

## **WESTFIELD ACADEMY AND CENTRAL SCHOOL**

### **2021-22 Budget Building Objectives**

**Mission Statement: The Westfield Central School Board of Education, Administration, Staff and Community will cooperatively develop the 2021-22 Budget with the following objectives in mind:**

- 1) We recognize that NYS is at the beginning of a multiyear budget deficit and will be forcing local taxpayers to fund an ever-greater fraction of our student's education. Following the Board of Education's history of prudent fiscal management, the proposed 2021-22 tax levy will be at or below the permitted State tax levy limit.**
  
- 2) The 2021-22 budget will be developed by all stakeholders with the focus on a fair and balanced approach to supporting, maintaining & strengthening existing programs. Recommendations by the stakeholders for adjustments to the budget will be based on enrollments, required educational outcomes, mandates and the WACS Mission Statement.**
  
- 3) Review and application of Fund Balance and Reserves will be done in a fiscally prudent manner in order to support the educational program and ensure the long-term fiscal health of the District. The use of Reserves will balance educational need and long-term stability according to the Board's multi-year plan. Future excess revenues will be designated and appropriated in order to support this multi-year approach.**

