

Valley Views

Budget Edition
May 2024

NEWARK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

A message from our superintendent

Dear Parents, Guardians, and
Community Members,

I am proud of the work we are doing here in Newark Valley. We are working on renewing our mission and vision, and a new strategic plan for the district. It is the foundation on which the administration and the Board of Education will make decisions on the direction of the district. These decisions will be fiscally responsible and maintain an educational program that will effectively meet the needs of all our students. The proposed 2024-2025 budget is \$29,803,569 with a 4.0% tax levy. This local tax levy increase is under the maximum tax cap; as our tax cap limit this year was 5.0%.

In light of the current economic climate, we have carefully reviewed our budget to identify areas where we can make strategic adjustments to ensure sustainability without compromising the educational experience of our students. Our goal is to maintain the existing programming that has proven

to be effective in meeting the diverse needs of our student body.

I assure you that every decision regarding the school budget is made with careful consideration of its potential impact on our students and community. This budget continues to support a vast selection of academic opportunities, athletics, visual and performing arts, and other extracurricular activities, as well as our recently voter approved building project.

Remember, your vote is important, and every vote counts. We are grateful for our partnerships with our students, families, staff, and community. We look forward to our continued work together to ensure all our students are provided with as many educational opportunities as possible.

Sincerely,



Timothy M. Calice
Superintendent of Schools



Budget Snapshot

	Total	Change
Budget	\$29,803,569	3.66%
Tax levy	\$8,697,158	4.00%

Important dates

	Date	Time
Public hearing	May 13	5:30 p.m.
Budget vote	May 21	11a.m. - 7 p.m.

VOTER QUALIFICATIONS

Voting upon the budget and Board candidates will occur:

May 21, 2024 – 11a.m. - 7 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.

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BUDGET AT A GLANCE

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

Budget component	2023/2024	2024/2025	\$ Change	% Change
Administrative	\$3,197,460	\$3,214,646	\$17,186	0.54%
Program	\$20,774,609	\$21,418,163	\$643,554	3.10%
Capital	\$4,779,245	\$5,170,760	\$391,515	8.19%
TOTAL	\$28,751,314	\$29,803,569	\$1,052,255	3.66%

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

Object of expense	2023/2024	2024/2025	\$ Change	% Change
Staff	\$11,507,186	\$12,214,515	\$707,329	6.15%
Equipment	\$172,227	\$182,227	\$10,000	5.81%
Purchased services	\$1,549,900	\$1,556,320	\$6,420	0.41%
Materials	\$946,433	\$943,425	\$(3,008)	-0.32%
Tuition	\$220,520	\$220,520	\$-	0.00%
Textbooks	\$13,000	\$13,000	\$-	0.00%
BOCES services	\$4,001,666	\$4,453,498	\$451,832	11.29%
Employee benefits	\$8,411,124	\$7,939,785	\$(471,339)	-5.60%
Interfund transfers	\$1,929,258	\$2,280,279	\$351,021	18.19%
TOTAL	\$28,751,314	\$29,803,569	\$1,052,255	3.66%

ESTIMATED REVENUE OFFSET

Source of revenue	2023/2024	2024/2025	\$ Change	% Change
State aid	\$18,145,320	\$19,149,380	\$1,004,060	5.53%
Other sources	\$591,000	\$464,000	\$(127,000)	-21.49%
Appropriated fund balance	\$824,130	\$800,000	\$(24,130)	-2.93%
Appropriated reserves	\$810,000	\$675,031	\$(134,969)	-16.66%
Federal aid	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$-	0.00%
Tax levy	\$8,362,864	\$8,697,158	\$334,294	4.00%
TOTAL	\$28,751,314	\$29,803,569	\$1,052,255	3.66%



MOLLY DENIS

I have been a resident of Newark Valley since 2014. I have three daughters, one whom graduated from Newark Valley High School in 2022, and two who are currently students in the district.

I am currently serving on the board of the new community center, as a deacon for our church, and President of the Newark Valley Music Boosters.

The students in this district matter a great deal to me, and it is important to me that everyone is given a voice on issues that are important to them.

My vision as a member of the school board is to create a lasting positive change where the community works to the best interests of every child in the district.

LISA JENSEN

I am a Newark Valley resident and parent of a student graduating this year. Through many town events and activities my son has been involved in through our local Boy Scouts Troop 30 and school band, I have had the opportunity to meet many wonderful community members and look forward to meeting many more. Currently, I am employed with The Dunn Group as a manager of our Personal Lines Insurance department and I volunteer as the treasurer for the Northern Tioga Chamber of Commerce.

I believe the current Newark Valley Board of Education has shown success in providing the best for our students while keeping the tax contribution at an acceptable level. My goals for the district are to continue to focus on the students, provide the best possible elective programs and clubs that are within our budget and seek solutions to keep the tax burden at a minimum. I look forward to serving another term as a board member and to contribute to the growth of the district in the future.

JAMES PHILLIPS

James Phillips, a cornerstone of the Newark Valley community for decades, brings a wealth of experience and dedication to the Board of Education. With a deep-rooted commitment to education, community, athletics and extracurricular activities, Jim has made an indelible mark on the district's development.

Having raised a family of six children, all of whom graduated from Newark Valley High School, and three grandchildren who have successfully completed their education within the district and returned to Newark Valley, Jim stands as a testament to the enduring value of this district and community. Currently, Jim has the joy of watching seven additional grandchildren thrive in the NV school system, with more to follow the coming years.

Jim is a strong advocate for holistic child development, understanding the pivotal role that education, community engagement, athletics and extracurricular pursuits play in shaping well-rounded individuals. This passion for community enrichment extends beyond the boardroom discussions, as evidenced by his remarkable 30-year tenure volunteering with the Northern Tioga Youth League. As a coach across multiple sports including football, wrestling and softball, Jim has positively impacted countless young lives, imparting essential values of teamwork, discipline, and perseverance.

Balancing a vision for excellence in education with fiscal responsibility, Jim prioritizes providing diverse opportunities for students while maintaining a prudent approach to budgetary management. Jim's continued board membership and leadership underscores the importance of community collaboration in nurturing the next generation of leaders and achievers.

As a member of the Board of Education, Jim will continue to champion these ideals, ensuring that Newark Valley remains a vibrant hub of learning, growth, and community spirit. Through his unwavering dedication and proactive approach, Jim inspires and empowers educators, students, and families to realize their fullest potential within our educational community.

STUART WANDELL

I'm Stuart Wandell, and Newark Valley is more than just my hometown—it's the very essence of who I am. Born and raised right here, I owe everything to this community that molded me into the person I am today. From the countless opportunities in sports that taught me teamwork and determination and the top-notch education that laid the groundwork for my future.

That's why I'm running for another term with the Newark Valley School Board. I believe in giving back to the place that has given me so much. As a proud resident, I understand the importance of ensuring that every child has access to the same high-quality education and enriching experiences that I was fortunate to have.

My family and I call Newark Valley home, and my daughter is currently in eighth grade, attending the same schools that I once did. This personal connection fuels my dedication to advocating for the best interests of all students and families in our district.

I bring with me a wealth of experience, a genuine love for our community, and a steadfast commitment to serving on the Newark Valley School Board. With your support, I'm determined to uphold the tradition of excellence in education and pave the way for a bright future for all students in Newark Valley.



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BUDGET:

Shall the Board of Education be authorized to expend the sum of \$29,803,569.00 for the 2024-2025 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 \$504,554 and to authorize and issue serial bonds in the principal amount of \$454,099 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 \$50,455 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 buses and any other preliminary and incidental costs related thereto in and for the School District?

