

**Board of Education  
Regular Meeting**

**Minutes**

**April 17,2024**

**ELMIRA HEIGHTS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ELMIRA HEIGHTS, NEW YORK**

**Call to Order:** The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on April 17, 2024, by President Joseph Sullivan followed by the pledge of allegiance.

**Members Present:** Jody Buckley, Christopher Callas, John Cole, Terrance Day, Michael Lepak, Joseph Sullivan, Mikki Yesesky

**Others Present:** Michael Gill, Martha Clark, Tom Boyanowski

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES**

**Agenda -**

A motion was made by John Cole, seconded by Michael Lepak, and carried 7-0 to approve the agenda **with additions** for the April 17,2024 Board of Education Regular meeting.

**Minutes –**

A motion was made by Terrance Day, seconded Jody Buckley and carried 7-0 to approve the minutes of the following Board of Education Meetings: April 3, 2024 Board of Education Regular Meeting

**Order of Business:**

A motion was made by Mikki Yesesky, seconded by Michael Lepak and carried 7-0 to suspend the regular order of business to accommodate guests, special discussion topics and presentations in an order of business as deemed appropriate.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 7:07pm a motion was made by Terrance Day, seconded by Jody Buckley, and carried 7-0 to enter executive session for discussions on an individual personnel matter.

**ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 7:29pm a motion was made by Mikki Yesesky, seconded by Jody Buckley, and carried 7-0 to adjourn executive session.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND STAFF**

Michael Gill - Superintendent ♦ Spring has sprung using Zero turn mower ♦ Tree trimming and removal around the TAE parking lot and near the stadium. ♦ Visiting Sports team bus hit the fence up at Cohen, we have a temporary fix now until summer during other Capital Project fence fixes are done. ♦ Cohen Middle School office is underway. ♦ State Budget is still not done. Governor talks about having a framework soon, but we are still looking ok. ♦ State is looking at revamping the APPR system/teacher observations. ♦ Give back day will be May 24, saving extra one for any complications that may occur with many construction projects happening at Cohen.

Tom Boyanowski – High School Principal ♦ May 1 TAE will have the circus at the TAE Gym, Senior fundraiser ♦ May 18 is TAE Community Service Day, all students spread across 20 sites in the community. First half of the day will be blood drive. ♦ May 21 is Budget Vote and Spring Arts Festival! ♦ Implementing “See Something, Say Something” QR code to send messages to Admin Staff and SRO. ♦ Fundraiser for Abbey Johnson this past weekend with cornhole tournament ♦ PE Students out at the track helped neighbor who fell while working on the roof.

Martha Clark – Business Manager ♦ saving comments for budget presentation.

Public – Mr. Callas announced the Elmira College Fair coming up on May 8<sup>th</sup>, Elmira Elks 6-8pm

**PERSONNEL - approved**

A motion was made by Jody Buckley, seconded by John Cole, and carried 7-0 to approve the following recommended personnel items F-1a through additions F-3a, and being further resolved that upon receipt of final clearance from the State Education Department, any conditional appointments shall be changed to regular appointments, reflecting the effective date of said Board meeting.

**F-1 Resignation/Termination/Retirements**

***Retirement - accepted***

- a. Melissa Lutz, Secondary Science Teacher, thanks and best wishes after 33 years, effective July 1, 2024.
- b. Jennifer Johnson, Elementary Teacher, thanks and best wishes after 21 years, effective June 30, 2024.

***Resignation - accepted***

- c. Jed Twichell, Varsity Girls Track Coach, effective April 17, 2024, with a prorated salary of \$2,400.19 for 37 days worked.
- d. Lenny Smith, Assistant Girls Track Coach, effective April 17, 2024, with a prorated salary of \$1,539.94 for 37 days worked, pending appointment as Varsity Girls Track Head Coach below.

**F-3 Appointments**

The Board approved the following personnel. Be it further resolved that upon receipt of final clearance from the State Education Department, any conditional appointments shall be changed to regular appointments, reflecting the effective date of said Board meeting.

a. Coaching

The Board appointed the following list of coaches for the 2023-24 school year pending all certification requirements.

