

# Eastchester UFSD

## Community Re-Vote Q&A

### Moderated Virtual Webinar

June 4, 2026



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**EASTCHESTER**  
UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Upcoming Meetings



Meeting Hosts	Date & Time	Location
<del>Special BOE Meeting</del>	<del>T. May 26, 2026, 7PM</del>	<del>EMS Library</del>
<del>Special BOE Meeting</del>	<del>M. June 1, 2026, 7PM</del>	<del>EMS Library</del>
<del>Greenvale PTA Meeting</del>	<del>T. June 2, 2026, 7:30PM</del>	<del>Greenvale Cafeteria</del>
Community Q & A Moderated Webinar	Th. June 4, 2026, 7PM	Virtual - Google Meet
EHS PTA Meeting	M. June 8, 2026, 7:30PM	EHS Digital Lab
Anne Hutchinson PTA Meeting	M. June 8, 2026, 8:00PM	Virtual - Zoom
BOE Budget Hearing	T. June 9, 2026, 7:30PM	EMS Library
Waverly PTA Meeting	Th. June 11, 2026, 7:30PM	Waverly Cafeteria
<b>RE-VOTE DAY!</b>	<b>T. June 16, 2026, 6AM-9PM</b>	<b>EMS Gymnasium</b>
Regular BOE Meeting	T. June 16, 2026, 7:30PM	EMS Library



# Re-Vote

**Tuesday, June 16**  
**6AM-9PM**

**EMS Gymnasium**



# BUDGET QUESTIONS



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**THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR  
ENGAGEMENT AND  
SUPPORTING OUR  
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

# Reduction Scenarios

## Current Reductions

- Personnel Reductions (32.9 FTE)..... (\$2,134,811)
- **Transportation (3-Tier)..... (\$494,000)**
- Athletics..... (\$115,955)
- Arts/Advisory..... (\$270,000)
- BOCES..... (\$336,000)
- Special Ed..... (\$145,000)
- District Specific Lines ..... (\$177,000)
- Safety/Security ..... (\$360,000)
- Mental Health and Wellness ..... (\$90,000)

**Total..... (\$4,122,766)**

## Scenario 2 Reductions\*

- Personnel Reductions (10.5 FTE)..... (\$701, 627)
- **Transportation (1m & 1.5m)..... (\$1,927,184)**
- Athletics..... (\$115,955)
- Arts/Advisory..... (\$270,000)
- BOCES..... (\$336,000)
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**Total..... (\$4,122,766)**

\*These scenarios are in addition to the \$3M of cuts as part of the first 6.31% budget scenario

# Scenario 3

Cost Savings - # OF VEHICLES REDUCED					
school year	# of Buses Eliminated	Cost of Single Bus x 10 mths	# of Vans Eliminated	Cost of Single Van x 10 mths	Total Dollar Amount SAVED
26/27	12	\$128,772	4	\$95,480	~\$1,927,184
27/28	12	\$133,279	4	\$95,480	~\$1,981,268
28/29	12	\$137,944	4	\$95,480	~\$2,037,248

School	Total Student Enrollment	Change policy Mileage	Current 25-26 walkers would feel no change	Used to receive bus and now no longer receive bus to walk	Still get busing
EHS	884	1.5 Miles	325	355	204
EMS	723	1.5 Miles	245	311	167
AH	435	1.0 Miles	89	277	69
GV	495	1.0 Miles	46	357	92
WV	428	1.0 Miles	16	181	231
Sped	N/A	N/A	Per IEP	N/A	N/A
Athletics	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>TOTAL # of STUDENTS IMPACTED BY CHANGE</b>				<b>1550 Students</b>	

## Scenario 1

### Proposition #1

School Budget with a 2.35% tax levy increase

### Proposition #2

Adopt 1 mile (K-5) and 1.5 miles (grades 6-12) in Transportation Mileage to save \$1,927,184 in transportation cost and decrease personnel reductions



District will eliminate a total of approximately 38 Full Time employees and buses will transport students who live more than 1 mile (K-5) and 1.5 miles (Grades 6-12) from their schools

## Scenario 2

### Proposition #1

School Budget with a 2.35% tax levy increase

### Proposition #2

Adopt 1 mile (K-5) and 1.5 miles (grades 6-12) in Transportation Mileage to save \$1,927,184 in transportation cost and decrease personnel reductions



District will eliminate a total of approximately 38 Full Time employees and buses will remain

**Both  
Scenario  
s  
1 & 2 Pass  
the  
Budget**

# WORST-CASE SCENARIO

## Scenario 3

### Proposition #1

School Budget with a 2.35% tax levy increase



### Proposition #2

Adopt 1 mile (K-5) and 1.5 miles (grades 6-12) in Transportation mileage to save \$1,927,148 in transportation costs and decrease personnel reductions



District will enter into a **contingency budget**,  
and cut a total of \$5.3 million



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**What am I voting on?**

**Proposition #1**

Shall Eastchester UFSD adopt a 2026-2027 budget at the 2.35% allowable tax levy?

