



Chester Union Free School District

2024-25 Budget Legal Hearing for the Proposed Budget

May 14, 2024
Board of Education Meeting



Budget Summary

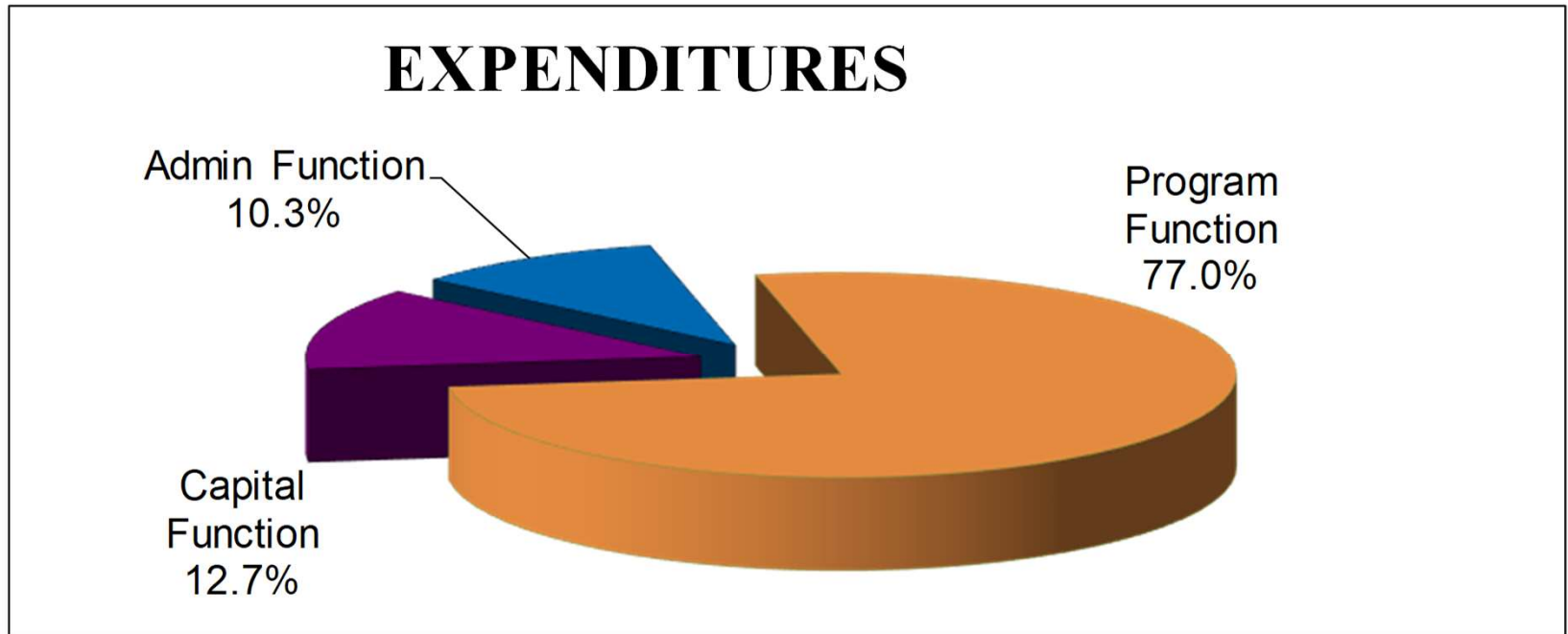
	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>Inc.</u>
Total Budget Appropriations	\$34,556,419	\$36,503,854	5.64%
Tax Levy to Support Budget	\$20,216,088	\$20,741,351	2.60%
Cost for an Average Home*	\$6,433.67	\$6,542.20	1.69%

* The average home in Chester has an assessed value of \$160,000 and a market value of \$390,000. The comparison includes a modest increase in assessments and changes in NYS Equalization may alter the actual figures.



Expenditure Budget

EXPENDITURE BUDGET					
<u>BUDGET SUMMARY</u>	2021-22 BUDGET	2022-23 BUDGET	2023-24 BUDGET	2024-25 PROPOSED BUDGET	% OF CHANGE
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>					
Administrative Function	\$3,241,266	\$3,442,701	\$3,598,127	\$3,769,230	4.76%
Program Function	23,396,505	25,097,928	26,425,138	28,086,418	6.29%
Capital Function	4,189,077	4,440,907	4,533,154	4,648,206	2.54%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$30,826,848	\$32,981,536	\$34,556,419	\$36,503,854	5.64%

