



2020-21 Budget First Draft

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+ First Budget Draft - Expenditures

- We begin the first budget draft by rolling over the expenditure budget from 2019-20 and making these adjustments:
- Increasing salaries for all current positions according to contracts (retiree savings are factored into the draft budget)
- Applying the 20-21 Employee Retirement System (ERS) and Teachers Retirement System (TRS) required contribution rates to payroll.
- Applying health insurance rate increases for all current positions – some health insurance rates are still estimates because **we don't have final rates.**
- Estimating program spending changes based on special education needs, BOCES services, etc.
- Estimating Transportation and Operations needs
- Adjusting debt repayments to reflect advancement on the repayment schedules





Changes in Budgeted Expenditures in the Draft Budget from January to April



- The TRS rate increase is going up from 8.86 to 9.53
- The TRS rate increase will add approximately an additional **\$48,000** to the annual budget
- The ERS rate also increased by .3% and will add an additional **\$30,000** to budget
- Still to come are these rates:
 - Final drug coverage and health insurance rates est. 5 – 7% increase.
 - Final Workers Comp rates
 - Final BOCES Special Ed Programs tuition rates



First Draft of Revenues 2020-2



The revenues of the school district come from two main sources:

1. The Tax Levy Limit for our district is **3.13..%** for 2020-21

Our tax levy will generate **\$570,000...**

2. NY State Aid amount from the Governor's budget proposal **(increase of \$105,000 or 1.7%)** This includes expense base aid.

We are now able to determine what revenues look like at this preliminary stage

+ Total Revenues 2020-21

- Tax Levy (3.13...% increase) = **\$18,755,667**
- Total State Aid = **\$6,533,948**
- Misc. Revenues (Medicaid Reimbursement, Fees, Sale of Surplus Property, Interest) = **\$492,500**
- Fund Balance Applied = \$300,000 (same as 18-19 and 19-20 budget)
- Total Revenues = \$26,082,115

+ Budget Gap



- **Estimated Budget Gap** = \$170,000
- Not all expenses are in and this number could decrease.
- (For reference, the budget gap for the 19-20 budget first draft was more than **\$394,000**)
- The legislature usually increases state aid as compared to the governor's proposal, but given the fiscal climate in the state this year, a large increase in state aid is unlikely



New Steps in the Budget Process



- The budget will be a discussion topic at each board meeting from February through April
- The Legislature is scheduled to pass the final budget by April 1 – final state aid figures should be known at that time
- There will be a special budget meeting on **April 6** prior to the regular meeting to finalize the budget.
- Adoption of the budget by the board of education is anticipated to be at the **April 6** regular meeting
- The voters will decide on the proposed budget on **May 19**