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LaFayette Central School District Budget Hearing

May 3, 2023

Budget Calendar

- February 8 Community Budget Meeting
- February 15 BOE Budget Workshop 1
 - Review preliminary expenses
- March 15 BOE Budget Workshop 2
 - Review anticipated revenue
- March 29 BOE Workshop 3
 - Budget adoption/ Property tax approval
- **May 3** **Budget Hearing**
- May 16 Budget Vote

Mission, Vision, and Core Beliefs

Mission: At LaFayette, we put students first. Our mission is to educate, honor and develop students to have self-respect, a commitment to the community, and a passion for excellence.

Vision: Inspire, empower, and prepare all students to achieve excellence

Core Beliefs:

- We believe in a safe and secure learning environment.
- We believe in a supportive and rigorous learning environment.
- We are an institution of learning for all.
- All students are known and are treated with dignity, respect, and compassion.
- We embrace creativity and innovation.

Adopted by the Board of Education on March 15, 2018

2023-2024 Budget Goals

- Create a fiscally responsible budget while adhering to the property tax cap percentage
- Meet contractual obligations, including potential salary increases, maintenance contracts, BOCES contracts, and more
- Fully implement District school improvement plans utilizing available grant funds and supplementing with General Fund dollars as needed
- To sustain current positions currently funded by federal grants



2023-24 Preliminary Budget *Expenditures*

Preliminary Administrative Budget

ADMINISTRATIVE	2022-23 ADOPTED BUDGET	2023-24 DRAFT BUDGET	% CHANGE
Central Services - BOE, Business Office, District Office, Legal, Central Printing & Mailing, Insurance, BOCES Admin. & Capital Costs	\$ 804,222	\$ 841,154	4.6%
Curriculum Development & Supervision - Regular School (this includes some reclasses from the Program budget related to professional development)	<u>701,396</u>	<u>721,051</u>	2.8%
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE	\$ 1,505,618	\$ 1,562,205	3.8%

Preliminary Capital Budget

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE	2022-23 ADOPTED BUDGET	2023-24 DRAFT BUDGET	% CHANGE
Operation of Plant	\$ 1,082,698	\$ 1,133,503	4.7%
Maintenance of Plant	<u>420,617</u>	<u>463,701</u>	10.2%
Total Operations & Maintenance	\$ 1,503,315	\$ 1,597,204	6.2%
DEBT SERVICE AND INTERFUND	2022-23 ADOPTED BUDGET	2023-24 DRAFT BUDGET	% CHANGE
Construction Bond Principal & Interest	\$ 1,893,696	\$ 1,940,000	2.4%
Bus Bond Principal & Interest	309,772	369,070	19.1%
Construction BAN Principal & Interest	0	608,280	100%
Capital Transfer Interfund (Capital Outlay)	<u>100,000</u>	<u>122,000</u>	22%
Total Debt Service & Interfund	<u>\$ 2,303,468</u>	<u>\$ 3,039,350</u>	31.9%
TOTAL CAPITAL	\$ 3,806,783	\$ 4,636,554	21.8%

2023-24 Capital Outlay Project and Proposition

Capital Outlay

- \$100,000 per District each year.
- Project Scope: High School LED lighting.



Bus Proposition

- Two 66-passenger buses for a total cost of \$333,840

Preliminary Program Budget

PROGRAM SERVICES	2022-23 ADOPTED BUDGET	2023-24 DRAFT BUDGET	% Change
Teaching – General Education	\$ 5,621,470	\$ 5,947,280	5.8%
Teaching – Special Education	2,274,738	2,393,165	5.2%
Instructional Support (Library, Guidance, Health, Technology, Co-curricular, Athletics)	1,895,074	2,160,990	14.0%
Transportation	1,120,314	1,285,672	14.8%
TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES	\$ 10,911,596	\$11,787,107	8.0%



