

# Red Creek Central School District



## BUDGET VOTE & Board of Education Election

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

High School Foyer

Proposed Budget  
**\$27,899,873**

Proposed Tax Levy  
Increase  
**3.2%**

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# 2026 TOP FIVE GRADUATES

## Valedictorian Ethan Haas



Ethan Haas, son of Joanna and Dale Haas of Red Creek, has been accepted to Saint John Fisher University, Keuka College, SUNY Albany, University at Buffalo, University of Rochester, Colgate University, Williams College, and Cornell University.

Throughout high school, Ethan participated in Science Olympiad, Envirothon, Jazz Band, Select Choir, Stage Band, Cross Country, Indoor Track and Field, Outdoor Track and Field, Model United Nations, and National Honor Society. His favorite memories include running in cross country practices and meets.

Ethan is currently undecided about his college choice but intends to major in biology, with either a minor or dual major in music.

## Salutatorian Megan Perkins



Megan Perkins, daughter of Frank and Kelly Perkins of Red Creek, has been accepted to University at Buffalo, SUNY Oneonta, Lipscomb University and University of Tennessee-Knoxville.

During her high school years, Megan competed in Varsity Cross Country and Varsity Indoor and Outdoor Track and Field. She was also active in National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Bible Club, and served as Class Treasurer. Her favorite memories were made while laughing and sharing inside jokes with friends during practices and meets.

Megan plans to attend the University of Tennessee-Knoxville to study nutrition.

## Christopher Boyle



Christopher Boyle, son of Carol and Jeffrey Boyle of Fair Haven, has been accepted to Penn State University, Duquesne University, New Jersey Institute of Technology, University at Albany, Binghamton University, Rochester Institute of Technology, SUNY Brockport, SUNY Polytechnic Institute, and SUNY Alfred.

Christopher has been actively involved in Bowling (serving as Team Captain), National Honor Society, Science Honor Society, Science Olympiad, Jazz Band, Select Choir, Video Game Club, Sudden Light Club, and Yearbook Club.

Christopher will attend the Rochester Institute of Technology, where he intends to earn a bachelor's degree in computer science followed by a master's degree in cybersecurity.

## Aiden Nash



Aiden Nash, son of Kimberley Younglove of Fair Haven, has been accepted to Le Moyne College, SUNY Oswego, SUNY Albany, SUNY Geneseo, University at Buffalo, Clemson University, and University of South Carolina.

Aiden currently serves as the President of the Class of 2026 and has been a member of National Honor Society, Varsity Basketball and Varsity Soccer. His favorite memory was winning Sectionals for soccer during his freshman year.

Aiden plans to attend Le Moyne College and pursue a dual major in accounting and finance.

## Magdalena Abrew



Magdalena Abrew, daughter of Alshesirca and Nelson Abrew of Martville, plans to attend college in New York, majoring in veterinary medicine or zoology.

Throughout high school, Magdalena has participated in Sudden Light Club, Science Olympiad, tutoring, the Mentorship Program, Spanish Honor Society, and Science Honor Society. Her favorite memory was going to Wegmans after Science Olympiad.

*Congratulations*  
**GRADUATES!**



# PROPOSITIONS:

## Proposition 1: 2026-2027 Budget

Shall the budget for the Red Creek Central School District for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027, as presented by the Board of Education, in the amount of \$27,899,873 be approved and adopted, the required funds be appropriated and the necessary real property taxes required be raised by a tax on the taxable property in the District to be levied and collected as required by law?

## Proposition 2: Purchase Of Vehicles To Be Used In Student Transportation

Shall the Board of Education of the Red Creek Central School District, be hereby authorized to expend \$420,000 from the District's existing 2020 Capital Bus Purchase Reserve Fund, established by the voters of the District on June 9, 2020, and to use such funds toward the purchase of one (1) 66-passenger school bus and three (3) 8-passenger vehicles for use in student transportation, at an aggregate maximum cost of \$420,000, inclusive of trade in value?

## Board of Education Membership Election

Two (2) vacancies on the Board of Education are up for election at this year's Annual Meeting/Election. These are for two (2) three-year terms beginning on July 1, 2026 and ending on June 30, 2029.

