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The Leading Edge



Budget Vote Process, Disclosure Requirements, and Contingent Budgets

State Aid and Financial Planning Service March 10, 2021



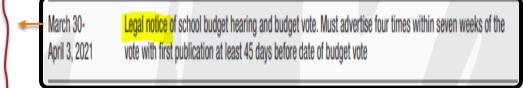
Agenda

- Process for Budget Vote
 - Legal Notice
 - Petitions for Board Candidates
 - Budget Statement and Attachments
 - Budget Hearing
 - Budget Notice
- Process for June Revote
- Contingent Budgets
 - Contingent vs. Non-contingent Expenditures
 - Administrative Budget Cap Calculation
- Spring Reminders



Legal Notice *March 30, 2021 - April 3, 2021*

- Legal Notice to inform public of:
 - Date, time, and place of School Budget Hearing and Annual Budget Vote
- Must advertise four times within seven weeks
 - 1st legal notice publication must occur at least 45 days prior to Annual Budget Vote (*March* 30th April 3rd)
- Notice should appear in two general circulation newspapers
 - If no such newspapers exist in the district, the notice should be posted in at least 20 public places at least 45 days in advance of the Budget Vote



Legal Notice & Additional Details to be Included

- Date of annual meeting/vote (*May 18, 2021*) including hours polls open and locations
- Date of Budget Hearing
- Budget Statement availability (when and where statement can be found)
- BOE seats up for election
- Where to get nominating petitions and date for filing
- Where to get absentee ballots (public inspection of list of recipients)
- Voter registration info (if applicable)
- Additional propositions on ballot (if applicable)

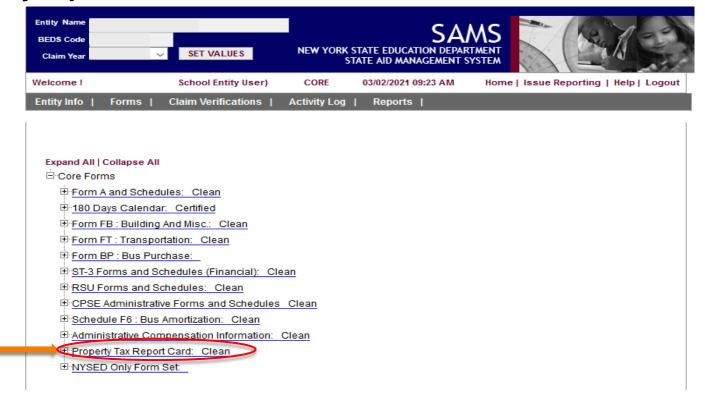
Petitions for BOE Candidates April 19, 2021



- Submit petitions for Board of Education candidates 30 days prior to vote
- Accept petitions through
 Monday, April 19th
- For small cities, the deadline is 20 days prior to budget vote

Property Tax Report Card (PTRC) Due April 26, 2021

- PTRC must be submitted to SED the day following BOE approval (within 24 hours of adoption), but no later than 24 days prior to the May 18th Budget Vote
 - Monday, April 26th



Property Tax Report Card (PTRC) Due April 26, 2021

- The following information is included for 2020-21 & 2021-22:
 - Percentage increase/decrease in spending under GF Budget
 - Tax levy limit, allowable exclusions, total estimated school tax levy (with and without exclusions)
 - Percentage increase/decrease in proposed levy compared to prior year proposed levy
 - Public school enrollment and percentage change from prior year
 - Fund Balance & Reserves
 - Including restricted, appropriated, unrestricted 7/1/20 and 7/1/21 & unrestricted as percentage of actual 20-21 & proposed 21-22 budget
 - List all district reserves, actual balances as of 3/31/21 and estimated balances as of 6/30/21 as well as intended use in 2021-22
 - Percentage increase in CPI

Budget Statement & Attachments April 27, 2021 - May 4, 2021

- Must be made available at least 7 days prior to Budget Hearing and at least 14 days prior to Budget Vote as follows:
 - Upon request
 - Each school building
 - District office
 - Public library
 - District website



Budget Statement & Attachments April 27, 2021 - May 4, 2021

- Budget Statement proposed budget prepared in plain language (similar detail to ST-3 and SBM-1)
- Prepare in plain language and in 3-part format
 - Administration, Program, and Capital