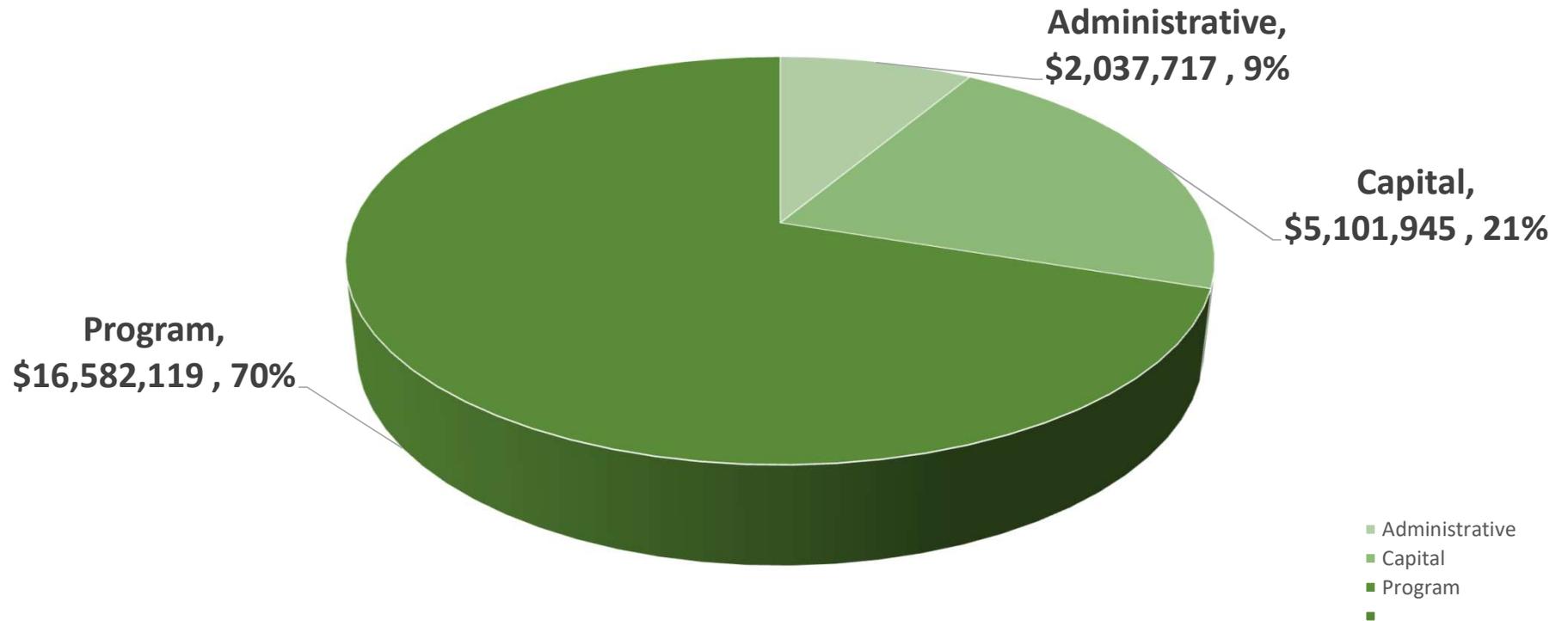
2023-24 Preliminary Benefits Budget

BENEFITS	2022-23 ADOPTED BUDGET	2023-24 DRAFT BUDGET	% CHANGE
Benefit Liability	\$ 0	\$ 150,000	100%
ERS	284,805	331,083	16.2%
TRS	797,094	934,603	17.3%
Social Security	784,633	816,000	4.0%
Workers' Compensation	124,287	132,722	6.8%
Unemployment Insurance	20,000	20,000	0%
Health, Vision & Dental	3,154,764	3,351,000	6.3%
TOTAL BENEFITS	\$5,165,583	\$5,735,408	11.1%

Three Part Preliminary Budget

	2022-23 Adopted Budget	% of Total	2023-24 Proposed Budget	% of Total
Administrative	\$ 1,938,455	8.78%	\$ 2,037,717	8.6%
Capital	4,223,744	21.13%	5,101,945	21.5%
Program	<u>15,227,380</u>	70.09%	<u>16,582,119</u>	69.9%
Total	21,389,579		\$ 23,721,781	

