

2019-2020 FAST FACTS



Annual DISTRICT BUDGET VOTE & SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

Tuesday May 21, 2019 7 A.M. - 9 P.M.

Williamsville North High School Gymnasium 1595 Hopkins Road

(Voter identification required. Voters must be 18 years or older, a U.S. citizen, and District resident for at least 30 days prior to the vote.)

Total 2019-2020 Budget: \$195,184,838

2.29% Budget Increase

2.35% Estimated Tax Rate

3.15% Tax Levy Increase BELOW state tax cap

VOTE ON:



#1 - BUDGET

- Maintains all current academic & extracurricular programming for students. Maintains focus on school safety and student wellness initiatives. Includes more than \$1.1 million in expense reductions. Tax levy increase is below the state mandated tax cap for Williamsville schools.



#2 - CAPITAL RESERVE FUND 2019

NO TAX INCREASE

- Proactive measure; allows the school district to save money toward future facility projects and major expenses. Supports the district's long-range plan to address school infrastructure improvements, including future security upgrades. Requires voter approval to establish the reserve and a second public vote when the district wants to spend money from the reserve.



#3 - SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

ELECT 3

- 1A - Teresa Anne Leatherbarrow (Incumbent) 2A - Suzanne Van Sice (Incumbent) 3A - Mary Bieger (Incumbent) 4A - Swaroop Singh, PhD, MBA



Information on the candidates is available online at www.williamsvillek12.org/boardcandidates

Everyone has a stake in the success of our public schools. When schools are strong and students succeed, our community benefits!

Maintaining Excellence!

VALUE FOR YOUR TAX DOLLAR

- The Williamsville CSD and its individual schools consistently provide a top-ranked academic program and are recognized to be among the highest achieving schools in Erie County and New York State.
- Williamsville CSD consistently scores high for both administrative efficiency and cost effectiveness among all school districts in Western and Upstate New York according to an independent annual poll conducted by Business First.
- The cost per pupil for general education students is 27% less than the New York State average for all school districts, and 22% less than the state-defined "similar district group". (Source: NYSED Financial Accountability Summary Report)
- Williamsville CSD has complied with the state-imposed tax cap every year since it was introduced.

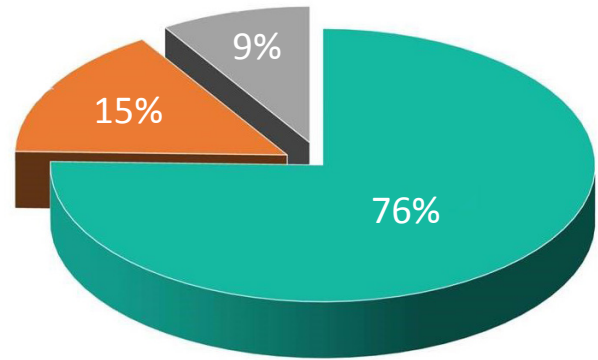
WHAT DOES THE PROPOSED 2019-2020 BUDGET ACCOMPLISH?

- Maintains current level of academic and extracurricular programming for students.
- Maintains focus on school safety and student wellness initiatives.
- Introduces Mandarin Chinese as a high school foreign language elective.
- Provides more classroom supply funds to help reduce extra costs for parents.
- Strengthens administrative support at the elementary school level.
- School tax levy is below state tax cap.

2019-2020 Three Part Budget

Proposed Budget Expenditures

Total Budget: \$195,184,838



■ Program ■ Capital ■ Administrative

76%

PROGRAM COMPONENT \$148,870,714

(Funding for the instructional program and educational support services for the District's students)

15%

CAPITAL COMPONENT: \$ 28,473,218

(Funding for school and property maintenance; utilities; debt service)

9%

ADMINISTRATIVE COMPONENT: \$ 17,840,906

(Funding for the administration and supervision of District schools plus central office operations)

Estimated School Tax Bill with Basic STAR Subsidy Applied

Home's Assessed Value	Est. School Tax	Increase from 2018*
\$150,000	\$2,014	\$46

*School tax bills are estimated based on 2018 assessment information and equalization rates.

Your **VOTE** COUNTS!

Your vote helps decide how tax dollars are used to support educational programs and services for children in our community. Please remind your friends, neighbors, and eligible family members to vote on May 21!

CONTINGENT BUDGET

Under state law, school boards can submit a budget to voters a maximum of two times. If the proposed budget is defeated twice, the board must adopt a contingent budget. A school board also has the option of going directly to a contingent budget after the first budget defeat. Under a contingent budget, the district must adopt a budget with the same tax levy as the prior year. For Williamsville schools, this would require a \$3.75 million reduction to the proposed budget.