



EDUCATIONAL HORIZONS

Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District News Budget 2021

2021-2022 PROPOSED BUDGET

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Plainview-Old Bethpage Board of Education has worked side-by-side with District administration to create a budget that maintains the District's commitment to providing its students with a high-quality education, robust extracurricular activities, and a comprehensive list of academic, arts, music and athletic programs. The proposed 2021-2022 budget is an extension of the District's work to provide equitable access to an all-encompassing academic curriculum and additional programs that work to prepare all students for a successful future. The proposed budget also factors in any ongoing COVID-19 health and safety materials and protocols that will be required for the 2021-2022 school year. We are committed to bringing all of our students back full-time, safely and expeditiously.

The plan is consistent with the District's eight-year record of maintaining a tax levy that is below the New York State-imposed tax cap. By aggressively pursuing alternative sources of funding and drawing upon reserves, the proposed tax levy increase is 2.49%. This is below the District's allowable tax levy cap of 2.53%.

District administration has also been tasked with developing plans to support initiatives such as summer learning opportunities, extended school year programs and other interventions that respond to students' academic, social and emotional needs in response to the coronavirus. These programs will be funded through grants available to the District from the Federal Government at no cost to our taxpayers.



The Board of Education and District administration are committed to advancing our students on a path of progress and achievement. The proposed 2021-2022 budget ensures that the resources necessary to realize this goal are accounted for and address the needs, both academic and social-emotional, of our student population. The proposed budget will continue to expand upon the already extensive curriculum and programs at our students' fingertips, with a keen focus on safety, security, and equity.

Please carefully review the enclosed budget newsletter and contact the District's business office at 516-434-3050 with any questions. Most importantly, remember to vote on Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

ANNUAL BUDGET VOTE

TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021 – 6:00 AM TO 9:00 PM

**JAMAICA AVENUE SCHOOL – ADMINISTRATION OFFICES AT
HOWARD B. MATTLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL**

PROPOSITION I: ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

REVENUE

	Approved 2020-2021	Proposed 2021-2022	Change
State Aid	\$21,140,288	\$22,951,164	\$1,810,876
Other Revenue	\$6,783,331	\$6,517,089	-\$266,242
Use of Reserves/ Fund Balance	\$7,953,469	\$7,100,694	-\$852,775
Tax Levy	\$128,371,510	\$131,573,208	\$3,201,698
Budget	\$164,248,598	\$168,142,155	\$3,893,557

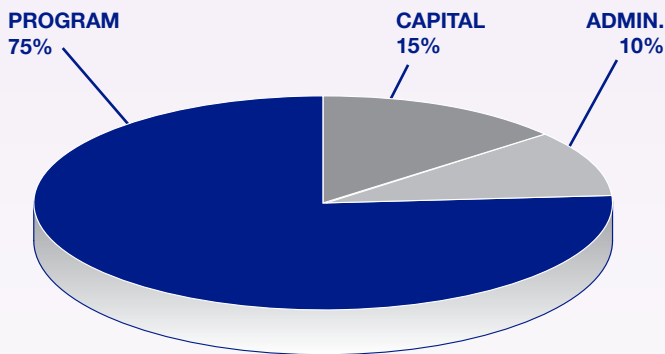
**The tax levy increase is 2.49%.
This is below our allowable
tax levy cap as set by the state.**

EXPENDITURES

2020-2021 Approved Budget	\$164,248,598
2021-2022 Proposed Budget	\$168,142,155
Budget Percentage Increase	2.37%

Expenditures include mandated costs attributed to employee retirement systems, health insurance, transportation, utilities and capital expenses, as well as contractual salary increases.

THREE-PART BUDGET EXPENDITURES



The State of New York requires all school districts make available a proposed budget broken down into three component parts. The three components of this budget format are Administrative, Instructional Program and Capital.

	Approved 2020-2021	Proposed 2021-2022	Change
Administrative	\$16,949,761	\$17,290,160	\$340,399
Instructional Program	\$124,601,990	\$126,543,346	\$1,941,356
Capital	\$22,696,847	\$24,308,649	\$1,611,802
Total	\$164,248,598	\$168,142,155	\$3,893,557

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Taking Care of the District's Physical Assets...

The District has established the transfer to capital line for 2021-2022.

