

Draft for
Community
Review



Investing in Our Future: 2026-27 Draft School Budget

A strategic roadmap for the Clarkstown
Central School District community.

Our Strategic Foundation & Core Commitments



Academic

Foster Growth in Learning for Every Student.



Social-Emotional & Ethical

Nurture the Social-Emotional and Ethical Growth of All Students.



Capacity Building

Cultivate Skills, Knowledge, and Expertise within the Community.



Safety

Uphold and Enhance a Secure and Respectful Environment.

Translating Strategy into 2026-27 Priorities



Literacy



**Future
Readiness**



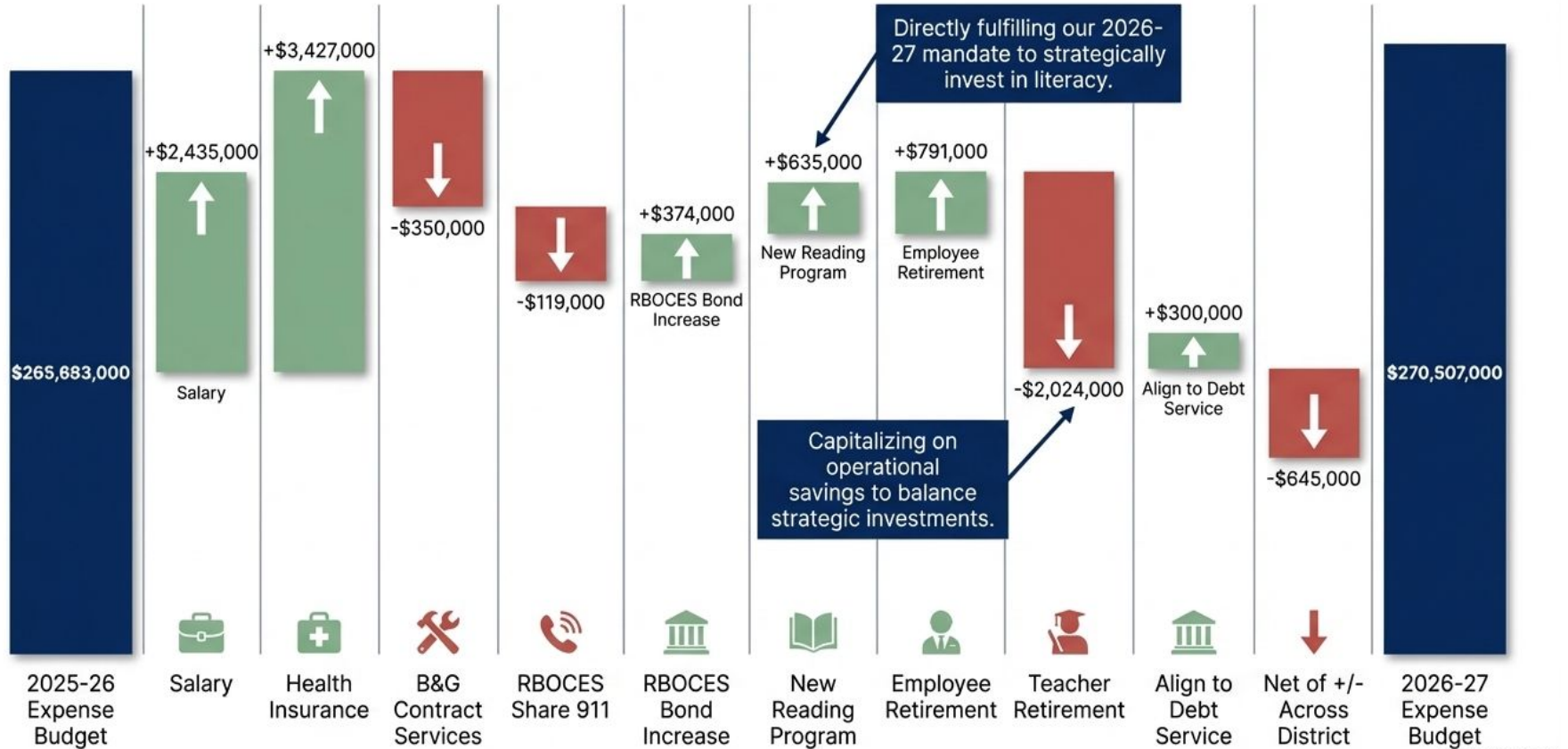
**Fiscal
Responsibility**



**Community
Engagement**

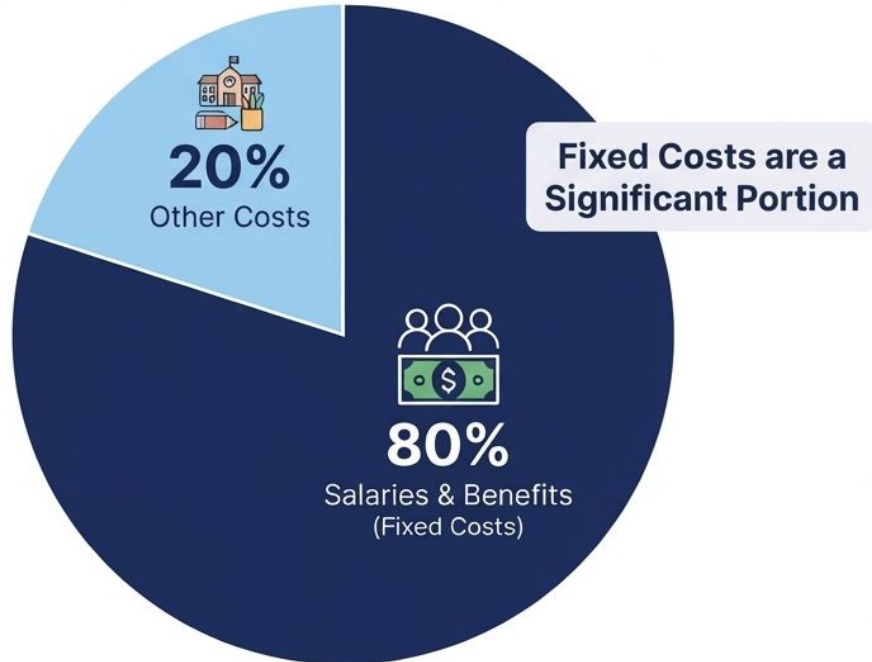
- ✓ Maintain and expand existing successful programs.
- ✓ Strategically invest in literacy initiatives across the district.
- ✓ Ensure the district remains on course to be future ready.
- ✓ Demonstrate strong fiscal responsibility in all spending.

Investing in Strategy: 2026-27 Expense Breakdown



Budget Breakdown: Fixed Costs

Salaries and benefits make up 80% of the budget.



Capital Investments Overview: The \$5M Outlay

Maintaining our vital infrastructure and keeping our district Future Ready.



IT

\$2,570,000



Paving

\$1,031,500



Transportation

\$606,000



Facilities

\$582,500

South High School Tech Refresh: \$210,000

Total: \$5,000,000

Future Readiness: District-Wide IT & Technology



Sharp BDs:
\$1,050,000



Wi-Fi Access Points:
\$700,000



Refresh Routers DW:
\$820,000

Directly linking back to our Career Pathways priority: Ensuring our high schoolers learn on industry-standard studio tools.



South High School Tech Refresh

IMAC, Cameras, Audio Equipment: \$210,000



Safety & Operations: Transportation, Facilities & Paving

Equipping our operations teams to fulfill our Strategic Goal: Upholding a Secure, Safe, and Respectful Environment across all campuses.

Paving



- **Paving:** \$1,031,500
- Supplemental landscaping
- New front entrance sign at Link Elementary School

