

West Orange Public Schools

2017-2018 Preliminary Budget Presentation

March 22, 2017



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Glossary of Budget Terms

- **Banked Cap** - Unused tax levy for use in any of the next three budget years
- **Capital Reserve** - reserved funds for facilities maintenance projects
- **Capital Outlay** - funds used for equipment items above \$2,000 and building improvements
- **Debt Service** - repayment of building construction bonds and lease purchase agreements
- **Fund Balance (Surplus)** - savings fund reserved for emergencies restricted to 2% of budget
- **General Fund** - annual operating budget
- **School Tax Levy** - tax bill collected by the municipality for school use
- **Tax Rate** - amount of dollars per \$100 of assessed home value

Budget Approval Timeline



- **March 22** **Preliminary Budget Presentation to Community**
- **March 23** **Preliminary Budget Submitted to County**
- **Prior to April 24** **County Approval of Preliminary Budget**
- **May 1** **Public Hearing for Adoption of Final Budget**

Many Factors are Included in the Process of Planning a School Budget

- **Safety and Security**
- **Student Achievement**
- **Curriculum and Instruction**
- **Special Education**
- **Class Size**
- **Enrollment Projections**
- **Staffing Projection**
- **Program Offerings**
- **Technology**
- **Athletics/Extra-Curricular**
- **Health Benefits**
- **Salaries**
- **Contracts**
- **Debt Service**
- **Facilities and Maintenance**
- **Transportation**
- **Mandated Programs**
- **Professional Development**
- **Supplies**

Public School Districts are Required to Seek Cost Savings through Shared Services Programs.

Current Shared Services Include:

- **Morris Union Jointure (Professional Development)**
- **West Orange Township (Fuel, Road Salt, Facility Usage, Emergency Shelter, Lining of Fields, Student Resource Officer)**
- **Sussex County Regional Transportation Cooperative (Transportation Services)**
- **Ed Data Services (Purchasing Group)**
- **Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (Purchasing Group)**
- **Hunterdon County Educational Services (Purchasing Group)**
- **Essex Regional Educational Services Commission (Nonpublic Services)**
- **NJ State Contracts**

The Following are Mandated Annually but NOT Funded by the State

- **Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) Contribution**
 - **\$2,443,000**
- **PARCC**
 - **\$385,000 (Tech Devices, Supplies/Materials, and Training)**
- **Special Education**
 - **\$340,000**

The Following are Mandated Annually but NOT Funded by the State

- **Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying (HIB)**
 - **\$75,000 (Training, Assemblies and Salaries)**
- **Professional Development**
 - **\$145,000**
- **Teacher & Principal Evaluation (AchieveNJ)**
 - **\$22,000 (Marzano Program)**
- **Approximate TOTAL – \$3,410,000**

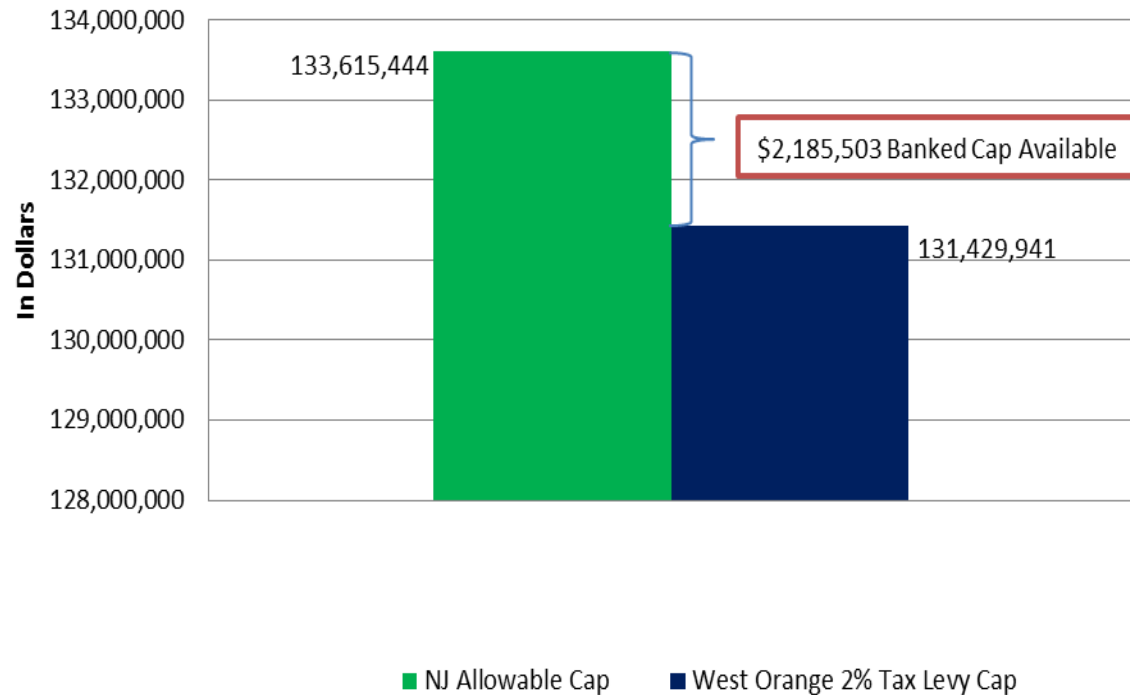
Revenue for the 2017-2018 Budget

Local Tax Levy	\$133,615,444	90.93%
State Aid	\$8,547,683	5.82%
Federal & State Restricted Aid	\$2,956,029	2.01%
Budgeted Fund Balance	\$900,000	0.61%
Tuition & Miscellaneous	\$927,086	0.63%
Total Revenue	\$146,946,242	100.00%

