hearing:  
Thursday, March 9, 7:30 p.m., South Middle
- ▶ Discussion with School Community:  
Saturday, March 18, 9:30 a.m., South High
- ▶ Informal Hearing:  
Monday, April 3, 7:30 p.m., North Middle
- ▶ Official Hearing & Adoption:  
Tuesday, April 20, 7:30 p.m., South High
- ▶ Hearing (discussion only):  
Monday, May 8, 7:30 p.m., North High

# 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 11 to vote on Tuesday, May 16.
- ▶ Qualified voters can obtain applications for absentee ballots from the district website. Completed ballots must be received by 5PM on Tuesday, May 16.

# 2016 Budget Vote Information

- ▶ Of the 1,167 residents who voted in the 2016 election, about 442 were parents of school age children

\*Counts may overlap if parent has children in more than one school

School	2015 Parent Voters*	2016 Parent Voters*
EM Baker	85	110
Kennedy	18	20
Lakeville	43	60
Parkville	17	26
Saddle Rock	32	31
North Middle	78	94
South Middle	100	92
North High	97	106
South High	136	108
Village	2	6



# Budget Vote– Tuesday, May 16th

- ▶ Polls are open 7 a.m. – 10 p.m.
- ▶ **Baker School – Multipurpose Room**  
(for registered voters living north of LIRR)
- ▶ **South High School – West Gym**  
(for registered voters living south of LIRR)

