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CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

"Home, School and Community Educating for Life"

2014-2015
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Budget Strengthens Programs while Staying Fiscally Sound

Board Approves 1.9% Tax Levy Increase

By Dr. Colleen Taggerty,
Superintendent

With a commitment to continuous academic improvement, support of a dedicated staff that has high expectations for all, and a culture that embraces innovation and excellence; the Board of Education has approved a proposed budget for the 2014-15 school year of \$38,819,645. This is an increase of \$1,207,621 over the 2013-14 school year budget. The increase equates to a tax levy increase of 1.9%.

The proposed budget continues to demonstrate the diligence of the Board to assure a fiscally responsible budget that supports the financial implications of the curriculum and assessment shifts endorsed by the New York State Education Department and ensures fiscal solvency over the next several years.

September of 2014 will bring new course offerings to our high school students; Forensics, Coding/Programming; and Financial Accounting. The accounting course has been approved for JCC credit. In addition, we will increase the math and physical education department each by a .5 position. This will allow more flexibility in the scheduling to support Academic Intervention programming needs for our students.

Our students - your children - deserve educational opportunities that will assist them in preparing for college and career options. The Board of Education and I believe the proposed budget will do just that. The budget will allow us to strengthen programming for our students at a reasonable increase to our tax payers.

As stated by John Dewey:

"Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself."



PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING:

TUESDAY, MAY 6TH

6 p.m., Olean Intermediate Middle School
LGI Room, 401 Wayne St.

BUDGET VOTE & SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION:

TUESDAY, MAY 20TH

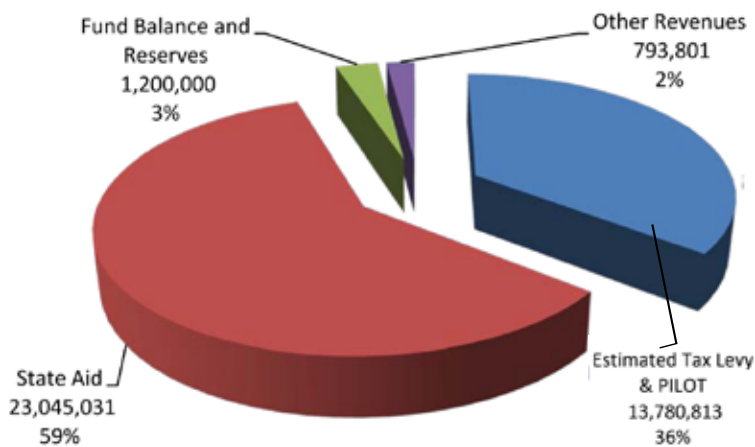
7 a.m. - 9 p.m., Olean Intermediate Middle School

**** Voting will be at OIMS, 401 Wayne St., Music Suite, 1st floor ****

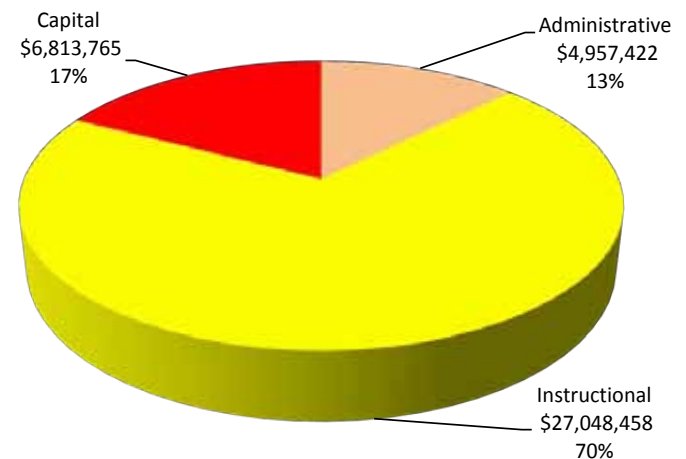
Summary of Revenues & Other Sources of Funding

