

Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District

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2020-21 Budget Hearing

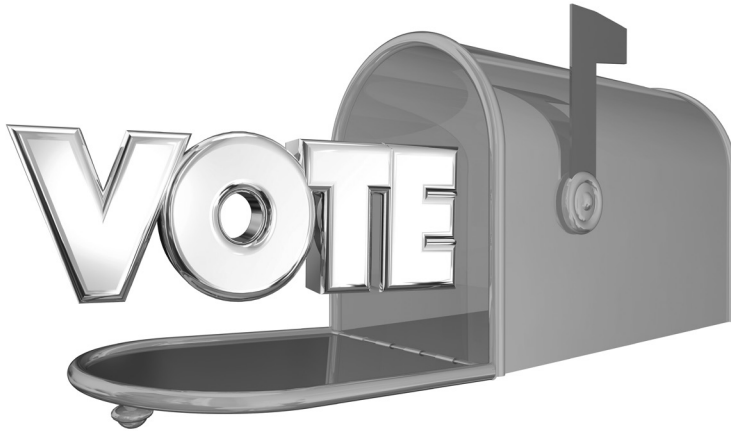
Thursday, May 28, 2020

7:00 PM via Streamed School Facebook Page

2020-2021 Budget Vote

Tuesday, June 9, 2020

Absentee Ballot Only



SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents & Community Members,

Creating the budget has been challenging this year due to COVID 19. The financial ramifications of the pandemic could result in additional state aid cuts. At the time of writing this Governor Cuomo has not released any state aid cuts. He announced last month that there would be 4 review periods; April 30th, June 30th, December 31st and March 31st. During this time, depending on the economy he could make additional state aid cuts. Governor Cuomo has also stated that he is waiting for support from the Federal government. This would tentatively be announced at the end of May.

- We have four retirements; keyboard specialist, one teacher aide, one Licensed Teacher Assistant (LTA), one secondary English teacher.
- The buses we are purchasing will be replacing buses whose leases will expire at the end of this school year.
- The resolution pertaining to decreasing the number of board members refers to reducing from a seven person board to a five person board. Notice that this would not go into effect until the 2021-22 school year, not this upcoming school year.

Our overall goal in creating the budget is to provide programs and opportunities for our students. We are approaching the 2020-21 school year with the mindset that we will need to be cautious of our spending to make sure that our students continue to receive a quality education.

You may not always hear it but I want to say thank you for being a part of our CVS family, and for your continued support of our students and school. It is times like this that living in a small community far outweighs living in an urban setting. We take care of each other and provide support when needed. Again, thank you.

If you have any questions please call or email Mrs. Climenhaga at 607-264-9332, ext. 501 or tclimenhaga@cvsbsd.org.

THREE-PART BUDGET

With the enactment of Chapter 426 of the 1997 Laws of New York State, a school district's proposed budget must be presented to the voters in a three-part format. Below, you will find the proposed 2020-2021 budget in that format, along with comparative data from the current year's budget.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Current year.....	\$1,316,656
Proposed 2020-21.....	\$1,332,769
Change of.....	\$16,113

The administrative budget includes those expenses directly related to the functioning of the Board of Education, District Clerk, Superintendent's Office, Business Office, BOCES Administrative charges and Supervision. The administrative budget is increasing by 1.22%.

PROGRAM

Current year.....	\$9,692,438
Proposed 2020-21.....	\$9,915,705
Change of.....	\$223,267

The program budget includes those expenses directly related to the teaching of students. Those include teachers, assistants, aides and other professional salaries, BOCES charges, supplies, textbooks, special education costs, health, guidance, co-curricular activities and athletics. This area also includes transportation expenses directly related to the functioning of the bus garage and the operation of the bus fleet. The program budget is increasing by 2.30%

CAPITAL

Current year.....	\$2,262,573
Proposed 2020-21.....	\$2,177,049
Change of.....	\$-85,524

The capital budget includes Operations and Maintenance expenses including salaries, fringe benefits, utilities, and supplies directly related to the cleaning and maintenance of the District's building and grounds. This portion of the budget also includes principal and interest costs related to the borrowing for our capital improvement projects. The District receives 81.5% building aid from NYS for this. Purchases for buses are reimbursed by NYS at 61.5% over five years. The capital budget is decreasing by 3.77%.

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2020-2021 PROPOSITIONS

BOARD SEAT TRUSTEE (VOTE FOR ONE CANDIDATE)

For one five-year term to fill the vacancy created by the expiration of the term of Amy Garreston.

- Amy Garreston
- _____

PROPOSITION I—Budget

To adopt the budget as presented in the amount of \$13,425,523, to authorize the Board of Education to levy and collect the necessary taxes.

PROPOSITION II—Buses

Shall the Board of Education be authorized to purchase three school buses - a twenty-four passenger that converts to five wheelchair positions with the total cost not to exceed \$70,000,

and two sixty-five passenger with the total cost not to exceed \$112,000 each. The source of the funds shall be a tax upon the taxable property of the District to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education.

PROPOSITION III— Transfer Capital Reserve Funds

Shall the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, Otsego County, New York (the "School District") be authorized to transfer \$80,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund for the Undertaking of Various Equipment Purchases for the School District to the District's General Fund (during the

current fiscal year of the District) for purposes of applying such amount towards the cost of the acquisition of passenger caravan and a plow truck as approved by the qualified voters of the School District voting at the Annual Meeting of the School District held on June 9, 2020, and that the School Business Official is hereby authorized and directed to undertake all actions necessary to implement this transfer.

PROPOSITION IV— Decrease Number of Board Members

Shall the number of members serving on the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District Board of Education be decreased from seven (7) to five (5), commencing July 1, 2021?

CHERRY VALLEY-SPRINGFIELD CENTRAL SCHOOL

2020-21 School District Budget Notice

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted 19-20	Budget Proposed 20-21	Contingency Budget 20-21*	
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$ 13,271,667	\$ 13,425,523	\$ 13,383,723	
Increase/Decrease for the 2020-21 School Year		\$ 153,856	\$ 112,056	
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		1.20%	0.84%	
Change in the Consumer Price Index		1.81%		
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$ 5,308,039	\$ 5,308,069		
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	\$ 0	\$ 0		
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable **	\$ 0	\$ 0		
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy	\$ 0	\$ 0		
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$ 5,308,039	\$ 5,308,039	\$ 5,308,039	
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$ 154,781	\$ 224,977		
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$ 5,153,258	\$ 5,319,457		
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	\$ 5,153,258	\$ 5,083,092		
I. Difference: (G - H) Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval **	\$ 0	\$ 236,635		
Administrative Component	\$ 1,316,656	\$ 1,332,769	\$ 1,330,669	
Program Component	\$ 9,692,438	\$ 9,915,705	\$ 9,895,005	
Capital Component	\$ 2,262,573	\$ 2,177,049	\$ 2,158,049	
Est. Basic STAR Exemption Savings ¹	** List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount			
	Desc: 24-Passenger W/C Bus	Desc: 65-Passenger Bus	Desc: 65-Passenger Bus	Desc: Use of Capital Reserve
\$ 364	\$ 70,000	\$ 112,000	\$ 112,000	\$ 80,000

*Statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2020-21 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law.

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2020-2021 by the qualified voters of the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District, Otsego County, New York, will be held in the Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School District in said district on Tuesday, June 9, 2020. ***Pursuant to Executive Order No. 202.26 all voting will be done by Absentee Ballot.***

¹The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by Section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.

**Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval requirements.