

Syosset School District

Budget Information Meeting

2021-22 Budget

April 20, 2021



2021-22 Budget Planning

Important Dates

- ✓ February 8 - Budget Meeting
- ✓ March 15 - Budget Meeting
- April 20 - Budget Meeting & Budget Adoption
- May 10 - Budget Hearing

- **May 18, 2021 – Annual District Election
and Budget Vote**

February Budget Meeting Topics:

- Preliminary Tax Cap for 2021-22
- Draft Capital and Admin Codes
- Preliminary Revenue – State Aid

March Budget Meeting Topics:

- Draft Program Codes & Benefits
- Preliminary Revenue – Federal Assistance

April Budget Meeting Topics:

- Revenue Update including Reserves
- Updates on Material Changes

2021-22 Budget Supports:

The 2021-22 budget continues to support:

- A safer learning environment for students and staff.
- Existing programs and services for students, both in-person and remote.
- Instructional technology to support in-person and remote learning.
- The social and emotional well-being of students.
- Maintenance of our physical plant and equipment and cleaning and disinfecting protocols.
- Fiscal stability to optimize our response to changing circumstances and conditions.

DRAFT Syosset 2021-22 Budget & Tax Levy

	Tax Cap Calculation	Actual Tax Levy
2021-22 Est.	2.31%	1.98%
2020-21	3.23%	1.70%
2019-20	3.34%	2.49%
2018-19	3.57%	2.26%
2017-18	2.24%	2.12%
2016-17	0.30%	0.14%
2015-16	1.56%	0.91%
2014-15	1.39%	1.33%
2013-14	3.08%	2.84%
2012-13	2.26%	2.26%

- Budget Increase = 2.28%
- Tax Levy Increase = 1.98%

- Calculated Tax Cap = 2.31%
- Approx. \$675K Under the Cap

OSC Tax Cap Reporting

Tax Levy Limit, Before Adjustments and Exclusions		
✔ Real Property Tax Levy FYE 2021	\$204,236,165	\$204,236,165
✔ Tax Cap Reserve Offset from FYE 2020 Used to Reduce FYE 2021 Levy	\$0	\$0
✔ Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount (Including Interest Earned) from FYE 2021	---	---
✔ Tax Base Growth Factor	1.0037	1.0037
✔ PILOTs Receivable FYE 2021	\$8,875,626	\$8,875,626
✔ Tort Exclusion Amount Claimed in FYE 2021	\$0	\$0
✔ Capital Tax Levy Exclusion FYE2021	\$3,698,804	\$3,698,804
✔ Allowable Levy Growth Factor	1.0123	1.0123
✔ PILOTs Receivable FYE 2022	\$9,588,924	\$9,588,925
✔ Available Carryover from FYE 2021	---	---
Tax Levy Limit Before Adjustments/Exclusions	\$203,164,811	\$203,164,810
Exclusions		
✔ Tort Exclusion	\$0	\$0
✔ Capital Tax Levy Exclusion FYE2022	\$5,799,187	\$5,799,187
✔ Teachers' Retirement System Exclusion	\$0	\$0
✔ Employees' Retirement System Exclusion	\$0	\$0
Total Exclusions	\$5,799,187	\$5,799,187
Your FYE 2022 Tax Levy Limit, Adjusted for Transfers plus Exclusions	\$208,963,998	\$208,963,997
✔ Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce FYE 2022 Levy	---	---
✔ FYE 2022 Proposed Levy, Net of Reserve	\$208,963,950	\$208,289,296
Difference Between Tax Levy Limit and Proposed Levy	\$48	\$674,701
✔ Do you plan to override the Tax Cap for FYE 2022 ?	No	No

March versus April submission of tax cap

The Property Tax Report Card is filed with NYSED after BOE Adoption

<u>Shaded Fields Will Calculate</u>	Budgeted 2020-21 (A)	Proposed Budget 2021-22 (B)	Percent Change (C)
Total Budgeted Amount, not including Separate Propositions	241,639,245	247,160,025	2.28 %
A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount ¹	204,236,165	208,289,296	
B. Tax Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable			
C. Tax Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable ²			
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy, if Applicable			
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A+B+C-D)	204,236,165	208,289,296	1.98 %
F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit	3,698,804	5,799,187	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions ³	203,618,170	203,164,810	
H. Total Proposed Tax Levy for School Purposes, <u>Excluding</u> Permissible Exclusions and Levy for Library Debt, Plus Prior Year Tax Cap Reserve (E-B-F+D)	200,537,361	202,490,109	
I. Difference: (G-H);(negative value requires 60.0% voter approval) ²	3,080,809	674,701	
Public School Enrollment	6,531	6,312	-3.35 %
Consumer Price Index			1.23 %