	2013-2014 Actual	2014-2015 Proposed	Inc (Dec) Over Prior Year
State Aid	\$ 21,960,642	\$ 23,045,031	\$ 1,084,389
Other Revenue	\$ 882,360	\$ 793,801	\$ (88,559)
PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes)	\$ 81,110	\$ 30,220	\$ (50,890)
Estimated Tax Levy & STAR Reimbursement	\$ 13,493,963	\$ 13,750,593	\$ 256,630
Total Revenue	\$ 36,418,075	\$ 37,619,645	\$ 1,201,570
Interfund Transfer of Debt Service	\$ 281,949	\$ -	\$ (281,949)
Appropriated Retirement Contribution	\$ 12,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 288,000
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 900,000	\$ 900,000	\$ -
Total Revenue and Other Sources	\$ 37,612,024	\$ 38,819,645	\$ 1,207,621

2014-2015 Sources of Education Funding



2014-2015 Uses of Education Funding



Federal, State & Special Grants: 2013-14 School Yr.

The following program dollars are used to support and enhance the local educational programs offered to all students of the Olean City School District.

Title I	\$ 637,169
Title IIA	\$ 173,030
Title VIB	\$ 43,432
Sec. 611 Special Education	\$ 564,609
Sec. 619 Special Education	\$ 45,257
School Improvement	\$ 70,000
Replication	\$ 126,698
STEM	\$ 60,000
Universal Pre-K	\$ 477,387
Math & Reading Tutorials	\$ 10,000
At Risk Youth	\$ 11,000
Race to the Top	\$ 99,843
High School Equivalency	\$ 12,000
Liberty Partnership	\$ 34,475
Employment Preparation Ed.	\$ 16,896

Total Grants

\$2,381,796

ESTIMATE OF 2014-2015 SCHOOL TAX INCREASE FOR PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

	Tax Bill Last Year	Tax Bill This Year	Increase
Assessed Value of Property \$30,000			
With Basic STAR	\$ 0	\$ 5	\$ 5
With Enhanced STAR	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Assessed Value of Property \$50,000			
With Basic STAR	\$ 457	\$ 475	\$ 18
With Enhanced STAR	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Assessed Value of Property \$70,000			
With Basic STAR	\$ 913	\$ 944	\$ 31
With Enhanced STAR	\$ 211	\$ 237	\$ 26
Assessed Value of Property \$100,000			
With Basic STAR	\$ 1,598	\$ 1,648	\$ 50
With Enhanced STAR	\$ 896	\$ 941	\$ 45

NOTE: Estimated tax increases are based on 2013 equalization rates and assessed values for the City of Olean. Final values will be calculated when the Board of Education adopts the tax warrant in August 2014.

