
LAWRENCE

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2019-2020

PROPOSED BUDGET
AN EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

BUDGET VOTE

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

7:00 AM – 10:00 PM

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POLLING LOCATIONS

Primary School at Number Two School
1 Donahue Avenue, Inwood

Lawrence Middle School
195 Broadway, Lawrence

Lawrence High School
2 Reilly Road, Cedarhurst

Atlantic Beach Village Hall
65 The Plaza, Atlantic Beach

Residents who wish to view the line-by-line details may view the 2019-2020 Proposed Budget on the district website Lawrence.org.

CURRENT
BUDGET
2018-19

PROPOSED
BUDGET
2019-20

REVENUES

As a school district, we have limited sources of income. We aggressively pursue and are awarded grants, state and federal funds, and maximize our investments.

◆ STATE AID (Non-Tax Revenues)	\$12,147,742	\$12,880,481
◆ APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE PLUS SURPLUS	\$0	\$0
◆ OTHER SOURCES (Non-Tax Revenues)	\$4,144,818	\$3,614,500
◆ TAX LEVY	\$86,156,721	\$85,954,300
◆ TAX LEVY – CAPITAL PROJECT EXCLUSIONS	\$0	\$0
TOTAL REVENUES	\$102,449,281	\$102,449,281

EXPENDITURES

New York State requires that all public schools report their spending in the "Three-Part Budget" format in categories of Administration, Program, and Capital.

THREE-PART BUDGET

◆ ADMINISTRATION	\$10,390,013	\$10,822,502
◆ PROGRAM	\$81,031,842	\$80,830,403
◆ CAPITAL	\$11,027,426	\$10,796,376
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$102,449,281	\$102,449,281

ADMINISTRATION, 10.564% OF THE BUDGET, \$10,822,502

	CURRENT BUDGET 2018-19	PROPOSED BUDGET 2019-20
Administrative Services — Offices of the Superintendent, Human Resources, and Business: salaries of administrators, secretarial and support staff; supplies, equipment and contractual services, and all related expenses, including BOCES services, legal fees, including annual retainer for Board of Education attorneys	\$2,702,478	\$2,783,541
Central Services — Includes central printing, mailing, service contracts for equipment; data processing for all student administrative services, as well as maintenance fees of financial programs for payroll, accounting, personnel and staff attendance	\$1,986,384	\$1,986,920
Curriculum — Salaries of the Assistant Superintendent and Curriculum Office staff; supplies, related expenses; salaries of building principals, supervisors, their administrative staffs and clerical personnel, hall monitors and aides; related expenses for equipment purchase, rental and service agreements	\$1,258,994	\$1,305,359
Special Items — Insurance, mandated charges such as the district's BOCES administrative cost, fees to Villages of Cedarhurst and Lawrence, School Association dues; investigative services for nonresident cases	\$1,061,275	\$1,061,275
Employee Benefits — Includes employer's FICA obligation, Medicare, health, dental, optical and life insurance. Employees contribute to the aforementioned benefits. Where possible, the district utilizes self-insurance programs as a cost-containing measure. Also includes workers' compensation, unemployment, health insurance, and reimbursement of Medicare Part B expenses for retirees over age 65	\$3,380,882	\$3,685,407
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	\$10,390,013	\$10,822,502

PROGRAM, 78.898% OF THE BUDGET, \$80,830,403

	CURRENT BUDGET 2018-19	PROPOSED BUDGET 2019-20
Classroom Instruction/Regular School — Salaries for all teachers, aides, and substitutes; furniture and equipment, contractual expenses, textbooks for public and nonpublic students; supplies and materials and BOCES-related expenses	\$25,448,787	\$25,242,011
Special Education — Salaries for all special education teachers, aides, support and clerical staff for all programs conducted within the district; equipment, supplies; tuition and legal services for special education students and foster children receiving BOCES services	\$19,585,024	\$19,511,576
Pupil Services and Activities — Salaries for Attendance, Guidance, Health Services, Psychological Services, Social Work Services, Co-curricular and Interscholastic Athletics staff and clerical support; supplies, fees and testing costs where applicable	\$7,323,517	\$7,361,724
Transportation — Transportation/Central Registration: staff and special education bus monitors; medical exams, training, expenses for Central Registration. Contract Transportation: costs related to transport of public and nonpublic students, handicapped pupils, field trips, and school activities	\$11,052,777	\$11,038,848
Employee Benefits — Includes employer's FICA obligation, Medicare, health, dental, optical and life insurance. Employees contribute to the aforementioned benefits. Where possible, the district utilizes self-insurance programs as a cost-containing measure. Also includes workers' compensation, unemployment, health insurance, and reimbursement of Medicare Part B expenses for retirees over age 65..	\$16,504,331	\$16,573,725
Other — Special schools, academic support and grants-in-aid, instructional media and technology	\$777,406	\$762,519
Interfund Transfers — Local Share for Summer Handicapped and Section 4201 School	\$340,000	\$340,000
TOTAL PROGRAM	\$81,031,842	\$80,830,403

CAPITAL, 10.538% OF THE BUDGET, \$10,796,376

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Operations and Plant Maintenance — Salaries of maintenance, grounds, cleaning and security crews and related supervisors for four buildings; equipment; contracted services for property repairs, property insurance; BOCES/health and safety officials; utilities and WAN/Fiber optic internet lines; cleaning supplies and materials	\$5,332,391	\$5,319,381
Debt Service — Includes payments, principal and interest on notes, and energy efficient bonds, copy machine leases	\$332,823	\$75,000
Employee Benefits — Includes employer's FICA obligation, Medicare, health, dental, optical and life insurance. Employees contribute to the aforementioned benefits. Where possible, the district utilizes self-insurance programs as a cost-containing measure. Also includes workers' compensation, unemployment, health insurance, and reimbursement of Medicare Part B expenses for retirees over age 65	\$1,397,865	\$1,437,048
Interfund Transfer FEMA Capital Projects	\$3,964,347	\$3,964,947
TOTAL CAPITAL	\$11,027,426	\$10,796,376

BUDGET VOTE

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Residents may visit the Board of Education Budget Vote/Election Information page located on our website, Lawrence.org for in depth information. There are links that will enable residents to check their voter registration status, polling locations along with absentee ballot information.

