

# Waterford-Halfmoon UFSD

## Board of Education Finance Committee

February 14, 2019-Budget Planning Session



# 2018-2019 School Budget Action Calendar-Key Dates

Annual Notice Publications	April 2nd, 16th, 30th, and May 14th
BOE Approval of 19-20 Budget	April 18th
Property Tax Report Card to SED	April 29th
BOE Nominating Petitions due	April 22nd
Budget brochures mailed to public	May 2nd
Copies of budget available to public	May 7th
Public Budget Hearing	May 9th
Annual budget vote and BOE election	May 21st



# BOE Finance Committee Meeting Schedule

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Meeting/Event	Date
Board Workshop	Thursday, February 14th; 6:00 p.m.
Board Workshop	Thursday, March 7th; 6:00 p.m.
Board Workshop	Thursday, March 21st; 6:00 p.m.
Board Workshop	Thursday, April 4; 6:00 p.m.



# NYS Outlook

Another tough year



- \$4.4 billion deficit
- \$956 million increase in aid
- Roughly a 3.6% increase
- Formula based aid comes in at \$748 million a 2.8% increase
- 1.9% increase for most districts in Foundation Aid(1.2% for us)
- Regents requested \$2.1 billion in aid for 18-19



# 5 years in review... “look what we’ve accomplished!”

- Increased professional development
- Added CDOS programming
- Focus on K-6 literacy improvements
- Revitalized the Fitness Center
- Improved technology support with mobile device carts for every grade level
- Increased 7-12 clubs and intramural programs
- Maintained strong minibus fleet
- Increased 7-12 CTE and ECHS offering
- 1:1 Technology Initiative (reduced mobile cart applications)
- K-6 Book Room
- Staffing increase/reduction fluctuations (slight increase in 2018-2019)
- Furniture upgrades
- Completed \$100,000 Project(auditorium stairs)
- 2 Large Capital Projects completed
- Sports program improvements(Wasaren League, summer camps, PD, equipment)
- Increased summer curriculum work
- New CISCO technology based elective added at high school



# Shaping the 2019-2020 Budget

“Aligning with our district goals...”



## Facilities Planning

- Investigate the viability of a small Capital Project(\$100,000) for the 2019-2020 school year that addresses specific facility needs.
  - Support the implementation of the Smart Schools Bond Act and Smart Schools Investment Plan to upgrade the current Smart Boards to Flat Panels.
  - Investigate areas to improve energy efficiency through energy management initiatives implemented during the 2018-2019 school year.
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# Facilities planning area for 2019-2020...

- Review and updating of transportation contracts
- Purchase of Suburban vehicle for more cost effective transportation of students and staff
- New salt spreader for more cost effective and safer application of material
- New snow plow for one truck
- New floor scrubber for floor program
- 1 new set of soccer goals for varsity field

# Shaping the 2019-2020 Budget

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## Policy and Programs

- Continued improvement and strengthening of student achievement and educational programs including all students having literacy skills on or above grade level in all curriculum areas as well as a cohort graduation rate that exceeds 88%.
- Ongoing support both philosophically and financially to foster respect and responsibility with all students through continued implementation of schoolwide character education programs. Specifically for 2018-2019, the Board will support building level mental health programming that supports the social and emotional well-being of our student body.
- Support ongoing professional development that directly impacts student achievement.
- Support the implementation of new initiatives in the school's cafeteria program that lead to improved food quality, increased food item options, and quality food service.
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# Policy and Program areas for 2019-2020...

