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"A unified community educating the whole child"

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Budget Vote Scheduled for May 17, 2022

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESIDENT AND SUPERINTENDENT

Dear East Ramapo Community,

On Wednesday, April 13, 2022, the East Ramapo Board of Education adopted the 2022-23 school district budget in the amount of \$262,544,765. Due to strong fiscal management and oversight, ERCSD will present a financial plan to voters that enhances our high-quality programs and robust supports in the most cost-efficient manner.

The Board of Education remains sensitive to the tax burden on the community. Our proposed budget carries a tax levy increase of 3.96%, which is within the New York State tax levy cap. The spending plan represents a budget **decrease** of 3.64% over last year.

We encourage everyone to exercise their right to vote for the 2022-23 school district budget on **Tuesday, May 17, 2022**. Voters in Wards 2, 6 and 9 will also elect Board of Education trustees.

Thank you for your continued pride in and support for the East Ramapo Central School District.

Yehuda Weissmandl

President, Board of Education

Dr. Clarence G. EllisSuperintendent of Schools

2022-23 PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget:

\$262,544,765

Budget-to-Budget Change:

-3.64%

Projected Tax Levy Increase:

3.96%

Budget Priorities

In service of the Long Term Strategic Plan (2020-2025) improvement strategies, the proposed 2022-2023 ERCSD Budget reflects a commitment to accelerating academic achievement, social emotional and mental health, and the health and safety of students, staff, and families by prioritizing the following:

Accelerating Academic Achievement



 Success in the early years through programs and professional learning experiences that address literacy instruction and

intervention for diverse learners.

 Mastery of academic subjects and the arts through the multi-year development, refinement, and implementation of guaranteed and viable culturally-responsive curricula that align with the New York State Education Department learning standards. High school graduation and readiness for college and careers by increasing blended learning opportunities during and outside of the school day.

Social, Emotional and Mental Health



Developing motivated, confident, and empowered critical thinkers by engaging instructional and non-instructional

staff in restorative practices and culturally relevant responses to student needs, while expanding curricula that provide students with the strategies to express and cope with challenges.

Health and Safety of Students, Staff and Families



Fostering a healthy, safe, supported, engaging, and challenging learning environment through strategic investments in our facilities, technology,

safety officers, and educational materials.

VOTE: TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2022 • 7:00 A.M. - 10:00 P.M.

District Budget Notice East Ramapo Central School District 2022-23

OVERALL BUDGET PROPOSAL	Budget Adopted for the 2021-22 School Year		Budget Proposed for the 2022-23 School Year		Contingency Budget for the 2022-23 School Year *	
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$	272,449,633	\$	262,544,765	\$	256,421,500
Increase/Decrease for the 2022-23 School Year			\$	-9,904,868	\$	-16,028,133
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget				-3.64%		-5.88%
A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$	154,490,227	\$	160,613,492	\$	154,490,227
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	\$	0	\$	0		
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable **	\$	0	\$	0		
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy	\$	0	\$	0		
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$	154,490,227	\$	160,613,492	\$	154,490,227
F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit	\$	2,590,102	\$	2,735,178		
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$	156,023,654	\$	157,878,314		
H. Total Proposed Tax Levy for School Purposes, Excluding Permissible Exclusions and Levy for Library Debt, Plus Prior Year Tax Cap Reserve (E-B-F+D)	\$	151,900,125	\$	157,878,314		
I. Difference: (G – H); (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval – See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions)**	\$	4,123,529	\$	0		
Administrative Component	\$	30,004,655	\$	23,611,607	\$	23,550,476
Program Component	\$	194,762,419	\$	208,285,141	\$	208,285,141
Capital Component	\$	47,682,559	\$	30,648,017	\$	24,585,883

* Statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2022-23 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated: Reduction of selected administrative, instructional and other expenses.

List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with propositions not eligible for exclusion may affect property tax levy limit and voter approval requirements)

Description	Amount
NONE	\$0

Under the Budget Proposed for the 2022-23 School Year

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings¹: \$784

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2022-2023 by the qualified voters of the East Ramapo Central School District, Rockland County, New York, will be held at the following locations: Ward 1 Summit Park Elementary School; Ward 2 Pascack Community Center, Ward 3 Spring Valley High School, Ward 4 Chestnut Ridge Middle School, Ward 5 Yeshiva Viznitz, Ward 6 Elmwood Elementary School, Ward 7 Ramapo High School, Ward 8 Pomona Middle School and Ward 9 Lime Kiln Elementary School.

¹The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.

To learn more about the 2022-23 proposed ERCSD budget visit www.ercsd. org/budgetvote22 or SCAN HERE.



Para obtener más información sobre el presupuesto propuesto de ERCSD para 2022-23, visite **www.ercsd. org/budgetvote22** o escanee aquí.

Pou jwenn plsie enfòmason sou bijè ERCSD ki pwopoze pou 2022-23 a, ale sou **www.ercsd.org/ budgetvote22** oswa eskane la.

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