

2020-2021  
Final Budget Presentation



West Orange School District

May 4, 2020

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# Board Budget Goals

- Re-evaluate all budget requests to determine needs vs. wants.
- Maintain educational, co-curricular and athletic programs wherever fiscally responsible.
- Minimize the impact on taxpayers while maximizing the efficient use of tax dollars.
- Continue to provide funding to maintain a safe environment in all buildings.
- Continue to reduce the amount of fund balance utilized to balance the budget.
- Maintain a balanced budget while supporting academic excellence and expanding resources for students and staff.
- Staff to perform a thorough inventory of equipment, materials and supplies to avoid recurring annual budget requests.
- Prepare for a successful Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) facilities review.
- Commitment to Zero-Based Budgeting district-wide.

# Glossary of Budget Terms

General Fund:	Annual operating budget
Special Revenue Fund:	Reserved state and federal grants
Debt Service:	Repayment of building construction bonds and lease purchase agreements
Capital Reserve:	Reserved funds for facilities maintenance projects
Banked Cap:	Unused tax levy for use in any of the next three budget years
Fund Balance:	Savings fund reserved for emergencies restricted to 2% of the 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 19 Preliminary Budget Presentation to Community
- March 20 Preliminary Budget Submitted to County
- April 2 County Approval of Preliminary Budget
- April 16 Budget Workshop
- May 4 Public Hearing for Adoption of Final Budget

# Revenues for 2020-2021 Budget

## Fund 10 (Operating)

Local Tax Levy	\$141,491,179
State Aid	\$17,826,168
Budgeted Fund Balance	\$2,000,000
Tuition & Miscellaneous	<u>\$771,419</u>
Total:	\$162,088,766

## Fund 20 (Special Revenue)

Federal & State Restricted Aid	<u>\$3,229,122</u>
Total:	\$3,229,122

## Fund 40 (Debt Service)

Local Tax Levy	\$5,348,967
State Aid	\$ 733,057
Budgeted Fund Balance	<u>\$2</u>
Total:	\$6,082,026

**GRAND TOTAL: \$171,399,914**

# Expenditures for 2020-2021 Budget

Salaries	\$99,989,402	58.34%
Benefits	\$25,794,420	15.05%
Special Services (Including Transportation)	\$15,098,537	8.81%
Instruction and Support	\$6,666,486	3.89%
Operations / Maintenance / Security	\$7,198,862	4.20%
Transportation - General Education	\$6,452,355	3.76%
Charter School	\$121,572	0.07%
Capital Outlay	\$767,132	0.45%
Special Revenue	3,229,122	1.88%
Debt Service	6,082,026	3.55%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$171,399,914</b>	<b>100%</b>

