

WEST VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

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SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER



The 2020-2021 school budget process has been taken down a different road this year due to the COVID-19 quarantine and regulations put forth by the Governor. The Board of Education has been working on the budget since February of this year. The last few meetings have taken place remotely. In addition, the Governor has ordered that the budget vote and board elections will be held by absentee ballot of the registered voters in the District. Another change is that we will be required to hold our budget hearing remotely by broadcasting it on our website and Facebook page. We understand that our normal budget hearing is typically an interactive meeting. However, since the hearing will be held remotely there will not be an opportunity to field questions. Any questions you may have about the budget can be responded to by calling 942-3100 Ext. 4102. A representative of the District will get back to you in a timely fashion.

The Board of Education has worked hard to develop a budget during these difficult economic times. Through the planning process, once again, we will be able to reduce our tax levy by 1.03% while maintaining all of the District's high quality educational programs. **Since 2014-2015 we have reduced the District's true value tax rate from \$23.65 to an estimated \$17.54 for the 2020-2021 school year.**

Many thanks go out to the community for the continued support.

Eric Lawton

Eric Lawton, Superintendent

SUMMARY OF BUDGET INFORMATION

Proposition 1:

Proposed Budget \$8,696,714

Tax Levy Decrease Minus 1.03%

Board Member Election

Two Seats are Available

Seat #1

Heather Klahn

Seat #2

Charles Davis

Richard Gerlach

Budget Hearing - Remote

June 1, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

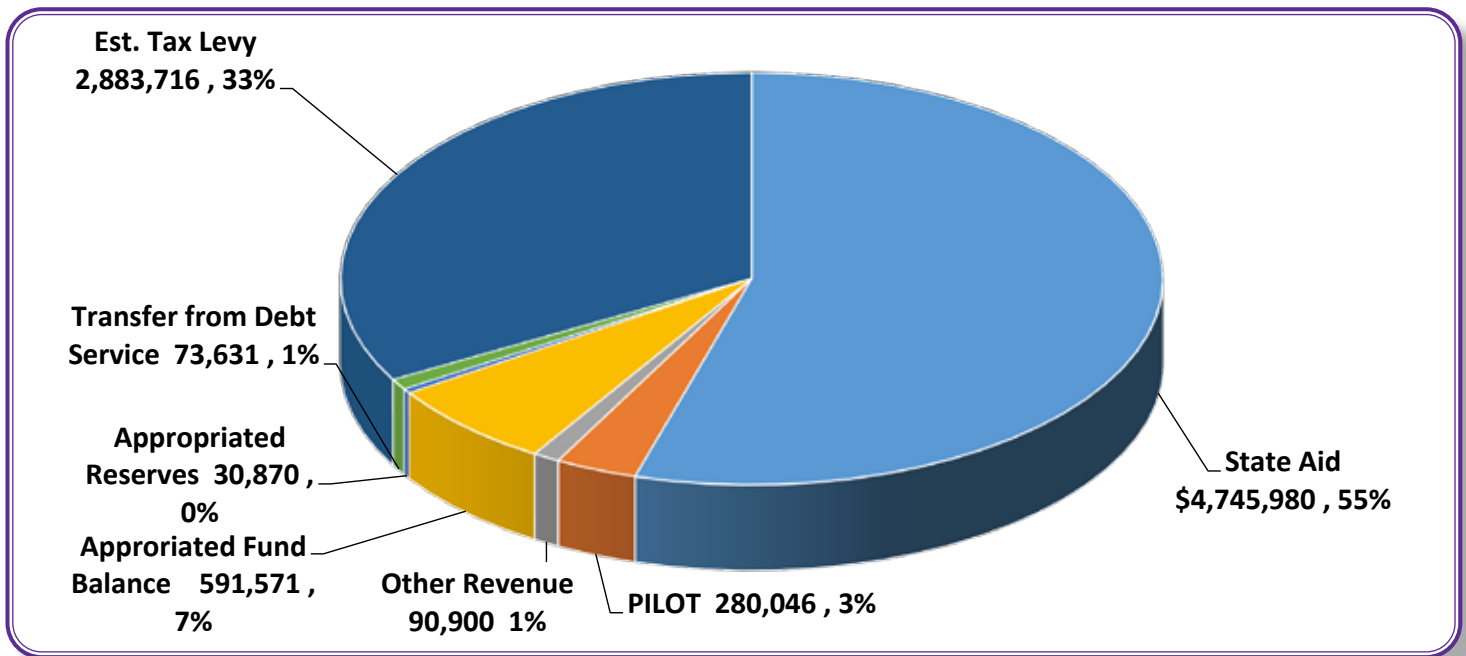
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and on the District's Facebook page

