



# Valley Views

Budget Edition  
May 2023

NEWARK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## A message from our superintendent

Dear Cardinal Community,

On Tuesday, May 16, Newark Valley registered voters will vote on the proposed adopted \$28,751,314 budget for the 2023-2024 school year. This budget represents an increase of \$1,409,530, resulting in an increase of 5.16% from the previous school year. Two members of our Board of Education are also running for reelection, and you will learn more about them in this newsletter.

I'm pleased to say that this budget is sound and responsible. Our administration's goal was to preserve positions and programs that were created using federal stimulus funds. We strived to keep everything that we've implemented intact as we plan for the COVID-19 relief funds expiring next year. There is an increase of 2.86% to taxpayers, which is below the tax levy limit 4.51%.

If passed, this budget will ensure that we are able to continue providing Newark Valley students with ample academic, arts and athletic opportunities, which together, create a quality and well-rounded education. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Todd Schaffer  
Interim Superintendent



Budget Snapshot		
	Total	Change
Budget	\$28,751,314	5.16%
Tax levy	\$8,362,864	2.86%

Important dates		
	Date	Time
Public hearing	May 8	5:30 p.m.
Budget vote	May 16	Noon- 8 p.m.

**VOTER QUALIFICATIONS**

Voting upon the budget and Board candidates will occur:

**May 16, 2023 – Noon - 8 p.m.**  
**Newark Valley High School Auditorium**  
**68 Wilson Creek Road, Newark Valley**

To be eligible to vote, you must fulfill **ALL** of the following requirements:

- be a citizen of the United States
- be at least 18 years of age; and
- be a resident of the district for a least 30 days preceding the meeting at which you offer to vote.



# BUDGET AT A GLANCE

## ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

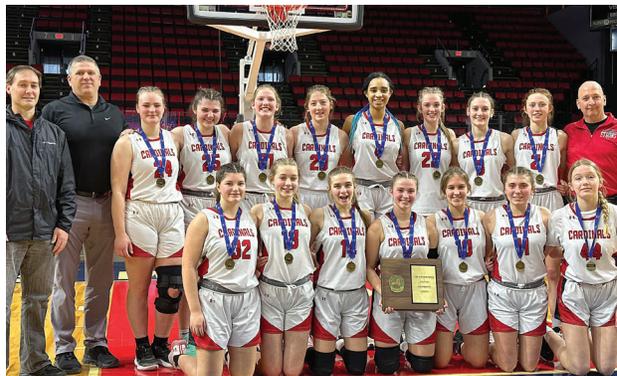
Budget component	2022/2023	2023/2024	\$ Change	% Change
Administrative	\$2,986,348	\$3,197,460	\$211,112	7.07%
Program	\$19,748,282	\$20,774,609	\$1,026,327	5.20%
Capital	\$4,607,154	\$4,779,245	\$172,091	3.74%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$27,341,784</b>	<b>\$28,751,314</b>	<b>\$1,409,530</b>	<b>5.16%</b>

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Object of expense	2022/2023	2023/2024	\$ Change	% Change
Staff	\$11,048,418	\$11,507,186	\$458,768	4.15%
Equipment	\$170,000	\$172,227	\$2,227	1.31%
Purchased services	\$1,438,075	\$1,549,900	\$111,825	7.78%
Materials	\$919,895	\$946,433	\$26,538	2.88%
Tuition	\$193,095	\$220,520	\$27,425	14.20%
Textbooks	\$13,112	\$13,000	\$(112)	-0.85%
BOCES services	\$3,619,920	\$4,001,666	\$381,746	10.55%
Employee benefits	\$8,082,000	\$8,411,124	\$329,124	4.07%
Interfund transfers	\$1,857,269	\$1,929,258	\$71,989	3.88%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$27,341,784</b>	<b>\$28,751,314</b>	<b>\$1,409,530</b>	<b>5.16%</b>

## ESTIMATED REVENUE OFFSET

Source of revenue	2022/2023	2023/2024	\$ Change	% Change
State aid	\$17,129,121	\$18,145,320	\$1,016,199	5.93%
Other sources	\$279,600	\$591,000	\$311,400	111.37%
Appropriated fund balance	\$1,050,000	\$824,130	\$(225,870)	-21.51%
Appropriated reserves	\$734,593	\$810,000	\$75,407	10.27%
Federal aid	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$-	0.00%
Tax levy	\$8,130,470	\$8,362,864	\$232,394	2.86%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$27,341,784</b>	<b>\$28,751,314</b>	<b>\$1,409,530</b>	<b>5.16%</b>





