

Sag Harbor UFSD

Board of Education Meeting

May 6, 2014

Dr. Carl Bonuso, Interim Superintendent of Schools

The Greatest Emotional Investment

Our Children

The Greatest Financial Investment

Our Home

The Best Way of Protecting Both

Investing in Your Schools

Classic Definition of Education A "Drawing Out" Mind, Body, and Soul

Quality of a School

Quality of a Community



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ACADEMICS

- Pierson High School is an International Baccalaureate World School. The district currently offers the Diploma Program for students in grades 11 and 12 and is in the process of applying for the Middle Years Program for students in grades 6-10.
- The **Pierson Robotics Team placed second at the Long Island Regional** FIRST Robotics Competition and won the **Engineering Inspiration Award.**
- Pierson scored no. 23 out of 127 high schools on Long Island for the highest average SAT score.
- The **elementary school Spanish program** is in its 10th year. All children in grades K-5 receive foreign language instruction.
- New Common Core math curriculum is supported by longer math instructional periods and ongoing staff development.
- The **elementary school Math Olympiad team** was formed. Students have been challenged in problem solving and have competed against students from all over the world.
- Middle School students can choose to participate in a wide range of **afterschool enrichment** clubs.
- **Technology** has been enhanced at the elementary school. This includes the addition of iPads at the lower grade levels, reallocating existing MacBooks.
- Class carts of Chromebooks and MacBook Air laptop computers will be introduced at Pierson Middle/High School.
- Districtwide planned **infrastructure improvements** include: Replacement of network switches; upgrading of the wireless networks; and improved filtering services.

ARTS

- Fifty Pierson Middle and High School music students were chosen to participate at various music festivals sponsored by New York State Band Directors Association, New York State Council of Administrators in Music Education, Suffolk County Music Educators' Association and Hamptons Music Educators Association.
- The Pierson chorus participated in a **Broadway workshop** with members of the cast of the musical "Once" helping students develop their theater skills.
- The cast of **Pierson's production of "A Chorus Line"** was selected out of 18 participating school districts on the east end of Long Island to perform at the annual Teeny Awards ceremony on June 8.
- Pierson art students participated in Reutershan workshops on wax sculpture, illustration and digital print making, and their work can now be seen in local museums, libraries and galleries.
- **Eighty percent** of the elementary fourth and fifth-grade children play an **instrument** (orchestra, guitar, band) or are members of our musical ensembles.
- Elementary boys and girls enjoyed an introduction into **songwriting and dance** through new afterschool enrichment opportunities.
- Our growing elementary school chorus has performed at Pierson's spirit nights and led the National Anthem at the Long Island Ducks baseball stadium.

ALTRUISM

- Pierson's **National Honor Society** students have raised more than **\$1,800** for various local and national charities via the annual Change for Change fundraiser and contributed more than **800** hours of community service to date.
- Students in **Environmental Systems and Society** class displayed posters for Earth Day at the **South Fork Natural History Museum.**
- With support from Pierson International Baccalaureate students, the elementary and middle school participated in a **recycling challenge** raising both funds and awareness for a greener way of life. In celebration of Earth Day, children pledged "Acts of Greenness" doing their part to support a greener planet.
- The third annual Helping Hands variety show raised funds to support the work of **Jordan's Initiative.**
- Elementary students donated rainbow bracelets to the "Looms of Love" Foundation, sending more than 500 bracelets to local senior citizens.

ATHLETICS

- Pierson provides the opportunity for students to participate on **62 teams in 24 sports** in various levels of competition.
- Five fall and winter varsity teams earned the New York State Public High School Athletic Association **Scholar Athlete Team Award**.
- Four varsity and junior varsity teams were awarded Section XI **sportsmanship honors** for their league.
- The varsity field hockey team captured the **Class C New York State Championship.** It was the first state championship for the program and the second state championship for Pierson.
- The girls varsity basketball team won the Suffolk County Class C Championship.
- The girls varsity volleyball team and the boys varsity soccer team were Suffolk County finalists.

Drivers to the Budget

What factors control budget development?

