

**SUSTAINING OUR EXCEPTIONAL CURRICULAR AND CO-CURRICULAR PROGRAMMING WHILE ADDRESSING INCREASING STUDENT NEEDS.**

The Plattsburgh City School District is pleased to offer the budget proposal outlined herein, which is once again compliant with the State’s tax cap regulations.

The pending end of the post-pandemic federal stimulus represents a period of transition for school districts, but because our district generally avoided using this funding for recurring staffing expenses, our operations should be less-impacted than many districts’.

In light of the inflationary pressures affecting our district and your household alike, we are hopeful that a tax levy increase of less than 2% represents welcome relief from the cost escalations which have become commonplace in our economy. Our district’s current challenges



largely center upon sustaining our exceptional curricular and co-curricular programming while addressing increasing students needs. Although many students have overcome the pandemic-era learning loss and the negative social-emotional impacts of that isolation, some students are still displaying unprecedented levels of need. In keeping, special education spending and programming continue to expand to address these broad and acute issues.

While spending plans are fluid and subject to changing student populations and needs, we currently anticipate the following changes in next year’s operations: the shifting of a self-contained special education program from Stafford Middle School to Plattsburgh High School to follow a rising student cohort; the introduction of a new self-contained special education program at Momot Elementary School; the possible collapsing of one elementary class section based on class size; expansion of the district’s Pre-K

program to include a 3rd full-day section (to be located at Glasgow Elementary); an increase in the appropriation for the purchase of a school bus in light of increasing vehicle costs; an increase in athletic uniform expenses; expanded Teacher training time in support of a new math curriculum series and social studies/science curriculum changes; continued strategic planning expenses; increased allocation for Dignity, Equity & Inclusion training; increased student social/emotional learning programming; and various other lesser budgetary adjustments. Plans to address marked increases in the number of English Language Learners and their unique educational needs are still evolving, and the increased State Aid featured in the final New York State budget may support these expanded services.

As we work hard to see students through their challenges, we will continue to strive to protect the outstanding programming for which our district is known. With your continued support, our district will remain the beacon of educational excellence in our region.

With thanks,

Jay Lebrun

**Facts & Figures**

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Momot Elementary Dino Walk

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Absentee and Early Mail Voting ballots are available to any interested, registered voter who is not able to vote in-person or would like to vote early. Effective January 1, 2024, Governor Hochul signed into law the New York Early Mail Voter Act, which allows any qualified/eligible voter to vote as an Early Mail Voter in these elections. Interested individuals can go to [www.plattscsd.org](http://www.plattscsd.org) to complete an Absentee or Early Mail Voter ballot application or contact the District Clerk, Dawn Stetz at 518-957-6002 for more information.





# 2024-25 BUDGET OVERVIEW

	2023-24 Budget	2024-25 Proposed	Change
<b>Budget</b>	<b>\$50,786,251</b>	<b>\$52,676,173</b>	<b>3.72%</b>
<b>Revenues</b>	<b>\$48,642,120</b>	<b>\$50,532,042</b>	<b>3.89%</b>
<b>Applied Reserves</b>	<b>\$2,144,131</b>	<b>\$2,144,131</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Proposed Tax Levy</b>	<b>\$25,029,131</b>	<b>\$25,521,630*</b>	<b>1.97%</b>

\*The proposed tax levy is compliant with the tax cap, and the proposed budget therefore requires only a 'simple majority' for approval.



## Projected Annual Tax Impact of the 2024-25 Budget

The tax impact estimates to the right do not assume any change in the total taxable assessed value for the City. This total valuation will not be known until June. Any increase in total taxable assessments will decrease the tax rate.

**\*Note: These estimates do not reflect any exemptions (ie. STAR).** Each taxpayer should further consider those exemptions for which they qualify.

Property Assessment*	Current Tax Bill \$20.33489 per \$1,000 Assessed Value	Projected Tax Bill \$20.73550 per \$1,000 Assessed Value	Annual Increase
\$50,000	\$1,016.74	\$1,036.78	\$20.04
\$100,000	\$2,033.49	\$2,073.55	\$40.06
\$200,000	\$4,066.98	\$4,147.10	\$80.12
<b>\$212,300</b>	<b>\$4,317.10</b>	<b>\$4,402.15</b>	<b>\$85.05</b>
\$250,000	\$5,083.72	\$5,183.88	\$100.16
\$300,000	\$6,100.47	\$6,220.65	\$120.18
\$350,000	\$7,117.21	\$7,257.43	\$140.22

**\*\*Note:** The bold line represents the projected average home value in the City of Plattsburgh.



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## WHEN & WHERE TO VOTE

**Tuesday**  
**May 21, 2024**  
**7 am - 8 pm**

**Glasgow Elementary**  
*(Bailey Ave. Elementary)*  
**50 Bailey Ave.**  
**Plattsburgh, NY 12901**

**Duken Building**  
**49 Broad St.**  
**Plattsburgh, NY 12901**

**Momot Elementary**  
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**Plattsburgh, NY 12901**

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