Voters to Elect Three JPS Board of Education Members

In order of appearance on the ballot.



Frank Galeazzo is seeking his second full term on the Board of Education. He currently serves on the board's Policy and Finance committees. Mr. Galeazzo and his wife, Elizabeth, have been City of Jamestown residents for 20 years and have two children: Bradley, a 2022 JHS graduate, and Ashlyn, a junior at JHS. Mr. Galeazzo is a graduate of SUNY Alfred State and is currently the Information Services Manager at the Jamestown Board of Public Utilities. He was previously involved in local and regional PTA organizations.



Joseph Calimeri is seeking his first full term on the Board of Education. Mr. Calimeri, a 2003 JHS graduate, was appointed to fill a temporary vacancy on the Board in March. He has served as partner at Wright Calimeri, PLLC since 2017 after joining Wright Wright & Hampton in 2011. He holds a bachelor's degree from SUNY Geneseo and a law degree from Ohio North University College of Law. He resides in the city with his wife Leslie and children Sam, a sophomore at JHS, and George, a UPK student at Lincoln Elementary School.



Nina Karbacka is seeking her fourth term on the Board of Education. Mrs. Karbacka holds a bachelor's and master's degree in music education from SUNY Fredonia and 41 years of teaching experience, at all grade levels, in the Jamestown Public Schools. She is the president of the advisory committee for NYS Association of Small City School Districts, which gives her the opportunity to represent the community to legislators and the NYS Commissioner and to promote funding and awareness for Jamestown schools. Mrs. Karbacka has been an active volunteer and currently serves as president of the board of the Chautauqua Regional Youth Symphony and on the board of the Western NY Chamber Orchestra.

*The **two individuals** who receive the most votes will be elected to **three-year terms** to commence **July 1, 2024** and end **June 30, 2027.** The individual who finishes in **third** will be elected to a term to commence **May 22, 2024** and end **June 30, 2025***

School Budget & BOE Election Info...

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

Polls are open for registered voters from **noon to 9 p.m.** at **Jefferson** & **Washington** Middle Schools & **Lincoln** Elementary School.

If you have any questions about where you should vote, please contact JPS District Clerk Rhonda Frank at (716) 483-4420 or rhonda.k.frank@jpsny.org.

What are You Voting On?...

- **NO Increase to the Local Tax Levy**
- **2024-25 Proposed Budget - $104,566,897**
- **Election of Three Board of Education Members**
- **Proposition #2: The Establishment of a $5 million dollar Capital Improvement Reserve Fund**

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Persell Middle School 5th Grade Teacher Annika Putney demonstrates a business plan to students.



Members of the JHS Class of 2025 count pennies during the high school's annual Penny Wars fundraiser in December.



A Fletcher Elementary School student draws a heart on the school's front pavement on P.S. I Love You Day.

School District Budget Notice

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2023-24 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2024-25 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2024-25 School Year *
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	$ 101,475,978	$104,566,897	$103,676,897
Increase/Decrease for the 2024-25 School Year		$3,090,919	$2,200,919
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		3.0 %	2.2%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		4.1%	
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	$14,641,567	$14,641,567	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	$350,000	$350,000	
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)	$14,991,597	$14,991,597	$14,991,597
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	$0	$0	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	$15,024,997	$15,306,519	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E – B – F + D)	$14,641,597	$14,641,567	
I. Difference: G – H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval – See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	$383,400	$664,952	
Administrative Component	$9,697,112	$10,791,664	$10,391,664
Program Component	$71,898,867	$75,442,316	$75,202,316
Capital Component	$19,879,999	$18,332,917	$18,082,917

* Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2024-25 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law.

The contingency budget includes a reduction in equipment for the District's building and grounds department and BOCES Services, as well as an elimination of all other equipment, including athletics and music, except for computer hardware and an elimination for the District's Capital Outlay to address playground Equipment

** List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval requirements)

Description	Amount
Shall the resolution adopted by the Board of Education on 03/26/2024 authorizing the establishment of a Capital Improvements Reserve Fund not to exceed $5,000,000, be approved?	$5,000,000

*NOTE TO SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS OFFICIALS: Please submit an electronic version (Word or PDF) of this completed form to: **emscmgts@nysed.gov**

	Under the Budget Proposed for the 2024-25 School Year
Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings[1]	$498.19

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2024-25 by the qualified voters of the Jamestown Public Schools, Chautauqua County, New York, will be held at Jefferson Middle School, Lincoln Elementary School, and Washington Middle School in said district on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 between the hours of 12:00 pm and 9:00pm, prevailing time in at Jefferson Middle School, Lincoln Elementary School, and Washington Middle School at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

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