<u>Sport</u>	<u>Coach</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
Varsity Girls Track	Lenny Smith	2	3	\$2,335.32 (prorated)

**FACILITIES**

The following updates were reviewed by Superintendent Gill with questions and answers.

H-1 2024 Capital Outlay Project – not much new, starting as weather improves.

H-2 Capital Project 2021 / Energy Performance Contract (EPC) Update – Reminder Cohen campus will be shut down for summer programs, all office staff, counselors, and cohesion will be at TAE. BUT, playground will be accessible all summer.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**J-1 BOCES Administrative Budget - approved**

A motion was made by Terrance Day, seconded by Michael Lepak, and carried 7-0 to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Elmira Heights Central School District Board of Education approve the 2024-25 Schuyler-Steuben-Chemung-Tioga-Allegany BOCES Board of Cooperative Educational Services Administrative Budget in the amount of \$8,655,655.

**J-2 BOCES Election of Board Members - approved**

A motion was made by John Cole, seconded by Jody Buckley, and carried 7-0 to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Elmira Heights Central School District Board of Education cast one ballot for each of the following candidates for membership on the Schuyler-Steuben-Chemung-Tioga-Allegany BOCES Board of Cooperative Educational Services:

Kathy Hagenbuch Alice Learn

**J-3 Final Request for Services**

A motion was made by John Cole, seconded by Terrance Day, and carried 7-0 to approve the BOCES 2024-25 Final Request for Services.

**J-4 EHTA MOU Amendment**

A motion was made by Terrance Day, seconded by Jody Buckley, and carried 7-0 to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Elmira Heights Teachers' Association and the Elmira Heights Central School District regarding rehiring a retired teacher at a per diem rate through June 30, 2024 to fill a vacancy.

**J-5 Capital Reserve Fund Proposition**

A motion was made by Christopher Callas, seconded by John Cole, and carried 7-0 to approve the following Capital Reserve Fund Proposition: Proposition Number 3 – (Capital Reserve Fund)

Resolved that the Board of Education of the Elmira Heights Central School District is hereby authorized to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law (to be known as the "Building Capital Reserve Fund"), with the purpose of such fund being to finance site work, reconstruction and equipping of school buildings and facilities, and costs incidental thereto, the ultimate amount of such fund to be \$5,000,000, plus earnings thereon, the probable term of such fund to be 10 years, but such fund shall continue in existence until liquidated in accordance with the Education Law or until the funds are exhausted, and the sources from which the funds shall be obtained for such Reserve are (i) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, and (ii) unappropriated fund balance made available by the Board of Education from time to time, and (iii) New York State Aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time, all as permitted by law.

\*\*President moved to Discussion Topic:

**N-2 2024-25 Budget Updates** - Superintendent Gill and Business Manager Martha Clark reviewed a slide show presentation with goals and costs, noting the district is finishing up negotiations with support and teachers, and no information on NYS aid at this time. There was a brief discussion with questions and answers on expenses and revenues.

**J-6 Budget Proposition**

A motion was made by Michael Lepak, seconded by John Cole, and carried 7-0 to approve following budget resolution and the property tax report card.

Proposition Number 1 – (Budget)

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposed budget of \$28,943,789 of the Elmira Heights Central School District for 2024-25 be approved in accordance with Section 2022 of the Education Law and that the balance of said budget after applying available public moneys thereto be raised by a tax upon the taxable property of said District.

Adoption of this budget requires a tax levy increase of 1.5% which does not exceed the statutory limit of 1.81% for this school fiscal year and therefore does not exceed the state tax cap and must be approved by a simple majority, more than fifty percent of the qualified voters present and voting.

**CONSENT**

A motion was made by Christopher Callas, seconded by John Cole, and carried 7-0 to approve the following consent agenda item K-1 through K-5.

