CHESTER UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

2024-25 Budget in a Nutshell



	2023-24	2024-25	Increase
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 actual figures.

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.

Coming Up...

- May 14, 2024: Legal Budget Hearing 7:00 pm @ Chester Academy Auditorium
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- May 21, 2024: Budget Vote

8:00 am - 9:00 pm @ Chester Academy Band Room

- Proposition 1: 2024 25 Budget Vote
- Proposition 2: District-Wide Safety Capital Project
- Proposition 3: Transfer of Maple Avenue Property to Orange County
- Board of Education Election: Two Seats





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2024-25 Additional Propositions

May 21 Budget Vote Ballot to Include **Two Additional and Important Propositions**

On May 21, 2024, Chester Union Free School District residents will vote on the proposed 2024-2025 budget. The ballot will also include two additional propositions for consideration, one for a School Safety Capital Project and one related to the Maple Avenue Building Referendum. Following are summaries of both propositions.

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 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.

2024-25 Budget Vote | Propositions Vote | Board of Education Election

May 21, 2024 | 8 am - 9 pm Chester Academy Band Room