



# Eagle eye

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## Budget Vote On May 21

The 2018 – 2019 school year has seen our students take on academic and extracurricular activities with confidence and success. Both our elementary and high school English test scores ranked first out of 92 capital districts. Our overall math scores ranked second out of the 92. Bolton Central School was also ranked 27th out of 1,800 schools in the state as ranked by backgroundchecks.org's Top New York State School Districts for 2018.

BCS students have experienced many accomplishments this year including science research students who competed at the Upstate Junior Science and Humanities Symposium at SUNY Albany. Band students auditioned and participated in the Northeast Instrumental Music Festival giving them the opportunity to perform at a higher level and in a large group setting. One of our seniors was proudly named a National Merit Scholarship winner out of the 1.6 million eligible students. BCS sports teams represented the district with Eagle Pride, many wins and post-season success. Between science fairs, seasonal concerts, sports, Youth and Government, Young Scholars program, a spring musical and many other events, BCS students are able to take on these experiences in a supportive academic environment.

At the foundation of the success of BCS students is the strong support of our community. For the Board of Education, the needs of our students are always in the forefront with new and evolving initiatives to ensure they have the tools to be successful

here and well into the future. We strive to do this while maintaining our fiduciary responsibilities to the community in order to meet the state mandates and financial challenges faced by the district, all within a state-imposed tax cap.

On behalf of the Bolton Central School District's Board of Education, I present the proposed budget for the 2019-2020 school year for your review. The administration was able to develop a budget well below the state-imposed tax cap limit, with an overall increase of 1.8%. The details are clearly stated in the left margin of the page. All of our current programs will remain intact and new programs will be offered. The Class of 2019, cumulatively, will graduate with over 200 college credits, two new AP classes will be available, and opportunities in exciting technology and computer courses will continue to be offered on and off campus. With this budget proposal our students, both elementary and high

school, will have the ability to take on many remarkable experiences. This is accomplished through the continuing support of our community.

Voting for the Budget and Board of Education seats will be held on Tuesday, May 21st from 12:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the BCS gym lobby. Two board seats are up for election. Ms. Michelle Calzada and Mrs. Denise Johnson have filed petitions and will appear on the ballot. Both candidates have served our district and wish to continue. On behalf of the Board of Education, I thank you for your support of our district and most importantly, the future of our students.

### A MESSAGE FROM

Kathleen C. Pfau,  
Board President

**BUDGET INCREASE**  
1.80%

**PROJECTED TAX LEVY INCREASE**  
1.94%

**THIS IS BELOW THE STATE-IMPOSED TAX CAP**

### 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) 622-2499, Hague at (518) 543-6161 or in Horicon at (518)-494-3647

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

# School Budget EXPENDITURES

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

	2018-2019 Budget	2019-2020 Proposed	Dollar Change	% of 2019-2020
<b>PROGRAM EXPENDITURES</b>				<b>74.48%</b>
Instruction	\$2,501,305	\$2,563,105	\$61,800	
Career and Technical Instruction	\$592,381	\$653,684	\$61,303	
Special Education	\$535,096	\$554,830	\$19,734	
Pupil Services	\$335,316	\$342,805	\$7,489	
Extra-Curricular	\$252,623	\$254,288	\$1,665	
Transportation	\$489,533	\$493,612	\$4,079	
Community Service	\$1,859	\$1,877	\$18	
Employee Benefits	\$2,177,850	\$2,216,164	\$38,314	
Interfund Transfers	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$0	
<b>PROGRAM TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,950,963</b>	<b>\$7,145,365</b>	<b>\$194,402</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>9.67%</b>
Board of Education	\$33,120	\$33,286	\$166	
Central Administration	\$484,448	\$494,119	\$9,671	
Supervision & Curriculum Development	\$147,860	\$148,832	\$972	
Employee Benefits	\$245,561	\$250,975	\$5,414	
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE TOTAL</b>	<b>\$910,989</b>	<b>\$927,212</b>	<b>\$16,223</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>15.85%</b>
Operations & Maintenance	\$820,604	\$785,096	-\$35,508	
Transportation	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$0	
Employee Benefits	\$273,670	\$268,423	-\$5,247	
Debt Service	\$147,175	\$147,175	\$0	
Interfund Transfers	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$0	
<b>CAPITAL TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,561,449</b>	<b>\$1,520,694</b>	<b>-\$40,755</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, repairs, unit ventilators, and renovations.

<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES:</b>	<b>\$9,423,401</b>	<b>\$9,593,271</b>	<b>\$169,870</b>	
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# Projected Budget **REVENUE**

	2018-2019 Budget	2019-2020 Proposed	Dollar Change
State Aid	\$864,986	\$860,963	-\$4,023
Use of Property/Money	\$65,000	\$105,000	\$40,000
Tuition and Services	\$89,000	\$91,000	\$2,000
Miscellaneous	\$102,000	\$87,000	-\$15,000
Fund Balance/Reserves	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$0
Projected Tax Levy	\$7,552,415	\$7,699,308	\$146,893
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$9,423,401</b>	<b>\$9,593,271</b>	<b>\$169,870</b>



# Important Voter **INFORMATION**

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## 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 NINE MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED AND NINETY-THREE THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-ONE DOLLARS (\$9,593,271) for the school year 2019-2020 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 21, 2019.

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 21

12 noon to 8 p.m. • Bolton Central School Gym Lobby

**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. 101.

# Bolton Central School

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# School District Budget NOTICE

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2018-19 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2019-20 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2019-2020 School Year *
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$ 9,423,401	\$ 9,593,271	\$ 9,446,378
Increase/Decrease for the 2019-20 School Year		\$ 169,870	\$ 22,977
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		1.80 %	.24%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		2.44%	
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$ 7,552,415	\$ 7,699,308	
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)	\$ 7,552,415	\$ 7,699,308	\$ 7,552,415
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$250,063	\$ 250,063	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$ 7,357,859	\$7,506,945	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	\$ 7,302,352	\$7,449,234	
I. Difference: G - H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval - See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$ 55,507	\$ 57,711	
Administrative Component	\$ 910,989	\$ 927,212	\$ 915,012
Program Component	\$ 6,950,963	\$ 7,145,365	\$ 7,045,672
Capital Component	\$ 1,561,449	\$ 1,520,694	\$ 1,485,694
* Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2019-20 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law.			
Reductions would be made to certain equipment in the capital & program components, 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	

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2019-2020 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 21, 2019 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.

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings <sup>1</sup>	Under the Budget Proposed for the 2019-20 School Year
	\$150

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