**K-1 DCMO - approved**

The Board accepted the following 2024-25 Cooperative Purchasing resolution and the 2024-25 Generic resolution with the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego (DCMO) BOCES for equipment, supplies and contract items for the 2024-25 school year:

**COOPERATIVE PURCHASING SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025**

**WHEREAS,**

The Cooperative Purchasing Service is a plan of a number of public school districts in the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES Area in New York, to bid jointly equipment, supplies and contract items, and

**WHEREAS,**

The Central School named below is desirous of participating with other districts in the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES in the joint bidding of the items mentioned above as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-o, and

**WHEREAS,**

The Central School named below wishes to appoint the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES to advertise for bid, accept, tabulate bids and award bids on their behalf; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

That the Board of Education of the Central School listed below hereby appoints the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES to represent it in all matters relating above, and designates the Evening Sun Newspaper as the legal publication for all Cooperative Purchasing bid notifications, and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,**

That the Board of Education of the Central School listed below authorizes the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES to represent it in all matters leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned commodities, and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,**

That the Board of Education of the Central School listed below agrees to (1) assume its equitable share of the costs of the Cooperative Bidding; (2) abide by majority decisions of the participating districts; (3) abide by the Award of the BOCES Board; (4) and that after the award of the bid it will conduct all negotiations directly with the successful bidder(s).

**GENERIC SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025**

**WHEREAS,**

It is a plan of a number of public school districts in the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES Area in New York, to bid jointly equipment, supplies and contract items, and

**WHEREAS,**

The Central School named below is desirous of participating with other districts in the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES Area in the joint bidding of the items mentioned above as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-o, and

**WHEREAS,**

The Central School named below wishes to appoint a committee made up of participating schools to assume the responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids and providing the information to their Board of Education who will make the awards; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED,**

That the Board of Education of the Central School listed below hereby appoints the Delaware-Chenango-Madison-Otsego BOCES to represent it in all matters relating above, and designates the Evening Sun Newspaper as the legal publication for all Cooperative Purchasing bid notifications and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,**

That the Board of Education of the Central School listed below authorizes the above committee to represent it in all matters leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned items, and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,**

That the Board of Education of the Central School listed below agrees to (1) abide by majority decisions of the participating districts on quality standards; (2) that it will award contracts based on information provided from the bid; (3) and that after the award of the bid it will conduct all negotiations directly with the successful bidder(s).

**K-2 School Calendar – 2024-25 - accepted**

The Board approve the 2024-25 School Calendar as previously presented at the April 3, 2024 Board of Education meeting.

**K-3 Donation in kind – Dalrymple Gravel – crushed stone - accepted**

The Board accepted with thanks and appreciation, from Dalrymple Gravel, the donation in kind of 2.24 tons of crushed stone valued at \$78.09, to be used at the greenhouse.

**K-4 Donation – Elmira Heights PFO - accepted**

The Board accepted with thanks and appreciation from the Elmira Heights PFO, the following donations:

- up to \$250 to support prizes for building wide Math Challenges run through Mrs. Olson.
- up to \$200 to support additional books needed for 7th Grade US History.
- water tanks valued at approximately \$100.00 for the Greenhouse.

**K-5 Chemung County/PreK - approved**

The Board approved the agreement with Chemung County for PreK evaluation services.

**DISCUSSION TOPICS**

**N-1 Non-Resident Tuition**

Superintendent Gill reviewed a survey of local area districts on tuition rates and staff rates for non-residents. After a brief discussion with questions and answers, the Board is interested in seeing the numbers if they were to increase tuition for next year but not charge employees for non-resident children to attend like many neighboring districts do.

**N-2 2024-25 Budget Updates**

See earlier in meeting (end of New Business)

**NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday	May 8, 2024	Regular BOE Meeting/Public Presentation	7:00 pm	Comm Rm
Tuesday	May 21, 2024	Annual Mtg/Budget Vote/BOE Elections	7am-8pm	TAE Gym
Wednesday	May 22, 2024	Regular BOE Meeting (if needed)	7:00 pm	Comm Rm

**ADJOURNMENT** – At 8:31pm a motion was made by John Cole, seconded by Mikki Yesesky, and carried 7-0 to adjourn the meeting.

