

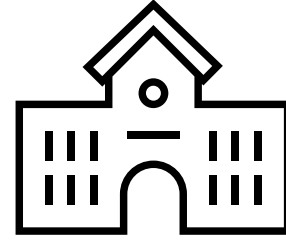


SYOSSET SCHOOL BUDGET HEARING

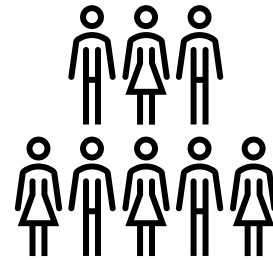
2023-2024



SYOSSET STATISTICS



10 SCHOOLS

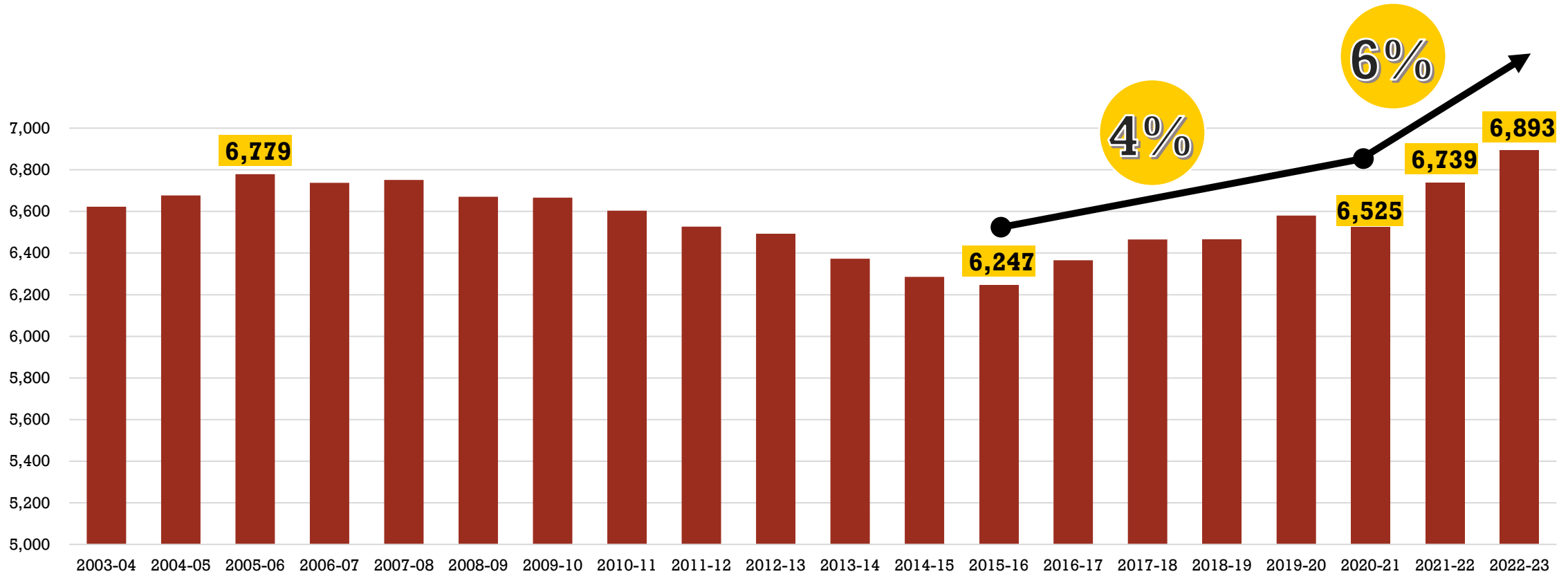


~6,800 STUDENTS



**5th BEST PUBLIC SCHOOL
SYSTEM IN THE U.S.**

SOURCE: NICHE.COM



RECENT STUDENT ENROLLMENT INCREASES

- *20 teachers & support staff over last two years*
- *Additional special education services*

