



Beacon's 2018-2019 School Budget
Meets NYS Tax Cap requirements
Maintains Programs, Activities & Athletics
Including Community Facility Use

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The Community Newsletter of the Beacon City School District

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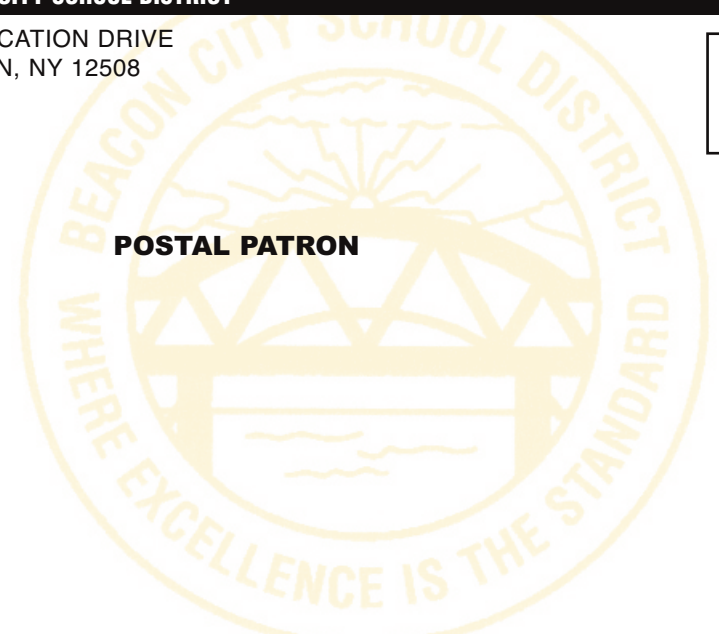
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SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET NOTICE As required by New York State Law

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for 2017-2018 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2018-2019 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2018-2019 School Year*
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$68,625,000	\$70,520,000	\$69,078,665
Increase/Decrease for the 2018-19 School Year		\$1,895,000	\$453,665
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		2.76%	0.66%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		2.13%	
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$37,179,812	\$38,621,147	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable			
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable **			
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy			
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$37,179,812	\$38,621,147	\$37,179,812
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$423,105	\$537,722	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$36,756,707	\$38,083,425	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	\$36,756,707	\$38,083,425	
I. Difference: G - H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval - See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$0	\$0	
Administrative Component	\$6,570,775	\$6,772,901	\$6,672,901
Program Component	\$51,299,320	\$53,112,842	\$51,821,507
Capital Component	\$10,754,905	\$10,634,257	\$10,584,257

*Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2018-2019 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law.

**List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval requirements)

Description	Amount
Bus Proposition	\$380,730

Basic STAR Exemption Impact	Under the Budget Proposed for the 2018-2019 School Year
Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings ¹	\$631

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2018-2019 by the qualified voters of the Beacon City school district, Dutchess County, New York, will be held at two schools in said district on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 between the hours of 7:00am and 9:00pm, prevailing time in the Glenham Elementary and Beacon High Schools at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

¹ The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.

Contingency Budget: What if the Budget Does Not Pass?

If the budget **does not pass** and goes to contingency, 'cost of living' increases are **not allowed**. Therefore the operating budget would have to be **cut by \$1,366,335**. Since other costs have increased, this would mean **significant cuts in programs and activities**, which may include:

- Cap class sizes at 35
- Eliminate non-core classes such as art, music and electives
- Cuts to Athletics, Clubs, and Student Activities at all levels
- Cut non-mandatory equipment purchases
- Charge full cost of facility use to all non-school organizations
- Reduce/eliminate school related building use after hours



2018-2019 School Budget And Board Vote is May 15th

Beacon's Tax Cap Limit for 2018-2019 is 3.87%

Dear Community Members:

I am honored to serve as your Superintendent for the Beacon City School District.

Our budget development process began last summer as I listened to community members and staff talk about their hopes and dreams for the district. My conversations with the community continued throughout the year and specifically included eight community meetings focused on budget development and a budget survey that had several hundred responses.

The budget development process also took place at many board meetings over the last several months with each department head discussing their budget proposal with the Board of Education.

The result of this very involved process is a proposed 2018-2019 budget of \$70,520,000 with a levy increase of 3.87 percent.

This proposed budget is an increase of 2.76 percent from last year.

The proposed 2018-2019 budget protects the educational experiences provided by the Beacon City School District and allows our schools to continue to meet high expectations for all students. Specifically, the 2018-2019 budget further reduces elementary class sizes; increases the amount of P.E. elementary students experience; increases the use of technology tools for all of our students; and includes security upgrades throughout the district.

Please continue to reach out to us directly to provide suggestions or feedback and let us know if you have any questions.

Remember to vote on Tuesday, May 15th. The polls are open from 7:00 am until 9:00 pm.

Dr. Matthew Landahl
 Superintendent of Schools

For more detailed information, please visit our website at www.beaconk12.org or contact your District Administrators at 845-838-6900.

WHERE DO I VOTE?

RESIDENTS WHO LIVE WITHIN THE BEACON CITY LIMITS will vote at

Beacon High School

DISTRICT VOTERS with mailing addresses in FISHKILL or WAPPINGERS FALLS, and some with BEACON addresses who RESIDE OUTSIDE the BEACON CITY LIMITS, will vote at

Glenham Elementary School

20 Chase Drive, Fishkill

Polls at both locations will be open
7:00am-9:00pm

For Voter Information
Call 845-838-6900 ext 2032

WHO MAY VOTE

In order to vote, you must be:

- at least 18 years of age
- a U.S. Citizen
- a primary resident of the Beacon City School District for at least 30 days prior to the day of the vote
- a registered voter with the School District and/or Dutchess County

ABOUT ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee Ballots are available to registered District voters who are unable to vote in person on May 15.

