# **2025-2026 BUDGET UPDATE** FEBRUARY 11, 2025 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING







- State Budget UpdatesHistorical Items
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- Tax Cap Update



- Foundation Aid increase of 2% amounts to \$106,835 above current 2024-2025 year.
- Health Insurance rates are projected to be higher than past two years
- To match economic conditions tax levy consideration is at or very near cap.
- Supply and Contractual items expected to continue to rise in cost





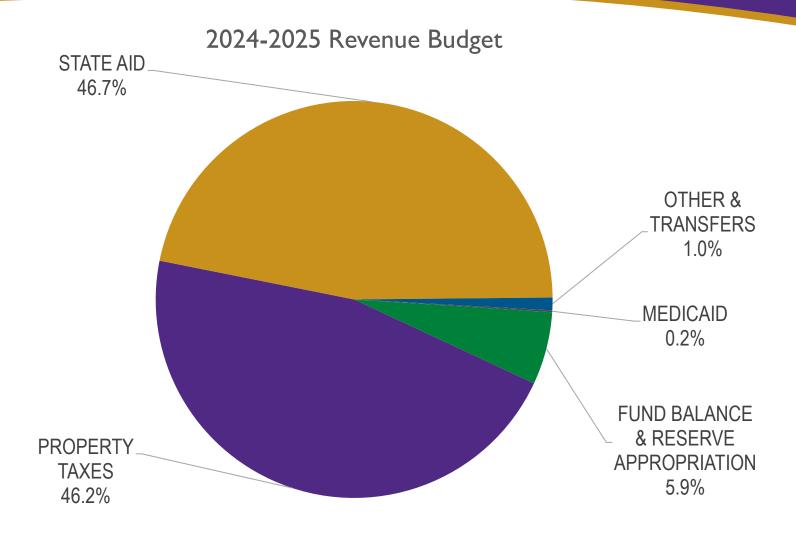
This table is based on the January 21, 2025 Governor's budget proposal and assumed building aid based on recent project data.

STATE AID FOR 2025-2026 BUDGET	2024-2025	2025-2026	\$ CHANGE	% CHANGE
FOUNDATION AID	\$5,341,759	\$5,448,594	\$106,835	2.00%
BOCES	\$895,672	\$837,462	-\$58,210	-6.50%
HIGH COST EXCESS COST	\$143,484	\$119,082	-\$24,402	-17.01%
PRIVATE EXCESS COST	\$172,422	\$167,890	-\$4,532	-2.63%
HARDWARE & TECHNOLOGY	\$10,349	\$9,740	-\$609	-5.88%
SOFTWARE , LIBRARY, TEXTBOOK	\$51,885	\$50,295	-\$1,590	-3.06%
TRANSPORTATION INCLUDING SUMMER	\$1,339,026	\$1,379,496	\$40,470	3.02%
BUILDING + BUILDING REORG INCENTIVE	\$1,269,713	\$1,668,557	\$398,844	31.41%
TOTAL GENERAL BUDGET STATE AID PROJECTED	\$9,224,310	\$9,681,116	\$456,806	4.95%



## REVENUE

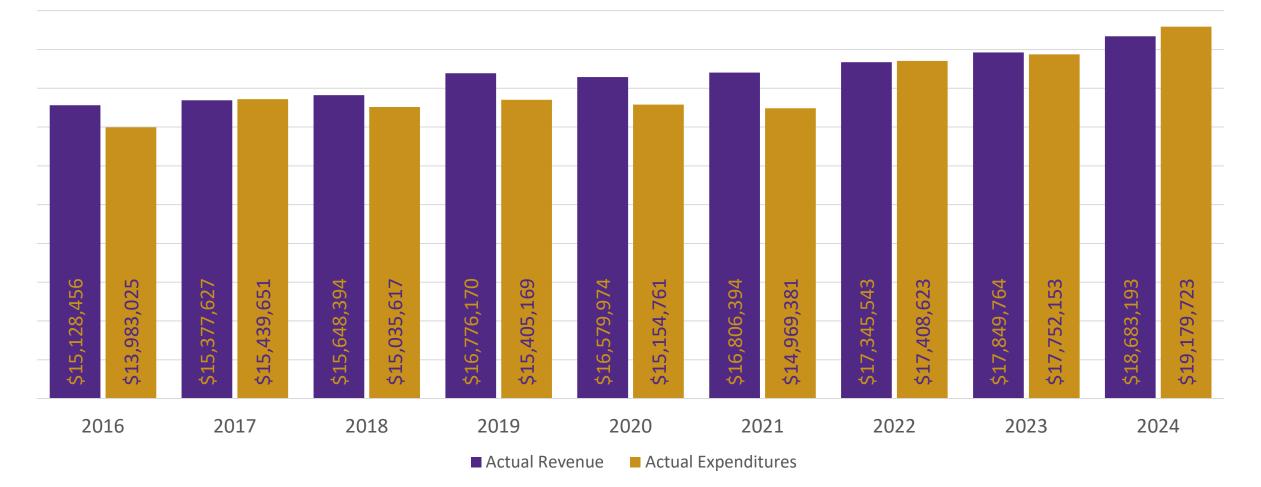
- 2024-2025 Budget operates in deficit using savings from prior year to fund a 5.9% assumed gap.
- Revenue sources heavily relies on state and taxes to balance expenses.