Transportation - \$606k



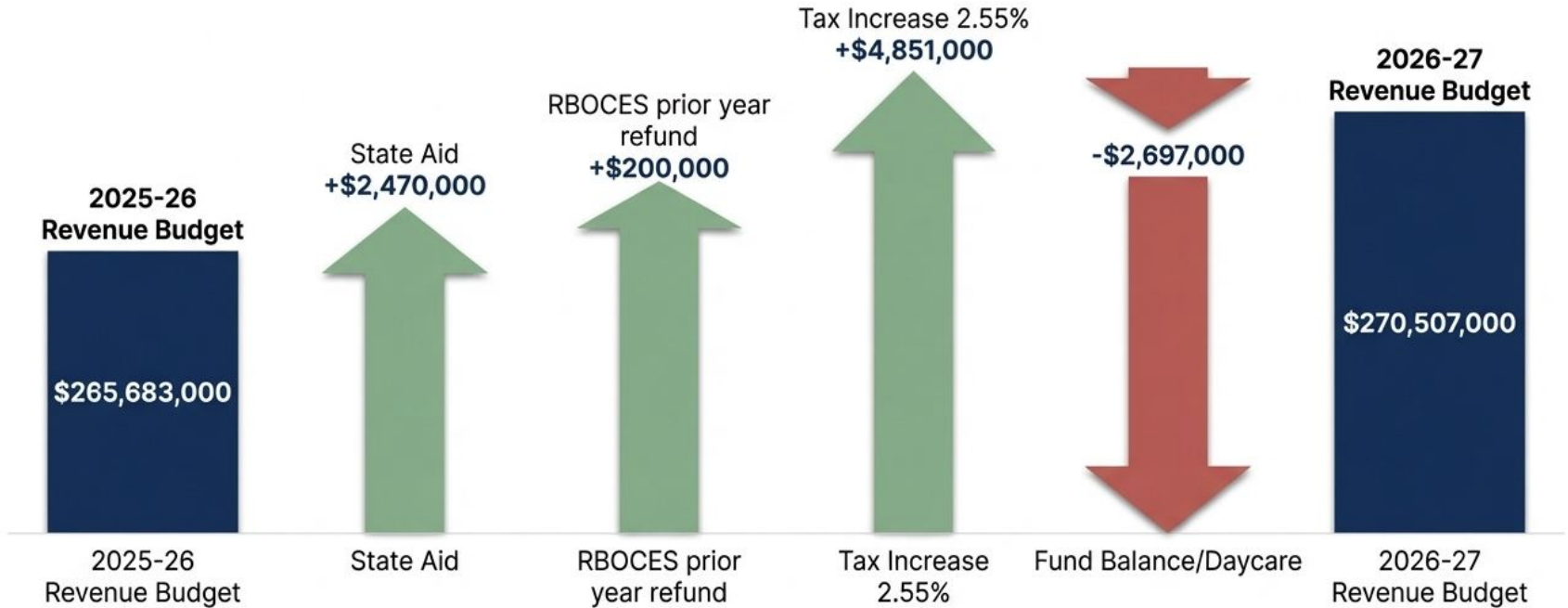
- Bus Purchases (\$500k)
- Bus Roof Snow Remover (\$100k)
- 2 Snow Blowers (\$6k)

Facilities - \$582.5k



- 2 Sprinter Vans (\$160k)
- Front Loader (\$150k)
- Mason Dump Truck Ford F-550 (\$100k)
- 3 Ventrac Units (\$90k)
- Box Van - Deliveries (\$75k)
- 2 YD Salter (\$7.5k)

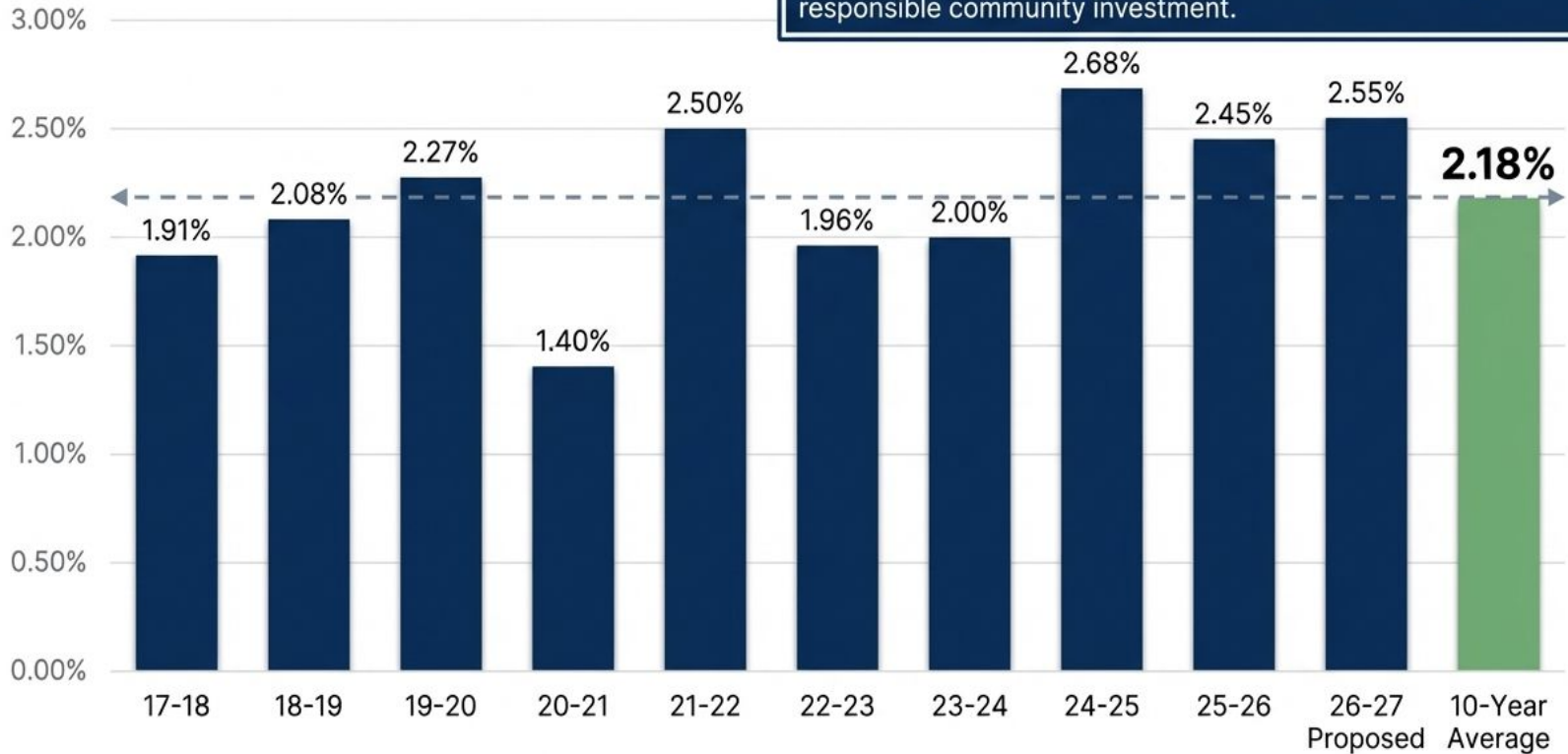
Funding the Vision: 2026-27 Revenue Breakdown