FUNCTION OR ACCOUNT	SBM CODE	TOTAL	ADMIN.	PROGRAM	CAPITAL
Board of Education	1099.0		X		
Central Admin	1240.0		X		
Finance	1399.0		X		
Legal Services	1420.0		X	X	
Personnel	1430.0		X		
Records Mgmt.	1460.0		X		
Public Information	1480.0		X		
Op. Of Plant	1620.0				X
Maint. Of Plant	1621.0				X
Other Cent. Serv.	1699.0		X		
Judgments & Cl.	1930.4				X
Refund of Taxes	1964.4				X
Other Spec. Items	1998.0		X		
Curr. Dev. & Sup.	2010.0		X		
Sup. Reg. Schl.	2020.0		X		
Sup. Spec. Schl.	2040.0		X		
Rsch. Eval. & Plan.	2060.0		X		
Instruction (Net of supervision/rsch.)	2999.0			x	
Purchase of Buses	5510.21				X
Other Dist. Trans.	5510.0			X	
Garage Bldg.	5530.0			X	
Contract Trans.	5540.4			X	
Public Trans.	5550.4			X	
BOCES Trans.	5581.49			X	
Community Service	8099.0			X	
Employee Benefits	9098.0		X	X	X
Debt Service	9898.0				X
Transfer to Capital	9950.9				X
Transfer to Debt	9901.96				X
Other Transfers	9951.0			X	

School District
Budgets &
Alignment of
Account Codes to
Three-Part Budget
Format

Budget Statement & Attachments April 27, 2021 - May 4, 2021

- Which reports/documents should be included as part of the required Attachments?
 - Property Tax Report Card
 - School Academic Report Cards to detail student performance (district & building level)
 - Financial Transparency Report from ESSA data Reports can be found here: https://data.nysed.gov/
 - 4. Administrative Salary Disclosure Notice
 - Property Tax Exemption Report which is obtained from assessor

Attachment #1:

Property Tax Report Card (PTRC)

Form Preparer Name Preparer's Telephone Number: Budaeted Proposed Budget Percent Change 2020-21 2021-22 Shaded Fields Will Calculate (C) (A) (B) 6.572.557 3.45 Total Budgeted Amount, not including Separate Propositions 6.353.308 1,529,000 1.574.000 A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount¹ B. Tax Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable C. Tax Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable² D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy, if 2.94 E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A+B+C-D) 1.529.000 1.574.000 F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit 62,158 67.405 G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions³ 1.466.842 1.506.595 H. Total Proposed Tax Levy for School Purposes, Excluding Permissible Exclusions and Levy for Library Debt, Plus Prior Year Tax Cap Reserve 1,466,816 1.506.595 (E-B-F+D) Difference: (G-H); (negative value requires 60.0% voter approval)²

Public School Enrollment

Consumer Price Index

235

242

2.98

1.23

Balance Estimated 2021-22 Actual 2020-21 (D) Adjusted Restricted Fund Balance 198.560 198.560 before entering Assigned Appropriated Fund Balance 601.866 429.950 2020-21 Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance 270,724 558.411 Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance as a 4.26 8.50 2021-22 Percent of the Total Budget