**Proposition #2**

Shall Eastchester UFSD be authorized to provide bus transportation to resident students in Kindergarten - Grade 5 who live within (1-15) miles and students in Grades 6-12 who live within (1.5-15) miles of their designated school in the district, effective July 1, 2026 to reduce annual transportation costs by \$1,927,184?

**School Budget  
 Re-Vote**

**Tuesday, June 16, 2026  
 Poll Hours: 6:00 AM - 9:00 PM**

Eastchester Middle School Gym  
 (Enter on Lincoln Ave.)

Garth Road Residents must vote at  
 Eastchester Middle School

# 2026-2027 School Budget Notice

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2025-26 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2026-27 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2026-27 School Year*
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$110,914,498	\$112,730,666	\$111,585,026
Increase/Decrease for the 2026-27 School Year		\$1,816,168	\$670,528
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		1.64 %	.60%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		2.6%	
<b>A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount</b>	\$83,593,100	\$85,553,358	
<b>B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable</b>	\$0	\$0	
<b>C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable**</b>	\$0	\$0	
<b>D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy</b>	\$0	\$0	
<b>E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)</b>	\$83,593,100	\$85,553,358	\$83,593,100
<b>F. Total Permissible Exclusions</b>	\$4,416,878	\$4,447,033	
<b>G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions</b>	\$79,176,222	\$81,109,333	
<b>H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)</b>	\$79,176,222	\$81,106,325	
<b>I. Difference: G - H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval - See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions)*</b>	\$0	\$3,008	
<b>Administrative Component</b>	\$8,719,468	\$9,192,287	\$8,207,583
<b>Program Component</b>	\$86,602,465	\$85,836,973	\$85,676,037
<b>Capital Component</b>	\$15,592,565	\$17,701,406	\$17,701,406

\* A contingency budget would require cuts of \$5.273M. This would require the elimination of 66 full-time employees (FTE). This will result in the loss of the K-8 World Language program; Modified/Freshman/JV athletics; all extracurricular activities; advanced course offerings, etc.

\*\* Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and affect voter approval requirements.

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings***	Under the Budget Proposed for the 2026-27 School Year
***The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.	\$1,286

The budget re-vote for the fiscal year 2026-27 by the qualified voters of the Eastchester Union Free school district, Westchester County, New York, will be held at the Eastchester Middle School(s) in said district on Tuesday, June, 16 2026 at between the hours of 6:00am and 9:00pm, prevailing time in the Eastchester Middle School(s), at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

## BUDGET SUMMARY

Proposed Budget: **\$112,730,666**

Budget to Budget Increase: 1.64%

Tax Levy Increase: **2.35%**

## BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

- Tax Cap compliant
- Maintains class sizes
- Mitigates further reductions to personnel & programming
- Ensures continued partnership with town groups for use of district facilities
- Avoids harmful "Contingency Budget" scenario

For more 2026-2027 Budget Information, go to [www.eufsdk12.org](http://www.eufsdk12.org)



# What Is on the Ballot?



## EASTCHESTER UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT EASTCHESTER, NEW YORK

### BALLOT

#### PROPOSITION No. 1

**“Shall Eastchester UFSD adopt a 2026-2027 budget at the 2.35% allowable tax levy?”**

Shall Eastchester Union Free School District of the Town of Eastchester, Westchester County, New York, adopt a budget for the school year 2026-2027 for the Schools comprising said Eastchester

Union Free School District, in the gross sum of **\$112,730,666**, and raise the necessary taxes required for said budget in one sum by tax upon the taxable property of the District?

Yes

No

# What Is on the Ballot?



## PROPOSITION No. 2

"Eastchester UFSD is authorized to provide bus transportation to resident **students in Kindergarten - Grade 5 who live within (1-15 miles); and students in Grades 6-12 who live within (1.5 -15 miles)** of their designated school in the district, effective July 1, 2026 to reduce annual transportation costs by \$1,927,184?"