	Approved 2020-2021	Proposed 2021-2022
Transfer to Capital	\$1,000,000	\$2,065,000

FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS:

- Modifications for health and safety at ALL schools
- Playground replacements at JJP, OB, PAS and SR
- Gym and cafe sound system replacements at MMS and POBMS
- High definition projectors installed in MMS, POBMS and SR auditoriums
- Ceiling reconstruction at Pasadena and the POBJFK HS pool
- Air handler, mechanical room and plumbing improvements at ALL schools
- Lightning protection system at OB
- Strategic equipment replacement at ALL schools

Proposition II: Expenditure from the Capital Reserve includes the replacement of an original boiler at JJP Elementary and the replacement of the central air conditioning unit for the "new wing" at POBJFK High School. See page 4 for more information on Proposition II.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: DISTRICT VOTING SITES

If your elementary school zone is:

You will vote at:

Judy Jacobs
Parkway Elementary

Administrative Offices
at Mattlin Middle School

Old Bethpage Elementary

Administrative Offices
at Mattlin Middle School

Pasadena Elementary

Jamaica Avenue School

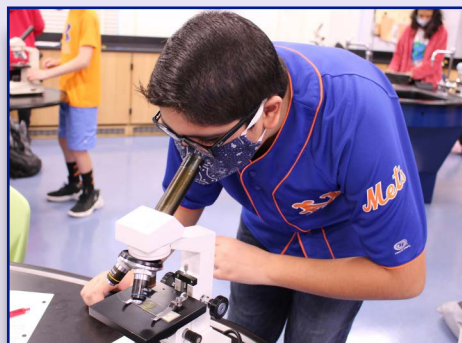
Stratford Road Elementary

Jamaica Avenue School

PROPOSITION I: ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

	Approved Budget 2020-2021	Proposed Budget 2021-2022	Dollar Difference	Percent of Budget
GENERAL SUPPORT				
Board of Education	\$195,637	\$187,152	-\$8,485	
Superintendent's Office	\$416,111	\$434,585	\$18,474	
Business Administration/Finance	\$1,549,000	\$1,517,821	-\$31,179	
Personnel/Public Info/Legal	\$1,177,831	\$1,233,346	\$55,515	
Operations & Maintenance	\$12,224,874	\$12,944,617	\$719,743	
Insurance/BOCES	\$1,502,668	\$1,530,143	\$27,475	
Total General Support	\$17,066,121	\$17,847,664	\$781,543	10.61%
INSTRUCTION				
Curriculum and Supervision	\$7,418,726	\$7,699,260	\$280,534	
Teaching - Regular K-12	\$53,018,237	\$52,782,820	-\$235,417	
Special Education	\$17,865,664	\$18,574,596	\$708,932	
Occ. Ed./Summer School/Twilight	\$927,943	\$588,403	-\$339,540	
Instructional Media & Libraries	\$4,912,463	\$5,101,582	\$189,119	
Pupil Services	\$10,200,597	\$10,873,026	\$672,429	
Total Instruction	\$94,343,630	\$95,619,687	\$1,276,057	56.87%
DISTRICTWIDE SUPPORT				
Main Transportation Contract*	\$4,399,560	\$4,261,250	-\$138,310	
Transportation - Other	\$4,471,904	\$5,259,743	\$787,839	
Community Services	\$242,928	\$243,428	\$500	
Employee Benefits	\$37,303,839	\$37,951,101	\$647,262	
TAN/EPC/BAN Contract	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$0	
School Food Service Transfer	\$18,000	\$15,000	-\$3,000	
Summer Spec Ed Transfer	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$0	
Capital Transfer	\$1,000,000	\$2,065,000	\$1,065,000	
Debt Service - District & Library	\$5,082,616	\$4,559,282	-\$523,334	
Total Districtwide	\$52,838,847	\$54,674,804	\$1,835,957	32.52%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$164,248,598	\$168,142,155	\$3,893,557	100.00%
REVENUE SUMMARY (ESTIMATED)				
State Aid	\$21,140,288	\$22,951,164	\$1,810,876	
Local/Other Revenue	\$6,783,331	\$6,517,089	-\$266,242	
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TOTAL REVENUE	\$164,248,598	\$168,142,155	\$3,893,557	100.00%

* Third year of a possible five-year contract, the total cost of which is estimated at \$33,573,679.