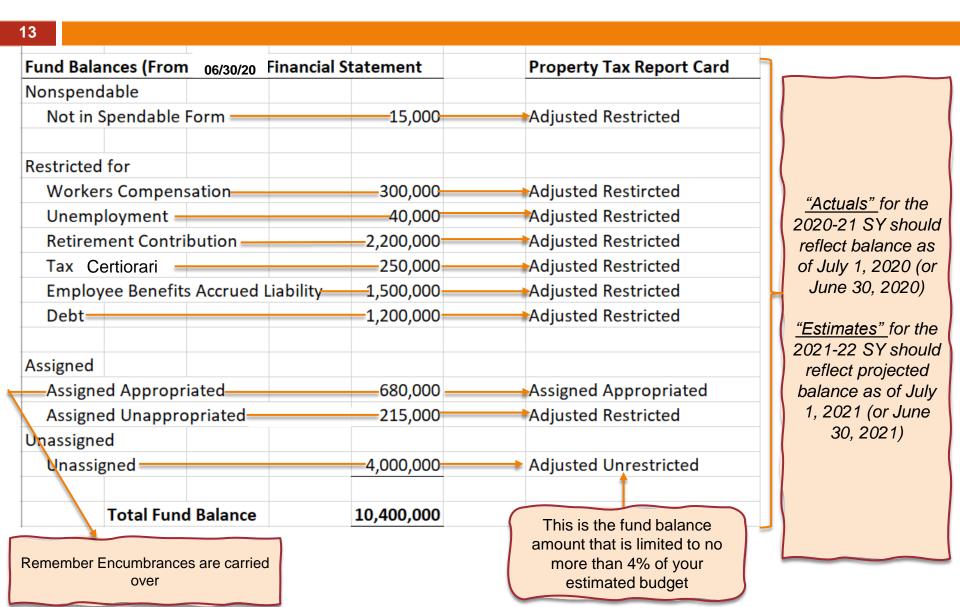
It is important to know what these Fund amounts are comprised of actuals (D) & estimates (E)

Include any prior year reserve for excess tax levy, including interest.

² Tax levv associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion under the School Tax Levy Limit and may affect voter approval requirements.

For 20-21 includes any carryover from 19-20 and excludes any tax levy for library debt or prior year reserve for excess tax levy, including interest.

Fund Balance Crosswalk for PTRC: Pulling Data from Financial Statement into PTRC



Attachment #1: Property Tax Report Card (PTRC) Continued

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Schedule of Reserve Funds

Reserve Type

+ (add)

Reserve Name

Reserve Description *

3/31/21 Actual Balance

6/30/21 Estimated Ending Balance Intended Use of the Reserve in the 2021-22 School Year (limit 200 Characters)**

Note: Be sure to click on the Save button at the bottom after each additional Reserve you add under Capital, Property Loss, Liability, or Other Reserve.

	Capital + (add)	For the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued.		
	Repair	For the cost of repairs to capital improvements or equipment.		
	Workers Compensation	For self-insured Workers Compensation and benefits.		
	Unemployment Insurance	For reimbursement to the State Unemployment Insurance Fund.		
	Reserve for Tax Reduction	For the gradual use of the proceeds of the sale of school district real property.]
	Mandatory Reserve for Debt Service	For proceeds from the sale of district capital assets or improvement, restricted to debt service.		
	Insurance	For liability, casualty, and other types of uninsured losses.		
	Property Loss [+ (add)	To cover property loss.]
	Liability + (add)	To cover incurred liability claims.		
	Tax Certiorari	For tax certiorari settlements.		
ı	Reserve for Insurance Recoveries	For unexpended proceeds of insurance recoveries at fiscal year end.		
	Employee Benefit Accrued Liability	For accrued 'employee benefits' due to employees upon termination of service.		
	Retirement Contribution	For employer retirement contributions to the State and Local Employees' Retirement System.		
ı	Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	For unpaid taxes due certain city school districts not reimbursed by their city/county until the following fiscal year.		
	Single Other Reserve	11 11		

List of reserves for PTRC reporting

Attachment #1: Property Tax Report Card (PTRC) Continued

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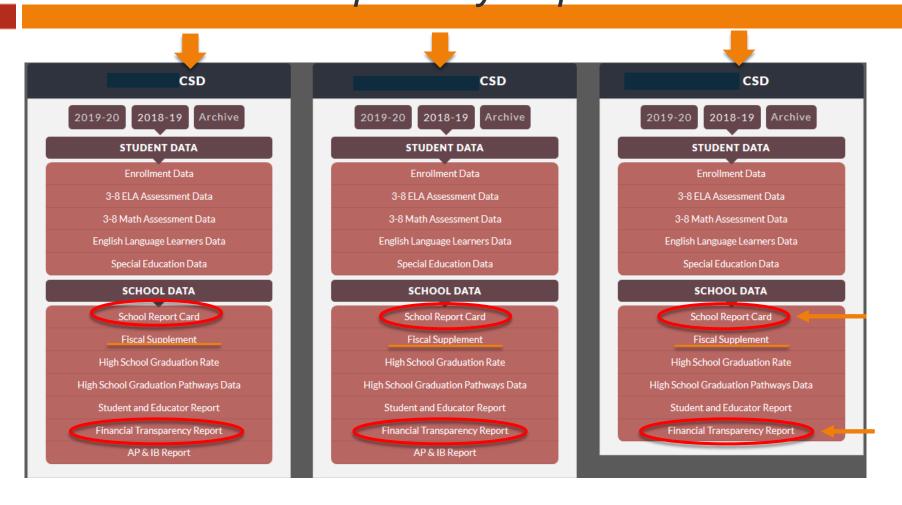
+ (add)