**Randall H. Kerr**

I grew up in Richford, NY, attended the Eastman Elementary school, and graduated from Newark Valley in 1980. After college I began work at IBM serving in many positions and at many locations. My two longest assignments were in management (up to 120 people) and in operations (coordinating over 700 people) where I focused on world-wide revenue and gross-profit processes, consolidation, reporting, and coordination of the project management team. I have three sons, all of whom graduated from NVCS.

I have been a Newark Valley School Board member since 1991 and have served many years as the Board's President. I have served on many committees in the District, in our BOCES Region, and in the State. I have been on the regional school board executive committee for many years and serve as the chairman of the regional Legislative Committee. I am also our District's representative on both the regional Health

Insurance Consortium, where I also serve on the Rates Committee, and the regional Worker's Compensation Alliance. I am the Chairman of both the Consortium and the Alliance.

I sincerely enjoy serving on the Newark Valley School Board and try to represent the residents of our district and the children in our schools by being actively involved in district committees and educational issues locally, area wide, and state wide. I enjoy getting into our buildings and seeing our students in action, interacting with them, and to hearing what they are doing. We have many impressive programs, staff, and students!

My goals for our school district are similar to those I had my first year on the Board:

- having high expectations for all staff and students, and having the support structure in place to achieve those expectations

- providing the best possible educational programs and facilities at supportable costs
- being a leader in educational programs and value
- involving a caring staff in making a strong community-school
- creating solutions to ease the local tax burden

Much has been done in each of these areas over my terms on the School Board and challenges are sure to continue each year. With strong staff, strong educational leadership, and strong community involvement, we can continue to improve in all of these areas. We must keep the focus on our children, our community, and how we can best achieve our goals in both good and difficult times. Educational excellence, community pride, and the development of our children as good citizens should help drive our decisions.

**Sue Watson**

I have been a resident of the NV School District since 1997 and both my daughters graduated from Newark Valley. I grew up in Vestal and graduated from Ithaca College. Currently, I work at United Health Care as a Sr. Network Account Manager. I currently serve as the Vice President of the Board as well as a member of the Audit Committee, Health Insurance Consortium, Worker's Compensation Consortium.

In the 15 years since I joined the Board, we have seen a transition in

leadership and staffing, as well as many changes in instruction. The continued focus and goal is to always do what is best for the students. In addition to consistently ranking high in our academic achievements within the region, we strive to offer students the chance to grow and find their passion with the abundance of extra-curricular activities offered, beginning as early as the elementary grades. Ranging from strong athletic opportunities to clubs that highlight student's talents, we continue to develop the social and academic

equilibrium for students, to prepare them for the future.

Our greatest task continues to be how to balance our annual budget -- to provide the best for our students and keep the tax contribution to an acceptable level to the taxpayers. I believe the NV Board has shown success in both these areas, and I look forward to serving another term as a Board Member and continue to contribute to the changes and growth of the District in the future.

Thank you.



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**BUDGET:**

Shall the Board of Education be authorized to expend the sum of \$28,751,314.00 for the 2023-2024 school year and to levy the necessary tax therefore?

**PROPOSITION NO. 1**

Shall the Board of Education of the Newark Valley Central School District, located in the counties of Tioga, Tompkins, Cortland and Broome, State of New York, be authorized to finance the costs of the acquisition of three (3) school buses at a maximum cost of \$473,250.00 and to authorize and issue serial bonds in the principal amount of \$425,925.00 and to levy real estate taxes for the cost of such purpose?

**PROPOSITION NO. 2**

If Proposition No. 1 is adopted, shall the Board of Education of the Newark Valley Central School District, located in the counties of Tioga, Tompkins, Cortland and Broome, State of New York, be authorized to expend \$47,325.00 from moneys in a voter approved capital reserve fund established by the School District on May 12, 1993, as amended on May 21, 2002, for the purchase of School District vehicles, including school buses and any other preliminary and incidental costs related thereto in and for the School District?

