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Dear Residents of the Olean City School District:

It seems spring has finally sprung, and our days are noticeably longer, if not predictably warmer. It's nice to see our Huskies back outside playing! It's a busy time for everyone in the Olean City School District. Spring athletics and school events abound, and I hope you get a chance to share these celebrations with us.

Our Board of Education's search for your next Superintendent of Schools is underway, and our trustees appreciate those who provided comments and participated in the focus group sessions with the search consultants. The successful candidate will be fortunate to lead such a fiercely dedicated staff, who share the common vision of student achievement and academic excellence.

We have adopted a Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) approach to help all our students stay on track for academic success on their pathway to graduation. Varying needs demand a varied approach. A proactive, responsive and equitable system of support uses data to match differentiated, integrated academic and social emotional support to address the needs of the whole student. In the coming months, you will hear more about this proactive model to align a continuum of resources to students. MTSS supports all students in general and special education in an ongoing basis by teams of professionals in each school.

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) is more than a committee or a policy at OCSD. We are embarking on a journey to embrace our many diversities, ensure equity throughout the district and promote inclusion in our programs and services. The DEI Workgroup served to provide a foundation for our work and identified areas in need of improvement. They chose NYSED's "Culturally-Responsive Sustaining Education Framework" as our guide to create a welcoming and affirming environment with high expectations, inclusive curriculum and assessment, and ongoing

professional learning. This framework will inform our hiring, professional learning, student curricular and extracurricular experiences. As well as District policies and practices.

The proposed 2022-2023 OCSD budget is a fiscally responsible spending plan that addresses the current needs of our school community, provides for improvements, and promotes sustainability.

The financial outlook for the Olean City School District is being enhanced by federal and state grants and a NYS budget that includes a commitment to fully funding foundation aid. We are pleased to be able to present a plan that preserves and grows services and programs for students while holding the local tax levy (0% increase). Some funding is being used to hire staff to help students and families adjust from the pandemic addressing learning loss and tending to the social emotional needs in our schools.

The 2019 Capital Project is underway with significant upgrades to our buildings and grounds. Work will be done in each of our schools, and the OIMS grounds will be renovated starting in Spring 2023.

Thank you for your continued support of our students and our schools. With the help of our community partners, parent associations, boosters, the Olean Schools Foundation and you, we have a powerful Husky team!

Respectfully,

Dr. Karen Geelan Interim Superintendent of Schools



2022-2023 Proposed Budget

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Central Storeroom and Printing	54 233	2,842,265		2,842,265	2,495,762	346,503
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Insurance/Refunds/Dues/Unclassified	139,705	6,000		145,705	143,705	2,000
BOCES Central Data/Admin/Capital	1,328,781	,		1,328,781	1,287,483	41,298
TOTAL GENERAL SUPPORT	3,184,454	2,848,265		6,032,719	5,541,564	491,155
Instructional Support						
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Curriculum/Supervision/In service	2,305,758		10.000.040	2,305,758	2,084,843	220,915
Instruction - Regular School			12,632,249	12,632,249	12,208,467	423,782
Instruction - Special Needs, Summer, Occ Ed			9,442,271	9,442,271	8,537,249	905,022
Instruction - Media/Technology			1,673,527	1,673,527	1,623,555	49,972
Guidance/Health/Psychological			1,321,911	1,321,911	1,275,638	46,273
Co-Curricular/Interscholastic Activities			791,489	791,489	734,967	56,522
TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT	2,305,758		25,861,447	28,167,205	26,464,719	1,702,486
Student Transportation						
District Transportation		130.904	152.521	283.425	141.700	141.725
Contract Transportation		/	1,175,092	1,175,092	964,700	210,392
TOTAL STUDENT TRANSPORTATION		130,904	1,327,613	1,458,517	1,106,400	352,117
Employee Benefits						
TRS & NYS ERS/Retirement	262,173	169,768	1,818,059	2,250,000	2,100,000	150,000
Social Security	171,600	91,222	1,287,178	1,550,000	1,450,000	100,000
Worker's Compensation	9,198	4,889	68,991	83,078	84,858	(1,780
Unemployment Insurance	2.214	1.177	16.609	20.000	20.000	(1,700
Health Benefits/Other		209,330	3,008,643	3,681,206	2,960,561	720,645
TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	463,234 908,419	476,385	6,199,480	7,584,284	6,615,419	968,865
TOTAL LIMPLOTEL BENEFITS	300,419	470,303	0,199,400	7,304,204	0,013,419	900,000
Debt Service						
Serial Bonds - Building		3,602,387		3,602,387	3,687,800	(85,413
Revenue and Bond Anticipation Note		262,875		262,875	41,250	221,625
Electrical Performance Contract		-		-	-	0
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE		3,865,262		3,865,262	3,729,050	136,212
Interfund Transfers						
Transfer to Special Aid		97.000		97,000	97.000	C
Transfer to Opedia Aid Transfer to Cafeteria		30,000		30,000	30,000	
Transfer to Capital Project	+	100,000		100,000	100,000	
TOTAL INTERFUND TRANSFERS		227,000		227,000	227,000	0
TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET	6,398,631	7,547,816	33,388,541	47,334,987	43,684,152	3.650.835

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.

PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

Tuesday, May 3RD at 6pm Olean High School Auditorium 410 West Sullivan Street

BUDGET VOTE & SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

TUESDAY, MAY 17TH

7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Olean Intermediate Middle School
Gymnasium

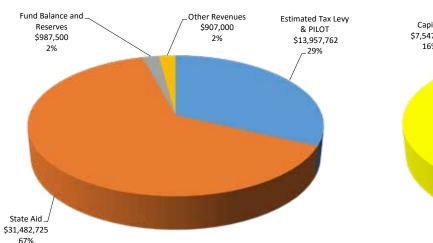
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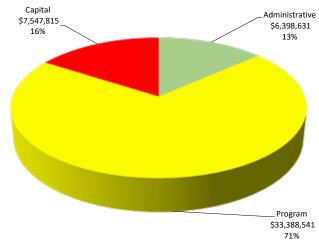


Summary of Revenues & Other Sources of Funding

	2021-22	2022-23	Inc (Dec)
	Actual	Proposed	Over Prior Year
State and Federal Aid	27,886,796	31,482,725	3,595,929
Other Revenue	927,000	907,000	-20,000
PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes)	66,701	69,664	2,963
Estimated Tax Levy & STAR Reimbursement	13,888,098	13,888,098	0
Total Revenue	42,768,595	46,347,487	3,578,892
Appropriated Reserve Contribution	120,000	150,000	30,000
Appropriated Employee Benefit Reserve	70,557	92,500	21,943
Transfer from Capital Fund	125,000	145,000	20,000
Appropriated Fund Balance	600,000	600,000	0
Total Revenue and Other Sources	43,684,152	47,334,987	3,650,835

2022-2023 Sources of Education Funding 2022-2023 Uses of Education Funding





Federal, State & Special Grants: 2021-22 School Year

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	\$ 1,103,516
Title IIA	\$ 197,857
Title IV - Allocational	\$ 104,754
Title V	\$ 53,654
Sec. 611 Special Education	\$ 584,170
Sec. 619 Special Education	\$ 45,078
Universal Pre-K	\$ 477,387
Learninig Technology	\$ 1,596
At Risk Youth	\$ 19,941
High School Equivalency	\$ 68,487
Liberty Partnership	\$ 13,324
Employment Preparation Ed.	\$ 9,045
School Improvement	\$ 96,768
Summer Special Education	\$ 210,339
Summer Transportation	\$ 12,756
American Rescue Plan (ARP)	\$ 2,939,892
Coronavirus Response and	
Relief Supplemental	
Appropriations Act (CRRSA)	\$ 1,441,110
Total	\$ 7,379,674

ESTIMATE OF 2022-2023 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	\$	0	\$ 0	
With Enhanced STAR	\$	0	\$	0	\$ 0	
Assessed Value of Property \$50,000						
With Basic STAR	\$	535	\$	537	\$ 2	
With Enhanced STAR	\$	0	\$	0	\$ 0	
Assessed Value of Property \$70,000						
With Basic STAR	\$1	,026	\$1	,029	\$ 3	
With Enhanced STAR	\$	108	\$	108	\$ 0	
Assessed Value of Property \$100,000						
With Basic STAR	\$1	,763	\$1	,768	\$ 5	
With Enhanced STAR	\$	844	\$	847	\$ 3	

NOTE: Estimated tax changes are based on 2021 equalization rates and assessed values for the City of Olean. Final values are not known at this time and will be calculated when the Board of Education adopts the tax warrant in August 2022.



News From OHS

OLEAN HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDS DECA STATE CONFERENCE

Congratulations to our Olean High School DECA (Distribute Educational Clubs of America). students. They participated in the annual state career conference from March 9 – March 11, 2022 in Rochester, NY.

The conference was named "Magic Moments" and New York was the only state that used the hybrid conference style in the United States. There were approximately 750 students that participated live and in person while 2,400 students participated remotely.

Olean had eight students that competed in person at the State Career Conference. Congratulations to Emily Duncan who won a medal for scoring the highest on the test in Principles of Hospitality and Tourism. This was Emily's first year competing in DECA. Also, during this State competition, Chance



From Left to Right: Tyler Camp, Connor Valenti, Chance Padlo, Michelle Droney, Mackenzie Malloy, Riti Anumalasetty, Emily Duncan, and Noah Trudeau

Padlo was appointed as a New York State Officer for the 2022-2023 school year.

This was a successful trip as the students were able to network, socialize, and enjoy other students from other schools. We are very proud of these students.

