



# Eagle eye

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## Budget Vote On May 17

**BUDGET INCREASE**  
1.95%

**PROJECTED TAX LEVY INCREASE**  
2.23%

**THIS IS LOWER THAN THE STATE-IMPOSED TAX CAP**

The sights and sounds of our students, teachers and staff of Bolton Central School are resonating with hope and excitement. Athletes on the fields, elementary students on the playgrounds, kindergarten classroom songs heard loud and clear, teammates boarding a school bus for an away game, and a musical with an audience; all these activities are more treasured than ever before. We are at a transformative moment as a school within a resilient community. In the last two years we have had a glimpse of just how much is possible when we work together.

Like everyone else, we have kept our expenses to the necessary, while maintaining, and even building on student programs. Our fiscal responsibilities are second only to the well-being of our students.

With all this in mind, please take the time to review the included material so that you may best understand the complexities of all that goes into a public-school budget.

On behalf of the Bolton Central School District's Board of Education, I present the proposed budget for the 2022 - 2023 school year for your review. Despite the

additional expenses of the current health crisis, we were able to develop a budget that is less than the state-imposed tax cap limit, with an overall increase

### A MESSAGE FROM

*Kathleen C. Pfau*  
Board President

Our students continue to do well and thrive when encouraged to strive for academic excellence thanks to our supportive community. Whether our students are working towards continuing their education once they graduate or if they wish to dive right into the workforce, we provide them with the tools to be successful in meeting the expanding needs of our changing society.

As we all consider the state and national budget uncertainties, with the cooperation of our faculty and staff, we have been able to manage our resources with a long-term vision of what our students may need.

of 1.95% from last year's budget. In developing this upcoming budget, we wish to best utilize all our established resources and keep our District well prepared for whatever comes next. Two board seats are up for election. Ms. Michelle Calzada and Mrs. Denise Johnson have both filed petitions and will appear on the ballot.

Bolton Central School students are our future and watching them learn and grow each day is a responsibility we take seriously. Your participation is needed and greatly appreciated.

### The STAR Program

The STAR program is still a benefit for tax payers. If you have questions about this program, please contact your local property assessor in Bolton at (518) 644-2894, Hague at (518) 543-6161 or in Horicon at (518) 494-4198.

For a STAR application or more information, contact your local assessor and visit <https://www.tax.ny.gov/star/>

# School Budget EXPENDITURES

Public schools in New York State are required to report their spending in three categories

	2021-2022 Budget	2022-2023 Proposed	Dollar Change	% of 2022-2023 Budget
<b>PROGRAM EXPENDITURES</b>				<b>73.91%</b>
Instruction	\$2,600,702	\$2,660,237	\$59,535	
Career and Technical Instruction	\$604,015	\$608,519	\$4,504	
Special Education	\$610,960	\$598,245	-\$12,715	
Pupil Services	\$350,823	\$351,660	\$837	
Extra-Curricular	\$260,210	\$264,142	\$3,932	
Transportation	\$505,424	\$507,774	\$2,350	
Community Service - Census	\$1,896	\$1,915	\$19	
Employee Benefits	\$2,344,745	\$2,416,102	\$71,357	
Interfund Transfers	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$0	
<b>PROGRAM TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,343,775</b>	<b>\$7,473,594</b>	<b>\$129,819</b>	

Includes: salaries and benefits of teachers, guidance counselors, aides, nurses, etc.; teaching supplies, equipment, and textbooks; library and instructional computer funds; extracurricular activities, athletics expenses, and transportation costs (except bus purchases).

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES</b>				<b>9.36%</b>
Board of Education	\$33,632	\$32,900	-\$732	
Central Administration	\$488,741	\$511,691	\$22,950	
Supervision & Curriculum Development	\$151,631	\$155,861	\$4,230	
Employee Benefits	\$259,121	\$245,868	-\$13,253	
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE TOTAL</b>	<b>\$933,125</b>	<b>\$946,320</b>	<b>\$13,195</b>	

Includes: salaries, benefits, equipment & supplies of the superintendent's office, business office and principal's office; instructional staff development & curriculum development; insurance; legal expenses; public information; Board of Education expenses; and BOCES administration charges.

