

PINE PLAINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2026-2027
PROPOSED BUDGET
ADOPTED BY THE PINE PLAINS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 21, 2026

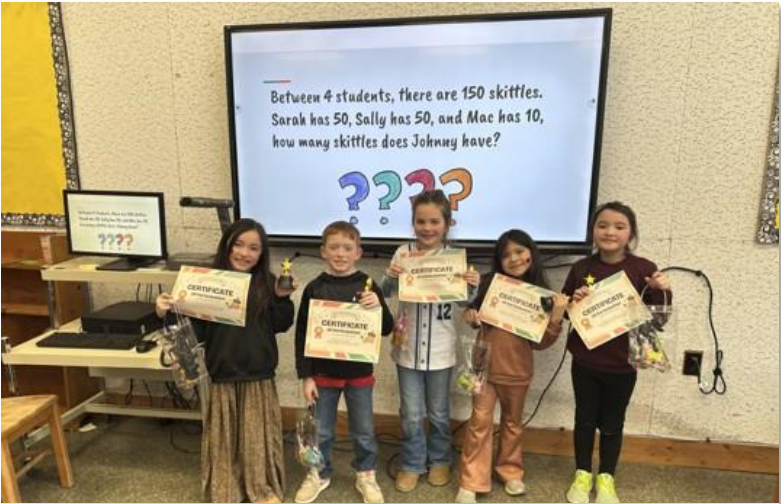
PUBLIC HEARING – MAY 5, 2026

Presented by
Laura Rafferty
Business Official

Budgetary Priorities

- Ensuring the highest quality education for all students
- Fiscally responsible with a focus on sustainability
- Allocate funds to reflect the Board and District Goals and Vision
- Long term planning
- Strategic Plan – Pathway for budgeting goals for the three priority areas

