

Minisink Valley Central School District

Public Budget Presentation

2017–2018
Proposed Budget

May 4, 2017

BUILDING THE 2017 – 2018 BUDGET

OBJECTIVE:

- Develop a budget that provides a quality education for all students that complies with the New York State Tax Cap Law and is fiscally responsible.

GOALS:

- Provide increased educational opportunities for students
- Maintain/Expand staffing levels to support academic and extracurricular programs
- Continue bus replacement cycle

Factors that Influence the Budget Development

- Establishment of self-funded health insurance plan
- Increase in foundation aid
- Decreased pension contribution rates
- Employee retirements/new hires
- Contract obligations and utility costs
- Maintain and Enhance Academic & Extracurricular Programs
- Lower tuition costs due to decreased enrollments in special education programs

The Property Tax Cap Facts

- The tax cap formula represents the highest total tax levy that a school district can propose as part of its annual budget with a simple majority approval.
- The consumer price index (CPI) for the past year was (1.26%). The tax cap formula uses the CPI or 2%, whichever is lower.
- The cap applies only to total tax levy (total taxes to be raised)
- Does not place a cap on tax rates or tax bills. Final tax rates will vary by town based on equalization rates and assessment growth.

Maximum Tax Levy for 2017–2018 Budget

Maximum Allowable Tax Levy = 3.93%

increase of \$1,687,726

Proposed Tax Levy = 1.50%

Increase of \$644,457

What is New for 2017–2018

- Addition of (2) Elementary Academic Intervention Services (AIS) Teachers
- Reinstatement of (2) Middle School Foreign Language Teaching positions
- Addition of (1) English and (1) Social Studies at the HS
- Addition of (1) Districtwide PE Teacher
- Addition of (1) Technology Integration Teacher
- Addition of (1) Supervisor of Professional Learning
- Reinstatement of After School Late Runs
- Addition of 3 new sports teams – Varsity Girls Golf, Modified Boys Lacrosse and Modified Girls Lacrosse
- Addition of 2 new Cross Country coaches - Varsity Girls and Modified Girls

Positions Created with District Programming Changes

- (2) Special Education Teachers
- (1) Physical Therapist
- (1) Physical Therapist Assistant
- (3) Teacher Aides
- (1) Licensed Practical Nurse
- (2) K-2 Reading Teachers

PROPOSED

REVENUES & EXPENDITURES

Local Tax Levy (+1.50%)	\$43,608,227	(+644,457)
State Aid (-.60%)	\$42,780,023	(-\$256,599)
Other Income (+CPV Pilot)	\$ 2,489,862	(+\$275,707)
Use of ERS/WC Reserve	\$ 2,468,656	(+\$584,791)
Appropriated Fund Bal	\$ 6,060,296	(+\$87,858)
2017-18 Budget	\$ 97,407,064	
2016-17 Budget	\$ 96,070,850	
Budget Increase	\$ 1,336,214	(+1.39%)

Proposition #2

Purchase of School Buses

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– Purchase of School Buses – \$968,035

- Anticipated (12) bus purchases:
 - 2 - 66 passenger buses
 - 1 - 72 passenger bus
 - 3 - 30 passenger buses
 - 3 - 29 passenger buses
 - 3 - 20 passenger buses

- Principal and interest state aided at approximately 75% over 5 years

- Net cost for vehicles after transportation aid is \$242,009 or \$20,167 per bus

Vehicles in Need of Replacement

- Total bus fleet consists of 94 buses
- Eleven (11) Buses expected to be retired:
 - 3 - 66 passenger buses
 - 3 - 7 passenger Dodge Caravans
 - 1 - 47 passenger mini bus
 - 2 - 28 passenger buses
 - 2 - 21/14wc passenger buses
 - 1 - 12/6wc passenger bus
- Mileage for above buses range from 140,000 to 231,000 miles. All buses were purchased in 2007 while the caravans were purchased in 2009.

Items for Consideration

PROPOSITION I - 2017-2018 Proposed Budget

- 2017-2018 \$97,407,064
- Spending Increase 1.39%
- Tax Levy increase - 1.50%

PROPOSITION II - Bus Purchases

- Projected purchase of 12 buses - \$968,035
- 75% reimbursable
- Continues 10 year replacement plan
- Allows district to retire 11 buses with high mileage and increasing maintenance costs

Board of Education - 4 Seats

- Elect 3 Members to the Board of Education for a three year term
- Elect 1 Member to the Board of Education for a one year term



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THE PROPOSED
2017-2018
BUDGET

Budget Format

The format for NYS school budgets groups expenditures into 5 major categories:

- *General Support*
- *Instruction*
- *Transportation*
- *Employee Benefits*
- *Debt Service*

General Support

*BoE·Central Administration·BusinessOffice
Legal·Operations & Maintenance·Insurance·Data·
BOCES Administrative Charges·Printing & Postage*

FACTORS:

- Contractual Increases
- Additional Staffing for Business Office
- BOCES administration charges

<u>2016-17</u>	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>% chg</u>
\$8,889,341	\$9,226,132	+3.79%

Instruction

*Regular Instruction·Special Education
Special Services·Technology·Athletics
Career & Technical Education*

FACTORS:

- Program costs increase due to contractual obligations and expanded program offerings for students
- Restoration and addition of positions

<u>2016-17</u>	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>% chg</u>
\$51,165,825	\$51,804,858	+1.25%

Transportation

FACTORS:

- Increased fuel costs for bus runs
- Contractual obligations for staffing

2016-17
\$5,179,055

2017-18
\$5,439,185

% chg
+5.02%

Employee Benefits

FACTORS:

- Overall benefit costs are projected to be relatively flat for the 2017–18 school year due to reduced pension contribution rates and contained health insurance costs under district's self-funded plan.

<u>2016–17</u>	<u>2017–18</u>	<u>% chg</u>
\$21,711,584	\$21,714,062	+.01%

Debt Service / Interfund Transfers

FACTOR:

- District continues to secure lower interest rates to maximize building aid through refinancing.

<u>2016-17</u>	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>% chg</u>
\$9,108,795	\$9,206,077	1.07%

Impact on LOCAL Taxes

Preliminary Projection

1.50% Tax levy increase

To be Finalized – August 2017

PROPERTY TAX REBATE

- Orange County residents that receive a STAR exemption on their home, AND earn \$275,000 or less, are eligible to receive a STAR rebate of \$130 from the state since the district complied with the tax cap.

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Board of Education.

(3) Three year terms and (1) one-year term

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