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Clerk

# **Elmira Heights CSD Budget Presentation**



**April 17, 2024**



# Budget Assumptions

- Maintain current academic and extracurricular programming
- Maintain current staffing levels with addition of LPN position
- On-going Professional Development
- Continue to implement Technology Plan
- School Bus Replacement Schedule  
Purchase of Two  
Type C - 65 Passenger Buses
- Equipment replacement schedule
- Athletics- maintain current programming  
addition of Varsity Soccer

# Budget Assumptions

- Contractual Salary increase - ??
- Health Insurance - Proposed options
  - Excellus projected increase of 8.9%
  - MVP projected increase of 4.0%
- GST BOCES - Initial proposal increase of 9.50%
  - Business Administration
  - Special Education
  - CTE Costs & Alternative Education Middle School
- TRS Employer Contribution Rate - increase from 9.76% to 10.02%
- ERS Employer Contribution Rate - increase from 13.1% to 15.2%



# Additional Propositions

- Purchase of two 65 passenger type C buses – cost not to exceed \$328,451 less trade-in value.
- Establish a Capital Reserve - for the purpose to finance site work, reconstruction, new construction, and equipping of school buildings and facilities. The ultimate amount of such fund to be \$5,000,000 plus earnings for a probable term of ten years.



# 24-25 Capital Outlay Project

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- Scope of the Project at Cohen Complex with Total Project cost of \$100,000
  - Security improvements with Day Automation Avigilon Access Control
  - Upgrade of Interactive White Boards



# Executive Budget Proposals

- **Foundation Aid**

Inflation Factor - a reduction in the inflation factor used to update to formula each year. Under current law the adjustment would be 4.1% and Governor's proposal to reduce to 2.4% using multi-year average

Elimination of the Save Harmless - For decades NYS guaranteed District would continue to receive as much operating aid as previous year. Executive proposal eliminates protection and instead institutes a "transition adjustment"

- **Expense-based Aid**

No consolidation or reductions to any of the expense -based aid categories

- **Prior Year Adjustments**

Fourth year in a row, Executive Budget provides no funding of prior year adjustments

# Projected Revenue

Account	2023-2024 Adopted Budget	2024-2025 Proposed Budget	Dollar Difference	Percent Difference
Real Property Tax Items	8,532,323	8,681,519	149,196	1.75%
Charges For Services	66,000	61,000	(5,000)	-7.58%
Use of Money & Property	151,524	158,524	7,000	4.62%
Reimbursements/Refunds	351,000	366,000	15,000	4.27%
State Aid	18,724,232	19,626,746	902,514	4.82%
Federal Aid	50,000	50,000	-	0.00%
Appropriated Reserves & Fund Balance	-	-	-	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,875,079</b>	<b>28,943,789</b>	<b>1,068,710</b>	<b>3.83%</b>

# State Aid Proposal

PROJECTED STATE AID:	1/16/2024 Database	2/15/2024 Database	Dollar Change	Percentage Change
2024-25 FOUNDATION AID	\$14,315,518	\$14,120,760	(\$194,758)	(1.36%)
2024-25 CHARTER SCHOOL TRANSITIONAL	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
2024-25 HIGH TAX AID	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
2024-25 SUMMER TRANSPORTATION AID	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
2024-25 TRANSPORTATION AID W/O SUMMER	\$750,412	\$752,561	\$2,149	0.29%
2024-25 BUILDING AID	\$1,299,985	\$1,299,985	\$0	0.00%
2024-25 BUILDING REORG INCENTIVE AID	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
2024-25 OPERATING REORG INCENTIVE AID	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
2024-25 NON-CMPNT COMPUTER ADMIN AID	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
2024-25 NON-CMPNT CAREER EDN AID	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
2024-25 NON-CMPNT ACADEMIC IMPROVMT AID	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
2024-25 BOCES AID	\$2,670,323	\$2,634,617	(\$35,706)	(1.34%)
2024-25 PUBLIC EC HIGH COST AID	\$337,055	\$336,997	(\$58)	(0.02%)
2024-25 PRIVATE EXCESS COST AID	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
2024-25 SOFTWARE AID	\$16,313	\$15,714	(\$599)	(3.67%)
2024-25 LIBRARY MATERIALS AID	\$6,806	\$6,556	(\$250)	(3.67%)
2024-25 TEXTBOOK AID	\$62,968	\$60,289	(\$2,679)	(4.25%)
2024-25 HARDWARE & TECHNOLOGY AID	\$21,820	\$21,019	(\$801)	(3.67%)
2024-25 FULL DAY K CONVERSION AID	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
2024-25 UNIV PREKINDERGARTEN AID	\$340,155	\$340,155	\$0	0.00%
2024-25 SUPPLEMENTAL PUB EXCESS COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
2024-25 ACADEMIC ENHANCEMENT AID	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
2024-25 INSTRUCTIONAL COMPU TECH AID	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
2024-25 SHARED SERVICES AID, NON-CMPNT	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
<b>2024-25 TOTAL AID</b>	<b>\$19,821,355</b>	<b>\$19,588,653</b>	<b>(\$232,702)</b>	<b>(1.17%)</b>