### CANDIDATES

Vote for up to TWO

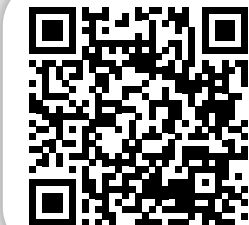
**Elizabeth Decker\***

**Charles A. Palermo**

**Stephanie Folds\***

\*denotes incumbent

The vacant seats will be filled by the two (2) candidates with the most votes (including write-ins). To request an absentee or early voting ballot please contact the District Clerk at 315-754-2010.



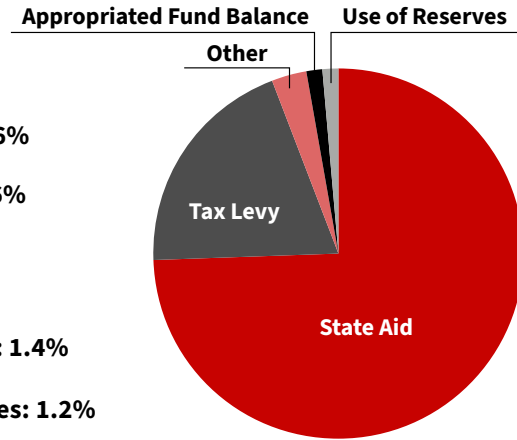
**NEW!**  
Voting Machines will be used this year.

To read the FAQ, scan the QR code or visit:  
[www.rccsd.org/departments/business-office](http://www.rccsd.org/departments/business-office)

## 2026-27 Estimated Revenues

Where our money comes from:

- **State Aid: 74.6%**
- **Tax Levy: 19.6%**
- **Other: 3.2%**
- **Appropriated Fund Balance: 1.4%**
- **Use of Reserves: 1.2%**



Revenue Category	Approved 2025-2026	Proposed 2026-2027	\$ Change	% Change
Tax Levy	\$5,295,462	\$5,467,148	\$171,686	3.2%
State Aid	\$18,076,981	\$20,802,925	\$2,725,944	15.1%
Use of Reserves	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$0	0.0%
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$0	0.0%
Interfund Transfer (from debt service)	\$100,000	\$0	\$(100,000)	-100.0%
Other	\$819,500	\$879,800	\$60,300	7.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$25,041,943</b>	<b>\$27,899,873</b>	<b>\$2,857,930</b>	<b>11.4%</b>

The proposed 2026-2027 Budget includes a \$100,000 transfer to the capital fund for a capital outlay project related to stage refurbishment, sound systems, and scoreboards.



## Program Component (65.7%)

The program section defined below serves as the cornerstone of the district budget. This is the institutional portion that covers all instructional areas and associated employee benefits.

Description	2025-2026	2026-2027	\$ Change	% Change
Regular School Instruction	\$5,857,856	\$6,064,929	\$207,073	3.5%
Programs for Students with Disabilities	\$3,487,653	\$3,378,706	\$(108,947)	-3.1%
Career & Technical Education (CTE)	\$515,615	\$448,865	\$(66,750)	-12.9%
Special Schools (summer school, alternative education)	\$100,500	\$70,500	\$(30,000)	-29.9%
School Library/Computer Assisted Instruction	\$1,024,568	\$1,003,189	\$(21,379)	-2.1%
Pupil Services & Athletics	\$975,648	\$964,947	\$(10,701)	-1.1%
Transportation Services	\$1,413,750	\$1,473,067	\$59,317	4.2%
Employee Benefits	\$4,814,389	\$4,906,033	\$91,644	1.9%
Transfer to Special Aid (ESY program)	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0	0.0%
<b>Program Component Total</b>	<b>\$18,204,979</b>	<b>\$18,325,236</b>	<b>\$120,257</b>	<b>0.7%</b>

## Capital Component (24.0%)

The capital section of the budget contains all debt service, operations, and maintenance costs, including utilities, security enhancements, and associated employee benefits.