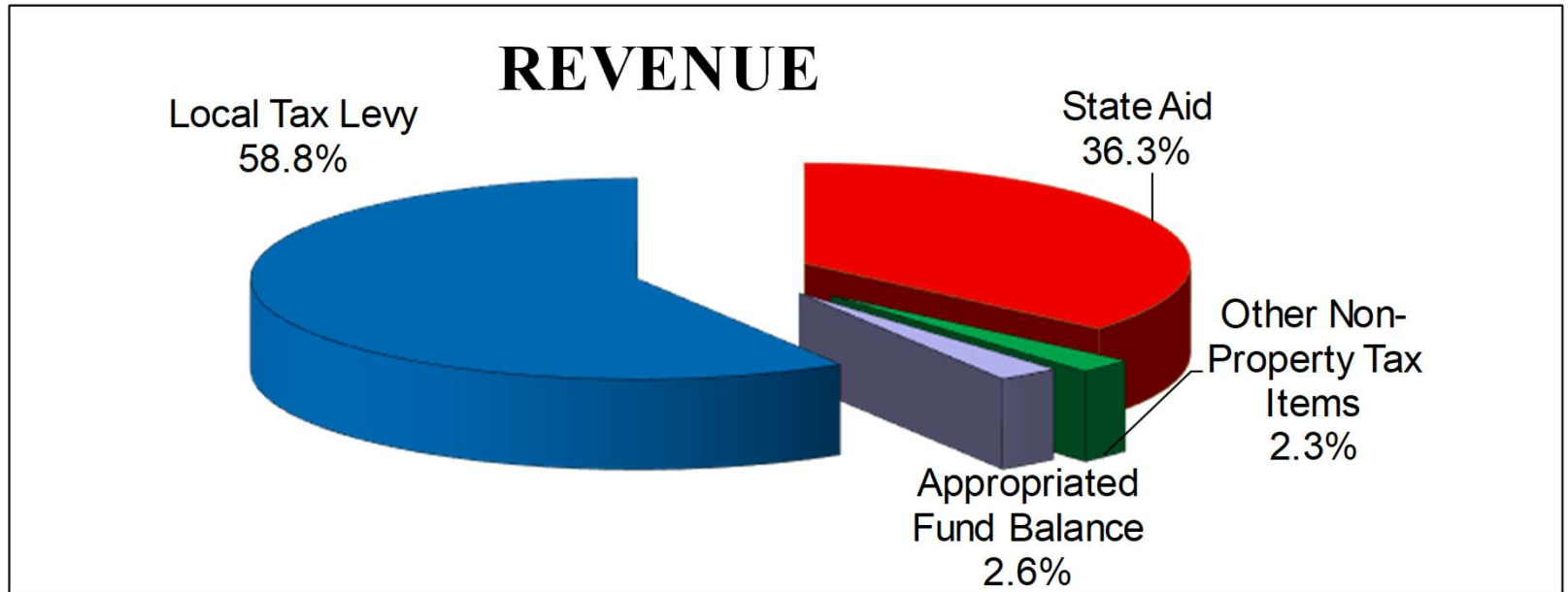




Revenue Budget

REVENUE BUDGET

<u>BUDGET SUMMARY</u>	2021-22 BUDGET	2022-23 BUDGET	2023-24 BUDGET	2024-25 PROPOSED BUDGET	% OF CHANGE
<u>REVENUES</u>					
State Aid	\$9,608,012	\$11,347,115	\$12,530,774	\$13,875,850	10.73%
Other Non-Property Tax Items	944,700	844,700	810,500	872,200	7.61%
Appropriated Fund Balance	900,000	1,000,000	900,000	900,000	0.00%
Local Tax Levy	19,374,136	19,789,721	20,315,145	20,855,804	2.66%
TOTAL REVENUE	\$30,826,848	\$32,981,536	\$34,556,419	\$36,503,854	5.64%





Budget Highlights

The 2024-25 Budget increases direct services to students:

- **NY Next Generation Learning Standards**
Advancing standards-aligned and data-supported curriculum, instruction & assessment.
- **Innovative & Engaging Learning Experiences**
Progressing project-based learning, engineering & design, robotics and college/career readiness. Expands Career-Connections learning initiative and Work Place Learning internship program.
- **Social-Emotional Learning**
Empowering students to achieve their highest potential through evidence-based programs and support.
- **Enhance Community Connections**
Building strong student, family and community connection through multiple platforms.
- **Facility Upgrades Strengthening Safety & Security**
Partnering with law enforcement and safety professionals to identify and improve our facilities and operations.



Proposition 2 – Safety Capital Project

PROPOSITION 2: SCHOOL SAFETY CAPITAL PROJECT

Authorization of the Chester Union Free School District to implement a school district safety improvement program consisting of door and transactional area construction at Chester Elementary School, construction of transactional area at Chester Academy and district-wide security upgrades, other

improvements and related expenses at a total maximum cost of \$1,867,000, and to levy the necessary tax. The costs of the project and the related borrowing costs are eligible for New York State Building Aid at 67.7%. An average home in Chester would pay \$16.50 per year for 15 years.





Proposition 3 – Transfer of Maple Ave Building to Orange County

PROPOSITION 3: TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF MAPLE AVENUE BUILDING TO ORANGE COUNTY



Authorization of the Chester Union Free School District to transfer ownership and operation of the Maple Avenue building property to Orange County. The District would maintain ownership and use of the 1965 gym and athletic fields. This transfer would be made at no expense to Chester school district taxpayers.



Additional Information

May 21, 2024

BUDGET VOTE

**SCHOOL SAFETY CAPITAL PROJECT
REFERENDUM**

**MAPLE AVENUE TRANSFER
REFERENDUM**

Vote for Two Board of Education Seats