Percentage increase in the Tax Levy over Prior Year is 1.90%



2014-2015 Proposed Budget

	Budget Components			2014-2015 Total	2013-2014 Total	Inc (Dec) \$
	Administrative	Capital	Program			
General Support						
Board of Education	27,180			27,180	27,180	-
Central Administration	212,971			212,971	208,056	4,915
Finance	326,515			326,515	333,572	(7,057)
Legal/Personnel/Public Info	638,091			638,091	598,636	39,455
Operations & Maintenance		2,395,072		2,395,072	2,377,157	17,915
Central Storeroom and Printing	57,062			57,062	56,204	858
Insurance/Refunds/Dues/Unclassified	156,904	6,000		162,904	162,904	-
BOCES Central Data/Admin/Capital	1,265,372			1,265,372	1,132,484	132,888
TOTAL GENERAL SUPPORT	2,684,095	2,401,072	-	5,085,167	4,896,193	188,974
Instructional Support						
Curriculum/Supervision/Inservice	1,448,285			1,448,285	1,301,372	146,913
Instruction - Regular School			10,655,029	10,655,029	10,634,943	20,086
Instruction - Special Needs, Summer, Occ Ed			6,536,195	6,536,195	6,597,432	(61,237)
Instruction - Media/Technology			1,301,511	1,301,511	938,689	362,822
Guidance/Health/Psychological			1,019,895	1,019,895	1,013,767	6,128
Co-Curricular/Interscholastic Activities			362,582	362,582	356,441	6,141
TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT	1,448,285	-	19,875,212	21,323,497	20,842,644	480,853
Student Transportation						
District Transportation			58,783	58,783	71,195	(12,412)
Contract Transportation			877,529	877,529	768,755	108,774
TOTAL STUDENT TRANSPORTATION	-	-	936,312	936,312	839,950	96,362
Employee Benefits						
TRS & NYS ERS/Retirement	361,808	231,703	2,595,889	3,189,399	2,929,964	259,435
Social Security	132,077	81,896	1,075,360	1,289,333	1,288,022	1,311
Worker's Compensation	19,164	11,883	156,031	187,078	172,384	14,694
Unemployment Insurance	12,805	7,940	104,255	125,000	125,000	0
Health Benefits/Other	299,188	165,487	2,305,399	2,770,075	2,838,015	(67,940)
TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	825,042	498,908	6,236,934	7,560,885	7,353,386	207,499
Debt Service						
Serial Bonds - Building		3,548,451		3,548,451	3,357,488	190,963
Serial Bonds - Bus		26,738		26,738	26,218	520
Revenue and Bond Anticipation Note		62,450		62,450	50,000	12,450
Electrical Performance Contract		81,146		81,146	81,145	1
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	-	3,718,785	-	3,718,785	3,514,851	203,934
Interfund Transfers						
Transfer to Special Aid		65,000		65,000	65,000	-
Transfer to Cafeteria		30,000		30,000	30,000	-
Transfer to Capital Project		100,000		100,000	70,000	30,000
TOTAL INTERFUND TRANSFERS	-	195,000	-	195,000	165,000	30,000
TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET	4,957,422	6,813,765	27,048,458	38,819,645	37,612,024	1,207,621

Explanation of Three Part Budget Presentation - Chapter 436 of the Laws of 1997 require public school boards of education to present the proposed budget in three parts. As a result, this presentation is organized around the following components; administrative, capital, and program:

Administrative Component: Includes expenses associated with the operation of the school board, superintendent's office, and business office. Includes salaries and benefits for all certified administrators and

supervisors who spend a majority of their time performing administrative duties, consulting costs not directly related to instructional programs, and all other activities that are administrative in nature.

Capital Component: Includes debt service for all facilities financed by bonds and notes of the district, lease expenditures, costs resulting from judgments in tax certiorari proceedings, awards from court judgments, administrative orders and settled claims, cost of construction,

acquisition, reconstruction, rehabilitation, and improvements of school buildings, all expenses associated with custodial and maintenance salaries and benefits, service contracts, supplies, utilities, maintenance, and repair of school facilities.

Program Component: Includes salaries/benefits of teachers and any school administrator or supervisor who spend a majority of their time performing teaching duties, and all transportation operating expenses.

The New York State School Report Card

Fiscal Accountability Supplement for Olean City School District

Commissioner's Regulations require that certain expenditure ratios for general education and special education students be reported and compared with ratios for similar districts and all public schools. The required ratios for this district are reported below.

The numbers used to compute the statistics on this page were collected on the State Aid Form A, the State Aid Form F, the School District Annual Financial Report (ST-3), and from the Student Information Repository System (SIRS). These data are from the 2011 - 12 school year.

