### Wheatland-Chili Central Schools 2025-2026 Budget Development

Review of Draft Budget

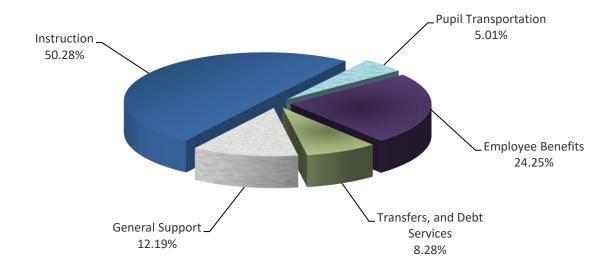
Board of Education Meeting
March 24, 2025

### 2025-2026 Budget Development

Date	Presentation
January 13	Budget Parameters, Staffing & Enrollment Projections
February 24	General Support, Capital/Debt Service, Facilities and Transportation, Instruction (Pupil Services, Special Education, BOCES, Elementary, Secondary, Sports, Co- Curricular, Technology) and Employee Benefits
March 24	Review Draft Budget
April 21	Adoption of Proposed Budget
May 6	Budget Hearing and Meet the Candidates Night
May 20 (Tues.)	Budget Vote
June 17 (Tues.)	Statewide Budget Revote Day

2025-2026 Proposed Budget						
SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS						
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General Support	2,774,093	2,790,736	2,880,579	2,870,527	79,791	2.86%
Instruction	10,809,986	11,629,123	11,757,190	11,837,659	208,536	1.79%
Pupil Transportation	1,205,423	1,145,590	1,178,440	1,178,440	32,850	2.87%
Employee Benefits, Transfers, Debt	4,690,043	5,251,908	5,709,149	5,709,148	457,240	8.71%
Community Services	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Debt Services	1,549,527	1,755,488	1,731,792	1,731,792	(23,696)	-1.35%
Transfers to School Lunch	62,400	64,896	66,845	66,845	1,949	0.00%
Transfers to Capital	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
Transfers to Special Aid	35,436	50,000	<u>50,000</u>	50,000	0	0.00%
TOTAL	\$21,226,908	\$22,787,741	\$23,473,995	\$23,544,411	\$756,670	3.32%

#### Summary by Function – 2025-2026



#### 2024-25 Summary by Function

- 50.97% Instruction
- 12.26% General Support
- 5.04% Pupil Transportation
- 23.08% Employee Benefits
- 8.66% Transfers and Debt Service

### **General Support**

	2024-25 Proposed Budget	2025-26 Proposed Budget
Board of Education	\$50,708	\$65,414
Central Administration	\$320,462	\$326,956
Central Services	\$198,623	\$224,739
Facility Operations	\$1,290,569	\$1,247,244
Finance	\$386,900	\$423,634
Personnel/Public Information Services	\$201,468	\$213,139
Special Items	\$342,006	\$369,401
Grand Total	\$2,790,736	\$2,870,527

# Modifications to General Support Budget in 2025-26

- Addition of monies to support new Monroe County Board of Election Requirements
- Additional funds allocated to cover 15% increase in insurance premiums
- Funds allocated to bring full time PR Specialist back to district from BOCES
- Removal of \$40k from Facilities budget Roofing to be completed in Capital Project

Instruction: District Wide, Elementary & Secondary, Administrative, Special Education, Pupil Personnel Services, Interscholastic Sports, Co-Curricular, Library, Technology, BOCES

	2024-25 Proposed Budget	2025-26 Proposed Budget		
Administrative & Improvement	\$660,797	\$702,399		
BOCES	\$3,294,593	\$3,373,726		
Co-curricular	\$145,563	\$149,333		
Districtwide	\$318,487	\$364,000		
Guidance	\$218,143	\$138,741		
Health Services	\$301,250	\$309,543		
Instruction	\$4,380,911	\$4,399,920		
Interscholastic Sports	\$270,362	\$299,061		
Library	\$153,131	\$145,833		
Psychologists	\$90,423	\$112,461		
Social Workers	\$165,480	\$84,529		
Special Education	\$1,403,483	\$1,523,707		
Teaching – Special Schools	\$17,955	\$18,014		
Technology	\$208,545	\$216,392		
Grand Total	\$11,629,123	\$11,837,659		

Modifications to Instruction Budget: District Wide, Elementary & Secondary, Administrative, Special Education, Pupil Personnel Services, Interscholastic Sports, Co-Curricular, Library, Technology, BOCES in 2025-2026