Shall the Board of Education of the Eastchester Union Free School District ("District") be authorized to provide transportation to resident students attending public schools within the District in grades Kindergarten through five (5) who reside between one (1) and fifteen (15) miles of the school they legally attend in the District; and to resident students in grades six (6) through twelve (12) who reside between one and one half (1.5) and fifteen (15) miles from the school they legally attend in the District, which will have the effect of increasing the previously voter-approved minimum distance of one fourth (.25) mile for resident students in grades Kindergarten and one (1), will have the effect of increasing the previously voter approved minimum of four-tenths (.4) mile for resident students in grades two (2) through five (5), and will have the effect of increasing the previously voter-approved minimum distance of eight-tenths (.8) miles for resident students in grades six (6) through twelve (12), effective July 1, 2026 resulting in a reduction in the annual expenditure for transportation of **\$1,927,184?**

Yes

No

# State Funds

As these are **‘one-time funds to offset’**, we must be strategic.

**We are dedicated to reviving our programs as best as possible.**

It is imperative that any decisions regarding the use of these funds are made with a clear understanding that **our core financial position must not place us on a financial ‘cliff’ next year or in the near future...rather, we must maintain a sustainable financial outlook.**



Advocating for the future of  
Eastchester Schools

**It is still extremely important that our community come out to vote next Tuesday, June 16 to vote on the budget.**

**Regardless of any one-time funding we may receive this year to help offset costs, if the budget vote does not pass next Tuesday, June 16, the district will still move to contingency.**

# Emergency State Funding

**We are bound by the uses specified by the legislature in our allocation of these funds.**

A portion of the funding from Senator Mayer may be used towards the difference in transportation costs.

Now that we have adjusted the mileage parameters lower than originally proposed, this is very helpful; while a larger portion of funding from both the Senator and Assemblywoman may be put towards specific infrastructure costs, etc.

# What Can State Emergency Aid Offset?

## Capital Components

One-time emergency funds

Cannot be used for *operating budget* items

Please note that any one-time funding from Assemblywoman Paulin's office are for specific use and cannot be used to pay for the 'operational costs' of a district.

This means, Personnel Salaries and Transportation costs cannot be covered by the one-time funding.

Examples:

- **Capital Improvements:** Upgrading aging school infrastructure, updating learning spaces, and enhancing IT and technology networks
- **Safety & Security:** Updated safety equipment, large equipment & furniture
- **Program Funding:** Bolstering specialized programs, before and after childcare

# How Do I Find Out if I am Eligible for Bus Transportation?

## Transportation Eligibility Checker

Enter your home address to look up the official mileage.

Example: 9 Hickory Hill Rd

Check Eligibility

Results are based on the district mileage sheet. Final eligibility is determined by the Transportation Office.

# Before and After School Care

## Right At School @ **WAVERLY SCHOOL**

**Explore & Register** for RAS Programs

Click each tab to explore available programs and start registration.



### **CHOOSE A PROGRAM:**

Simply select any of the programs below for a closer look.

**2026-27 Before & After School**

**2025-26 Before & After School**

### **Your Guide to Available Programs**

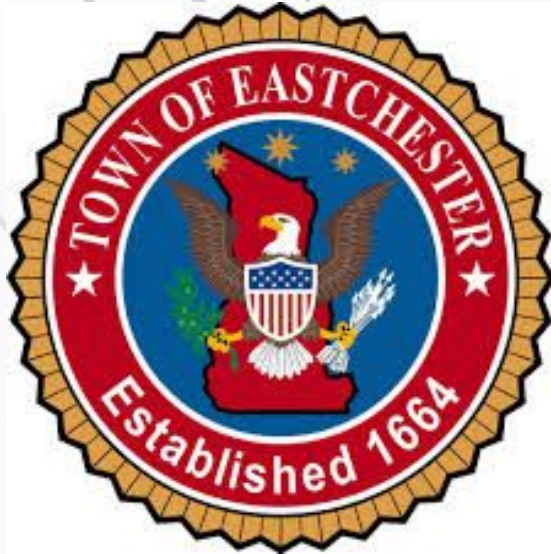
Get need-to-know details about Before and After School Programs, Summer Camps, Break Camps, and other programs hosted at your school, from schedules and pricing to discount rates, contact info, and more.

You'll also see any Summer Camp and Break Camps available at other schools in this school district — all are welcome!

