



Poughkeepsie City School District

2020-2021 Budget Discussion March 19, 2020

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Agenda



- ✓ 2020-21 Budget Calendar
- ✓ Budget Priorities
- ✓ Budget Methodology
- ✓ Budget Draft
- ✓ Potential Add-Ons
- ✓ Next Steps
- ✓ Discussion



Budget Calendar



April 1	Board Meeting and Budget Update
April 8	Special Budget Meeting (proposed and need to be voted on)
April 15	Board Adoption of Budget (proposed and need to be voted on)
April 28	Budget Materials Available to Public
May 1	Proposed Budget Mailed to the Public
May 6	Budget Hearing
May 13	6-Day Notice Mailed to Residents
May 19	Budget Vote and Election of Officers



2020-21 Budget Priorities

- A. Continuing existing academic programs and services
- B. Developing a realistic spending plan for the 2020-21 school year and making the necessary reductions to bring the budget into alignment.

This will be a challenge for several reasons:

- The 2018-19 budget was understated and overspent by \$4.3 million.
- The 2019-20 budget is also understated and does not accurately reflect the assumptions for staffing. This needs to be corrected in 2020-21.
- Several key positions at the Cabinet level and other areas are currently vacant and need to be filled and reflected in the 2020-21 budget.
- Funding needs to be carved-out for State allocated Community Schools Initiative.
- The State-aid projected for 2020-21 is essentially flat, which is the largest revenue category.
- There will be a loss of grant funding, which currently covers some staffing positions (i.e. School Improvement Grants).



2020-21 Budget Methodology

- ❑ The 2020-21 budget carries forward all individuals currently on the payroll. Knowing that there are critical leadership positions and numerous support staff positions still vacant, a thorough review of these vacancies and current staffing levels in each building will occur over the next two weeks to determine the positions that need to be added back into the budget.
- ❑ A review of all current staffing positions will occur to determine where any reductions can be made.
- ❑ The budget draft this evening will maintain a staffing allowance for these items.

Budget Draft 3/19/20

BUDGET UPDATE: March 19, 2020	2020-21 Budget	2019-20 Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change	Tax Levy Impact
Revenues	\$ 102,459,988	\$ 102,246,021	\$ 213,967	0.21%	
Expenses (Before Add-In's)	105,236,103	105,146,021	(90,082)	-0.09%	
Projected (Deficit)	\$ (2,776,115)	\$ (2,900,000)	\$ 123,885		9.39%

- These numbers are before adding in day-to-day operational contingencies and the Community Schools Initiative.
- The tax cap is 6.072% for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

Budget Update 3/19/20 After Potential Additions

POTENTIAL ADDITIONS TO EXPENDITURES

Description	Dollar Impact	Tax Levy Impact
Net Staffing Contingency (to be developed)	\$ 1,300,000	4.40%
Community Schools Program (carve-out)	2,000,000	6.77%
Total	3,300,000	11.17%

BUDGET DRAFT AFTER POTENTIAL ADJUSTMENTS TO EXPENSES

BUDGET DRAFT 3/19/2020: After Allowance for Staffing Contingency and Community Schools Program	2018-19 Budget	2019-20 Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change	Tax Levy Impact
Revenues	\$102,459,988	\$ 102,246,021	\$ 213,967	0.21%	
Expenses	108,536,103	105,146,021	(3,390,082)	-3.12%	
Projected Deficit	\$ (6,076,115)	\$ (2,900,000)	\$ (3,176,115)		20.56%



Next Steps

- Evaluate Staffing
Current
Vacant Positions
- Develop cost reduction plans to bring the 2020-21 budget into balance
- Development of Community Schools Initiative
- Continue reviewing and refining budget assumptions and identify expenditure reduction opportunities



Discussion

Discussion/Questions/Comments