BUDGET PRIORITIES

**Maintain
breadth of
student
opportunities**

**Reinvest in
capital
infrastructure
and facilities**

**Pursue
additional
instructional
innovation**

**Prepare
students for
the future**

**Exercise
fiscal
stewardship**



ELEMENTARY

Recent Accomplishments

- Additional systemic phonics instruction
- Expanded ICT (integrated co-teaching) classrooms by 15
- Hands on science experiments replace worksheets
- Robotics & coding infused throughout K-5 curriculum
- Enhanced classroom library resources (increased selection to promote growth in early readers)

'23-'24 Initiatives

- Increase to full-time social worker capacity in every building
- Mental wellness & health education
- Update social studies curriculum
- Upgrade math curriculum
- Develop additional innovative & engaging cross-curricular instructional opportunities



MIDDLE SCHOOL



Recent Accomplishments

- Increased mental wellness supports for Middle School students
 - Advisory programming
 - Wellness rooms
- Additional resources for transition from grade 8 to 9
- Expanded language offerings to include sequences in Chinese & Korean

'23-'24 Initiatives

- Continue science curriculum upgrades promoting real world phenomena
- Modernize libraries to include maker spaces & podcast studios
 - HBT Library Renovation begins this year
 - South Woods Library opens this year

HIGH SCHOOL

Recent Accomplishments

- Business education (VE/DECA) enrollment tripled
- Robotics enrollment tripled
- Expanded robotics programming to include drones & FTC
- Upgraded 3D printers & purchased Computer Numerical Control tables
- Increased fine & performing arts offerings
- Expanded ICT course offerings & number of sections
- Opened PAES lab, increased work-based learning

'23-'24 Initiatives

- New AP course offering: Pre-calculus
- New elective offerings:
 - College Anatomy & Physiology
 - Intro to Artificial Intelligence
- FIRST Robotics competitions expanded
- Incorporate new computer science curriculum with NYS standards
- News media program growth



OFFER BROAD RANGE OF RIGOROUS ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

29

AP courses offered

2,617

exams taken in 2022

21

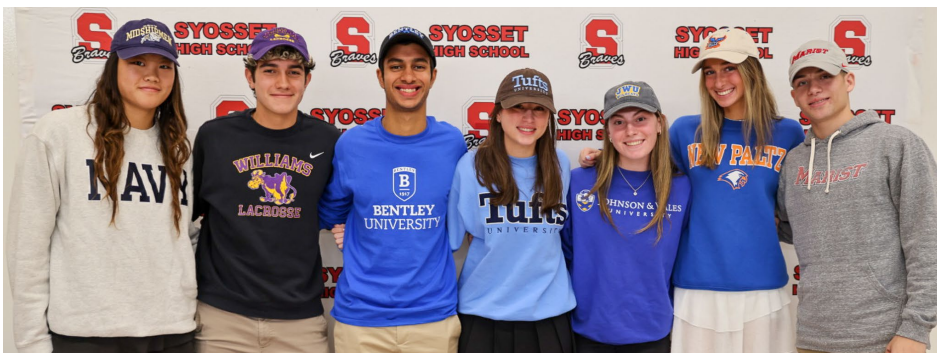
dual-enrollment (college) courses



RECOGNIZED LEADER IN ARTS & MUSIC EDUCATION

- Best community for music education for 22nd year (NAMM Foundation)
- ~1,300 students participating in NYSSMA
- 2022 NYSSMA accolades
 - 295 All-county
 - 29 All-State
 - Two All-National
 - Six All-Eastern Musicians
- ~1,300 kids selected for District Art Show
- 12 Nassau County Juried Artists
- ~1,600 attended Spring Musical *Legally Blonde*