# **2026-27 BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL**

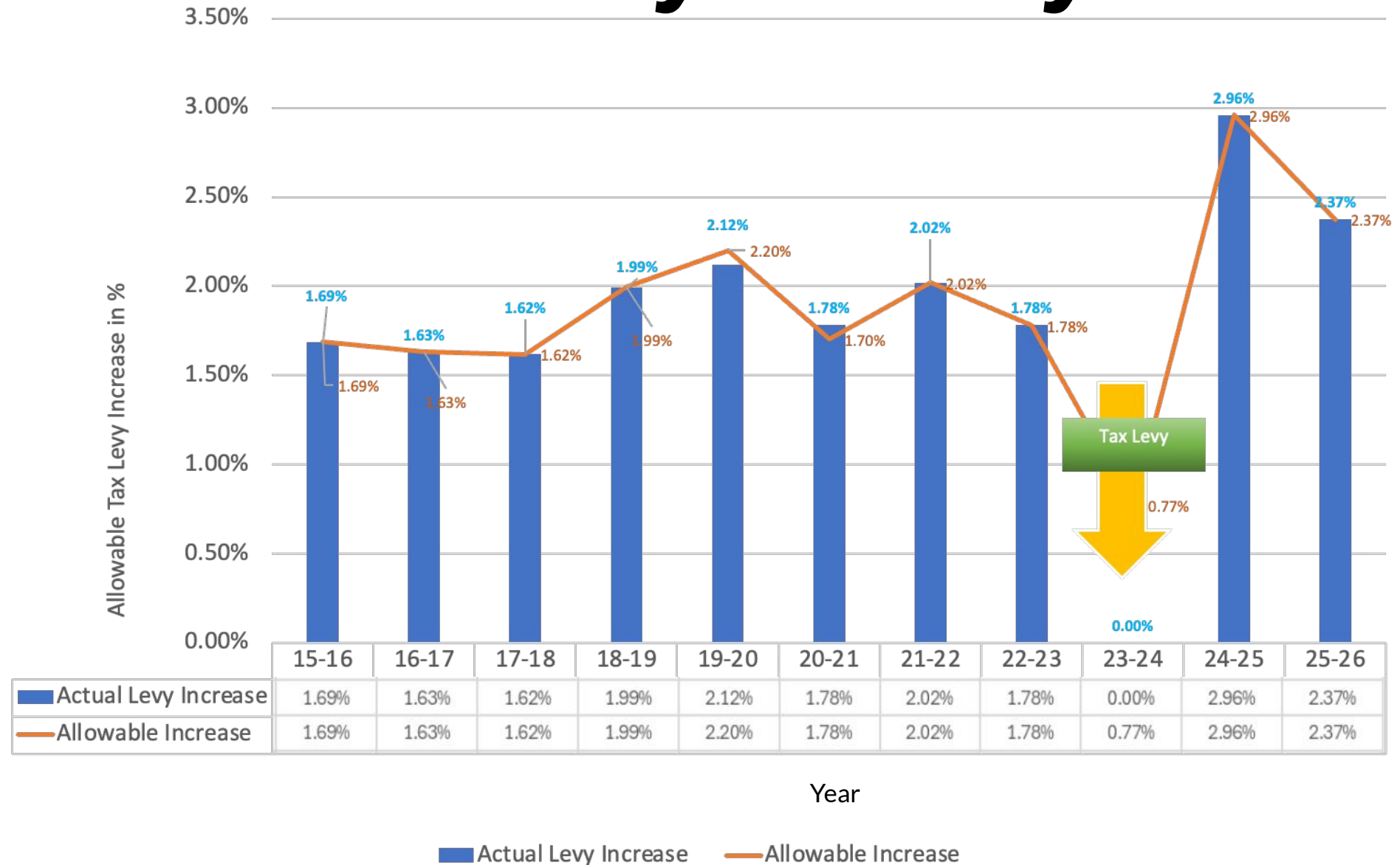
**REGISTER NOW**

# Working with Eastchester Police and the Town of Eastchester On Traffic and Suggested Routes



# 10 Year Tax Levy History

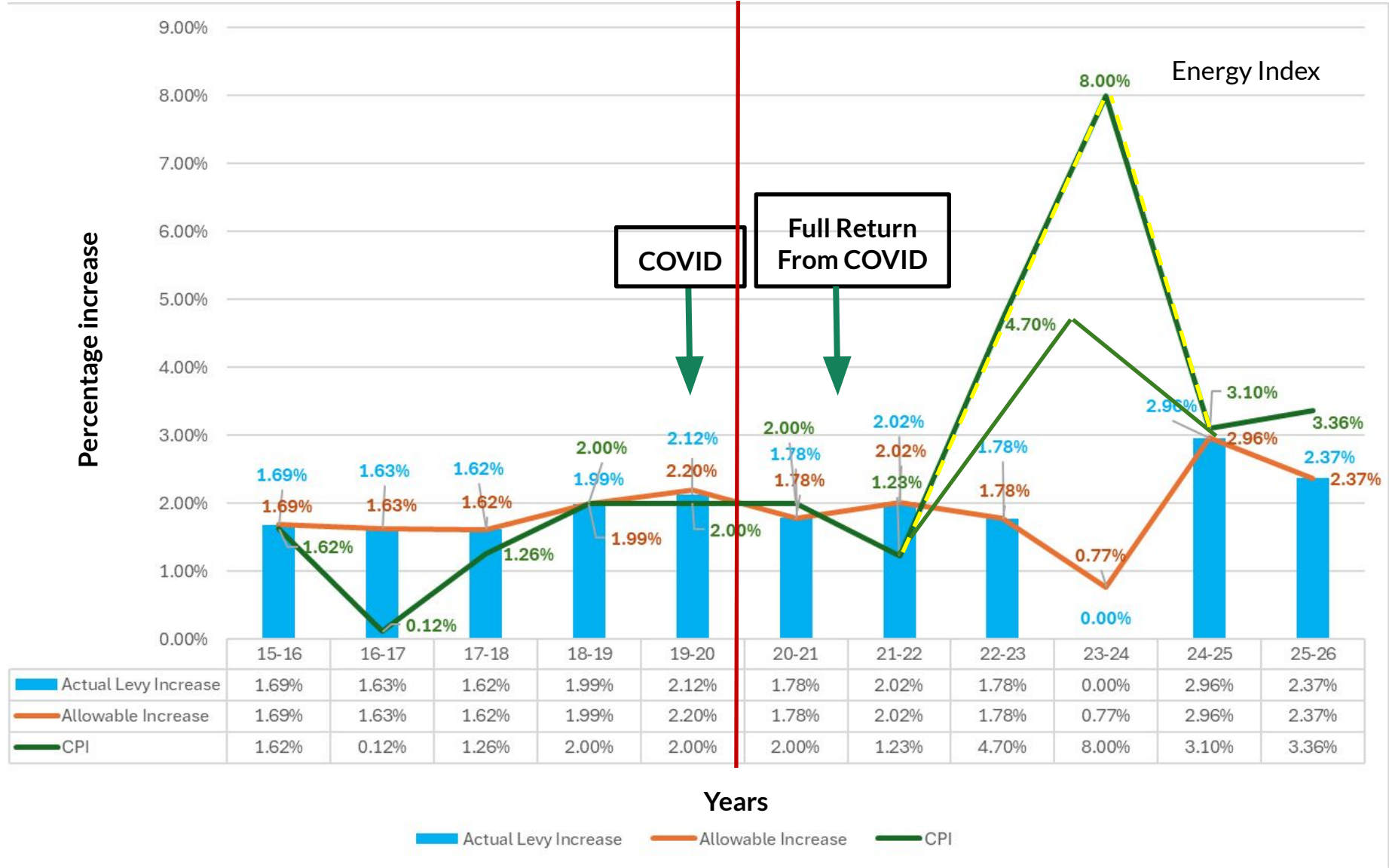
- Over the last 10 years, the district has gone up to the allowable tax levy
- In 19-20 the levy was slightly below the allowable increase
- In 23-24 the allowable tax levy increase was 0.77% and the district took a 0% levy



## 10 Year Tax Levy Comparison to CPI

\*CPI Data taken from US Bureau of Labor Statistics

- CPI and tax levy cap more stable prior to Covid
- After Covid, more volatility in CPI
- **Increased student need** after 2020-2021
- EUFSD remains at allowable tax levy or absorbs 0% while CPI levels increase





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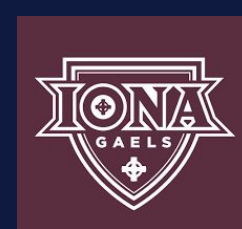
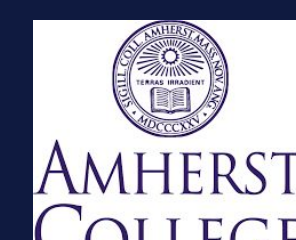
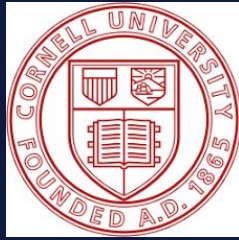


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# A Sampling from the Class of 2026



**The End**