PROPOSITION II: EXPENDING THE CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

In addition to voting on the 2021-2022 District budget, Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District residents will be voting on the expenditure of the Capital Reserve Fund (CRF) for the District.

A CRF is essentially a savings account set up by the District to finance future building renovations and potential infrastructure needs. The District's CRF is being funded through Beechwood funds, other unanticipated revenues and unexpended funds previously accumulated. Approval of the proposed CRF expenditures will not impact the proposed budget.

The District is proposing projects not to exceed **\$710,000** for capital improvements to the facilities of the District to be funded from the unexpended balance of the 2015 Capital Reserve.

PROPOSED CAPITAL RESERVE EXPENDITURES

- Replacement of the central air conditioning unit for "new wing" at POBJFK High School
- Replacement of an original boiler at JJP Elementary School

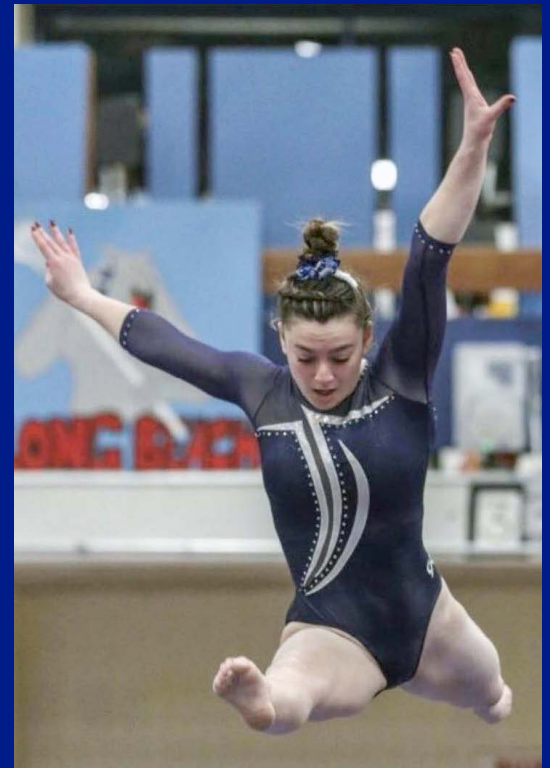


ADDITIONAL WAYS TO ACCESS VOTER AND SCHOOL BUDGET INFORMATION

The District website has been updated to make voter information and school budget information more accessible to you. By clicking on "Quick Links," you can:

- Confirm that you are registered to vote by clicking "[Voter Information](#)"
- Review all of the budget presentations and budget documents by clicking "[2021-2022 Budget Info](#)"
- Review the Plainview-Old Bethpage School Report Card by clicking "[School Report Cards](#)"

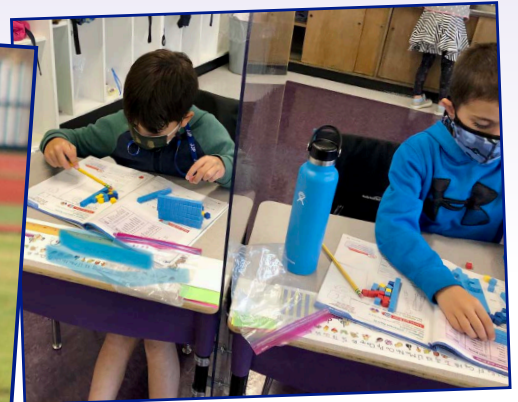
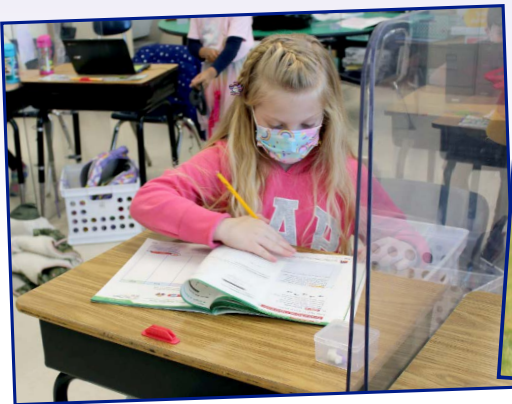
We encourage you to take advantage of these easy-to-use resources to remain informed about the budget, and please remember to vote on Tuesday, May 18.