Schedule of Reserve Funds

Reserve Type	Reserve Name	Reserve Description *	3/31/21 Actual Balance	6/30/21 Estimated Ending Balance	Intended Use of the Reserve in the 2021-22 School Year (Limit 200 Characters)**
Capital	2020 CAPITAL RESERVE	For the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued.	3,466,195	0	Planned use of \$2 Million for Stillwell Project subject to approval by the voters.
Capital	2018 SECURITY	For the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued.	24,988	24,988	Not planned for use in the 21-22 school year
Capital	2014 CAPITAL RESERVE	For the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued.	11,769	11,769	Not planned for use in 2021-22 school year.
Repair	REPAIR RESERVE	For the cost of repairs to capital improvements or equipment.	171,348	171,348	Not planned for use in 2021-22 school year
Workers Compensation	WORKERS COMPENSATION	For self-insured Workers Compensation and benefits.	3,275,338	2,545,338	Anticipate appropriating \$730,000 to support the 2021-22 budget.
Unemployment Insurance	UNEMPLOYMENT	For reimbursement to the State Unemployment Insurance Fund.	737,238	687,238	Anticipate appropriating \$50,000 to support the 2021-22 budget.
Insurance	INSURANCE	For liability, casualty, and other types of uninsured losses.	313,740	313,740	Not planned for use in 2021-22 school year.
Property Loss + (add)		To cover property loss.			
Liability		To cover incurred liability claims.			
Tax Certiorari		For tax certiorari settlements.			
Reserve for Insurance Recoveries		For unexpended proceeds of insurance recoveries at fiscal year end.			
Employee Benefit Accrued Liability	EBAL RESERVE	For accrued 'employee benefits' due to employees upon termination of service.	3,466,195	3,366,195	Anticipate appropriating \$100,000 to support the 2021-22 budget.
Retirement Contribution	ERS RESERVE	For employer retirement contributions to the State and Local Employees' Retirement System.	14,161,842	14,161,842	Anticipate appropriating \$3,445,000 to support the 2021-22 budget.
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes		For unpaid taxes due certain city school districts not reimbursed by their city/county until the following fiscal year.			
Single Other Reserve	TRS RESERVE	TRS Reserve	4,213,043	4,213,043	Anticipate appropriating \$529,579 to support the 2021-22 budget.

Note: Be sure to click on the Save button at the bottom after each additional Reserve you add under Capital, Property Loss, Liability, or Other Reserve.

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	Draft 2021-22 Budget
Preliminary Spending Plan DRAFT	247,160,025
Estimated State Aid (Including Anticipated Building Aid)	-19,731,030
Local Revenue <i>ESTIMATED USING CURRENT YEAR VALUES & SUBJECT TO REVISION)</i>	-11,471,573
Appropriated Fund Balance	-2,813,547
Restricted Reserves	-4,854,579
Estimated Tax Levy 2021-22 (\$)	208,289,296

Budget = Expenditure Plan that supports all instructional programs and services of the school district.

Tax Levy = The amount of funds raised through property taxes after all other revenue sources are deducted.

Revenue – Federal

American Rescue Plan Funds (ARP) \$1,497,139

Summary of available information:

1. Funding based on amount of Title 1 funding
2. 20% of funds to districts must be used to address learning loss
3. Remaining funds can be used to address allowable uses including:
 - purchasing educational technology
 - repairing and improving school facilities to reduce risk of virus transmission and exposure to environmental health hazards
 - improving indoor air quality
 - summer learning
 - mental health services and supports
 - addressing learning loss
 - implementing public health protocols
 - implementing activities to maintaining operations/continuity of services

Revenue – Federal

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act - \$663,166

- Similar allowable purposes as ARP**
- Funds can be used from March 13, 2020 – September 30, 2022**

Revenue – Federal

- **Federal funds can be used over multiple years**
- **Funds will be recorded in Special Aid Fund, NOT part of General Fund**
- **Additional guidance and applications are anticipated April 30**
- **Additional reporting requirements - Districts need to report on planned use of Federal Funds by July 1**
- **Prioritize non-recurring expenses**

State Aid Increased by 12% or approximately \$2.2 million primarily due to the change in Foundation Aid

**State
Aid**

	BUDGET	Executive	PROPOSED
	2020-21	BUDGET	BUDGET
<i>STATE AID</i>	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2021-22</u>
FOUNDATION AID	8,527,586	8,527,586	10,591,118
EXCESS COST AID/PRIVATE	412,310	393,938	388,697
EXCESS COST AID/PUBLIC HI COST	490,273	458,192	458,192
BOCES AID	3,724,467		3,364,255
SERVICES AID		6,799,118	
TRANSPORTATION AID	2,127,290		2,140,549
BUILDING AID	1,276,709	1,248,506	1,251,167
HARDWARE & TECHNOLOGY	41,504		38,461
TEXTBOOK/SOFTWARE/LIBRARY AID	555,550		551,698
HIGH TAX AID	697,595		697,595
PANDEMIC ADJUSTMENT	-221,042	-663,166	
FEDERAL CARES RESTORATION	221,042	663,166	
<i>Adj. for Potential Additional Building Aid</i>	295,781	249,298	249,298
<i>Adj. for Potential Reduction in Transportation Aid</i>	-630,000		
NET STATE AID	17,519,065	17,676,638	19,731,030