EXPANDED ATHLETIC OPPORTUNITIES

- Teams recently added
 - Boys & Girls Badminton
 - Boys & Girls Fencing
 - Girls Gymnastics
- New this year
 - Challenger Basketball
 - Unified Basketball
 - Challenger Track
 - Girls Flag Football
 - Boys & Girls Rowing
- ~540 students enrolled in strength & conditioning in fitness center next year
- Nassau County champions: Girls & Boys Cross Country, Boys Fencing, Gymnastics, Boys Swimming & Diving
- Long Island Champions: Boys Fencing
- Conference Champions: Girls Cross Country, Boys Fencing, Girls Winter Track & Field, Boys and Girls Swimming & Diving, Wrestling

70+ HIGH SCHOOL CLUBS



CLUB OFFERINGS BY CATEGORY

- Communications
- Competitive
- Arts
- Culture
- Community Outreach
- Career Preparatory
- Recreation



TEAMS QUALIFYING FOR NATIONALS

DECA - Orlando, FL

E-Sports – Kansas City, MO

*Forensics – Louisville, KY &
Phoenix, AZ*

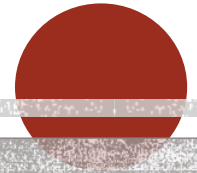
*HOSA (Health Occupations
Students of America) – Dallas, TX*

*Poetry Out Loud – Washington,
DC*

Robotics – Houston, TX

Science Olympiad – Wichita, KS

MAINTAIN SAFE & SUPPORTIVE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENTS



Facilities Plans

- Last building in districtwide library renovation (HBT)
- Districtwide masonry & repaving work
- Enhanced safety equipment for technology rooms (HBT & SHS)
- Fifth year of roof work (South Grove)

Technology Upgrades

- Adaptive technology to meet needs of every student
 - Text-to-speech, electronic textbooks, voice recognition, etc.
- Chromebooks on a replacement cycle
- Purchased 115 Promethean Boards
 - 73 for Middle School
 - 42 for Elementary Schools
- NYS SmartBond to help fund additional 100 High School 46 more Elementary Promethean boards