# Preliminary Tax Cap

<b>Elmira Heights Central School District</b>	
<b>Tax Levy Limit Determination (Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011)</b>	
<b>2024-2025 Fiscal Year</b>	
<b>Tax Levy Cap - Calculations and Totals</b>	
<b>Tax Levy Limit (Cap) Before Exclusions</b>	
Tax Levy Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) 06/30/2024	\$8,435,523
Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount from FYE 06/30/2024	\$0
Tax Base Growth Factor**	1.0085
PILOTS receivable FYE 06/30/2024	\$76,782
Capital Tax Levy for FYE 06/30/2024	295,634
Allowable levy growth factor***	1.0200
PILOTS receivable FYE 06/30/2025	\$99,463
Available Carryover from FYE 06/30/2024	\$0
<b>Total Levy Limit Before Exclusions</b>	<b>\$8,354,677</b>
** As determined by the NYS Office of Real Property Tax Services (ORPTS)	
*** As determined by the NYS Office of the State Comptroller	

# Preliminary Tax Cap

<b>Exclusions</b>	
Tax levy necessary for expenditures resulting from tort orders/judgments over 5% FYE 06/30/2024 tax levy	\$0
Capital Tax Levy for FYE 06/30/2025	\$231,910
Tax levy necessary for pension contribution expenditures caused by growth in the system average actuarial contribution rate (ERS) or normal contribution rate (TRS) in excess of 2 percentage points:	
ERS	\$1,636
TRS	\$0
<b>Total Exclusions</b>	<b>\$ 233,546</b>
<b>Tax Levy Limit, Plus Exclusions</b>	<b>\$ 8,588,223</b>
<b>Tax Levy Limit, Plus Exclusions %</b>	<b>1.81%</b>
<b>Proposed Levy for FYE 06/30/2025</b>	<b>\$8,562,056</b>
<b>Difference Between Tax Levy Limit Plus Exclusions and Proposed Levy</b>	<b>(\$26,167)</b>
<b>Do you plan to override the cap in 2024?</b>	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>

# Projected Expenditures

Account	2023-2024 Adopted Budget	2024-2025 Proposed Budget	Dollar Difference	Percent Difference
General Support	4,218,096	4,450,951	232,855	5.52%
Instructional	13,615,400	15,469,613	1,854,213	13.62%
Transportation	739,607	705,069	(34,538)	-4.67%
Employee Benefits	5,713,255	6,063,482	350,227	6.13%
Debt Service	2,318,721	2,104,674	(214,047)	-9.23%
Interfund Transfer	1,270,000	150,000	(1,120,000)	-88.19%
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,875,079</b>	<b>28,943,789</b>	<b>1,068,710</b>	<b>3.83%</b>