Foundation Aid

- Foundation Aid is the largest component of state aid and this year state-wide largest increase in aid since foundation aid was enacted about 15 years ago.
- Foundation Aid has been frozen for many years.
- Legislative budget moves toward full funding of foundation aid.
- District allocations for 2021-22 were based on highest result of four allocation tiers, based on different factors.
- Increases in the Phase-in percent are anticipated for next 3 years; but questions remain regarding sustainability of additional phase-in.
- If phase-in continues, the district could potentially receive 50% of remaining phase-in in 2022-23 and 100% in 2023-24

Full Foundation Aid from Formula	16,388,661	
Actual Foundation Aid 20-21	<u>8,527,586</u>	A
Difference	7,861,075	
Phase-In Percent = 26.25%	2,063,532	B
21-22 Foundation Aid (Base + Phase-In)	10,591,118	= A + B

Universal Pre-Kindergarten

- The state aid run included an allocation for Universal Pre-K of \$642,600
- Initial information:
 - Accounted for in the special aid fund, not general fund
 - Grant funding could only be anticipated for two years; awaiting guidance on subsequent funding.
 - Grant amounts are not likely to fund full cost of a Pre-K program
 - Districts without existing Pre-k programs may face considerable challenges in establishing a program for September
 - Additional information forthcoming in Webinar with NYSED Office of Early Learning

Revenue

Additional State and Federal Aid proposed for 3 purposes:

1. Support instructional programs and services

- **Budget includes approximately 3 additional FTEs for secondary schools to reflect preliminary increases in class enrollments**
- **Increase in these FTEs follow reductions in 20-21, overall FTEs down compared to current year due to the transfer of positions to the grant**
- **ICT position at HS for science and social studies - grade 9**
- **Added allocation for potential limited summer school transportation service**

2. Reduce the Budget and Tax Levy:

- Moved pandemic-related expenses from the budget to one-time sources of revenue (Federal Funds) which includes:
 - Additional allocation for Robust Summer School
 - Co-Pilot Teachers for virtual or social distancing, if required
 - COVID maintenance and ventilation projects

Before aid adjustments: tax levy was projected at the tax cap limit of 2.31%

**After state and federal aid tax levy is projected at 1.98% or \$675K
BELOW the cap**

Revenue

3. Strengthen financial condition by reducing General Appropriation of Fund Balance to support the budget

<u>Fund Balance Support of Budget:</u>	2017-18 Budget	2018-19 Budget	2019-20 Budget	2020-21 Budget	Proposed 2021-22
Appropriated for Capital Projects	3,335,898	1,400,000	2,200,000	1,767,274	1,767,274
Return of Surplus from 2018-19 Projects					146,273
Total Appropriated for Capital Projects					1,913,547
<u>General Appropriation</u>	550,000	1,600,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	900,000
Appropriated for Security Work		1,000,000			
COVID Related Expenditures				2,000,000	
Total Fund Balance to Support Budget	3,885,898	4,000,000	3,400,000	4,967,274	2,813,547

Local Revenue - Reserves

Continue to utilize reserves to support the budget:

- Fund capital projects in the budget
- Fund direct expenses in the budget (Pension, Workers Compensation, Unemployment Expense)

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Reserves to Support Capital Improvements

Project List for Transfer to Capital

- Pool ventilation system
- HS and SW roof and masonry
- District-wide masonry repairs



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Total Restricted Reserve Balance = \$26.4 Million

Proposed Use to Support 21-22 Budget:

\$4.9 million total:

- same reserves used to support 2020-21 budget
- new use of TRS reserve to fund increase in TRS expense projected for 22

Restricted

● Workers' compensation	3,275,338
● Unemployment insurance	737,238
Retirement contribution	
● Teachers' retirement system	4,213,043
● Employees' retirement system	14,161,842
Insurance	313,740
● Employee benefit accrued liability	3,466,195
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Reserve Balances as presented in June 2020 Audited Financial Statements

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Teachers Retirement System (TRS)	\$529,579
Workers Compensation Reserve	\$730,000
Unemployment Insurance Reserve	\$50,000
EBAL	\$100,000

Next Meeting: Budget Hearing – May 10th

Budget Vote: May 18, 2021