<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>				<b>16.73%</b>
Operations & Maintenance	\$863,258	\$904,471	\$41,213	
Transportation	\$125,000	\$128,601	\$3,601	
Employee Benefits	\$286,308	\$290,035	\$3,727	
Debt Service	\$166,025	\$168,300	\$2,275	
Interfund Transfers	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$0	
<b>CAPITAL TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,640,591</b>	<b>\$1,691,407</b>	<b>\$50,816</b>	

Includes: debt service on buildings; bus purchases, tax certiorari and court-ordered costs; custodial costs including salaries and benefits of maintenance workers; and all facilities costs, including supplies, utilities, general repairs, and fuel tank repairs.

<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES:</b>	<b>\$9,917,491</b>	<b>\$10,111,321</b>	<b>\$193,830</b>	
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# Projected Budget **REVENUE**

	2021-2022 Budget	2022-2023 Proposed	Dollar Change
State Aid	\$901,035	\$917,032	\$15,997
Use of Property/Money	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0
Tuition and Services	\$111,000	\$111,000	\$0
Miscellaneous	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$0
Fund Balance/Reserves	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$0
Projected Tax Levy	\$7,960,456	\$8,138,289	\$177,833
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$9,917,491</b>	<b>\$10,111,321</b>	<b>\$193,830</b>



# Important Voter **INFORMATION**

— O N T H E B A L L O T —

## Proposed School Budget

RESOLVED, that the budget submitted by the Board of Education of Bolton Central School District, Warren County, New York in the amount of TEN MILLION, ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVEN THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE DOLLARS (\$ 10,111,321) for the school year 2022-2023 is hereby approved and adopted, and the money needed therefore be raised by tax or taxes for the purpose set forth in such budget in accordance with law.

YES

NO

## Board Of Education Election

This year, two (2) vacancies on the Board of Education for three (3) year terms each, will be filled by the voters during the annual election on May 17, 2022.

These vacancies have been created by the expiration of the terms for Ms. Michelle Calzada and Mrs. Denise Johnson. The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes will be elected to the two open seats.

In the order they will appear on the ballot, the candidates are:

1. Ms. Michelle Calzada
2. Mrs. Denise Johnson

# Vote Tuesday, May 17

**Who Can Vote?** All voters must be registered, U.S. citizens, age 18 or older on election day, and residents of the Bolton Central School District for 30 days immediately prior to election day.

**Can't Get to the Polls?** Absentee ballots are available to voters who qualify. Contact the BCS main office at 644-2400, ext. 407.

# Bolton Central School

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# School District Budget NOTICE

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2021-22 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2022-2023 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2022-2023 School Year *
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$ 9,917,491	\$ 10,111,321	\$ 9,933,488
Increase/Decrease for the 2022-23 School Year		\$ 193,830	\$ 15,997
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		1.95%	.16%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		4.70%	
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$ 7,960,456	\$ 8,138,289	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	\$ 0	\$ 0	
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable **	\$ 0	\$ 0	
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy	\$ 0	\$ 0	
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$ 7,960,456	\$ 8,138,289	\$ 7,960,456
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$ 252,479	\$ 264,743	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$ 7,707,977	\$ 7,903,547	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	\$ 7,707,977	\$ 7,873,546	
I. Difference: G - H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval - See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$ 0	\$ 30,001	
Administrative Component	\$ 933,125	\$ 946,320	\$ 931,320
Program Component	\$ 7,343,775	\$ 7,473,594	\$ 7,350,761
Capital Component	\$ 1,640,591	\$ 1,691,407	\$ 1,651,407
* Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2022-23 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law. Reductions would be made to equipment, programs, non-essential maintenance, and staffing as needed.			
** List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval requirements)			
Description		Amount	

Under the Budget Proposed for the 2022-23 School Year

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings<sup>1</sup>

\$142

1. The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2022-2023 by the qualified voters of the Bolton Central School District, Warren County, New York, will be held at Bolton Central School in said district on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., prevailing time in the Bolton Central School, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.