# GST BOCES Initial Budget Request

Code	Description	2023-24 Initial Request	2024-25 Initial Request	\$ Change Year to Year	% Change Year to Year
1010	Board of Education	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ -	0.00%
1310	Business Administration	\$ 603,101	\$ 642,048	\$ 38,947	6.07%
1680	Computer Services	\$ 894,871	\$ 950,567	\$ 55,696	5.86%
1981	BOCES Administration	\$ 496,740	\$ 507,739	\$ 10,999	2.17%
2020	Supervision	\$ 3,800	\$ 4,200	\$ 400	9.52%
2060	Research/Planning/Evaluation	\$ 7,133	\$ 7,015	\$ (118)	-1.68%
2070	In-Service	\$ 190,709	\$ 224,251	\$ 33,542	14.96%
2110	Teaching - Regular	\$ 630,412	\$ 414,392	\$ (216,020)	-52.13%
2250	Special Education	\$ 2,720,825	\$ 3,304,663	\$ 583,838	17.67%
2280	Occupational Education	\$ 1,153,901	\$ 1,221,662	\$ 67,761	5.55%
2330	Teaching - Special	\$ 198,115	\$ 278,537	\$ 80,422	28.87%
5510	Transportation	\$ 1,807	\$ 1,872	\$ 65	3.47%
	<b>TOTAL BOCES BUDGETED</b>	<b>\$ 6,902,414</b>	<b>\$ 7,557,946</b>	<b>\$ 655,532</b>	<b>9.50%</b>

