

MARCH 14, 2024

Washingtonville Central School District

2024-2025
Non-Instructional
Budget Presentation



# Budget Timeline

March 14	Presentation #1 Non-Instructional Budget
March 21	Presentation #2 Instructional Budget
April 11	Presentation #3 Revenue
April 18	Budget Adoption
May 9	Budget Hearing
May 21	Budget Vote



# 2024-25 Budget Goal

Balance the budget while maintaining student instructional and extracurricular programs that supports our children and the community.



#### FISCAL CHALLENGES

- National and State political and economic landscape
  - Inflation, interest rate environment
- Stimulus Funds Ending
- Governor's Proposal limits Foundation Aid.
- Tax levy cap formula- CPI limit does not reflect economic reality
  - i.e. wage growth, utility cost, transportation costs
- Historical Use of Fund Balance

- Contractual Obligations
  - Increase in Pension Contributions
  - Health Insurance Costs
  - BOCES Fees/BOCES Capital Project
- Changes in enrollment and student needs
  - Special Education needs
  - Out of District Tuition/Transportation
  - > New Enrollment
  - > Least Restrictive Environment
  - > English Language Learners
- Technology Upgrades for 1:1 Devices
- Governmental Mandates without Funding



#### YEAR TO YEAR BUDGET VARIANCES

Without any new initiatives, the following budget variances will occur:

- Salaries
- **Facilities** 
  - > Equipment needs
  - Ongoing maintenance
- **BOCES** 
  - Cost of Services
  - Administrative Charge
  - Capital Project

- Technology Infrastructure Equipment/Bandwidth
- Special Education tuitions to meet needs of student population
- >Insurance costs
- > Transportation
- ▶ Debt Service per actual schedule of amounts due

#### 2024-25 BUDGET - PARAMETERS

- > Under The Property Tax Levy Cap, Our Tax Levy Has A Ceiling
- ➤ Our State Aid Is Defined To Us By The State

Based on the above parameters, our revenue has limitations and dictates what we can spend – not the other way around.

- > As The Budget Must Balance, Expenditures Cannot Exceed Revenues
- ➤ The District Has Historically Been Appropriating Fund Balance To Balance The Budget As Opposed To Using The Allowable Tax Levy Limit
- ➤ Appropriated Fund Balance Is Only Available If The Prior Year Has A Surplus Of Revenue Over Expenditures
- ➤ Using "One Shot" Revenues Such As Appropriated Fund Balance and Stimulus Funding To Offset Operational Costs Are Factors That Leads To Fiscal Stress As Defined By The NYS Comptroller

Expenditures Budget Revenues

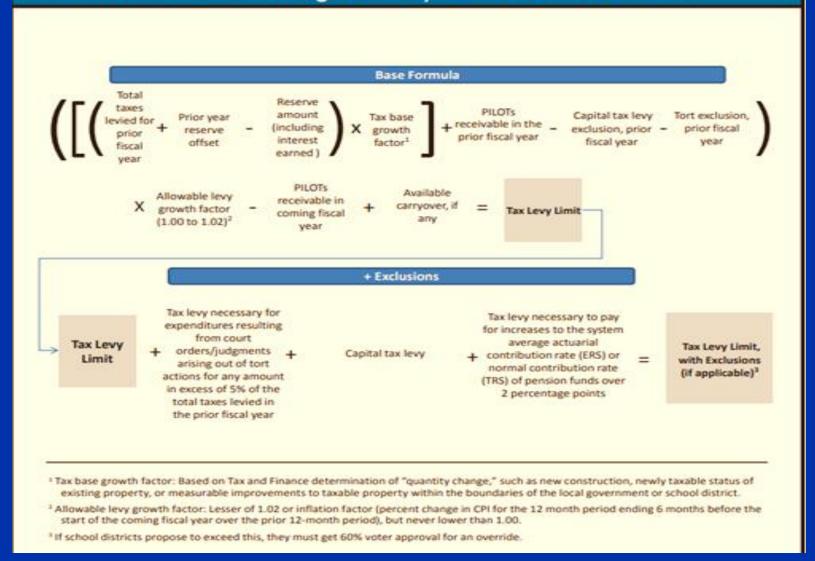


## 2024-25 Budget – Tax Cap Calculation

- ➤ Often referred to as 2% Tax Cap because <u>one</u> component of the calculation is limited to <u>lesser of</u> CPI or 2%
- ➤ CPI is only one factor in a multi-step calculation: Inflation factor for 2023-2024 June 30, 2024 was 3.1% but CPI is capped at 2%
- ➤ Another factor is the Tax Base Growth Factor. This year is just under 1% at .71%
- The Tax Cap Calculation is a series of calculations created by SED and OSC that includes exclusions for PILOTS (Payment in Lieu of Taxes), Tort Actions, Capital Expenditures and Retirement rate increases greater than 2%



