

# Glens Falls Common School District



**2026-2027  
Preliminary Budget  
May 7, 2026**

Brian George, Superintendent  
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# Budget Priorities



- Maximize educational opportunities for all students
- Maintain Current Programs (Digital Subscriptions, Arts in Education)
- Support Student Social and Emotional Wellness
- Classroom Technology
- Professional Development for Teachers and Staff
- Budget with a conservative approach given GFCSD reliance on State and Federal Aids.

# School Budget 101



## Expenditures (Money going out)

Salaries & Benefits,  
Curriculum & Staff  
Development, Technology,  
Teaching Supplies, Tuition,  
Facilities Maintenance &  
Operations, & Debt Service

## Revenues (Money coming in)

State & Federal Aid,  
Property Tax Levy,  
Miscellaneous Income &  
Fund Balance

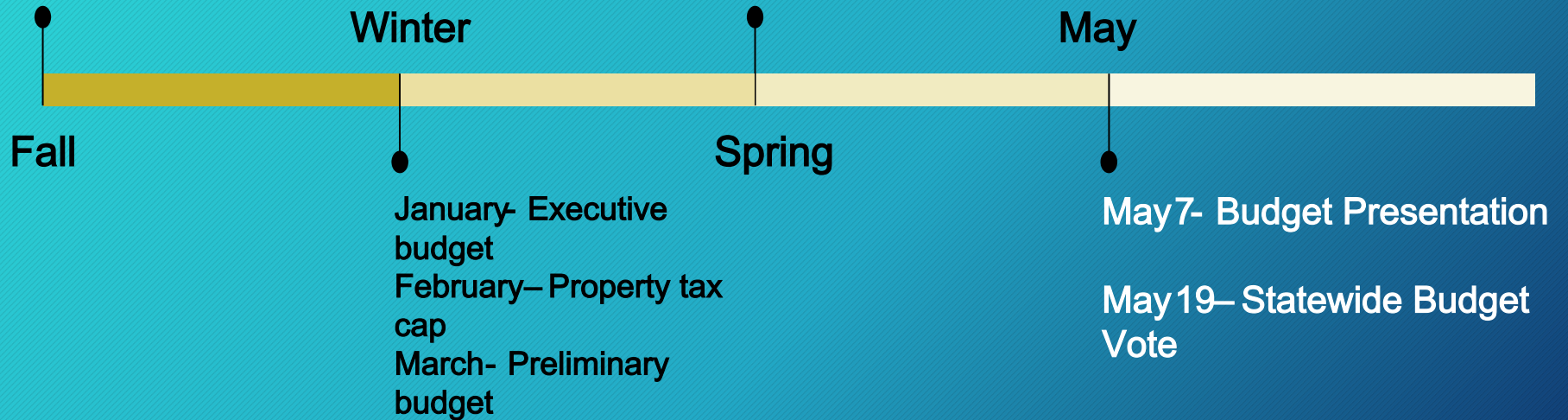
In New York State, local school boards must annually develop a balanced school budget proposal and put it up for public vote on the third Tuesday in May, this year's budget vote will take place on May 19, 2026.