- Addition of 0.5 Math Interventionist
- Addition of 1.0 Reading Teacher (replaced Teaching Assistant) Position filled in 2024-2025
- Addition of 0.5 Pre-K Classroom Teacher Half day converted to full day in 2025-26
- Addition of 0.5 Pre-K Classroom Teacher Aide Half day converted to full day in 2025-26

### Transportation

	2024-25 Proposed Budget	2025-26 Proposed Budget
BOCES	\$7,500	\$6,500
Bus Garage	\$41,843	\$40,986
Contracted Services	\$56,560	\$62,651
Fuel	\$116,080	\$113,293
Insurance	\$41,392	\$50,000
Salary	\$838,500	\$860,420
Supplies	\$43,715	\$44,590
Grand Total	\$1,145,590	\$1,178,440

# Modifications to Transportation Budget in 2025-26

Contractual salary increases & standard increases to supply and contractual lines

#### **Benefits**

	2024-25 Proposed Budget	2025-26 Proposed Budget
Health Insurance	\$3,311,223	\$3,699,672
Life Insurance	\$3,060	\$3,060
Unemployment	\$20,000	\$20,000
Worker's Compensation	\$83,045	\$107,277
Retirement	\$1,068,804	\$1,081,783
Social Security/FICA	\$710,431	\$741,956
Other Benefits	\$55,345	\$55,400
Grand Total	\$5,251,908	\$5,709,148

## Modifications to Benefits Budget in 2025-26

- 10.0% Projected Increase to Health Insurance Premiums
  - Budget reflects costs of actual plans our staff members are currently in
- Retirement and Social Security Budget are calculated based on TRS, ERS and FICA rates and are assessed based on actual salary figures.

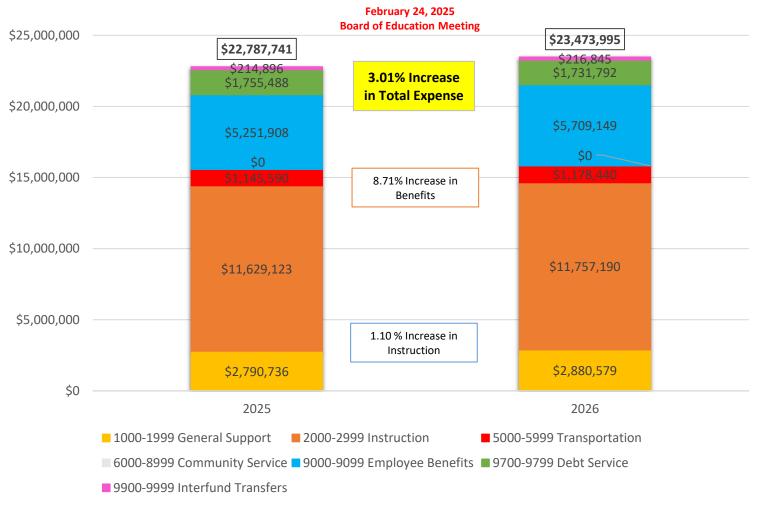
#### **Transfers & Debt Service**

	2024-25 Proposed Budget	2025-26 Proposed Budget
Interfund Transfer – Debt Service	\$1,755,488	\$1,731,792
Interfund Transfer – Special Aid	\$50,000	\$50,000
Interfund Transfer – Capital Fund	\$100,000	\$100,000
Interfund Transfer – School Lunch	\$64,896	\$66,845
Grand Total	\$1,970,384	\$1,948,637

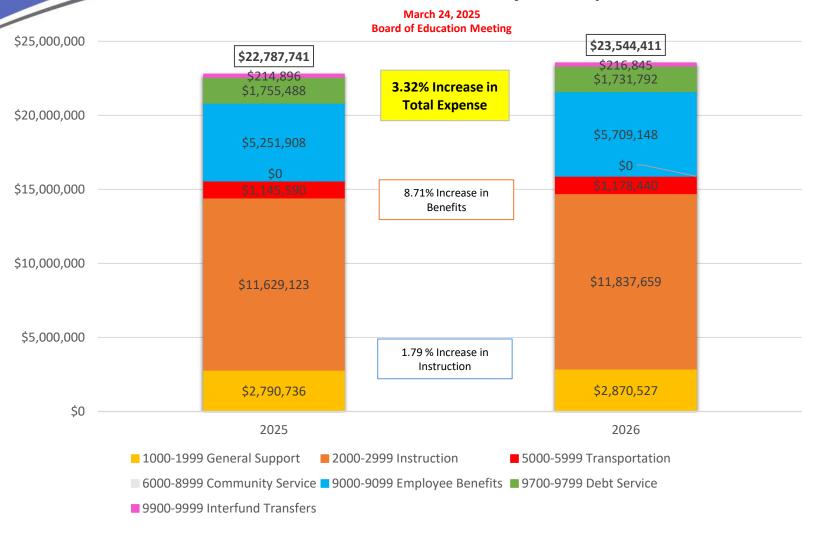
# Modifications to Transfers & Debt Service Budget in 2024-25