- > "2% Tax Levy Cap"
- Contractual & Mandated Expenses
 - ➤ NYS Teacher's & Employee's Retirement Systems
 - NYS Health Insurance Program
 - Employee benefits increased \$652K or 7.4% (ERS/TRS/Health Ins./etc.)
 - Collective Bargaining Agreements

The "2% Tax Cap"

Reminder: It <u>is not</u> a Property Tax Cap and it is typically not 2%.

- In fact, it is only a threshold controlling the allowable increase to the tax levy.
- Controlled by factors such as:
 - Tax Base Growth Factor (this year 1.0091)
 - Allowable Levy Growth Factor (lesser of 2% or CPI-U)
 - This year the CPI-U is 1.46%
 - Capital Projects Tax Levy
 - TRS and/or ERS Exclusions (None for 2014/2015)

2014/2015 Maximum Tax Levy Cap

2013 / 2014 Tax Levy

\$ 32,739,375

2014/2015 Tax Base Growth Factor (1.0091)

297,928

2014/2015 Allowable Levy Growth (1.46%)

453,018

2014/2015 TRS/ERS Exclusion

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2014/2015 Change in Capital Tax Levy

(255,159)

2014 / 2015 Maximum Tax Levy

\$ 33,235,162

This Maximum Tax Levy Limit would represent a ...

Levy-to-Levy increase of \$495,787

or a Percentage increase of **1.51%**

A budget at or below the cap requires a simple majority of voters = 50% + 1

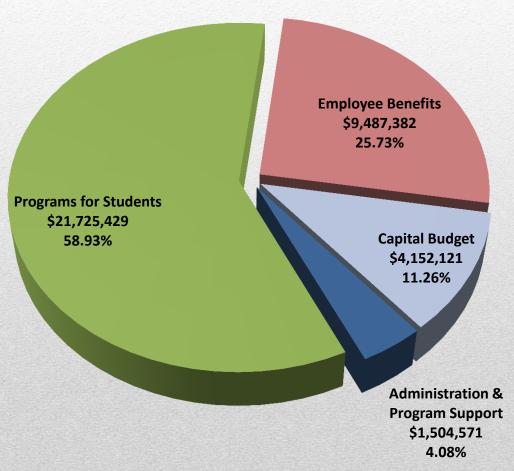
- Fiscally Prudent Living Within the Tax Levy Cap
- Continued Re-Investment in Our Facilities
- Upholds District's Commitment to Excellence in Education
 - Maintains Programs
 - Preserves Desirable Class Size
 - Provides Training and Materials for NYS Common Core

2013 / 2014 Voter Approved Budget	\$ 35,508,622
2014 / 2015 Proposed Budget	\$ 36,869,503
Budget-to-Budget Increase	\$ 1,360,881
Calculated Tax Levy to Support Budget	\$ 33,223,918
Proposed Tax Levy Percentage	1.48 %

PROPOSED BUDGET EXPENDITURES 2014-2015

	2013/2014	2014/2015	CHANGE	
	BUDGET	PROPOSED	\$	%
ADMINISTRATION AND PROGRAM SUPPORT				
Board of Education / District Clerk / Annual Meeting	\$62,372	\$52,262	(\$10,110)	-16.21%
Chief School Administrator	\$280,130	\$326,497	\$46,367	16.55%
Business /Finance / Legal / Auditing / Insurance	\$944,115	\$995,238	\$51,123	5.41%
BOCES Services - Administrative Charges	\$138,831	\$130,574	(\$8,257)	-5.95%
PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS				
Teaching / Co-Curricular / Educational Support	\$14,023,209	\$14,318,198	\$294,989	2.10%
Special Education and Related Services	\$4,629,875	\$4,709,342	\$79,467	1.72% 0.00%
Occupational Education	\$240,000	\$240,000	\$0	
Technology / Instructional Media	\$805,736	\$932,040	\$126,304	15.68%
Athletics	\$757,329	\$774,917	\$17,588	2.32%
Pupil Transportation	\$743,692	\$750,932	\$7,240	0.97%
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS				
Retirement / Social Security / Compensated Absences	\$4,834,610	\$5,236,002	\$401,392	8.30%
Worker's Compensation / Unemployement / Disability	\$181,088	\$199,526	\$18,438	10.18%
Health & Dental Insurance / 125 Plan Admin	\$3,791,200	\$4,051,854	\$260,654	6.88%
CAPITAL BUDGET				
Debt Services	\$1,605,830	\$1,624,220	\$18,390	1.15%
Operations and Maintenance	\$2,230,604	\$2,210,901	(\$19,703)	-0.88%
Transfer to Capital Fund	\$240,000	\$317,000	\$77,000	32.08%
TOTAL BUDGET	\$35,508,622	\$36,869,503	\$1,360,881	3.83%