## **HISTORICAL BUDGETS**

General Fund Revenues Vs Expenditures History





## **BUDGET ASSUMPTIONS**

### **EXPENSES**

- Health Insurance/RX ≈ 6%-9%
- Contracts & Supplies ≈ 4%-6%
- Energy ≈ 5%-8%
- Salaries ≈ 5%-9%
- Transportation  $\approx 3\%-6\%$

## REVENUES

- Minimum of 2% increase in Foundation Aid
- Debt Service increases due to capital project. Building aid assumed to increase based on incoming debt.



## FIRST ASSUMPTION BUDGET INCREASES



### **GENERAL SUPPORT**

Maintain support for all district services including business operations, legal, personnel services, data processes, insurances, and administrative.  $\approx$  6%-8%



#### ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Maintain and grow existing programs and continue initiatives for improved opportunities for all students.

**5%-8%** 

 $\approx$ 



#### **OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE**

Maintain clean, safe, and healthy facilities for students to learn. Maintain HVAC, plumbing, electrical, and communications needs.  $\approx 4\%-5\%$ 



### TRANSPORTATION

Maintain transportation services of students to and from school, athletics, and field trips. Includes transportation staff and all other bus garage operations.



### **EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

A large portion of the budget that accounts for health insurance, dental, retirement, and unemployment benefits.  $\approx 6\%-8\%$ 



### DEBT

As a school the two debts that the district carries are building construction and school bus debts.

≈ 24%-26%





## TAX CAP UPDATE



Calculated Tax Cap for 2025-26 **3.45%** 

### **Factors that fluctuate the Tax Cap Calculation**

- Statewide factor known as Consumer Price Index (CPI) is 2.95% but is capped at 2%.
- Allowable Growth Factor specific to the district tax base growth factors is 1.37%
- Exclusions
  - Capital debt minus building aid
  - Bus debt minus transportation aid for capital



## **TAX CAP CALCULATION**

#### TAX CAP CALCULATION

2025-2026		
	\$	8,980,349
+	\$	-
-	\$	-
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#### Prior Year Exemptions:

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Local Capital Levy Share
Adjusted Prior Year Tax Levy
Allowable Levy Growth Factor (2% or CPI)
Projected PILOTS

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-	\$	457,274
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-	\$	-
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Allowable Dollar Increase Allowable % Increase

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**309,394 3.45%** 

#### **Current Year Exemptions:**

Available Carryover *Tax Levy Limit* 

Maximum Allowable Tax Levy		\$ 9,289,743
Local Capital Levy Share	+	\$ 470,715
TRS Exemption	+	\$ -
ERS Exemption	+	\$ -
Torts and Judgements		



## TAX LEVY EXAMPLE ESTIMATE

HOME FULL VALUE	CURRENT YEAR SCHOOL TAXES	NEXT YEAR SCHOOL TAXES (ESTIMATED)	MONTHLY INCREASE (ESTIMATED)	ANNUAL INCREASE (ESTIMATED)
\$100,000	\$1,390.27	\$1,438.23	\$4.00	\$47.96
\$200,000	\$2,780.54	\$2,876.47	\$7.99	\$95.93
\$300,000	\$4,170.81	\$4,314.70	\$11.99	\$143.89
\$400,000	\$5,561.07	\$5,752.93	\$15.99	\$191.86

\*APPROXIMATE VALUES USED FOR ESTIMATING PURPOSE ONLY. NOT EXACT.



Included here is an estimate based on home values for the 2024-2025 tax rates.

Example uses a 3.45% Tax Levy increase this is an estimated amount of increase on homes assessed at the level labeled "Home Full Value".



## **BUS REPLACEMENT**



### **EXAMPLE BUS PROPOSITION**

### **Purchase three school buses:**

**Currently Assumed** 

**Proposition amount:** \$430,000

Less Transportation Aid(73.9%): \$317,770 Taxpayer share over 5 years: \$112,230 Annual Taxpayer share: \$22,446





## **TENTATIVE BUDGET PLANNING SCHEDULE**

### January 07, 2025 Budget Overview

February 11, 2025	Тах Сар, Тах	Levy & Update
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- March 04, 2025 Budget Update
- March 18, 2025 Budget Update
- April 08, 2025 Community Budget Presentation & BOE Budget Adoption
- May 06, 2025 Public Budget Hearing
- May 20, 2025 Budget Vote



## **BOARD OF EDUCATION QUESTIONS**