#### Formula for Determining Tax Levy Limit: School Districts





#### 2024-2025 PROPERTY TAX LEVY CAP

PRIOR YEAR TAX LEVY (2023-24)		63,641,288
TAX BASE GROWTH FACTOR	<b>X</b>	1.0071
		64,093,141
PRIOR YEAR PILOTS	+	67,932
PRIOR YEAR EXEMPTIONS		(1,730,667)
ADJUSTED PRIOR YEAR TAX LEVY (2023-24)		62,430,406
ALLOWABLE TAX LEVY GROWTH FACTOR	X_	1.02
(LESSER OF 2% OR CPI)		63,679,014
PILOTS IN CURRENT YEAR (2024-25)	-	(50,000)
AVAILABLE CARRYOVER (IF ANY)		0
EXEMPTIONS IN CURRENT YEAR (2024-25)	+	2,091,694
2024-25 PROJECTED MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE TAX LEVY		65,720,708
% INCREASE		3.27%
\$ INCREASE 9		2,079,420
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## 2024-2025 NON-INSTRUCTIONAL BUDGET



## 2024-2025 Non-Instructional Budget by Function

- > Board of Education
- > Central Administration
- > Finance
- > Staff
  - > Legal
  - > Personnel
  - > Records Management
  - > Public Information
- > Central Services
  - Operations and Maintenance
  - > Central Printing
  - > Non-Instructional Technology

- > Special Items
  - > Insurance
  - School Association Dues
  - > Judgements & Claims
  - > Tax Refunds Prior Years
  - > BOCES Admin, Capital & Rent
- > Pupil Transportation
- > Undistributed
  - > Employee Benefits
  - Debt Service
  - > Inter-fund Transfers

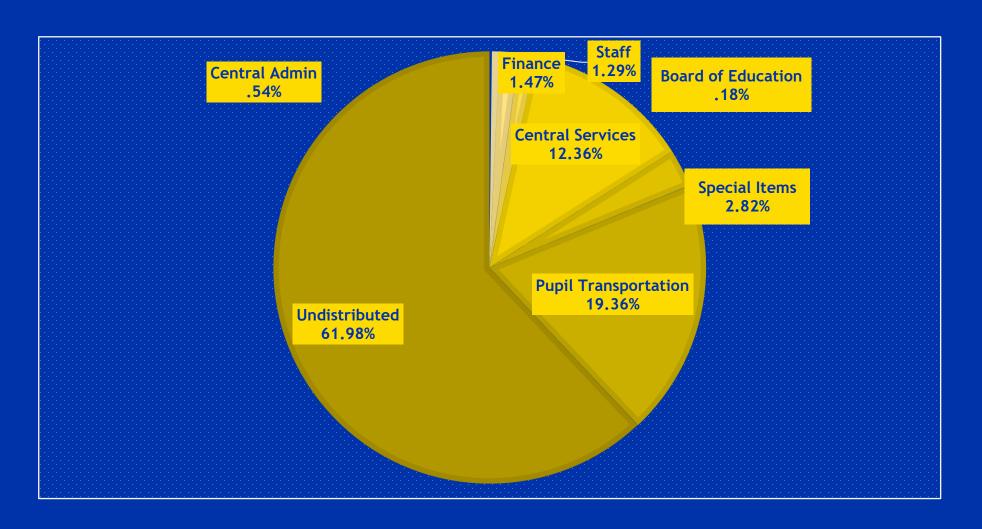


## 2024-2025 Projected Non-Instructional Budget by Function

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<b>Budget Section</b>	Budget	Proposed		
<b>Board of Education</b>	\$117,796	\$120,760	\$2,964	
Central Admin	\$343,420	\$363,930	<b>\$20,510</b>	
Finance	\$909,495	\$975,128	<b>\$65,633</b>	
Staff	<b>\$792,866</b>	\$865,729	<b>\$72,863</b>	
<b>Central Services</b>	\$7,112,331	\$8,369,217	\$1,256,886	
Special Items	\$1,608,230	\$1,885,855	\$277,625	
Pupil Transportation	\$12,319,758	\$12,842,297	<b>\$522,539</b>	
Undistributed	\$39,921,095	\$41,510,867	\$1,589,772	
Total	\$63,124,991	\$66,933,783	\$3,808,792	