REMEMBER TO VOTE
TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021 – 6:00 AM TO 9:00 PM
JAMAICA AVENUE SCHOOL – ADMINISTRATION OFFICES AT
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LIGHTING THE WAY FORWARD

- *National Blue Ribbon High School of Excellence (awarded by the US Department of Education)*
- 98% graduation rate!
- College – 95% (4-year: 85%; 2-year: 10%)
- Regents diplomas – 97%
- Advanced Regents diplomas – 84%
- Special Education students graduating with Advanced Regents diplomas – 32%
- 14 graduates named as Commended Students in the National Merit Scholarship Program
 - 2 National Merit Scholarship winners
 - 3 National Merit Scholarship finalists
- DECA
 - 52 students qualified for International Competition
 - 8 students chosen for NYS Honor Society
- 1 Regeneron Science and Talent Search Scholar
- 1 Regeneron International Science & Engineering Fair finalist
- 6 Toshiba ExploraVision semifinalists
- 3 Long Island Junior Science & Humanities Symposium semifinalists
- 1 nominee for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society 2021 Students of the Year
- 1 Long Island Scholar Artist - Visual Arts
- 1 Gold Key Winner in the Annual Scholastic Art & Writing Awards
- 7 Selected Artists for the Annual High Arts Showcase (Huntington Arts Council)
- Art Supervisors Association of Nassau County
 - Senior Scholarship Award winner
 - Senior Leadership Award winner
- 1 Overall Winner for the NYS Youth Art Month Flag Design Contest
- 2021 Best Communities for Music Education for the 4th year in a row
- 15 student musicians selected for NYSSMA's All-State Honor Ensembles
- 2 student musicians selected for the National Association for Music Education's All-Eastern Honors Ensembles
- 3 student musicians selected for New York State Band Directors Association Middle School Honors Band
- 2 student musicians received awards for the National Association for Music Education's Song Writing Contest
- 100% of Varsity teams achieved the distinction of NYSPHSAA Scholar Athlete Team Award



The District maintains a strong financial position as rated by Standard & Poor's AAA bond rating. Please visit the Business and Finance section of the District's website for the District's Reserve Fund Plan, including funding levels for all reserve funds.

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WHAT'S ON THE BALLOT?

Proposition I: Annual School District Budget

Authorization to spend up to **\$168,142,155** to support educational programs in the 2021-2022 school year.

Proposition II: Expending the Capital Reserve Fund

Authorization to expend up to **\$710,000** from the Capital Reserve Fund with no increase to the proposed budget.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATES

ELECTION OF TRUSTEES FOR THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes will be elected as trustees of the Board of Education for the three-year terms commencing July 1, 2021, and expiring on June 30, 2024. You may vote for a separate write-in candidate for each vacancy. You may not write in the same candidate for more than one vacancy.

VOTE FOR TWO (2): Gary Bettan • Lauren Sackstein



BUDGET VOTE INFORMATION

Tuesday, May 18, 2021 • 6 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Jamaica Avenue School • Administration Offices at Mattlin Middle School

Voter Eligibility: In order to vote, you must be 18 years of age or older, a United States citizen, and must have been a District resident for at least 30 days prior to the vote. Eligible voters include those who have voted in federal, state, county or school district elections within the past four years; those who are registered with the Nassau County Board of Elections; and residents who registered during the School District's registration period.

Absentee Ballot: To receive an absentee ballot by mail, applications can be obtained during school business hours from the District Clerk and on the District website under "District Announcements." Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk, Jeanne Tyler, (516) 434-3003, by May 12, 2021. To personally pick up a ballot, the application must be delivered to the District Clerk's office by 4 p.m. on May 17, 2021. All absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk's office by 5 p.m. on May 18, the day of the budget vote. Persons designated by the Nassau County Board of Elections as "permanently disabled" will automatically receive an absentee ballot by mail.

Voter Registration Dates: Thursday, April 22 and Tuesday, May 11, 2021, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Jamaica Avenue School and the Administration Offices at Mattlin Middle School

The U.S. Department of Justice has mandated that all public school districts in Nassau County and Suffolk County, to be in compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, must produce board of trustee elections and school district budget vote documents in both English and Spanish.