# 2026-2027 Budget Timeline

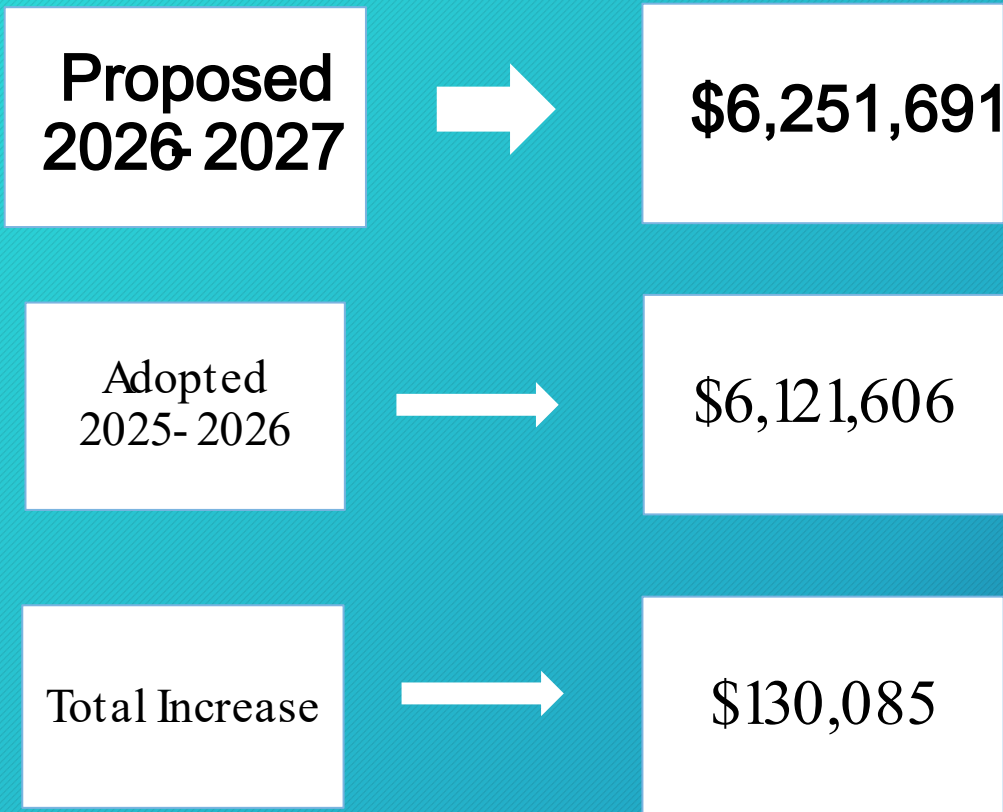


Long range planning,  
Spending planning,  
Monthly committee  
meetings

April - Legislative  
budget, BOE adopts  
proposal, Property  
tax report card



# 2026-2027 Proposed Budget



2.13% increase

## Increases:

- Transportation
- Central Services
- Private/ Special Ed Tuition
- Salaries & Fringes
- BOCES Special Ed K- 6

## Decreases/ Less than 1% change:

- Board of Education
- Interfund Transfer
- Operation & Maintenance
- Instruction (Three Retired)

# Capital Expenditures



<b>Capital Expenditures</b>			
	<b>2025-2026</b>	<b>2026-2027</b>	<b>INCR.(DECR.)</b>
Debt Services	\$86,417	\$86,417	0.00%
Central Services	\$150,239	\$153,668	2.28%
Operation & Maintenance	\$292,232	\$274,694	-6.00%
Employee Benefits	\$56,250	\$58,905	4.72%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$585,138</b>	<b>\$573,684</b>	<b>-1.96%</b>

# Administrative Expenditures

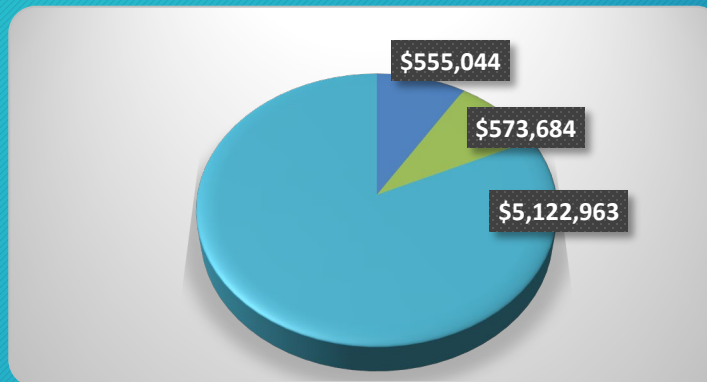


<b>Administrative Expenditures</b>			
	<b>2025-2026</b>	<b>2026-2027</b>	<b>INCR.(DECR.)</b>
Central Administration	\$245,813	\$251,193	2.19%
Benefits	\$101,250	\$101,326	0.08%
District Office	\$149,954	\$149,614	-0.23%
Supervision	\$40,684	\$42,311	4.00%
Board of Education	\$11,200	\$10,600	-5.36%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$548,901</b>	<b>\$555,044</b>	<b>1.12%</b>