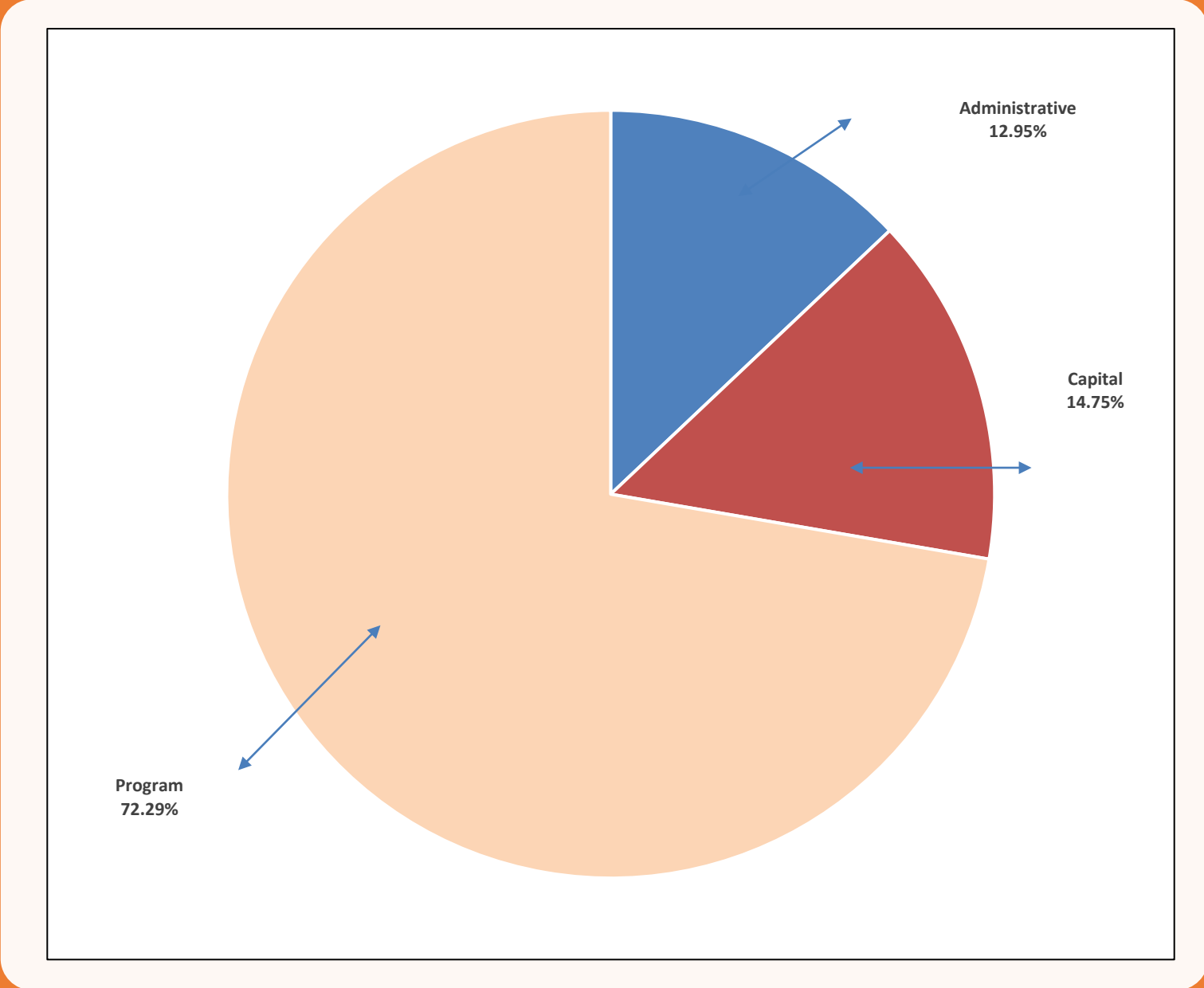


# Three Part Budget Summary

<b>FUNCTION</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>\$ Change</b>	<b>% Change</b>
<b>Total Administrative</b>	<b>\$ 3,503,411</b>	<b>\$ 3,749,072</b>	<b>\$ 245,661</b>	<b>7.01%</b>
<b>Total Capital</b>	<b>\$ 5,651,478</b>	<b>\$ 4,270,312</b>	<b>\$ (1,381,166)</b>	<b>-24.44%</b>
<b>Total Program</b>	<b>\$ 18,720,190</b>	<b>\$ 20,924,405</b>	<b>\$ 2,204,215</b>	<b>11.77%</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 27,875,079</b>	<b>\$ 28,943,789</b>	<b>\$ 1,068,710</b>	<b>3.83%</b>



# Three Part Budget



# Estimated Impact of Proposed Tax Levy on a \$100,000 House

- This chart estimates the possible 2024-2025 tax increase on a property with a \$100,000 value with a 1.50% tax levy increase. This chart does not take into account any changes in your Town equalization rates & assessments.

<b>** Maximum STAR increase per law is 2% over prior year.</b>		<b>2023-24 Actual</b>	<b>2024-25 Proposed with Tax Cap of 1.50%</b>
Property Value	\$100,000		
Tax rate per \$1000 of assessed value		\$25.43	\$25.81
Average School Tax Bill		\$2,543	\$2,581
Annual \$ tax increase (before STAR)			\$38
Monthly \$ tax increase (before STAR)			\$3.17
Basic STAR Savings		\$659	631
Average tax due after STAR		\$1,884	\$1,950
Annual \$ tax increase (after STAR)			\$66
Monthly \$ tax increase (after STAR)			\$5.50



# Proposition # 1

- Budget Proposition Recommendation to approve the following budget resolution and the property tax report card. Proposition Number 1 – (Budget) Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit: BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposed budget of \$28,943,789 of the Elmira Heights Central School District for 2024-25 be approved in accordance with Section 2022 of the Education Law and that the balance of said budget after applying available public moneys thereto be raised by a tax upon the taxable property of said District. Adoption of this budget requires a tax levy increase of 1.5% which does not exceed the statutory limit of 1.81% for this school fiscal year and therefore does not exceed the state tax cap and must be approved by a simple majority, more than fifty percent of the qualified voters present and voting
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# Proposition # 2

## Purchase of School Buses

- Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit: Resolved that the Board of Education of the Elmira Heights Central School District is hereby authorized to undertake the acquisition of two (2) 65-passenger school buses, at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$328,451, less trade-in value, if any, and that such costs, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments; and, in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary not to exceed \$328,451 shall be issued, or the School District may enter into an installment purchase contract if the Board of Education determines that it is in the best interest of the School District to finance the purchase in that method.