Budget Vote and Election

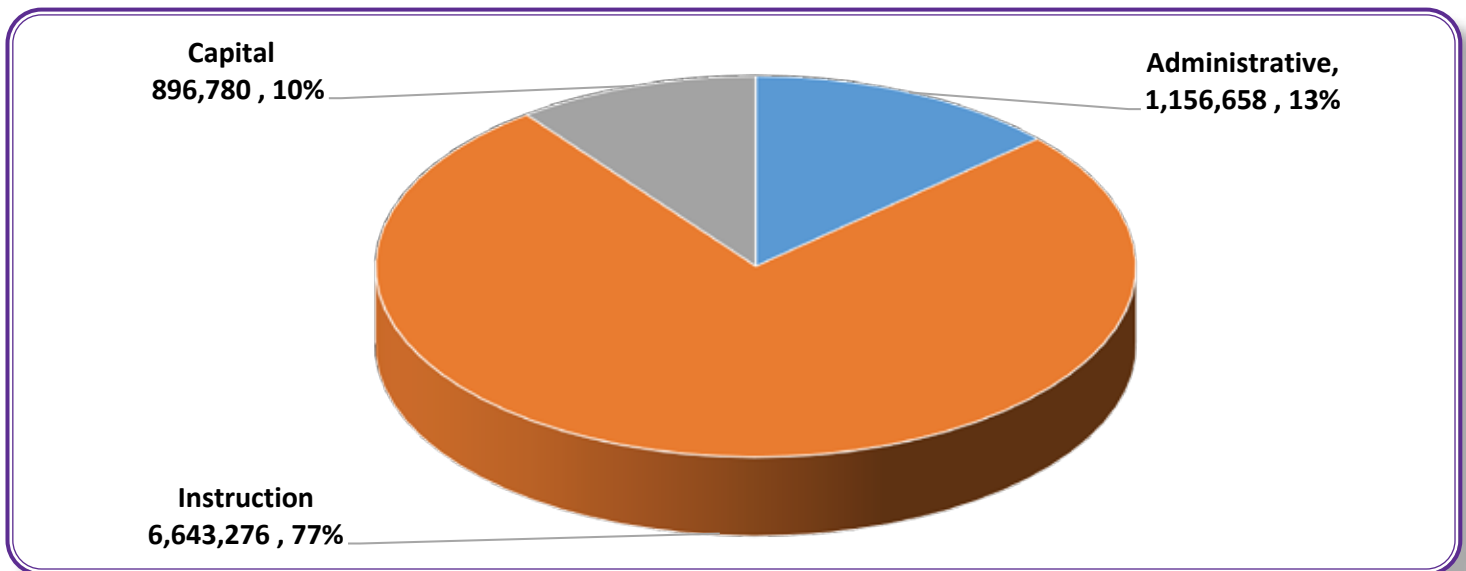
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2020-2021 SOURCES OF EDUCATION FUNDING



2020-2021 USES OF EDUCATION FUNDING



EXPLANATION OF THREE PART BUDGET PRESENTATION

Chapter 436 of the Laws of 1997 require public school boards of education to present the proposed budget in three parts. As a result, this presentation is organized around the following components; administrative, capital, and program:

- Administrative Component:** Includes expenses associated with the operation of the school board, superintendent's office, and business office. Includes salaries and benefits for all certified administrators and supervisors who spend a majority of their time performing administrative duties, consulting costs not directly related to instructional programs, and all other activities that are administrative in nature.

- Capital Component:** Includes debt service for all facilities financed by bonds and notes of the district, lease expenditures, costs resulting from judgements in tax certiorari proceedings, awards from court judgements, administrative orders and settled claims, cost of construction, acquisition, reconstruction, rehabilitation, and improvements of school buildings, all expenses associated with custodial and maintenance salaries and benefits, service contracts, supplies, utilities, maintenance, and repair of school facilities.
- Program Component:** Includes salaries and benefits of teachers and any school administrator or supervisor who spend a majority of their time performing teaching duties, and all transportation operating expenses.

Three Part Budget Presentation located on Page 3.