Schedule of Reserve Funds 6/30/21 Estimated Intended Use of the Reserve in the 2021-22 3/31/21 Actual Balance Reserve Type Reserve Description * Reserve Name School Year (limit 200 Characters)** **Ending Balance** Capital + (add) Repair Sample comments to list within Workers Compensation "Estimated 2020-21 "Intended Use" Unemployment **Ending Balance**" "March 31, 2021 column could Insurance column should list Actual Balance" include statements Reserve for projected 7/1/21 Tax Reduction column should list such as: balances Mandatory actual current year Reserve for (=6/30/21"\$100,000 planned balance as of Debt Service balances) use in 2021-22 SY" March 31st Insurance or Property Loss "No planned use in + (add) 2021-22 SY" Liability + (add) Tax Certiorari Reserve for Insurance Recoveries Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Retirement Contribution Reserve for Uncollected Taxes Single Other Reserve

Attachment #'s 2 & 3:

School Academic Report Cards & ESSA Financial Transparency Report

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Attachment #4: Administrative Salary Disclosure

2021-22 SAMS form will be made available soon

*Due May 10th

Sc	School Administrator Salary Disclosure Form						
Forn	Form Due May 10, 2021 2021-22 Salary Threshold = \$143,000 0						
adr	In response to legislative efforts to encourage greater cost sharing in service provision and local government administration, we now provide a section for districts that share administrative staff to highlight these efforts for the upcoming school year. Each sharing district should identify in the form the other district(s) with which they will be sharing administrative staff for school year 2021-221.						
	If you will be sharing a <u>Superintendent</u> , list the other district (or districts) in the text box. If you will be sharing other administrative staff required to be reported, please send an email to <u>EMSCMGTS@nysed.qov</u> indicating the title of the staff persons(s) as well as the other district(s) involved in the cost-sharing.						
	The salaries, benefits and other compensation reported in the form should reflect only the financial support or commitment that your district will be making. They should not reflect the total amounts budgeted to be paid by all participating districts over the school year.						
_	Report Estima	ated Salaries in the Budg	et for 2021-22 School Year				
	Sections 1608 and 1716 of the Education Law (Please read the instructions and definitions before completing this form.)						
	Title	Salary		Employee Benefits	Other Remuneration		
1.	Superintendent of Schools	172,000		47,358			
	Please list the district or districts with which you will be sharing a superintendent (if applicable):]			
	Associate, Assistant and Deputy Superintendents (Example Titles: Associate Superintendent for Instruction, Deputy Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent for Business, etc.)						
2.	ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT TEACHING & LEARNING	141,500		43,699			
3.	ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR BUSINESS	166,141		26,780			
4.							
5.							

sharing.

Attachment #4: Administrative Salary Disclosure Continued

Employee Benefits Other Remuneration Title Salary Superintendent of Schools Please list the district or districts with which you will be sharing a superintendent (if applicable): Only list the financial commitments which your district is responsible for here for the shared Superintendent. Do not list budgeted amounts from/for other participating districts.

If you will be sharing a <u>Superintendent</u>, list the other district (or districts) in the text box. If you will be sharing other administrative staff required to be

reported, please send an email to EMSCMGTS@nysed.gov indicating the title of the staff persons(s) as well as the other district(s) involved in the cost-

Attachment #5: Exemption Impact Report

in The	NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION & FINANCE	RP-495 (9/08)
C. C.	OFFICE OF REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES	
	LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXEMPTION IMPACT REPORT	
	(for local use only not to be filed with NYS Office of Real Property Tax Services)	
Date:		
Taxing Jurisdic	tion:	

Fiscal Year Begining:

Total equalized value in taxing jurisdiction: \$

Percentage of Exemption Statutory Number of Total Value Code **Exemption Description** Authority Exemptions Equalized Value Exempted (Column A) (Column B) (Column C) (Column D) (Column E) (Column F)

The exempt amounts do not take into consideration any payments for municipal services.