- Increase curriculum writing hours and PD required to support implementation of Next Generation Standard in areas of social studies, mathematics, science, English/Language Arts, and humanities
- Investing in science kits/materials to support Next Gen Science Standards
- Continue STEM initiatives
- Addition of second CISCO course offering at high school
- Support students through increased mental health services
- Potential need for additional elementary teacher
- Updating of teacher-station computers and in-house technology

# Shaping the 2019-2020 Budget

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## Public Relations and Communication

- Adopt and present a budget that will provide our students with a strong educational program that is fiscally responsible and will be approved by the voters in May 2019 along with making every effort to stay within the NYS Property Tax Cap.
  - Review and plan for the strengthening of the district's financial standing as we look to the future and the potential for varied economic climates.
  - Involve all our district stakeholders in supporting our students and our school through open, ongoing, and proactive communication along with the development of a district computer application that allows improved access to the district's website from a mobile device.
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## Public Relations and Communication area for 2019-2020...

- Improved access for parents with registration for sports programs with new Family ID software
- Potential addition of Data Privacy Program(NYSED and Federal mandates)

## \* Potential impact to 2019-2020 budget...

Item	Related cost:
Increase Curriculum	\$5,000
STEM Initiatives	\$10,000
CISCO	\$10,000
Data Privacy Program	\$23,000
Suburban	\$60,000
Social Service	\$35,000
K-6 Teacher	\$80,000
Family ID/HUDL	\$3,500
Science Kits/Materials	\$30,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$256,000</b> (*estimates at this time)

# Budget to Budget increase for 2019-2020 as of February 14th\*

Year	Increase	%	Budget
2019-2020	\$382,485	1.81%*	\$21,481,451*

\* Denotes estimates at this time



# Fund Balance Considerations



Budget Year	Appropriated Fund Balance	Unallocated Fund Balance
19-20	\$1,132,639*	\$859,258*
18-19	\$1,525,858	\$843,959
17-18	\$1,515,275	\$838,892
16-17	\$1,865,493	\$837,719
15-16	\$2,459,815	\$610,243

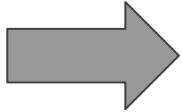
\*Estimates at this time

# Expenses > Revenues = 2019-2020 Budget Gap\*

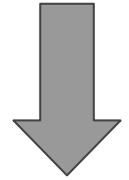
Expenses		Revenues	
General Support	\$2,030,535	Local Revenues	\$337,110
Instruction	\$11,324,459	Federal Aid	\$150,000
Transportation	\$1,514,047	Tax Levy-Current Max	\$11,332,584
Benefits	\$4,147,500	Fund Balance	\$1,132,639
Debt Service	\$2,334,910	NYS Aid	\$7,843,569
Interfund Transfers	\$130,000	Use of Reserves	
Total	\$21,481,451	Total	\$20,795,902
	<b>Shortage</b>		<b>\$685,549</b>

\* Denotes that these numbers are an estimate at this time

## Tax Levy Calculation for Current Year



Prior Year Tax Levy		\$11,062,855
Tax Base Growth	X	1.0041
	Sub total 	<b>\$11,108,213</b>
Prior Year Pilot	+	\$113,290
Prior Year Exemptions	-	\$574,599
Adjusted Prior Year Levy	=	<b>\$10,646,904</b>
Allowable Growth Factor(less)	X	1.0200
	Sub total 	<b>\$10,859,842(-1.84%)</b>
Pilots for coming year	-	\$113,000
Available Carry Over	+	
Tax Limit Before Exemptions		<b>\$10,746,842(-2.86%)</b>
Coming Year Exemptions	+	\$585,742
Maximum Allowable Levy	=	<b>\$11,332,584(2.44%)</b>



**Tax Levy Cap:**

**2.44%**





# Balancing The Budget Gap



## Potential choices to balance the gap:

- Freeze spending
  - Analyze all expenses
  - Reduce programs
  - Reduce staffing
  - Retirements
  - Go above tax cap
  - Utilize any additional monies in state aid from legislative budget negotiations
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# Unknowns at this time...

- Legislative impact on Governor's Proposal
- Special Education "Ins/Outs"
- Transportation needs
- Final staffing needs for 2019-2020
- Final results of analyzing our budget for savings
- Final list of prioritized items



# 2019-2020 BOE Budget Approval

Thursday, April 18, 2019 at 7:00pm