



Beacon

CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

MAY 2023

Spring 2023 Budget Newsletter

Dear Beacon City School District Community:

I am honored to be the Superintendent of the Beacon City School District and I am thrilled to be finishing my sixth year in the position. I am incredibly proud of the many ways the Beacon City School District community supports our students.

Our school budgets over the past several years have supported the following:

- Small class sizes at the elementary level
- Instrumental music beginning in the fourth grade
- Implementation of a full-day pre-k program
- A wide range of course offerings at Beacon High School including 7 AP courses and 7 Dutchess Community College courses
- A strong athletics program with many offerings from modified to the varsity level
- An expanded offering of clubs and extracurriculars at all levels of school
- 1:1 Chromebook initiative for all of our students

Our proposed 2023-2024 budget maintains all of our past budget accomplishments while adding 2.5 teaching positions to further support student mental health and additional coursework at the middle school. We have also added an additional pre-k position to expand our program to six full-day classes. We are using federal funds to add positions to support academic interventions at the elementary schools and middle school. Our budget priorities are developed throughout the year with the BCSD Board of Education with a strong focus on student and community needs.

If the budget vote does not pass, the district would have to implement a contingency budget. The contingency budget would force us to make approximately \$1,700,000 in cuts across all areas of the district and it would have a negative impact on the student experience in our district. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns and we hope to have your support with our budget.

Sincerely,

Matt Landahl
Superintendent

2023-2024 Proposed
Budget Increase

3.48%

2023-2024 Proposed
Tax Levy Increase *

3.64%

*Within the 2023-24 Tax Levy Limit

- BUDGET VOTE
- BUS PURCHASE
- ELECTRIC-POWERED BUS PURCHASE
- ELECT FOUR (4) BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

VOTE

May 16, 2023

6am - 9pm

**Voting Locations:
Beacon HS/Glenham ES**

Budget Summary	2022-2023 BUDGET	2023-2024 PROPOSED BUDGET	INCREASE/ (DECREASE)
ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET	\$8,663,425	\$9,176,347	\$812,922
Board of Education	\$46,700	\$46,700	\$0
Central Administration	\$352,500	\$355,800	\$3,300
Finance	\$784,000	\$854,200	\$70,200
Legal	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0
Personnel	\$137,500	\$131,500	(\$6,000)
Records Management	\$3,700	\$4,750	\$1,050
Public Information	\$40,000	\$76,000	\$36,000
Central Services	\$91,380	\$89,404	(\$1,976)
Security	\$721,885	\$742,315	\$20,430
Special Items	\$860,000	\$884,000	\$24,000
Curriculum Development & Supervision	\$626,000	\$687,272	\$61,272
Supervision -- Regular School	\$2,266,700	\$2,297,700	\$31,000
Supervision -- Handicapped	\$638,382	\$691,203	\$52,821
Supervision -- Benefits	\$2,074,678	\$2,295,503	\$220,825
INSTRUCTIONAL BUDGET	\$58,820,631	\$60,382,511	\$1,561,881
Legal	\$175,000	\$175,000	\$0
Central Services	\$84,320	\$67,456	(\$16,864)
Curriculum Development & Supervision	\$0	\$0	\$0
In-Service Training	\$90,000	\$235,544	\$145,544
Teaching -- Regular School	\$19,489,771	\$20,226,877	737,106
Teaching -- Handicapped	\$12,042,642	\$11,082,344	(\$960,298)
Special Needs/Occ. Ed.	\$730,000	\$500,000	(\$230,000)
Special Schools	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Schools - Alt Ed	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0
School Library & Audio Visual	\$706,500	\$734,589	\$28,089
Computer Assisted Instruction	\$2,485,783	\$2,561,500	\$75,717
Attendance/Guidance	\$1,118,050	\$964,087	(\$153,963)
Health Services	\$2,485,783	\$707,150	\$25,217
Psychological/Social Work	\$1,239,155	\$1,435,255	\$196,100
Co-Curricular Activities	\$108,000	\$115,500	\$7,500
Interscholastic Activities	\$627,000	\$657,000	\$30,000
Pupil Transportation	\$3,671,219	\$3,707,950	\$36,731
Community Services	\$151,000	\$151,000	\$0
Instruction -- Benefits	\$15,160,258	\$16,801,259	\$1,641,001
Transfer to Special Aid	\$240,000	\$240,000	\$0
CAPITAL BUDGET	11,119,944	11,781,842	\$661,898
Central Services	\$4,874,240	\$5,021,240	\$147,000
Special Items	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$0
Central Services -- Benefits	\$836,237	\$938,458	\$102,221
Debt Service	\$5,339,467	\$5,752,144	\$412,677
Transfer to Capital Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL BUDGET	\$78,604,000	\$81,340,700	\$2,736,700

VOTE

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Voters will be asked to decide the following:

PROPOSITION #1: 2023 -2024 BUDGET

SHALL the budget for the Beacon City School District for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2023, in the amount of \$81,340,700 be adopted, and the necessary taxes to meet such expenditures be levied and collected?

PROPOSITION #2: BUS PURCHASE

SHALL the bond resolution authorizing the purchase of school buses at a maximum cost of \$530,000, authorizing the issuance of up to \$530,000 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?

PROPOSITION #3: ELECTRIC-POWERED BUS PURCHASE

SHALL the bond resolution authorizing the purchase of one electric-powered school bus at a maximum cost of \$466,000, but only if the District receives subsidies of at least \$250,000; authorizing the issuance of up to \$466,000 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?