Amount, if any, attributed to payments in lieu of taxes: \$

(details contained on RP-495-PILOT)

Exemption Reporting form can be found here: https://www.tax.ny.gov/forms/

Budget Hearing May 4, 2021 – May 11, 2021

- Budget Hearing must be held no earlier than 14 days and no later than 7 days before the annual budget vote
 - Budget Statement (including required attachments) must be made available to the public at the hearing.



Budget Notice May 5, 2021 – May 12, 2021

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Mail budget notice to eligible voters *after* the Budget Hearing. No later than *six days prior to* Budget Vote

http://www.p12.nysed.gov/mgtse rv/documents/2021-22-bntemplate.docx

You may contact David Elliott of SED's Ed. Mgmt. Office w/any questions on the 2021-22 School District Budget Notice form by phone (518) 474-6541 or email at david.elliott@nysed.gov.

School District Budget Notice Budget Adopted for the 2020-21 **Budget Proposed** for the 2021-22 Overall Budget Proposal for the 2021-22 School Year School Year Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions Increase/Decrease for the 2021-22 School Year Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budge Change in the Consumer Price Index 1.23% A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable ** D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy s s E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D) F Total Permissible Exclusions G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D) I. Difference: G - H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval -See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) ** Administrative Component \$ Program Component Capital Component Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2021-22 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law Description ** List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are s not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval NOTE: Please submit an electronic version (Word or PDF) of this completed form to: emscmgts@nysed.gov Under the Budget Proposed for the 2021-22 School Year Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings

school(s) in said district on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at __:00 am/pm prevailing time OR between the

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2021-22 by the qualified voters of the

hours of ___:00am and ___:00pm, prevailing time in the

Absentee Ballots

Absentee Ballot List - Up through May 17, 2021

- List of Individuals w/Absentee Ballots:
 - District Clerk must maintain listing of all individuals w/absentee ballots
 - Listing is subject to public inspection and legal challenge until the day of election



Absentee Ballots

Ballots Mailed - April 19, 2021 - May 11, 2021

- Mailing of Absentee Ballots
 - Must be mailed upon request to qualified voters
 - "Permanently Disabled" voters receive absentee ballots automatically
 - Must be identified as "permanently disabled" by county board of elections
 - Ballots must be mailed no earlier than 30 days or no later than 7 days before election day
 - * April 19th May 11th

District Budget Vote 2021-22

- If voters defeat budget on first vote (May 18th):
 - Same or modified budget may be presented for 2nd vote BOE may adopt contingent budget
- If voter defeat budget on second vote (June 15th):
 - BOE must adopt a contingent budget



Budget Vote Date Change for Certain School Districts

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BUDGET VOTE DATE CHANGE

The following school districts have received Commissioner approval to hold their annual meeting and election on the second Tuesday of May, 2021:

- East Ramapo CSD
- Hewlett-Woodmere UFSD
- Kirvas Joel UFSD
- Lawrence UFSD
- West Hempstead UFSD

Any change in the date for a district's annual budget vote and board of education elections will occur only for those districts that request such a change by the Commissioner due to a conflict with religious observances. All other districts statewide will still hold their annual budget vote and board of education election on the third Tuesday in May.

Any districts who are considering requesting a change from the Commissioner in the date for the annual budget vote and board of education elections should send their request, with supporting documentation, to the following address no later than December 1st of the calendar year preceding the proposed vote date change:

Office of Educational Management Services

Room 1075 EBA

89 Washington Avenue

Albany, NY 12234

Attn: Jav O'Connor

Along with the letter of request, the district must submit the following:

- · Resolution of the Board of Education, duly adopted, that a conflict exists with their voters' religious observance of on the third Tuesday of May, 20___;
- Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education confirming adoption of the resolution; and
- District clerk certification of the minutes of such meeting.