2020-2021 PROPOSED EXPENDITURES

	Budget Components			2020-2021 Total	2019-2020 Total	Inc (Dec) \$
	Administrative	Capital	Program			
GENERAL SUPPORT						
Board of Education	23,464	-	-	23,464	68,058	(44,594)
Central Administration	169,339	-	-	169,339	165,721	3,618
Finance	214,731	-	-	214,731	208,572	6,159
Legal/Personnel/Public Info	188,001	-	-	188,001	170,907	17,094
Operations & Maintenance	-	602,330	-	602,330	591,512	10,818
Insurance/Refunds/Dues/Unclassified	55,472	-	-	55,472	63,292	(7,820)
BOCES Central Data/Admin/Capital	129,381	55,133	129,330	313,844	310,968	2,876
TOTAL GENERAL SUPPORT	780,388	657,463	129,330	1,567,181	1,579,030	(11,849)
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT						
Curriculum/Supervision/Inservice	156,802	-	98,263	255,065	245,347	9,718
Instruction - Regular School	-	-	1,965,056	1,965,056	1,973,059	(8,003)
Instruction - Special Needs, Occ Ed, Summer	-	-	1,267,004	1,267,004	1,282,985	(15,981)
Instruction - Media/Technology	-	-	325,062	325,062	308,466	16,596
Guidance/Health/Psych/Soc Work	-	-	277,266	277,266	219,186	58,080
Co-Curricular/Interscholastic Activities	-	-	117,360	117,360	115,273	2,087
TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT	156,802	-	4,050,011	4,206,813	4,144,316	62,497
TOTAL STUDENT TRANSPORTATION	-	-	506,506	506,506	477,902	28,604
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS						
TRS & NYS ERS/Retirement	67,212	53,496	373,013	493,721	463,605	30,116
Social Security	41,448	24,081	252,951	318,480	313,845	4,635
Worker's Compensation	1,787	1,038	10,904	13,729	31,571	(17,842)
Unemployment Insurance	1,952	1,134	11,914	15,000	15,000	-
Health Benefits/Other	107,069	85,937	1,170,647	1,363,653	1,278,928	84,725
TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	219,468	165,686	1,819,429	2,204,583	2,102,949	101,634
DEBT SERVICE						
Serial Bonds - Building	-	73,631	-	73,631	70,831	2,800
Bus Bonds	-	-	-	-	218,519	(218,519)
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	-	73,631	-	73,631	289,350	(215,719)
INTERFUND TRANSFERS						
Transfer to School Lunch Fund	-	-	25,000	25,000	20,000	5,000
Transfer to Special Aid Fund	-	-	13,000	13,000	13,000	-
Transfer to Capital	-	-	100,000	100,000	-	100,000
TOTAL INTERFUND TRANSFERS	-	-	138,000	138,000	33,000	105,000
TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET	1,156,658	896,780	6,643,276	8,696,714	8,626,547	70,167
TAX LEVY DECREASE -1.03%				BUDGET INCREASE .81%		



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BOARD OF EDUCATION

Timothy Ploetz, President
Kim Cizdziel, Vice-President
Michael Harmony
Darla Kent
Stephen Kowalski
Gary Niesyty
Dawn Samborski

OR CURRENT RESIDENT

POSTAL PATRON LOCAL

ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Eric Lawton, Superintendent
Mr. Daniel Amodeo, Pre-K-12 Principal and
District Curriculum Coordinator

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ESTIMATE OF SCHOOL TAX FOR PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

	Tax Bill Last Year	Tax Bill This Year	Increase/ Decrease
Full Value of Property \$50,000			
With Enhanced STAR	\$0	\$0	\$0
With Basic STAR	\$354	\$351	(\$3)
Without STAR	\$886	\$877	(\$9)
Full Value of Property \$70,000			
With Enhanced STAR	\$23	\$4	\$19
With Basic STAR	\$709	\$702	(\$7)
Without STAR	\$1,240	\$1,228	(\$12)
Full Value of Property \$100,000			
With Enhanced STAR	\$555	\$530	(\$25)
With Basic STAR	\$1,240	\$1,228	(\$12)
Without STAR	\$1,772	\$1,754	(\$18)
Full Value of Property \$150,000			
With Enhanced STAR	\$1,441	\$1,407	(\$34)
With Basic STAR	\$2,127	\$2,105	(\$22)
Without STAR	\$2,658	\$2,631	(\$27)
<i>**Estimated tax increases are based on 2019 equalization rates and assessed values. The final tax rates will be established when the Board of Education adopts the tax warrant in August 2020.</i>			

SUMMARY OF REVENUES & OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING

	2019-2020 Budget	2020-2021 Budget	Inc (Dec) Over Prior Year
State Aid	\$4,701,226	\$4,745,980	\$44,754
PILOT(Payments in Lieu of Tax)	280,046	280,046	-
Other Revenue	80,900	90,900	10,000
Estimated Tax Levy & STAR Reimbursement	2,913,716	2,883,716	(30,000)
TOTAL REVENUE	\$7,975,888	\$8,000,642	\$24,754
Interfund Transfer of Debt Service	50,000	73,631	23,631
Appropriated Fund Balance	569,789	591,571	21,782
Appropriated Retirement Reserve	30,870	30,870	-
TOTAL REVENUE & OTHER SOURCES	\$8,626,547	\$8,696,714	\$70,167

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