Operating Fund Expenditures for 2017-2018 Budget

Salaries	\$90,885,582	63.11%
Benefits	\$22,820,830	15.85%
Special Education (Including Transportation)	\$11,398,873	7.92%
Transportation	\$5,296,898	3.68%
Operations / Maintenance / Security	\$5,140,833	3.57%
Instruction and Support	\$7,798,119	5.42%
Charter School	\$182,210	0.13%
Capital Outlay	\$466,868	0.32%
Total	\$143,990,213	100%

Banked Cap Available to Use Above the 2% Tax Levy Cap



Total Tax Levy 2017-2018

General Fund

\$133,615,444

Debt Service Fund

\$5,719,471

Total

\$139,334,915

Tax Levy Comparison

	School Year 2016-2017	School Year 2017-2018	\$ Difference	% Difference
General Fund	\$128,852,883	\$133,615,444	\$4,762,561	3.70%
Debt Service Fund	\$5,001,495	\$5,719,471	\$717,976	14.36%
Total Tax Levy	\$133,854,378	\$139,334,915	\$5,480,537	4.09%

West Orange School District Taxes

Calendar Year 2017

January → June

2016-2017 School Budget

Tax Levy

$\$133,854,378 \div 2 =$

$\$66,927,189.00$

July → December

2017-2018 School Budget

Tax Levy

$\$139,334,915 \div 2 =$

$\$69,667,457.50$

Tax Rate on BOE Worksheet = Tax Rate on Tax Bill

$\frac{1}{2}$ of Current Budget Levy \$ 66,927,189.00

+ $\frac{1}{2}$ of Proposed Budget Levy \$ 69,667,457.50

= Calendar Year 2017 Tax Levy \$136,594,646.50

The 2017-2018 Budget will

Add:

- **1 Kindergarten Teacher at Redwood**
- **1 STEM Teacher at Liberty**
- **1 STEM Teacher at Roosevelt**
- **1 Biology Teacher at West Orange High School**
- **1 Principal for Preschool Program**
- **1 Custodian for Preschool Program**

The 2017-2018 Budget will

Add new programs, courses and materials

- **Calculus (11-12)**
- **College Math (11-12)**
- **Culinary Arts (11-12)**
- **Dance II (10-12)**
- **Science Program (K-5)**
- **Statistics (11-12)**
- **STEM (7-8)**

The 2017-2018 Budget will

- **Provide Professional Development in the following areas:**
 - **English Language Arts**
 - **Readers and Writers Workshop**
 - **Guided Reading**
 - **Literacy instruction utilizing novels**
 - **Foundations (phonics and fluency development)**
 - **Fountas and Pinnell reading assessment framework**
 - **K-5 Science program and K-12 Next Generation Science Standards**
 - **STEM**

The 2017-2018 Budget will

- **Provide Professional Development in the following areas:**
 - **Mathematics**
 - **Pre-Algebra and Algebra readiness**
 - **New math courses for grades 11 and 12**
 - **Curriculum development**
 - **Performance based assessments**
 - **New “Yes You Can” health program initiative**
 - **Instructional strategies for teaching ESL students**
 - **Technology infusion across the curriculum**

The 2017-2018 Budget will

Enhance technology by:

- **Completing district-wide 1-to-1 Chromebook initiative**
- **Providing Chromebooks for each classroom in grades 1 and 2**
- **Providing touch-screen Chromebooks for each classroom in Kindergarten**
- **Continuing the expansion of Google Apps for Education to district staff and students**
- **Increasing district bandwidth to support growing demand for technology resources**

Provide safety and security enhancements by:

- **Adding or upgrading obsolete security cameras at the elementary, middle and/or high school**

The 2017-2018 Budget will Support the Following District-Wide Capital Projects

- **Intercom Upgrades (WOHS, Roosevelt, Washington)**
- **Fire Alarm Upgrades (WOHS)**
- **ROTC Room Renovation (WOHS)**
- **Cafeteria Table Replacements (Mt. Pleasant)**
- **Interior Door Replacement (Gregory)**
- **Asphalt/Concrete Repairs (District)**
- **Asbestos Removal (District)**

Reductions to the 2017-2018 Budget Includes:

Staffing

- **2 Supervisors**
- **2 Assistant Principals**
- **13 Teachers**
- **20 FT and 4 PT Paraprofessionals**
- **3 Administrative Assistants**
- **1 Clerical Aide**
- **1 Technology Technician**

Other

- **5 Leased Buses**

Tax Impact Based on the Average Assessed Value, Not Market Value

West Orange

\$338,129



\$271.43
Yearly
Increase over
Last Year

Increase For Year: \$271.43

Increase Per Month: \$22.62

*Thank You for Viewing the
2017-2018
West Orange Public Schools
Preliminary Budget*