Please call (518)474-6541 or email EMSCMGTS@nysed.gov with any questions or for additional information.

Last Updated: February 16, 2021

Legal Notice (Revote) June 1, 2021

Publishing Timelines:

- Must publish legal notice 1 time each week in the2 weeks before revote day
- 1st publication 14 days before revote (June 1st)



Budget Statement (Revote) May 25, 2021 – June 1, 2021

- Budget Statement Proposed budget prepared in plain language similar detail to ST-3 and SBM-1
- Prepare in three-part format (Administration, Program, and Capital)
- Required Attachments:
 - Property Tax Report Card
 - School Academic Report Cards
 - ESSA Financial Transparency Report
 - Administrative Salary Disclosure Notice
 - Property Tax Exemption Report
 - * Report obtained from assessor

Budget Hearing (Revote) June 1, 2021 – June 8, 2021

- Budget Hearing must be held no earlier than 14 days and no later than 7 days before the Budget Revote Day.
- Budget Statement (including required attachments) must be made available to the public at the hearing.
- Present three components of budget in plain language:
 - Administrative
 - Program
 - Capital

Budget Notice Mailing (Revote)

June 2, 2021 - June 9, 2021

- Mail budget notice to eligible voters after the Budget Hearing:
 - Mail no later than 6 days prior to Budget Revote



June Budget Revote

June 15, 2021

- Statewide budget revote date is the 3rd Tuesday in June (June 15th)
- Districts <u>are not required</u> to submit a budget to the voters more than once and voters cannot require board to do so
- The BOE may choose to adopt a contingent budget after first budget defeat
 - * All requirements that apply to annual May budget vote also apply to budget revote

Contingent Budget

- Includes teachers' salaries and ordinary contingent expenses
 - Definition of ordinary contingent expenses
 - Expenses necessary to provide the minimum services legally required to:
 - Operate & maintain school buildings & the educational program
 - ✓ Preserve the property of the district
 - ✓ Ensure the health & safety of students and staff



Ordinary Contingent Expenses

- Examples of Ordinary Contingent Expenses:
 - Interscholastic athletics, extracurricular activities, field trips as well as related transportation
 - Transportation per mileage limits previously approved by the voters
 - Pre-existing contractual obligations
 - General Fund support for School Food Services.
- Note: Hardware Aid received while operating under a contingent budget may be used to purchase computer equipment, even though equipment is not an ordinary contingent expense

Non-Contingent Expenses

- Examples of Non-Contingent Expenses include (but are not limited to):
 - Capital Construction projects (transfer to capital fund)
 - Multi-year bus/building leases & other multi-year contractual obligations
 - School bus purchases/new multi-year bus lease
 - Most equipment
 - Rental of office equipment
 - Certain student supplies
 - Salary increases for mgmt. confidential, civil service employees not covered by a collective bargaining agreement (w/recognized bargaining unit)
 - * Note: Teachers, Administrators, Superintendent and other positions requiring SED certification, District Clerk, District Treasurer and Internal Claims Auditor may receive salary increases under contingent budget

Contingent Budget Restrictions



- Tax Levy Cannot exceed prior year actual tax levy (no increase allowed)
- School districts must adhere to the contingent budget administrative cap
- All non-contingent items of expenditure must be removed from a contingency budget
- Ordinary contingent expenses must be eliminated (as necessary) to ensure there is no tax levy increase

Administrative Cap

The <u>lesser of</u>:

■ The % of the Administrative Component in the 2020-21 adopted budget (exclusive of capital)

OR

■ The % of the Administrative Component in the last defeated budget proposed for the 2021-22 school year (exclusive of capital)

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2020-21 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2021-22 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2021-22 School Year *
Administrative Component	s	\$	\$
Program Component	s	\$	\$
Capital Component	\$	\$	\$

Sample Admin. Cap Calculation

A) 2020-21 Program Component = \$50,000,000 2020-21 Admin. Component = \$9,000,000

OR

B) 2021-22 Program Component = \$61,700,000 2021-22 Admin. Component = \$9,700,000

(Capital component is excluded from administrative cap calculation)