To vote by Absentee Ballot, you must first fill out an **Application**. Contact the District Clerk at 838-6900 ext. 2032 or download the application from the Beacon City School District website at www.beaconk12.org. Voters may also pick up applications in person at the District Office.

Applications must be received by the district by May 15th. Completed **Absentee Ballots** must be received by the District Clerk by 5pm on May 15th to be counted.

2018-2019 Budget Vote May 15

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2018-2019 for the Beacon City School District will be held at the DESIGNATED Beacon City Schools on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 between the hours of 7:00 AM and 9:00 PM. Registered voters will be asked to vote on the following issues:

► Proposition I: School Budget

“Shall the budget for the Beacon City School District for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018, in the amount of \$70,520,000 be adopted, and the necessary taxes to meet such expenditures be levied and collected?”

► Proposition II: Transportation

“Shall the bond resolution authorizing the purchase of school buses at a maximum cost of \$380,730; authorizing the issuance of \$380,730 bonds (5 year maximum maturity) and, with respect to such bonds, providing for a tax levy therefor in annual installments; pledging the District's faith and credit for debt service; delegating powers with respect to bonds and notes; and providing for an estoppel procedure, be approved?”

► Board of Education CANDIDATES

To elect three (3) members to the Board of Education for three year terms commencing July 1, 2018 and expiring June 30, 2021. Vote for up to three.

1. Ali T. Muhammad
2. Christine Galbo
3. Elissa Betterbid

4. James Case-Leal
5. Flora Stadler
6. Joshua Galarza



Budget Components

By law, all School Districts must divide their budgets into three separate portions – ADMINISTRATIVE, PROGRAM and CAPITAL – and compare them to last year's amount. Beacon's three-part budget breaks down as follows:

ADMINISTRATIVE

Amount	2017-18	2018-19
	\$6,570,775	\$6,772,901
% of Budget	9.57%	9.60%

- Salaries and benefits of administrators, supervisors and administrative clerical staff
- Public information and central printing
- Research, planning and evaluation
- Tax collection and most legal services
- School Board costs

PROGRAM

Amount	2017-18	2018-19
	\$51,299,320	\$53,112,842
% of Budget	74.75%	75.32%

- Salaries and benefits of teachers, guidance Counselors, aides, monitors, nurses, social workers, psychologists, speech therapists, etc.
- In-service training
- Library/media/computer services
- Student transportation
- Co-curricular activities
- Interscholastic athletics

CAPITAL

Amount	2017-18	2018-19
	\$10,754,905	\$10,634,257
% of Budget	15.67%	15.08%

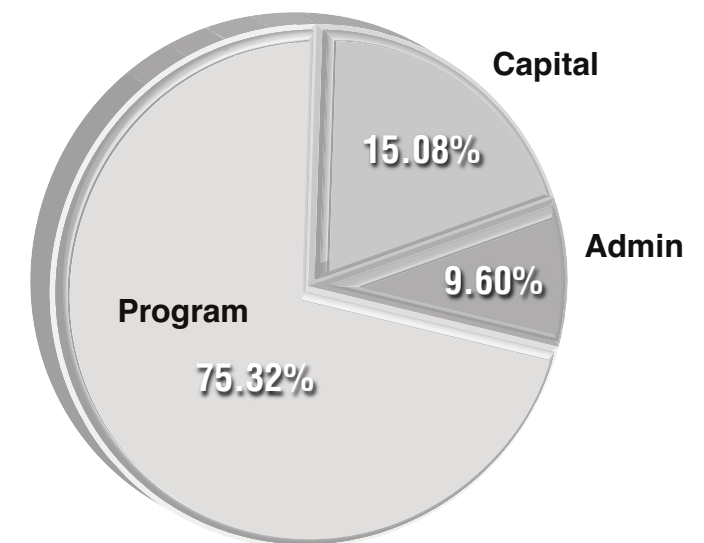
- Debt service on buildings
- Leases
- Tax certiorari and court ordered costs
- Operations and maintenance (including salaries and benefits of custodial staff)

Expenditures	Budgeted 2017-18	Anticipated 2018-19*
Board of Education	\$ 37,500	\$ 37,900
Central Administration	302,500	303,000
Financial Accounting Services	641,629	632,950
Legal, personnel & public information	375,017	410,700
Central services - including operations & maintenance and central printing	4,783,521	4,696,771
Special items - including insurance, judgements & claims and BOCES admin charges	801,366	809,976
Instructional administration & improvement	2,693,806	2,906,750
Teaching	29,334,525	29,967,050
Instructional Media	2,084,996	2,327,232
Pupil Services	2,952,690	3,026,850
Pupil Transportation	3,184,606	3,268,400
Home & Community Services	131,800	139,800
Employee Benefits	15,640,674	16,431,263
Debt Services	5,185,370	5,286,358
Interfund Transfer	475,000	275,000
Total	\$68,625,000	\$70,520,000

*Due to rounding, totals can vary by \$1.00

2018-19 Components

\$70,520,000



Proposed Budget Summary

	Budget
Proposition 1	\$70,520,000
Proposition 2	\$380,730
Total	\$70,900,730

Revenues	Budgeted 2017-18	Anticipated 2018-19*
Local Property taxes	\$37,179,812	\$38,621,147
State Aid	27,745,188	28,198,853
Interest & Earnings	25,000	25,000
Interest, penalties, PILOTS	295,000	295,000
Use of Reserves	2,750,000	2,750,000
Miscellaneous	630,000	630,000
Total	\$68,625,000	\$70,520,000

*Due to rounding, totals can vary by \$1.00