# From Preliminary to Proposed Budget

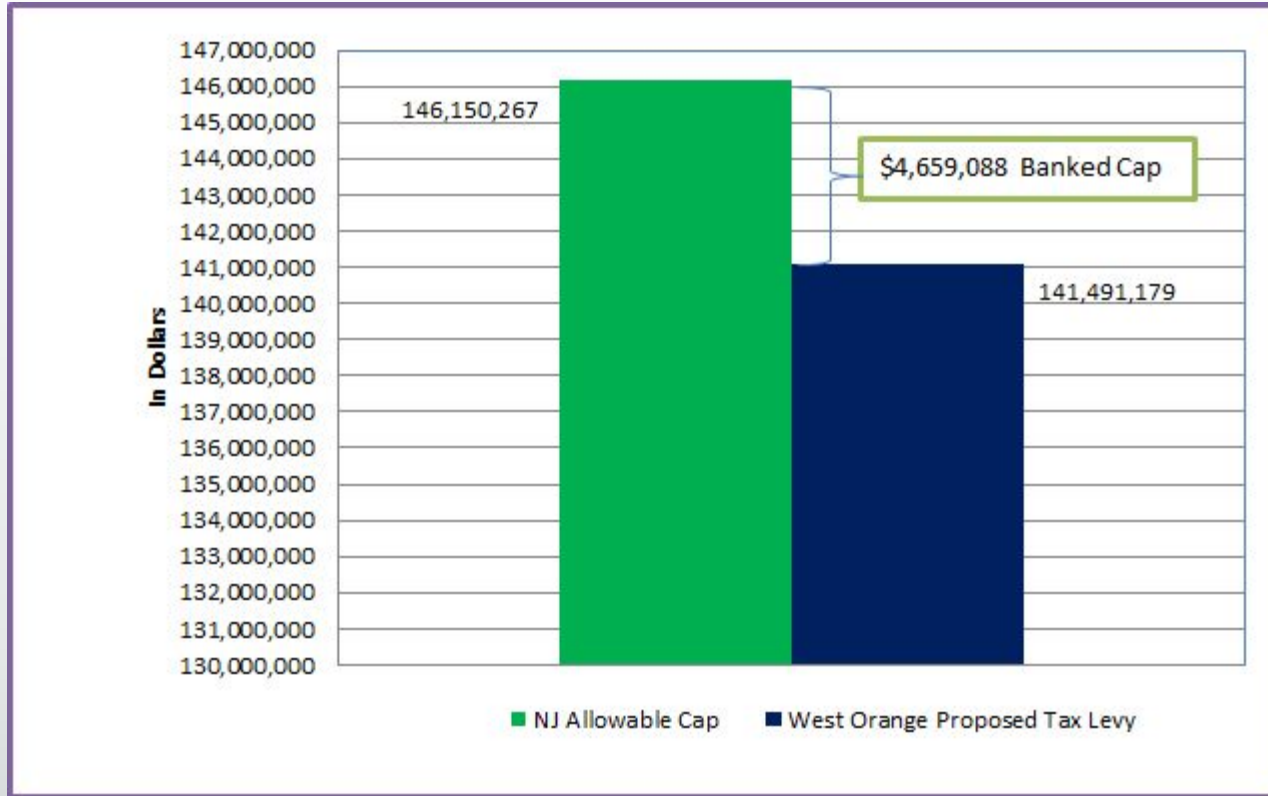
	Preliminary	Proposed	\$ Difference
General Fund Tax Levy	\$141,091,179	\$141,491,179	\$400,000
Debt Service Fund Tax Levy	\$5,348,967	\$5,348,967	\$0
Total Tax Levy	\$146,440,146	\$146,840,146	\$400,000
Total Tax Impact on Average Assessed Home	\$266.21	\$276.36	\$10.15



# From Preliminary to Proposed Budget

	2019-2020	Proposed 2020-2021	Increase	% of Increase
Operating Budget Tax Levy	\$137,645,823	\$141,091,179	\$3,445,356	2.50%
Additional Banked Cap		\$400,000	\$400,000	
Total Operating Budget Tax Levy	\$137,645,823	\$141,491,179	\$3,845,356	2.79%

# Operating Tax Levy & Banked CAP



# Tax Levy Comparison

	School Year 2019-2020	School Year 2020-2021	\$ Difference	% Difference
General Fund	\$137,645,823	\$141,491,179	\$3,845,356	2.79%
Debt Service Fund	\$5,772,257	\$5,348,967	-\$423,290	-7.33%
Total Tax Levy	\$143,418,080	\$146,840,146	\$3,422,066	2.39%

# West Orange School District Taxes

## Calendar Year 2020

January → June

2019-2020 School Budget

Tax Levy

$\$143,418,080 \div 2 =$

$\$71,709,040$

July → December

2020-2021 School Budget

Tax Levy

$\$146,840,146 \div 2 =$

$\$73,420,073$

**Tax Rate on BOE Worksheet = Tax Rate on Tax Bill**

$\frac{1}{2}$  of Current Budget Levy

\$ 71,709,040

+  $\frac{1}{2}$  of Proposed Budget Levy

\$ 73,420,073

**= Calendar Year 2020 Tax Levy**

**\$145,129,113**

$\frac{1}{2}$  of Current  
Budget Levy

# Budget Priorities



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## Instructional Program

- Reading and Writing Instruction
- Mathematics 6-8
- Academic Intervention, Grades 7-8
- Response to Intervention
- Social Emotional Learning
- Curriculum Development

## Supporting our Staff

- Instructional Resources & Materials to Support Teaching and Learning
- Professional Development

## Alternate Revenue Streams

- Grant Prospecting & Writing

## Safety, Security & Facilities

- Facilities and Maintenance
- Transportation

To accomplish our instructional priorities, the budget will add / continue to support the following **programs, curriculum, & instructional materials**:

- Academic Support 7-8
- Instructional materials to support content areas
- Continued curriculum development across all content areas
- Differentiation strategies added to newly revised curriculum
- Instructional program to support self-contained Autism program

**To accomplish our instructional priorities, the budget will add/support the following **professional learning** opportunities:**