This School District	General Education	Special Education
Instructional Expenditures	\$19,758,944	\$9,747,442
Pupils	2,168	395
Expenditures Per Pupil	\$9,114	\$24,677
Similar District Group (High Need/Resource Capacity Urban or Suburban)	General Education	Special Education
Instructional Expenditures	\$2,347,665,567	\$974,933,490
Pupils	204,823	32,423
Expenditures Per Pupil	\$11,462	\$30,069
All School Districts	General Education	Special Education
Instructional Expenditures	\$31,088,294,986	\$12,418,610,168
Pupils	2,676,495	411,123
Expenditures Per Pupil	\$11,615	\$30,207

Instructional Expenditures for General Education are K-12 expenditures for classroom instruction (excluding Special Education) plus a proration of building level administrative and instructional support expenditures. These expenditures include amounts for instruction of students with disabilities in a general-education setting. District expenditures, such as transportation, debt service and district-wide administration are not included.

The pupil count for General Education is K-12 average daily membership plus K-12 pupils for whom the district pays tuition to another school district. This number represents all pupils, including those classified as having disabilities and those not classified, excluding only students with disabilities placed out of district. Pupils resident in the district but attending a charter school are included. For districts in which a county jail is located, this number includes incarcerated youth to whom the district must provide an education program.

Instructional Expenditures for Special Education are K-12

expenditures for students with disabilities (including summer special education expenditures) plus a proration of building-level administrative and instructional support expenditures. District expenditures, such as transportation, debt service and district-wide administration are not included.

The pupil count for Special Education is a count of K-12 students with disabilities for the 2011-12 school year plus students for whom the district receives tuition from another district plus students for whom the district pays tuition to another district. Students attending the State schools at Rome and Batavia, private placements and out-of-state placements are included.

Instructional Expenditures Per Pupil is the simple arithmetic ratio of Instructional Expenditures to Pupils. The total cost of instruction for students with disabilities may include both general- and special-education expenditures. Special-education services provided in the general education classroom may benefit students not classified as having disabilities.

Total Expenditures Per Pupil is the simple arithmetic ratio of Total Expenditures to Pupils. Total Expenditures include district expenditures for classroom instruction, as well as expenditures for transportation, debt service, community service and district-wide administration that are not included in the Instructional Expenditure values for General Education and Special Education. As such, the sum of General Education and Special Education Instructional Expenditures does not equal the Total Expenditures

Total Expenditures Per Pupil

This School District	Similar District Group	NY State
\$16,553	\$20,045	\$20,906





District-Wide Dress Down Day Supports 'Blue4Ben'

Thank you for the support on Monday, March 24th for Blue4Ben. We had fantastic participation across the district with both kids and staff. The staff dress down donations from all 4 buildings totaled **\$591.70**. Once again the Olean School District family demonstrated kindness, thoughtfulness, and compassion for a family in need.



Olean CTE Center Honors Quarterly Outstanding Students

Each quarter, the Olean Career and Technical Education Center (CTE) recognizes Outstanding Students.

Honored from Olean High School were (above) junior Hannah Marcelin - Culinary Arts and (below) senior Bronwyn McCormick - Animal Science.

Also honored but absent for photos were seniors: Jacob Northrup - Audio Visual Production, James Ganoung - Automotive Technology, Sarah Retchless - Media Communications Technology, and MacKenzie Both - New Vision Health Professions.



WW Teacher Shares Alaska Iditarod Knowledge

During the week of February 24th, teacher Holly Moore visited each library class and shared her experiences of dog sledding when she lived in Alaska. The students were treated to seeing an actual children's dog sled, which belongs to Ms. Moore's niece and nephew. Ms. Moore also brought in musher gear used when on a dogsled race trail (gloves, boots, hats) and showed the students a video of a dog sled race in Alaska, which she attended. Students learned that the Iditarod is an annual dog sled race held in Alaska, beginning on the first Saturday in March, and of its inception. The race begins in Anchorage, Alaska and ends in Nome, Alaska.

Throughout the month of March, the students were given opportunities in library to learn many things about the Iditarod and dog sled racing. Vocabulary words (it was common to hear the students giving commands of "gee," "haw," "mush," and "whoa" throughout the school), geographic locations/terrain, distances between check points/calculations, traits and characteristics of sled dogs and mushers, life on the trail, and The True Story of Balto. It was agreed, that all the students hope to make it to NYC some day to see the statue of Balto in Central Park.