The 2026-27 budget leverages a \$2.47M increase in State Aid alongside \$4.85M generated by the proposed 2.55% tax increase, ensuring sustainable funding while successfully reducing our reliance on the fund balance.

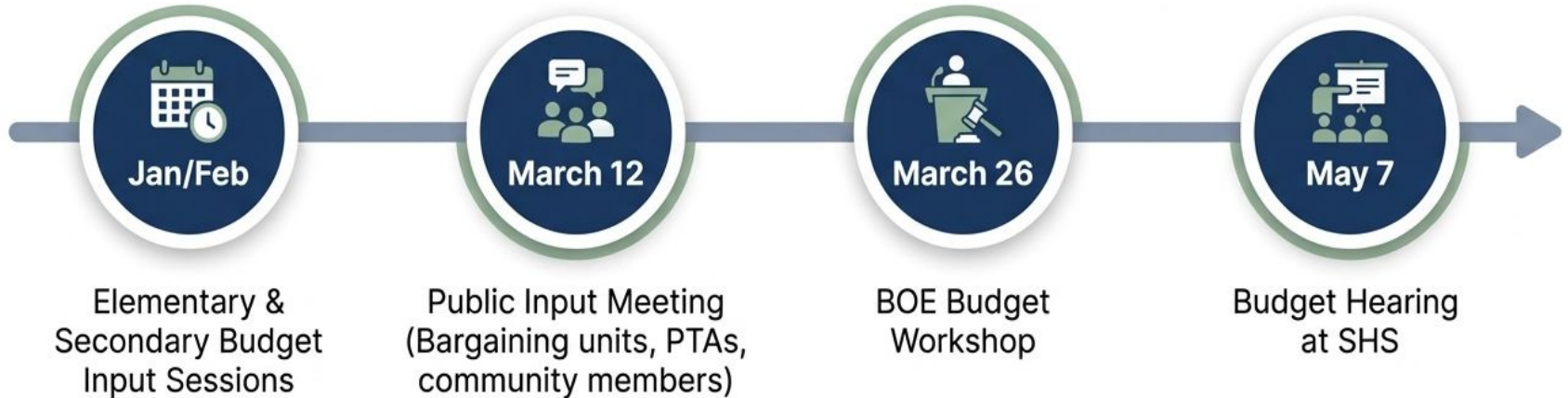
Historical Context: Maintaining Fiscal Stability

The proposed 2.55% increase for 2026-27 remains closely aligned with our 10-year historical average of 2.18%, reflecting our commitment to long-term fiscal stability and steady, responsible community investment.



The Roadmap: 2026-27 Budget Development

Your voice matters. Join us at upcoming input sessions to help shape the future of our district.



Moving Forward Together: Tuesday, May 19



The 2026-27 School Budget Vote.

The proposed \$270.5M budget represents a balanced approach—funding vital student needs, delivering \$2.78M in critical technology upgrades, and launching key literacy programs, all while maintaining historic fiscal responsibility.

Please remember to vote on May 19. Visit the district website for polling locations and full budget documentation.