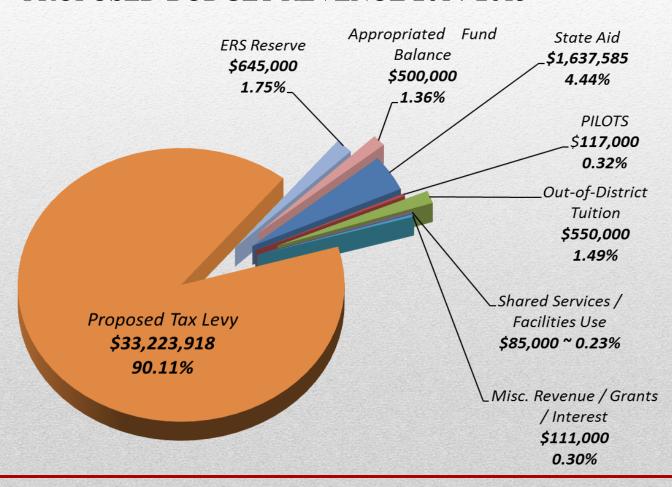
PROPOSED BUDGET EXPENDITURES 2014-2015



PROPOSED BUDGET REVENUE 2014-2015

	2013/2014	2014/2015	CHANGE	
	BUDGET	PROPOSED	\$	%
Summary of State Aid				
Foundation Aid	\$1,173,932	\$1,183,910	\$9,978	0.85%
Building Aid	\$138,913	\$139,882	\$969	0.70%
Transportation Aid	\$52,868	\$44,609	(\$8,259)	-15.62%
BOCES Aid / Special Services Aid	\$110,034	\$82,120	(\$27,914)	-25.37%
Software / Library / Textbook Aid	\$86,307	\$86,021	(\$286)	-0.33%
High Cost Excess Cost / Private Excess Cost Aid	\$62,158	\$107,008	\$44,850	72.15%
High Tax Aid	\$165,430	\$165,430	\$0	0.00%
State Aid Reduction / Projection Adjustment	(\$241,395)	(\$171,395)	\$70,000	-29.00%
Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILOTS)	\$117,000	\$117,000	\$0	0.00%
Out-of-District Tuition	\$475,000	\$550,000	\$75,000	15.79%
Charges for Services / Facilities Usage	\$50,000	\$85,000	\$35,000	70.00%
Grants, Interest, Miscellaneous Revenue	\$79,000	\$111,000	\$32,000	40.51%
General Fund Tax Levy	\$32,739,375	\$33,223,918	\$484,543	1.48%
Appropriation from ERS Reserve	\$0	\$645,000	\$645,000	-
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$0	0.00%
TOTAL BUDGET	\$35,508,622	\$36,869,503	\$1,360,881	3.83%

PROPOSED BUDGET REVENUE 2014-2015



Property Tax Rates

(Approximate – Based On 2013/2014 Assessed Values And Equalization Rates)

Proposed 2014/2015 Budget

\$ 36,795,422

Proposed 2014/2015 Tax Levy

\$ 33,223,918

Changes in Tax Rates per \$1000 of Assessed Value

	2013/2014	2014/2015	Monthly Impact		
			Home Value-	\$500,000	\$1,000,000
Southampton	\$ 5.25	\$ 5.32		\$2.92	\$5.83
East Hampton	\$ 719.69	\$ 729.23		\$2.90	\$5.80

In Brief ...

- Fiscally prudent budget well within Tax Levy Cap
- ➤ Tax Levy increase of 1.48%
- ➤ Requires "simple majority" vote 50% + 1
- ➤ Budget Vote **Tuesday, May 20**th Pierson Gym

7:00 am - 9:00 pm





Questions?