- Reading & Writing Instruction K-8
- Mathematics 6-8
- Content Area Professional Development K-12
- Academic Intervention, Grades 7-8
- Sheltered Instruction K-12
- Diversity, Equity & Access, PreK-12
- RTI / Social Emotional Learning, K-12
- Crisis Prevention Intervention Training, PreK-12
- Writing & Language Instruction, ELA
- Instructional Program, Autism Classes, PreK-12



**To accomplish our instructional priorities, the budget will add the following **positions**:**

- 4 Special Education Teachers
- 9 Special Education Paraprofessionals
- 1 District Floater Nurse (West Orange High School)
- 2 Academic Support Teachers Grades 7-8
- 1 French Teacher (eliminated 1/6th stipends)

To accomplish our instructional priorities, the budget will continue to support the following **technology** initiatives:

### Replacement of Obsolete Inventory:

- 2,800 Chromebooks for students to continue to support 1:1 initiative
- 125 laptops for teachers
- 60 desktops for Library Media Centers and Administrative Offices

**To accomplish our instructional priorities, the budget will continue to support the following **technology** initiatives:**

- Gaggle: School and Student Safety Platform
- Upgrade Wireless Access Points
- Continue Moving Toward Paperless Environment
  - E-Collection: Digital Parent/Student Forms via PowerSchool

To accomplish our priorities, the budget will add / continue to support the following **transportation** initiatives:

- Lease of 1 Bus and 2 Vans
- Upgrade Bus Radios to Digital

# Maintenance Projects Included in Budget:

- Gymnasium Floors: Tarnoff (recoat); PVW (repair & resurface)
- Boiler Condensate Tank Replacement: WOHS
- Paint Tarnoff Section (portion): WOHS
- Floor Replacements: District-wide
- Paving & Concrete Repairs: 7 Schools
- Asbestos Floor Replacements: 3 Schools
- LMC Furniture Replacement: EMS
- Skylight Removal & Roof Repair: RMS
- Restroom Partition Replacement: 6 Schools
- Cafeteria Pocket Table Installation (7): Hazel School
- Steam Trap Replacements: St. Cloud School

# Capital Projects Included in Budget:

- Lighting System Upgrade: Liberty
- Main Water Line Replacement: St. Cloud
- Roof Replacement Project: St. Cloud Gymnasium
- Chimney Replacement: Kelly
- Retaining Wall Replacement: Hazel

# Safety & Security

*The District is applying for the Securing Our Children's Future Bond Act Grant in the amount of \$375,295.*

# Budget Efficiencies, Reductions & Savings



*2020-2021 Final Budget*



# The proposed budget includes the following **reductions**:

- 15 FTEs district-wide due to staffing efficiencies
- 10 FTEs district-wide due to reductions in classroom enrollment

# Areas Reduced or Eliminated:

- Supplies Across All Areas
- In-District PD
- Out of District PD
- Substitutes Due to Reduced PD
- Curriculum Writing
- Summer Printing
- Dues to Organizations
- Voicemail to Gmail
- Author Visits
- Co-Curricular Stipends
- Demographic Study
- Advertising for Job Vacancies
- HR Software Program
- Shift Security Expenses to Grant
- Construction Projects
- Various Equipment
- Vehicles
- Transportation-New Camera System
- OT: Technology, B&G, Security, Crowd Control, Implement Staggered Shifts

# Cost Savings Through Shared Services Programs

Current Shared Services Include:

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

# Group Insurance Medical Premium Analysis

## July 2020 – June 2021

<b>Aetna</b>	<b>AmeriHealth</b>	<b>Horizon<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Oxford</b>	<b>School's Health Insurance Fund</b>	<b>SEHBP</b>
+1% Increase	+3.8% Increase	-0.4% Decrease	Declined to Quote	+5.2% Increase	+4.1% Increase

1. Horizon decrease contingent upon bundled sale of prescription plan as well at a +7% increase to current prescription rates.
2. The School Employees' Health Benefit Program (SEHBP) does not offer equal to or better than coverage to the current negotiated plan designs for WOBOE employees.
3. The SEHBP renewal for 1/1/21 is not released until late summer 2020 making it challenging to project upcoming fiscal year cost. SEHBP renewal average increase since 2010 is +9.4%.

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

**West Orange**



**\$338,121**

**\$276.36**

**Yearly Increase over  
Last Year**

**Increase For Year: \$276.36**

**Increase Per Month: \$ 23.03**

# Thank you.