† VOTER ELIGIBILITY

Anyone who is a United States citizen, at least 18 years of age and a resident of School District 15 for more than 30 days prior to the vote is eligible to register. Eligible voters also include those who have voted in school district elections within the past four years and those who are registered with the Nassau County Board of Elections. It is not required that a voter who registers with the school district for the annual election also be registered with the Nassau County Board of Elections.

† VOTER REGISTRATION

Eligible voters may register in person throughout the school year with Ms. Mohinder Bharaj, District Clerk. Personal Voter Registration will be on Tuesday, May 7th between 4:00 pm and 8:00 pm in the Office of the District Clerk located in Lawrence High School. Two forms of identification will be required. This will only register you for school district elections. It will not register you for general elections. The deadline for personal registration is at 11:00 am on Wednesday, May 8th.

† ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS

Qualified registered voters may obtain applications for absentee ballots from the District Clerk or download one from the website. Applications must be received at least 7 days before the vote if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots are automatically sent to residents who are qualified voters whose registration records have been marked "permanently disabled" by the Board of Elections.

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† CONTACT INFORMATION

Ms. Mohinder Bharaj, District Clerk
Lawrence Union Free School District, Board of Education
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Mailing Address: P.O. Box 477, Lawrence, New York 11559
516-295-7032

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Ann Pedersen, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

The Lawrence Union Free School District hereby advises students, parents, employees, and the general public that it offers employment and educational opportunities, including vocational educational opportunities, without regard to sex, race, color, national origin, or handicap. Inquiries regarding this nondiscrimination policy may be directed to Dr. Ann Pedersen, Superintendent, Lawrence School District Compliance Officer/Title IX and Sec. 504; Lawrence Union Free School District, P.O. Box 477, Lawrence, NY 11559. Tel. 516-295-7030.

WHAT IS ON THE BALLOT?

† PROPOSITION NO. 1: SCHOOL BUDGET

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Lawrence Union Free School District No. 15, Town of Hempstead, Nassau County, New York, be authorized to expend the sum of **One Hundred Two Million Four Hundred Forty Nine Thousand Two Hundred Eighty One Dollars (\$102,449,281)** for the fiscal year 2019-2020, and is further authorized to levy the necessary tax for the above purpose upon the taxable property of the School District, after first deducting the monies available from State aid and other sources.

† PROPOSITION NO. 2: LIBRARY BUDGET

RESOLVED, that the sum of **Three Million Fifty Five Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars (\$3,055,877)** be appropriated for the Peninsula Public Library for the fiscal year 2019-2020 and that said amount be raised by tax upon the taxable property of the Lawrence Union Free School District No. 15, Town of Hempstead, Nassau County, New York, pursuant to § 259 of the Education Law, and be levied and collected in the same manner as are other general taxes, after first deducting the monies available from State aid and other sources.

† PROPOSITION NO. 3: TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR 2018-2019 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Lawrence Union Free School District No. 15, Town of Hempstead, Nassau County, New York be authorized to transfer the maximum estimated amount of **Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000)** of unexpended, unreserved funds to the Capital Reserve Fund, established by the voters on April 1, 2015, to construct improvements and renovations during the 2018-2019 school year, which improvements consist of Lawrence High School Sports and Athletics Facilities Renovation, Broadway Campus Air Conditioning Installation, Broadway Campus Corridor Renovation and Locker Replacement, Broadway Campus Classroom Renovations with Door & Hardware Replacement, District-Wide Security Improvements, High School and Broadway Campus Heating, Ventilation and Air conditioning Improvements, and other improvements and costs incidental thereto.

† PROPOSITION NO. 4: TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR 2019-2020 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Lawrence Union Free School District No. 15, Town of Hempstead, Nassau County, New York be authorized to transfer the maximum estimated amount of **Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000)** of unexpended, unreserved funds to the Capital Reserve Fund, established by the voters on April 1, 2015, to construct improvements and renovations during the 2019-2020 school year, which improvements consist of Broadway Campus Sports and Athletics Facilities Renovation, High School Window Replacement, High School Library Renovation, Broadway Campus Cafeteria with Kitchen and Toilet Room Renovations, High School and Broadway Campus HVAC Improvements, and other improvements and costs incidental thereto.

† PROPOSITION NO. 5: TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) PROJECTS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Lawrence Union Free School District No. 15, Town of Hempstead, Nassau County, New York be authorized to transfer the maximum estimated amount of **Fifteen Million Dollars (\$15,000,000)** of unexpended, unreserved funds and undesignated capital to the Capital Reserve Fund, established by the voters on April 1, 2015, for FEMA projects and other improvements and costs incidental thereto.

† **SCHOOL BOARD TRUSTEE:** To elect two (2) trustees of the Board of Education for a three (3) year term commencing July 1, 2019, and ending on June 30, 2022.

† **LIBRARY BOARD TRUSTEE:** To elect one (1) trustee of the Peninsula Public Library for a five (5) year term commencing July 1, 2019 and ending on June 30, 2024.