Description	2025-2026	2026-2027	\$ Change	% Change
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	\$2,043,538	\$2,222,045	\$178,507	8.7%
Judgments/Claims and Refund of Property Tax	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	0.0%
Employee Benefits	\$376,426	\$461,928	\$85,502	22.7%
Debt Service	\$1,692,800	\$3,906,699	\$2,213,899	130.8%
Transfer to Capital Funds	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0	0.0%
<b>Capital Component Total</b>	<b>\$4,215,764</b>	<b>\$6,693,672</b>	<b>\$2,477,908</b>	<b>58.8%</b>

## Administrative Component (10.3%)

The administrative component funds the majority of the instructional support services in the district. It consists of general support, instructional supervision, and employee benefits (including all retiree benefits).

Description	2025-2026	2026-2027	\$ Change	% Change
Board of Education & District Clerk	\$48,650	\$41,280	\$(7,370)	-15.1%
Superintendent, Curriculum Development, & Supervision	\$892,203	\$933,838	\$41,635	4.7%
Financial Services	\$431,212	\$447,932	\$16,720	3.9%
Legal Services	\$72,500	\$82,500	\$10,000	13.8%
Personnel Services	\$20,450	\$25,450	\$5,000	24.4%
Public Information & Central Printing/Processing	\$364,500	\$367,226	\$2,726	0.7%
Other Special Items (BOCES Capital/Rent, etc.)	\$283,500	\$272,700	\$(10,800)	-3.8%
Employee Benefits	\$508,185	\$710,039	\$201,854	39.7%
<b>Administrative Component Total</b>	<b>\$2,621,200</b>	<b>\$2,880,965</b>	<b>\$259,765</b>	<b>9.9%</b>

<b>Total Projected Budget</b>	<b>\$25,041,943</b>	<b>\$27,899,873</b>	<b>\$2,857,930</b>	<b>11.4%</b>
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**Note:** Increased debt service expenses strongly contribute to the overall budget-to-budget increase. These costs are offset by anticipated building aid increases.



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# BUDGET 2026-2027

## A Message from Superintendent, Matthew VanOrman

On behalf of the Board of Education, I would like to express our appreciation to the Red Creek Central School community for continuing to support the opportunities that are offered to our students here at Red Creek. Over the course of this school year, we have seen many examples of student success, growth, and achievement. I want to extend a sincere thank you to our students for their dedication and effort, and to our faculty and staff for the care and commitment they bring each day to making Red Creek a special place.

I am pleased to present our 2026–2027 school budget proposal, which includes a 3.2% tax-cap compliant levy increase. This budget has been thoughtfully developed with a continued emphasis on maintaining the programs and opportunities that are so important to our students. We remain focused on providing a safe, supportive, and high-quality learning environment where all students can thrive, explore their interests, and build the skills they need for the future.

Phase 1 of our \$32 million capital project is wrapping up, and Phase 2 is now in full swing. This next phase includes significant summer work across the District, including classroom renovations, auditorium improvements, elementary cafeteria serving line replacement, roof replacement, pool renovations, and parking lot work. Voters will see firsthand the scope of this work when they arrive to the polls, as our High School parking lots are being redone before graduation. These projects represent a major investment in our facilities and will benefit our students and community for years to come.

Community members are encouraged to follow the progress of our capital project on our website: [www.rccsd.org/district/capital-improvement-project](http://www.rccsd.org/district/capital-improvement-project).

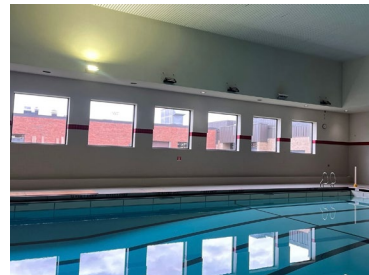
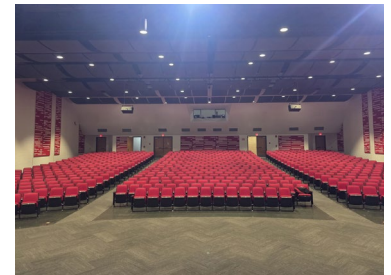
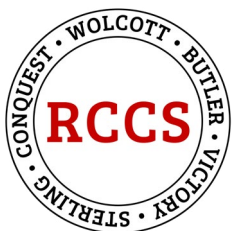
Additional details about the proposed budget, as well as voting information, can be found inside this newsletter or by visiting [www.rccsd.org](http://www.rccsd.org). Thank you for your continued trust and partnership.



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**HS Parking Lot****Community Center Pool****Auditorium**

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