#### Distribution of Proposed 2024-25 Non-Instructional Budget by Function



## Object Codes Used in the Non-Instructional Budget

- > Salaries
  - >.150 Instructional Salaries (TRS)
  - >.160 Non-Instructional Salaries (ERS)
- >.200 Equipment
- >.400 Contractual
  - >.476 Travel and Conference
  - >.479 Dues and Fees

- >.450 Supplies
- >.490 BOCES
- >Other
  - >.422 District Insurance
  - >.800 Employee Benefits
  - >.970 Debt Service
  - >.990 Inter-Fund Transfers

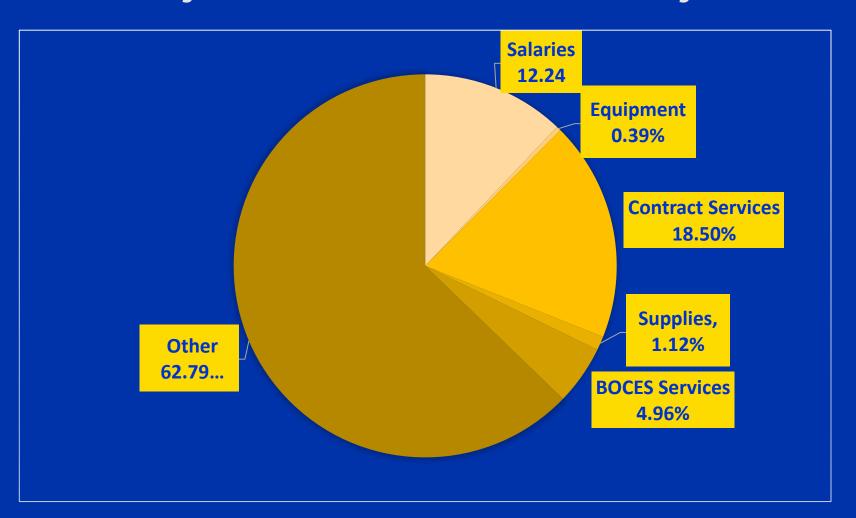


## **Budget Summary by Object Codes**

Item	2023-24	2024-25	\$ Change	
	Budget	Proposed		
Salaries	\$8,029,543	\$8,084,983	<b>\$55,440</b>	
Equipment	<b>\$234,985</b>	<b>\$261,888</b>	<b>\$26,903</b>	
Contract Services	\$11,576,609	\$12,433,290	\$856,681	
Supplies	\$631,300	\$782,805	\$151,505	
<b>BOCES Services</b>	\$2,298,232	\$3,352,832	\$1,054,600	
Other	\$40,354,322	\$42,017,985	\$1,663,663	
Total	\$63,124,991	\$66,933,783	\$3,808,792	



### 2024-25 Projected Distribution of Object Codes





## **Summary of Non-Instructional Major Changes**

- > Salaries and Benefits
  - > Contractual Increases
  - > All stimulus funds expire September 30, 2024
- > Security
- > Technology
- >Transportation
  - ➤ Contracted transportation Out of District Private/Parochial/Special Education
  - > Purchase of buses (Separate Proposition)
- **▶ BOCES Capital Project (Voter Approved)**



#### **CAPITAL PROJECT PROPOSITION**

- CSARCH Architects have reviewed the Building Condition Survey and meeting with District Staff to determine project details.
- ► Initial project details stem from the January 2022 proposed project and the current Building Condition Survey results presented in October 2023.
- > The last Capital Project was approved almost 10 years ago.
- The district is at least 2 to 3 cycles behind in capital improvements.
- State Aid Reimbursement of aidable expenses ~ 78.1% Aid Ratio
- Project start of work if voter approved is anticipated for Summer 2026 based on lead times for NYSED Facilities planning (currently 6 - 8 months from submission to approval of plans)



#### **BUS PROPOSITION**

Five (5) - 72 Passenger School Buses - \$950,000

- > A Fleet Replacement Plan Is Safest, Most Cost Effective And Most Predictable Way To Budget
- Bus Purchases On A Rotational Schedule Create:
  - Steady State Aid Reimbursement Streams ~ 73% Aid Ratio
  - Predictable Equipment Costs
  - Reduced Parts Inventory
  - Reduced Repair Costs
  - Newer, Safer Equipment



## **Questions?**

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