OHS Model UN

The OHS Model United Nations team won first place at the conference hosted by St. Bonaventure University on March 26. Delegates to the conference were Riti Anumalasetty, Tyler Camp, Ruby Chahal, Jack DeRose, Tanvi Patro, Lily Schena, Connor Valenti, and Alex Vogel. Earning medalist honors were Chance Padlo, Heartly Phipps, and Rose Scordo receiving Superior Delegate honors and Dylan DiRosa receiving an Excellent delegate award. Congratulations to all on their solid performances.









OHS Students Perform 'Little Women'

The Olean High School musical, 'Little Women', was held on April 1st and 2nd! Students in grades 8 - 12 performed on stage, in the pit, and on crew.





Schools and Community Working Together

Students and staff from all Olean district schools donated food through the Souper Bowl of Caring to Loaves and Fishes, Olean Food Pantry, and St. Vincent de Paul. Led by senior coordinators Stella Gonzalez and Maryam Mirza, Olean High students organized this city-wide food drive that has been helping the community for over 20 years. OHS volunteer organizers include Riti Anumalasetty, Cavan Boutillette, Jolyn Gibbons, Naomi Hill, Sullivan Hoffman, Damon Hollowell, Madison Jones, Brennan Kielar, Thomas Kielar, Tyler Miller, Hannah Nelson, Makenna Pancio, Lucas Peterson-Volz, Heartly Phipps, Dakoda Puccinelli, Grace Ring, Allie Stayer, and Mason Tanyi. The student volunteers are so thankful for the continuing assistance and generosity of our community partners: City of Olean Employees, Eaton Power Systems, First Baptist Church of Olean, First Presbyterian Church of Olean, Islamic Society of the Southern Tier, Mt. Zion Christian Assembly, Olean City School District Staff and Students, St. Mary of the Angels, St. John the Evangelist, Olean Area Federal Credit Union, and Tops Markets. Any local organization who would like to participate next year should contact mrakus@oleanschools.org.





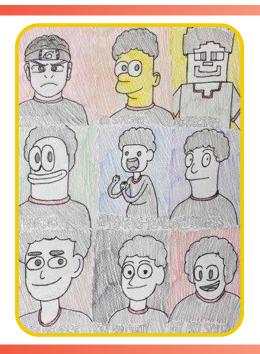


News From OMS

PE Olympics

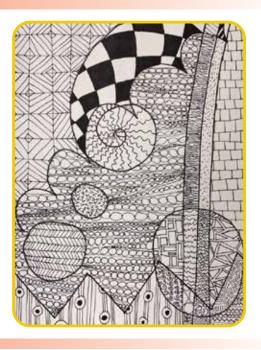
The OIMS PE department and their classes took on the school wide OIMS Olympics during the month of February. They were placed in teams and expected to work together to achieve a common goal of being the best country in the school. They competed in various Winter Olympics themed events like curling, luge, skeleton, bobsled, the biathlon, speed skating, and ski slalom. All students did a great job participating! Congratulations to one of the seventh grade girl's teams who took home the overall gold. Other podium winners were a fourth grade team placing silver and two seventh grade boys' teams who tied for the bronze medal.





A Special Showcase

7th grader Lorenzo
Downing (photo on
the left) and 6th grader
May Eaton (photo on
the right) were selected
to have artwork
featured in the St.
Bonaventure University
Middle School Juried
Art Show in February.
Congratulations to
these amazing artists!





Spirit Week

OIMS had Spirit Week and the 4th grade teachers dressed up as Superhero's.



Washington West Elementary School



What Does That Word Mean?!

Looking for the meaning of a word? Well, our third graders can help! In great thanks to the Olean Rotary Club, our third-grade students each received a dictionary of their very own. They explored all the wonderful things a dictionary can offer them in their learning, and the whole of the Washington West third grade team was grateful for the donation!



101 Days

100 days has come and gone, but these husky pups sported their spots to celebrate the 101st day of school!

East View Elementary School



Tricky Leprechaun

The leprechaun visited our school and stole our Good News Bell from the main office.



Learning STEM

Our third graders were doing some STEM learning in Mrs. Caya's classroom.



At Home Play

East View did a week of At Home Play. Each night students had a special assignment to play a card game, a board game, play with blocks or play outside. Families posted pictures to social media. Children learn best through play!



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Hands On Learning

Olean High School's JOBS (Joining Olean Business with Students) students are earning 54 hours of work-based learning hours to get a CDOS (Career Development and Occupational Studies) certificate. Mrs. Graves, the job coach, lines up a variety of job experiences in our school and in our community for students to try different jobs. They learn entry level job skills so they can be better prepared to enter the work force after high school.





Students toured the Olean Water Filtration Plant to learn about jobs at the plant and how we get clean water in our homes.



Students stamp and place stickers on all the district books at the PLC.



Emma assists with laundry for the OHS cafeteria. She washes, folds, and returns the towels.



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

Embracing diversity

Continuous improvement

Academic excellence and lifelong learning

Honesty, integrity, responsibility, and accountability

Student potential and achievement