Academic Excellence



Seymour - Math Bowl



DCC Social Problems – Bullying Presentation



Cold Spring PBL Day

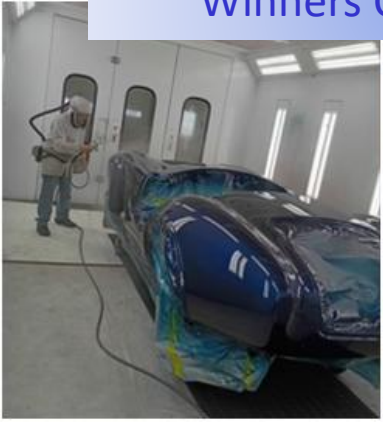
Student Experience



Winners Circle Project



Varsity Club Recruits at Seymour



Annual Cub Cafe



Community Connection



Senior to Senior Breakfast



Cold Spring and Seymour Holiday Gathering



Student Council Valentines for Senior Citizens & Veterans

**2026-2027
Proposed Budget**



Total Budget

\$40,778,791

Increase of \$2,066,455 or 5.34%



Tax Levy Limit

\$29,122,160

Increase of \$1,236,358 or 4.43% - exceeds tax cap



Total State Aid

\$ 8,634,631

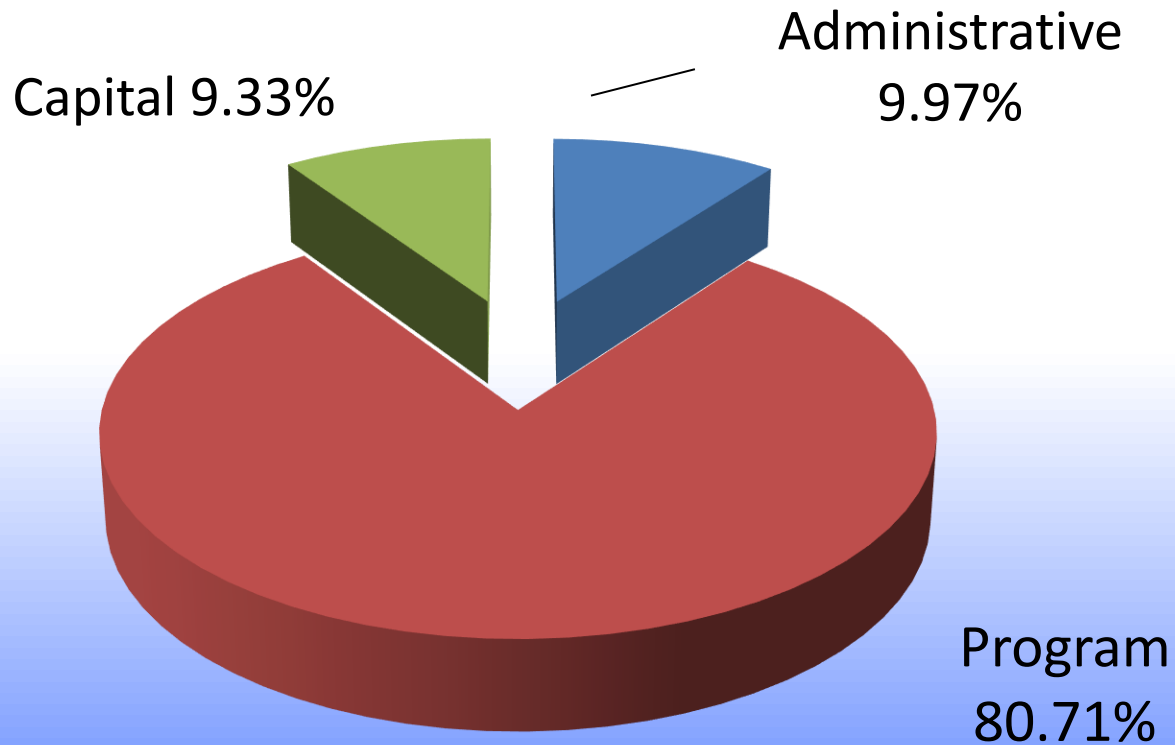
Increase of \$108,097 or 1.26%

PINE PLAINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Three Part Budget

PINE PLAINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET COMPARISON	2025-2026 ADOPTED BUDGET	2026-2027 PROPOSED BUDGET	<i>Year to Year Change</i>	<i>% Change</i>
ADMINISTRATION	\$3,819,690	\$4,063,953	\$244,263	6.39%
PROGRAM	\$31,193,790	\$32,911,895	\$1,718,105	5.51%
CAPITAL	\$3,698,857	\$3,802,943	\$104,087	2.81%
TOTAL	\$38,712,336	\$40,778,791	\$2,066,455	5.34%

Three Part Budget



PINE PLAINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2026-2027 Budget Summary

	2025-26 Adopted	2026-27 Proposed	\$ Difference
Revenue	\$ 37,712,336	\$ 39,178,791	\$ 1,466,455
Expenses	\$ 38,712,336	\$ 40,778,791	\$ 2,066,455
Difference	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 600,000
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,600,000	\$ 600,000

PINE PLAINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2026-2027

Voting Procedures

IN-PERSON VOTING – MAY 19, 2026 7am – 8pm

Stissing Mt Jr/Sr High School Cafeteria

IF YOU NEED AN ABSENTEE or EARLY BALLOT...

- ◆ **Pick up an application in the District Office located at Stissing Mountain Jr / Sr High School, or**
- ◆ **Download the application on the District website www.ppcsd.org, or**
- ◆ **Call the District Clerk at (518) 398-7181 Ext. 1408**

Completed Absentee / Early Ballot applications must be received by the District Clerk not more than thirty (30) and not less than seven (7) days prior to the election and vote, if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter; or up to the day before the election and vote if the ballot is to be personally picked up by the voter or the voter's designated agent as set forth on the application.

Completed Absentee Ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the election and vote, May 19, 2026.

PINE PLAINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2026-2027 Voter Propositions

PROPOSITION 1: 2026 – 2027 SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

SHALL the Board of Education of the Pine Plains Central School District be authorized to expend the sum of amount of \$40,778,791 for school district purposes for the 2026-2027 school year, and to levy the necessary tax therefor? This budget requires a tax levy increase of 4.43% which exceeds the statutory tax levy increase limit of 3.4% for this school fiscal year and therefore exceeds the state tax cap and must be approved by 60 percent of the qualified voters present and voting.

PINE PLAINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2026-2027 Voter Propositions

PROPOSITION 2: BUS PURCHASE

SHALL the Board of Education of the Pine Plains Central School District, Dutchess and Columbia Counties, New York be authorized to purchase two (2) 71-passenger school buses, including cameras and necessary equipment, at a maximum estimated cost of \$194,525.66 each, for an aggregate maximum estimated cost of \$389,051.32 and three (3) 35-passenger school buses, at a maximum estimated cost of \$120,408.41 each, for an aggregate maximum estimated cost of \$361,225.23; and that the sum of \$750,276.55, or so much thereof as may be necessary is authorized to be expended from the District's "Bus Purchase Reserve Fund" approved by the voters on May 17, 2022, to pay for the cost of the bus purchases?

PINE PLAINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTION

Elect Two (2) Board of Education Members

To elect two (2) members of the Board of Education for three-year terms commencing July 1, 2026 and ending on June 30, 2029. The combination of votes and/or write-ins must be no more than two votes.

Three candidates are running for the two seats on the Board of Education this year:

James Griffin (Incumbent)

Amie Buehler

Brooke Brown

District voters may vote for up to two (2) candidates.

PINE PLAINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

REMEMBER TO VOTE!

TUESDAY May 19th 7:00AM to 8:00PM

Stissing Mt Jr/Sr HS Cafeteria

- ◆ **BUDGET VOTE**
- ◆ **BUS PURCHASES**
- ◆ **ELECT TWO (2) BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS**

**Absentee / Early Ballots Must Be Received
By 5:00PM Tuesday May 19th**

PINE PLAINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

FOR MORE INFORMATION...

DISTRICT WEBSITE

- <https://www.ppcsd.org/district1/budget>

SCHOOL OFFICES

- **Budget Binders; Detailed Budget Copies**

LOCAL LIBRARIES

- **Budget Binders; Detailed Budget Copies**
 - **Pine Plains Library**
 - **Stanford Free Library**
 - **NorthEast-Millerton Library**
 - **Clinton Community Library**

- **Scan the QR code to bring you to the Budget page for the Pine Plains Central School District.**



IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS...

BUDGET QUESTIONS:

Dr. BRIAN TIMM, SUPERINTENDENT

518-398-7181 x1401

superintendent@ppcsd.org

or LAURA RAFFERTY, BUSINESS OFFICIAL

518-398-7181 x1402

l.rafferty@ppcsd.org

VOTING / ABSENTEE BALLOTS QUESTIONS:

JULIA W. TOMAINE, DISTRICT CLERK

518-398-7181 ext. 1408

j.tomaine @ppcsd.org

PINE PLAINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

QUESTIONS?



Class of 2026