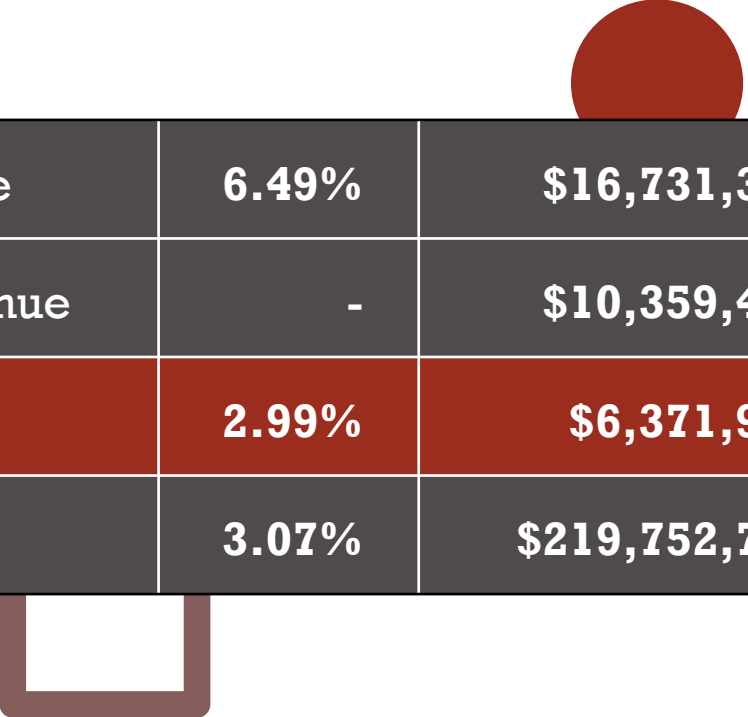
PROPOSED BUDGET & TAX CAP SUMMARY

~\$180,000

under the tax cap
this budget year

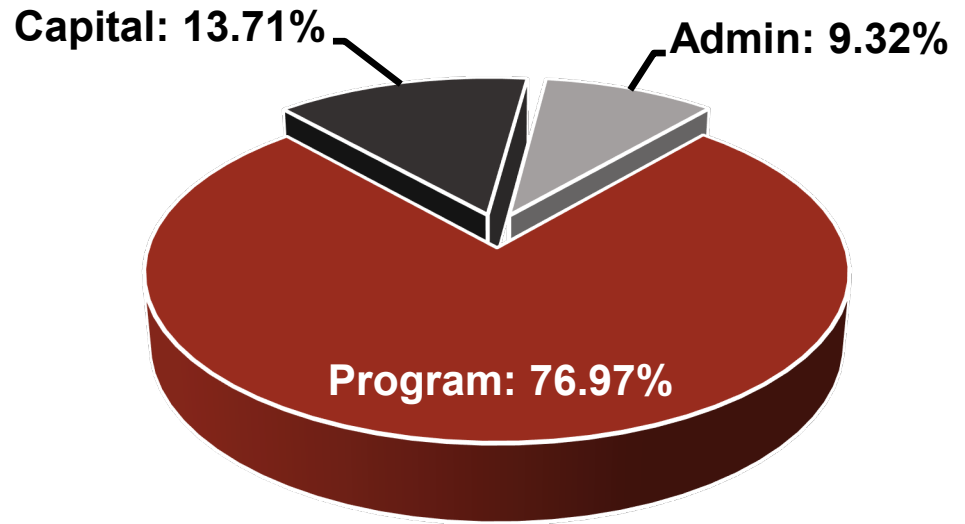
\$11 MILLION

below the tax cap
since its inception



Budget to Budget increase	6.49%	\$16,731,390
Increase in non-levy revenue	-	\$10,359,417
Tax Levy Increase	2.99%	\$6,371,973
Calculated Tax Cap	3.07%	\$219,752,754

PROPOSED '23-'24 THREE-PART BUDGET FORMAT



	2023-2024 Proposed Budget	2022-2023 Adopted Budget	Dollar Increase	Percentage Increase
Administration	\$25,599,795	\$24,685,605	\$914,190	3.70%
Capital	\$37,638,148	\$36,217,294	\$1,420,854	3.92%
Program	\$211,324,717	\$196,928,371	\$14,396,346	7.31%
Total Budget	\$274,562,660	\$257,831,270	\$16,731,390	6.49%

BUDGET INCREASE BY FUNCTIONAL AREA

	Dollar Increase	Year-over-year Increase
Benefits – Inflation	\$8,167,188	13.4%
Staffing & Contractual Adjustment	\$4,685,159	3.5%
Contracted Transportation	\$1,741,000	15.13%
Student Mental Wellness (Social Worker & Psych)	\$316,620	11.3%
Athletics & Co-curricular/clubs	\$756,846	12.5%
TANS – Inflation	\$413,417	57.42%
All Other	\$651,160	1.51%
Total Budget	\$16,731,390	-

SOURCES OF REVENUE 2023-24

	2023-2024 Proposed Budget	2022-2023 Adopted Budget	Dollar Increase	Percentage Increase
State Aid	\$34,057,838	\$25,658,758	\$8,399,080	32.73%
Restricted Reserves	\$5,885,023	\$4,550,400	\$1,334,623	29.33%
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$2,225,000	\$1,700,000	\$525,000	30.88%
Revenue from debt service fund	-	\$940,000	(\$940,000)	-100.00%
Other local revenue	\$3,110,903	\$2,035,559	\$1,074,344	52.75%
Pilots	\$9,711,431	\$9,745,061	(\$33,630)	-0.35%
General fund tax levy	\$219,572,465	\$213,200,492	\$6,371,973	2.99%
TOTAL REVENUE	\$274,562,660	\$257,831,270	\$16,731,390	6.49%

DETAILED BUDGET INFORMATION

BUDGET 2023

Syosset A.P.