PROPOSITION #4: TRANSPORTATION

SHALL the Board of Education of the Beacon City School District be authorized, effective beginning the 2023-2024 school year, to make such annual budgetary appropriations and expenditures as are needed to provide transportation to students in grades K-12 residing within the city limits of the City of Beacon who live more than one (1) mile but no more than fifteen (15) miles from the school which they legally attend?

ELECTION OF FOUR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

To elect four (4) members to the Board of Education as follows:

1. Anthony White

2. Kristan Flynn

3. Eric Schetter

4. Semra Ercin

The terms are as follows:

• Three (3) members to the Board of Education for three year terms (commencing July 1, 2023 and expiring June 30, 2026)

• One (1) member for a term (commencing May 16, 2023 and expiring on June 30, 2025)

REVENUE	2023-2024
Local Property Taxes	\$45,790,376.00
State Aid	\$30,794,296.00
Interest and Earnings	\$300,000.00
Interest, Penalties, PILOTS	\$290,000.00
Use of Reserves/Fund Balance	\$3,000,000.00
Transfer from Debt Service	\$180,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$986,028.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$81,340,700.00

VOTE MAY 16, 2023 • 6:00 AM - 9:00 PM VOTE

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2023-24 by the qualified voters of the Beacon City School District, Dutchess County, New York, will be held at **Beacon High School** and **Glenham Elementary School** in said district on **Tuesday, May 16, 2023** between the hours of **6:00am and 9:00pm**, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

Budget Notice

	Budget Adopted for the 2022-2023 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2023-2024 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2023-2024 School Year*
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$78,604,000	\$81,340,700	\$79,806,235
Increase/Decrease for 2023-2024 School Year		\$2,736,700	\$1,127,233
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		3.48%	1.43%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		8.0%	
A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$44,271,162	\$45,880,629	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	\$0	\$0	
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable **	\$0	\$0	
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy	\$0	\$0	
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$44,271,162	\$45,880,629	\$44,271,162
F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit	\$895,742	\$897,045	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$43,375,420	\$44,983,581	
H. Total Proposed Tax Levy for School Purposes, Excluding Permissible Exclusions and Levy for Library Debt, Plus Prior Year Tax Cap Reserve (E - B - F + D)	\$43,375,420	\$44,983,581	
I. Difference: (G - H); (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval - See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$0	\$0	
BUDGET COMPONENTS:			
Administrative	\$8,663,425	\$9,176,347	\$8,993,965
Program	\$58,820,631	\$60,382,511	\$59,155,928
Capital	\$11,119,944	\$11,781,842	\$11,656,342

*Statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2023-2024 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated: If the budget does not pass and goes to contingency, "cost of living" increases are not allowed. Therefore the proposed budget would have to be cut by approximately \$1,700,000. Since other costs have increased, this would mean significant cuts in programs and activities, which may include: Increases in class sizes, Elimination of non-core classes such as art, music and electives, Cuts to Athletics, Clubs, and Student Activities at all levels, Cuts to non-mandatory equipment purchases, Charging full cost of facility use to all non-school organizations, Reductions/Eliminations of school related building usage.

**List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with propositions not eligible for exclusion may affect property tax levy limit and voter approval requirements.)

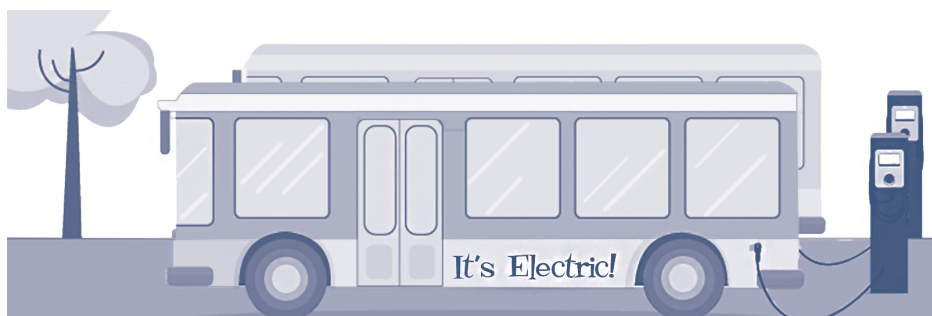
Description	Amount
Bus Proposition	\$526,500
EV Bus Proposition	\$466,000

Estimated Basic STAR Tax Savings

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

Under the Budget Proposed for the
2023-2024 School Year
\$575

PROPOSITION #3: ELECTRIC-POWERED BUS PURCHASE Total - \$466,000 if the District receives subsidies of at least \$250,000



2 Polling Locations for the Beacon City School District:

Voters who reside within the boundaries of
the City of Beacon:

Beacon High School
101 Matteawan Road, Beacon, New York, 12508

Voters who reside within the boundaries of the
Town of Fishkill or the Town of Wappinger:

Glenham Elementary
20 Chase Drive, Fishkill, New York 12524



Beacon City School District
10 Education Drive, Beacon, NY 12508

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Thank you for



...another year of excellence!

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Ms. Flora Stadler, *Vice President*

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Mr. John Galloway, Jr.
Ms. Alena Kush
Ms. Yunice Heath
Mr. Anthony White
Mr. Craig Wolf

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