# Program Expenditures



Program Expenditures	2025-2026	2026-2027	INCR.(DECR.)
Instruction	\$3,869,667	\$3,866,606	-0.08%
Employee Benefits	\$935,500	\$1,017,869	8.80%
Transportation	\$72,400	\$128,488	77.47%
Interfund Transfer	\$110,000	\$110,000	0.00%
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$4,987,567</b>	<b>\$5,122,963</b>	<b>2.71%</b>



# Budget Revenues



BUDGET REVENUES	2025-2026	2026-2027
<b>Executive</b>		
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	\$1,000	\$3,500
Interest on Earnings	\$1,000	\$1,500
Basic Formula State Aid	\$2,135,488	\$2,156,842
Software, Library, Textbook Aid	\$20,684	\$21,010
High Tax Aid	\$70,000	\$70,000
Excess Cost Aid	\$61,247	\$97,127
Transportation Aid	\$94,584	\$37,351
Building Aid	\$102,186	\$103,822
BOCES - State Aid	\$212,412	\$197,387
Other Aid	\$59,663	\$63,758
Use of Reserves	-	\$50,000
State/Federal REVENUES:	\$2,758,264	\$2,802,297
School Tax Levy	\$3,363,342	\$3,449,394
<b>TOTAL ANTICIPATED REVENUES</b>	<b>\$6,121,606</b>	<b>\$6,251,691</b>

# Property Tax Cap



**Tax Levy Limit: \$3,449,394**

2026-27 levy limit is %2.56 increase = \$86,052

## STAR

Estimated \$370 Basic

- *\$500,000 or less for the STAR credit. \$250,000 or less for the STAR exemption. The income limit applies to the combined incomes of only the owners and owners' spouses who reside at the property.*

Estimated \$794 Enhanced

- *\$110,750 or less. The income limit applies to the combined incomes of only the owners and owners' spouses who reside at the property. The income of non-resident owners is not included.*

<https://www.tax.ny.gov/pit/property/star/eligibility.htm#Income>

For more information:

You can register 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Property owners without access to a computer can register by phone at (518)457-2036 weekdays between 8:30a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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# Capital & Capital Outlay Projects



## Capital Project

The voter-approved Capital Project, December 3, 2024

Summer 2026 begin work

- boiler replacements
- HVAC system upgrades
- unit ventilator replacement

**\$2,515,000** No additional tax impact

## Capital Outlay Project(s)

Update and maintain building safety based on the district's building condition survey.

- Possible projects:
  - Roof Repair
  - Repair/Replace entry doors
  - Repair front steps
  - Electrical and Plumbing upgrade
- Estimated Expense:
  - \$100,000
  - State Aid reimbursement of approximately 75%

**No additional tax impact on the community**



# Open Board of Education Seat



**One board member seat up for election:**

Three-year term: July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2029

Candidate: Peter Accardi

The Education law requires that an opportunity to write-in an individual's name for each vacancy on the Board of Education must be provided.

# District News & Ballot Items



## ***Transportation Contracts***

Glens Falls City School and Queensbury Union Free School District

Possible field trips:

- ~ Albany Institute of History and Art ~ Elms Family Farm
- ~ Saratoga Battlefield ~ Battle of the Books ~ Proctors Theatre

*WSWHE BOCES helps offset the expenses*

## **Universal Pre-K (UPK)**

Grant Funded

Lottery-based

Possible 2026-2027 Start

## **Proposed 2026-2027 School Budget**

The budget submitted by the Board of Education of the Glens Falls Common School District, Warren County, New York, in the amount of \$6,251,691 for the school year 2026-2027 is hereby approved.

## **Proposed Tuition Contract**

Tuition contract with the Glens Falls City School District for the education of students in grades 7-12, residing in the Glens Falls Common School District, said contract to be for a term of not less than two (2) years and not more than five (5) years, commencing on or about July 1, 2027, and otherwise upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by the respective Boards of Education.



# Questions