Since the students could not actually participate in the Iditarod, they were challenged to get to Nome, Alaska by reading.



For each 100 minutes that a student/class read, a sled dog was earned. On March 28th all tickets earned were tabulated and the grade level winners were announced on Monday, March 31st.

Pre-K: Miss Moore (12), Mrs. Volz (31)
Kindergarten: Mrs. Marsfelder (29)
First Grade: Mrs. Woodring (55)
Second Grade: Mrs. Jakubczyk (66)
Third Grade: Mrs. Hamed (6)
Mrs. Darrow's Class (16)

Mrs. Jakubczyk's second grade (pictured above) took the "Leader of the Pack" award with 66 sled dogs. The total number of minutes read by the entire school was 42,250.

Each class, whether a grade level winner or not, was treated to an "Iditaread" party during their library class. Everyone received a certificate for participating in the Washington West 2014 "Iditaread" Challenge.



Pinwheels for Prevention of Child Abuse

Olean General Hospital asked that students in each second grade class at Washington West take the time to color and cut out a pinwheel for their "Pinwheel Garden" located in the main lobby of the hospital. The garden's purpose is to help raise awareness

of child abuse...as April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. "Pinwheels for Prevention" is a campaign sponsored by Prevent Child Abuse America. Our students are proud of the role they played in this display.



Court Reigns over OHS Winter Weekend

Selected to the OHS Winter Weekend Court were: (front, l-r) Sophomore Attendant Phoenix Reisner, Senior 2nd Attendant Mohrgan Sokolowski, Senior Winter Weekend Queen Kristin Brown, Senior 1st Attendant Mackenzie Yanetsko, Junior Attendant Mary Pezzimenti, Freshman Attendant Victoria Certo and (back, l-r) Sophomore Escort Sawyer Fries, Senior 2nd Escort Ryan Phillips, Senior Winter Weekend King Will Gardner, Senior 1st Escort Brock Blovsky, Junior Escort Colden Dwaileebe, Freshman Escort Ben Eckstrom.



Local Author Brings 'The Stitches Fairy' to EV Elementary

East View Elementary students were treated to a special presentation by the author, of The Stitches Fairy, Patricia Long. She presented her first published book to each grade. Mrs. Long grew up in Allegany, New York. She recently retired from teaching in Colorado. Mrs. Long read aloud her book and presented a power point on the writing process. Students were intrigued because they had never heard of a "stitches fairy." Teachers at East View followed up the presentation with writing, reading, and discussion activities. Illustrations from the book were available for students to color and write about. The book was brought to life because of the background that she shared about the real character, Claire. Special thanks went out to Mrs. Long for sharing her time and talents with the students and teachers at East View. Special thanks also go out to Mrs. Spears and Mrs. Olson for coordinating this opportunity for our students.



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Winning OIMS Art Students

Congratulations to Mrs. Nickel's 4th and 5th grade OIMS Art students for winning the "K-5 Area Art Contest" at the Regina A. Quick Center on the St. Bonaventure University Campus. Their artwork was on display December 4, 2013 through January 20, 2014. The theme of the contest was "Under the Sea". Pictured are (back, l-r) Maryam Mirza, Jaden Stabb, Alexis Gibbons, Angelina Ross, Marina Heister and (front, l-r) Maddox Windus, Summer Mattingly, Zack Sands, Hannah Vanderhoef.

Olean City School District Mission/Vision

The Olean City School District is a student-centered community of excellence in which all members are challenged to learn, achieve, contribute, and innovate.

Guiding Principles

A commitment to fostering:

A respectful, safe, and welcoming environment

An acceptance of diversity

Continuous improvement

Academic excellence and lifelong learning

Honesty, integrity, responsibility, and accountability

Student potential and achievement