# Proposition#3 Establish Capital Reserve

Resolved that the Board of Education of the Elmira Heights Central School District is hereby authorized to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law (to be known as the “Building Capital Reserve Fund”), with the purpose of such fund being to finance site work, reconstruction and equipping of school buildings and facilities, and costs incidental thereto, the ultimate amount of such fund to be \$5,000,000, plus earnings thereon, the probable term of such fund to be 10 years, but such fund shall continue in existence until liquidated in accordance with the Education Law or until the funds are exhausted, and the sources from which the funds shall be obtained for such Reserve are (i) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, and (ii) unappropriated fund balance made available by the Board of Education from time to time, and (iii) New York State Aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time, all as permitted by law

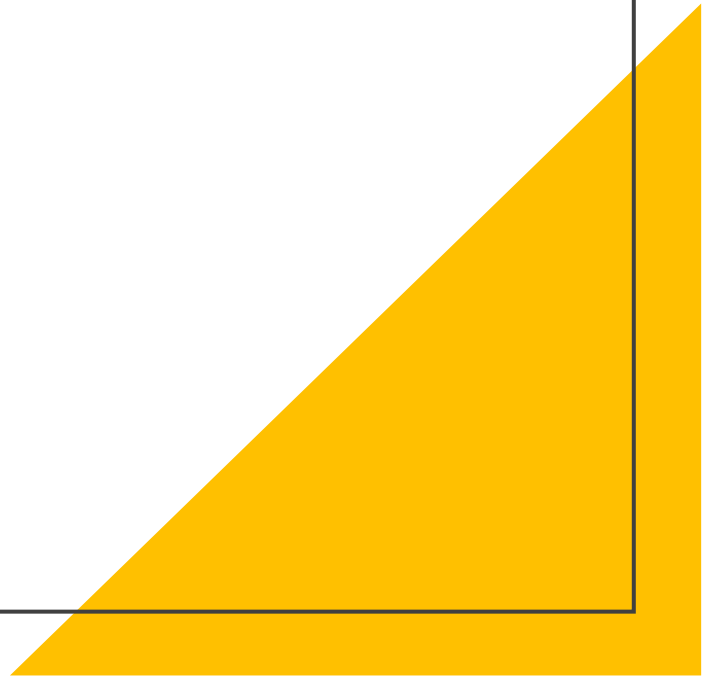
# Budget Vote

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- **Tuesday May 21, 2024**
- **7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.**
- **TAE Gymnasium**



Questions?







# 2024-25 Executive Budget School Aid Proposal

**District:** ELMIRA HEIGHTS CSD

**County:** Chemung

Aid Categories	2023-24	2024-25	Change	% Change
Foundation Aid	12,836,657	14,315,518	1,478,861	11.5%
Charter School Transition Aid	-	-	-	NA
High Tax Aid	-	-	-	NA
Summer Transportation Aid	-	-	-	NA
Transportation Aid w/o Summer	678,321	750,412	72,091	10.6%
Building Aid	1,893,907	1,299,985	(593,922)	-31.4%
Building Reorganization Aid	-	-	-	NA
Operating Reorganization Incentive Aid	-	-	-	NA
Non-BOCES Computer Administration Aid	-	-	-	NA
Non-BOCES Career Education Aid	-	-	-	NA
Non-BOCES Academic Improvement Aid	-	-	-	NA
BOCES AID	2,124,739	2,670,323	545,584	25.7%
Public Excess Cost High Cost Aid	406,743	337,055	(69,688)	-17.1%
Private Excess Cost Aid	-	-	-	NA
Software Aid	6,543	16,313	9,770	149.3%
Library Materials Aid	6,525	6,806	281	4.3%
Textbook Aid	32,380	62,968	30,588	94.5%
Hardware and Technology Aid	20,894	21,820	926	4.4%
Full-Day Kindergarten Conversion Aid	-	-	-	NA
Universal Prekindergarten Aid	340,155	340,155	-	0.0%
Supplemental Public Excess Cost Aid	-	-	-	NA
Academic Enhancement Aid	-	-	-	NA
<b>Total Aid</b>	<b>18,346,864</b>	<b>19,821,355</b>	<b>1,474,491</b>	<b>8.0%</b>
<b>Total Aid excluding Building Aids</b>	<b>16,452,957</b>	<b>18,521,370</b>	<b>2,068,413</b>	<b>12.6%</b>

**SOURCE:** Compiled by NYSCOSS from New York State Education Department School Aid data



# Tax Levy Options

	<u>1.81%</u>	<u>1.50%</u>	<u>1.00%</u>
Tax Levy	\$8,588,223	\$8,562,056	\$8,519,878
Dollar Increase	\$152,700	\$126,533	\$84,355

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