Budget Proposal Pres Manages Record While Remaining B

Dear Syosset Community,
Our annual school district budget vote and Trustee election will be held on Tuesday, May 16th. The Board of Education for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year has been developed by the Board and administration to meet the goal of maintaining all student programs and opportunities that our District has worked so hard to develop, while also addressing the significant challenges posed by inflation.

The "Tax Cap" calculated for Syosset under New York State law is 3.07%. However, the proposed budget provides for a tax levy increase of 2.99%, which is approximately \$180,289 under the cap. This is the 11th year in a row of school budgets with tax levies below the State-allowed limit. Our effort to seek efficiencies is not a product of a tough budget year—it is an ongoing commitment by the Board to offset the high costs and inflation presented some rates and inflation presented some health insurance, electricity, fuel to

Our students' mental remains a longstanding and the proposed budget provides for an additional \$100,000 in even capacity in school building. Additionally, the budget includes funding for new building and repairing in masonry repairs. School district

Syosset Central School District
Syosset, New York 11791



Syosset Central School District ranked 5th Best School District in America (up from 82nd in 2016); 3rd Best Teachers in NY; 3rd for Best Teachers in NY by Niche.com

- \$70+ million in construction work completed without increasing net debt service costs
- 16 Syosset High School seniors named National Merit Semifinalists; 39 named National Merit Commended Students
- Two students named as 2022 US Presidential Scholar Candidates
- Science Olympiad won first place in New York State competition

Fine and Performing Arts

- 2022 Best Community for Music Education over 20 years
- 31 students selected as New York Music Association (NYSSMA) National Musicians
- Six students selected for New York Music Education (NAME)
- Two students given Award of Arts Alliance Scholar
- Senior selected as Youth competition
- Seven recognition of NYS for Fall
- Spring Musical attendees, 75

ECRWSS
Resident of
Syosset Central

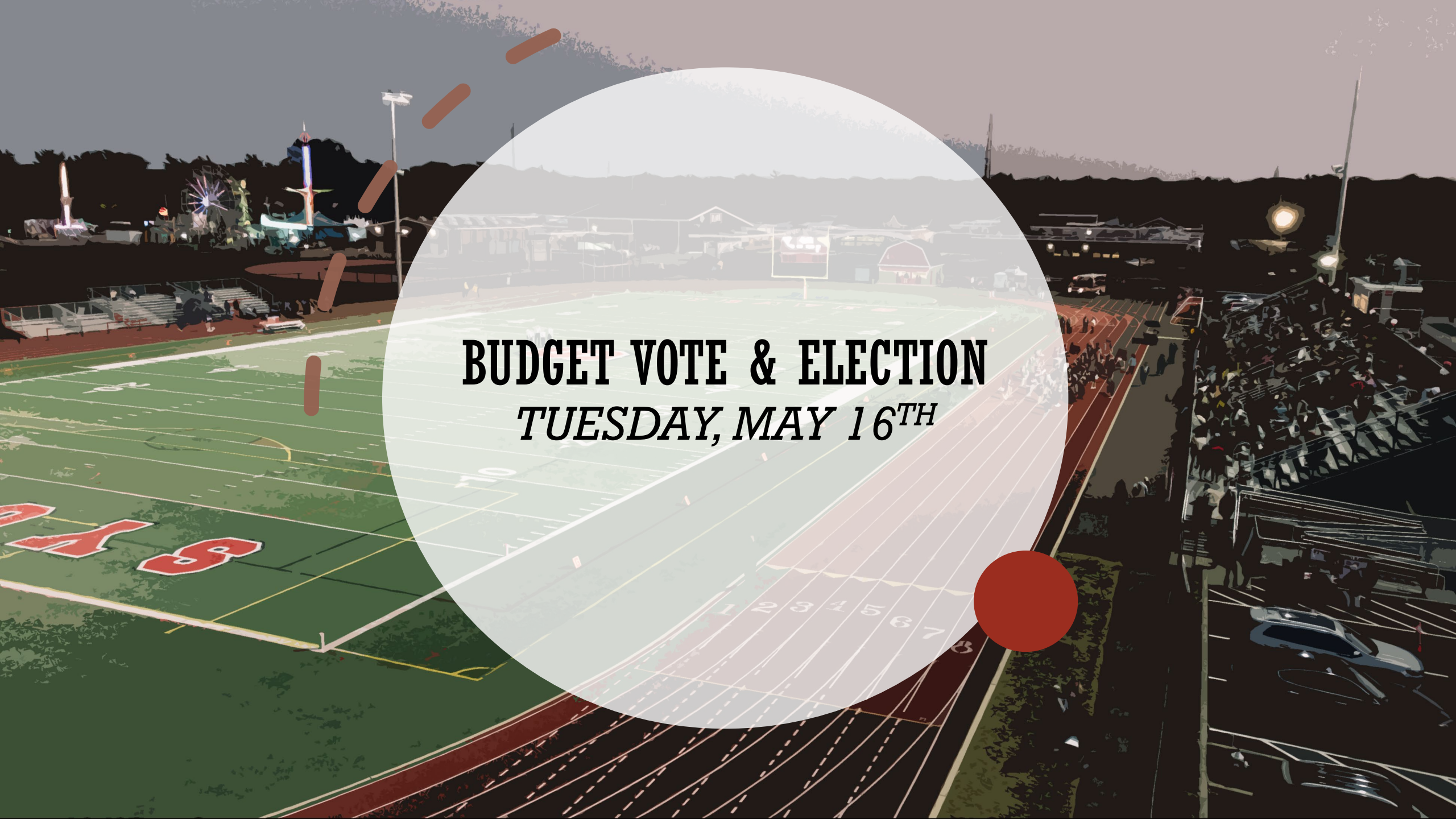
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School District Budget Notice