Amending Contingent Budgets

- Once contingent budget is adopted, BOE may increase/add appropriations for:
 - Additional unanticipated ordinary contingent expenses
 - * District must adhere to administrative cap and no resulting increase in the tax levy can occur
- Tax levy required to fund a contingent budget may be no greater than the prior year levy
 - * Additional appropriations must be funded by unanticipated increase in revenue and/or the appropriation of available fund balance

Amending Contingent Budgets

- Following adoption of a contingent budget, BOE may increase/add appropriations to provide for the expenditures of:
 - Additional gifts
 - ✓ Grants-in-aid
 - Insurance proceeds not already budgeted
 - Resolution by the Board of Education is required [NYS ED. Law §1718(2)]
 - * NOTE: BOE must always identify and appropriate revenues sufficient to cover any increases in appropriations

Contingent Budget Requirements

- Document compliance with contingent budget administrative cap at time of budget adoption and throughout the school year
- Specify the projected percentage increase or decrease in the overall budget



Budget Transfers

- Part 170.2 (I) of Commissioner's Regulations permits transfers <u>between</u> and <u>among</u> contingent budget codes
- Non-contingent budget codes may never be increased, but can be decreased
- Under a contingent budget, transfers may not be made that cause the limitation on the contingent budget administrative cap to be exceeded

Reminders



- Non-Allowable Pupil Decimal (NAPD) (March, April or May)
- Updated Model Calendar for Attendance Requirement is Available
- 2020-21 Instructional Materials Aids (IMA) frozen mid-April 2021
- Final Cost Reports
- Form BP for Bus Purchases
- MOE for 2019-20 Actuals Due March 31, 2021

Reminders



- Begin STAC verifications (In-District and other Public).
- Finalize and verify ESY 2020 placements including transportation cost.
- 2021-22 Reapplications will be available to the field by late March/early April 2021
 - * To fully utilize this feature for reapplications you must review all 2020-21 service approvals currently on the STAC online system by **March 26, 2021**.

Reminder Property Tax Cap Calculation Revisions

- Your tax cap calculation sent to OSC on March 1st must be revised if it does not reflect data submitted within the PTRC
 - OSC portal is open for revisions at least through April 26th (PTRC Due Date)



Update on SAP Recorded Webinars

- We are now using Questar III's YouTube channel as the platform to archive sessions of our recorded webinars.
- The four unique playlists listed below may be used to access any of our previously recorded webinars. You can find these playlist on our website under "Webinar Recordings" or utilize the links listed below:
- Coffee Talks
 - https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLskdCWQCGlGgabIO41R5ASuxUdlypsmFs
- BO-Talks
 - https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLskdCWQCGIGhaWD02n7jcDRPzp_qK5Ut
- Knowledge Café
 - https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLskdCWQCGIGieQ9IBnRV4mn6nmLRJsVSF
- Workshops/Special Webinars
 - https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLskdCWQCGIGjDyR1MIeCsFQ8v3cg67S1Q

Update for School District Calendars

2020-21 and 2021-22 School Calendar Planning for Juneteenth

- □ Section 24 of General Construction Law (https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/laws/GCN/24) stipulates that any holiday which falls on a Sunday is observed the Monday after.
- The law does not require that holidays which fall on a Saturday are observed on a Friday.
 - For the <u>2021-22 school year</u>, Juneteenth falls on Sunday, June 19th. Therefore, the holiday will be observed on **Monday the 20**th.
 - For this <u>2020-21 school year</u>, Juneteenth falls on Saturday, June 19th. Therefore, districts are not obligated to close for this holiday.
- □ SED's memo dated August 30, 2020 regarding Regents Exam periods for 2020-21 specifies that no exams were scheduled on Friday, June 18, 2021 "to allow for the weekday observance of the Juneteenth holiday."
 - http://www.p12.nysed.gov/assessment/schedules/2021/regents-exams-tentative-dates-2021.pdf
- Please note, Friday, June 18th is still an allowable session day. Therefore, it is up to the discretion of the district to close in observance or not.

Next Coffee Talk

- April 9, 2021 at 9AM
- Topics:
 - State Budget Analysis
 - Property Tax Report Card
 - Budget Notice



Questions?



Contact Us!

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