- \$24k decrease to Debt Service Budget
  - > Offset by equal increase in Building aid
  - > Debt service obligation remains flat

#### **2024-2025** vs **2025-2026** Projected Expenses



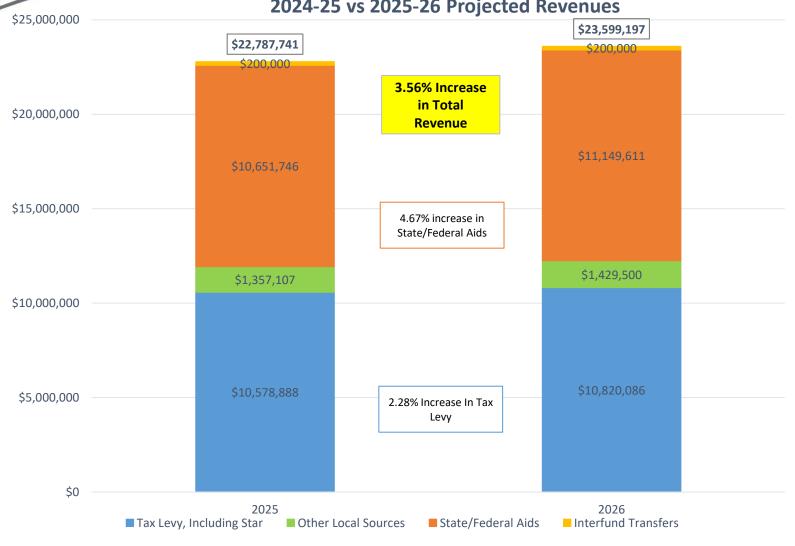
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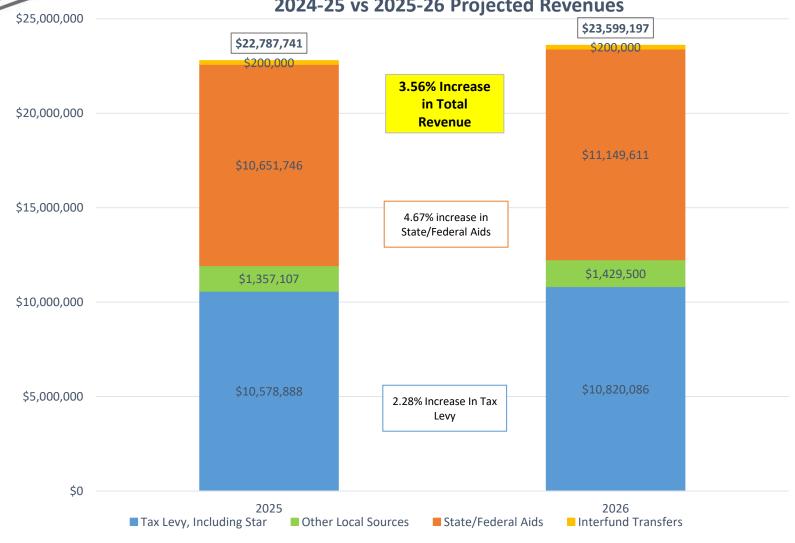












# What is our starting point based upon the budget variables?

- The ability to raise additional revenue is limited by tax levy limit.
- Using a tax levy of 2.28% and 6.86% increase in Foundation aid, we begin the process with \$125,202 surplus
- The amount of the difference will change as we learn more:
  - Further consideration from the Board as to an increase in the levy per the now published 2024 tax-based growth factor.
  - Revenues are better defined through our final tax levy limit and state aid numbers.
- Update as of 3.24.25
  - Adjustment to Special Education / Private Parochial placements
  - Minor changes to BOCES Budgets
  - Anticipated revenues exceed expenditure by \$54,786
    - Recommendation to allocate towards negotiated minimum wage increase for PSRP & BDCCW

## 2025-2026 Budget Development Process

• April 21, 2025

Adoption of Proposed Budget