Overall Budget Proposal			
Total Budget Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	Budget Adopted for the 2022-23 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2023-24 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2023-24 School Year *
Increase/Decrease for the 2023-24 School Year	\$ 257,831,270	\$ 274,562,650	\$ 268,190,667
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		\$ 16,731,390	\$ 10,359,417
Change in the Consumer Price Index		6.49%	4.02%
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount			
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable			
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable **			
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy			
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$ 213,200,492	\$ 219,572,465	
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$	\$	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$ 213,200,492	\$ 219,572,465	\$ 213,200,492
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	\$ 6,109,119	\$ 7,280,655	
I. Difference: G - H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval)	\$ 207,616,583	\$ 212,462,069	
Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions **			
Administrative Component			
Program Component	\$ 525,210	\$ 180,289	
Capital Component	\$ 24,685,605	\$ 25,599,795	\$ 25,005,682
	\$196,926,371	\$211,324,717	\$208,420,352
	\$ 36,217,294	\$ 37,638,148	\$ 36,764,653

*Should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law the district is required to operate under a contingent budget, the district would be required to eliminate certain expenses to conform to the requirements of the law. Reductions could be made in equipment and other expenses required by law. The district would have to take savings actions totaling about \$6.4 million, which may result in the elimination of some programmatic additions such as the social workers and High School teaching positions currently included in the budget. Capital projects including library renovation at HBT Middle School, installation of dust collection systems, and paving, roofing and masonry repairs and upgrades would be delayed by at least one year.

- Available at [Syossetschools.org](https://syossetschools.org)
- Budget brochure & budget notice will be mailed to homes

An aerial photograph of a sports field at night. The field is green with white yard lines and red numbers. A red running track surrounds the field. In the background, there are bleachers, stadium lights, and some buildings. A large white circle is overlaid on the center of the image, containing the text. There are also several red and orange decorative shapes scattered around the circle.

BUDGET VOTE & ELECTION

TUESDAY, MAY 16TH