2023-24 Preliminary 3 Part Budget



2023-24 Preliminary Budget *Revenue*



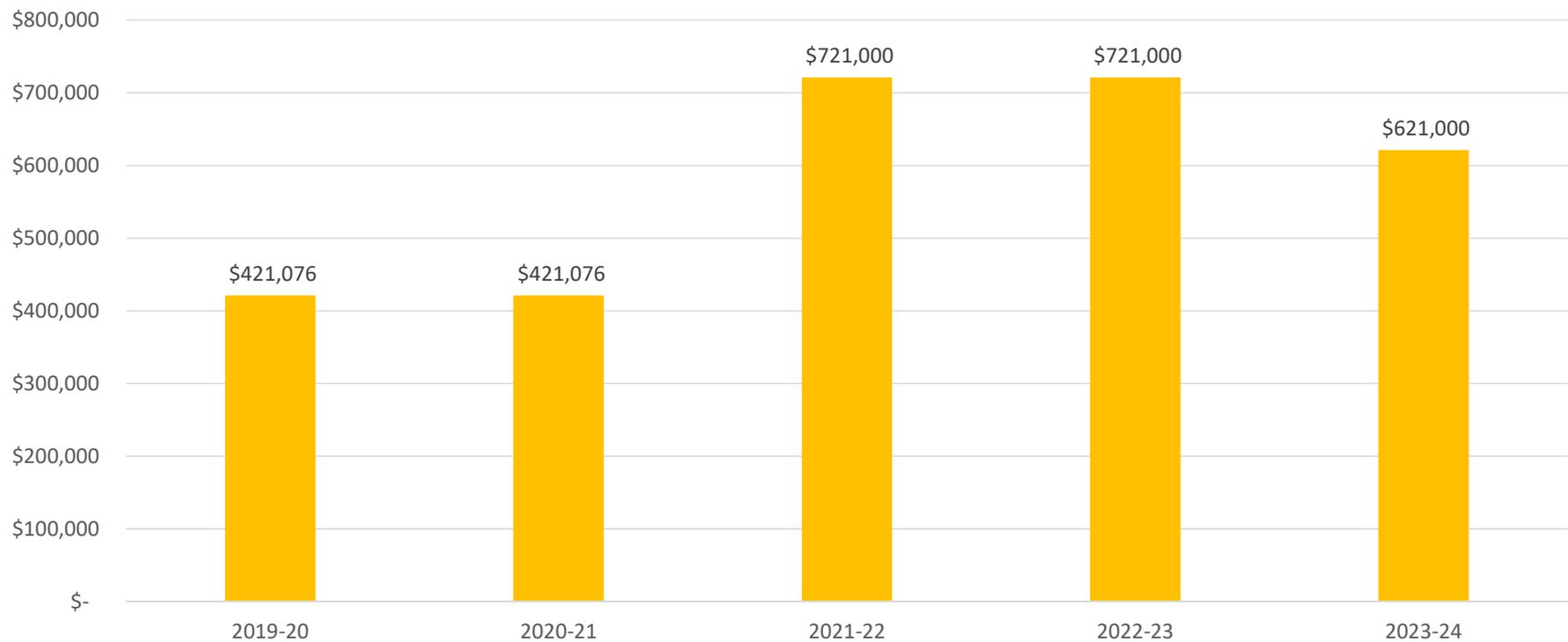
2023-24 Preliminary Revenue Budget

	2022-23 ADOPTED BUDGET	2023-24 DRAFT BUDGET	% CHANGE
Property Tax	\$ 6,595,164	\$ 6,726,408	1.99%
Fees	33,000	33,000	0.00%
Tuition and Transportation	2,445,000	3,045,000	24.54%
Use of Money – Interest Earnings and other	67,500	177,500	162.96%
Sale of Equipment	2,000	2,000	0.00%
Miscellaneous – Refunds and Reserves	986,000	1,005,900	2.02%
New York State Aid	10,392,042	11,863,307	14.16%
Medicaid	30,000	30,000	0.00%
Appropriated Fund Balance	<u>838,873</u>	<u>838,666</u>	(0.02%)
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 21,389,579	\$ 23,721,781	10.9%

2023-24 Preliminary Budget – State Aid

	2022-23 ADOPTED Actual	2023-24 DRAFT BUDGET	% CHANGE
Foundation Aid	\$ 7,596,340	\$8,158,063	7.39%
Excess Cost Aid	231,730	292,680	26.30%
Textbooks/Library/Hardware/Software	80,124	82,407	2.85%
Transportation Aid	655,365	735,699	12.26%
BOCES Aid	1,017,369	1,225,337	20.44%
Building Aid	1,811,114	2,393,418	32.15%
Native American Aid Attributable	(1,000,000)	(1,024,297)	2.43%
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 10,392,042	\$ 11,863,307	14.39%

Budget Use of Reserves

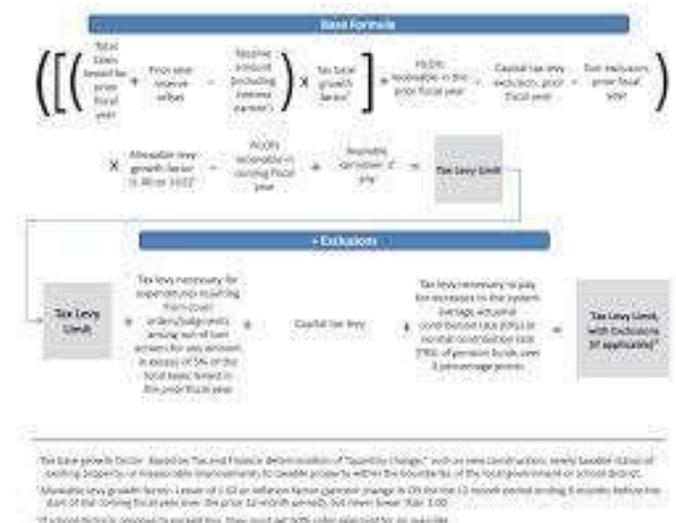




2023-24 Tax Levy Limit Calculation

Tax Levy Cap Calculation (also known as the Property Tax Cap)

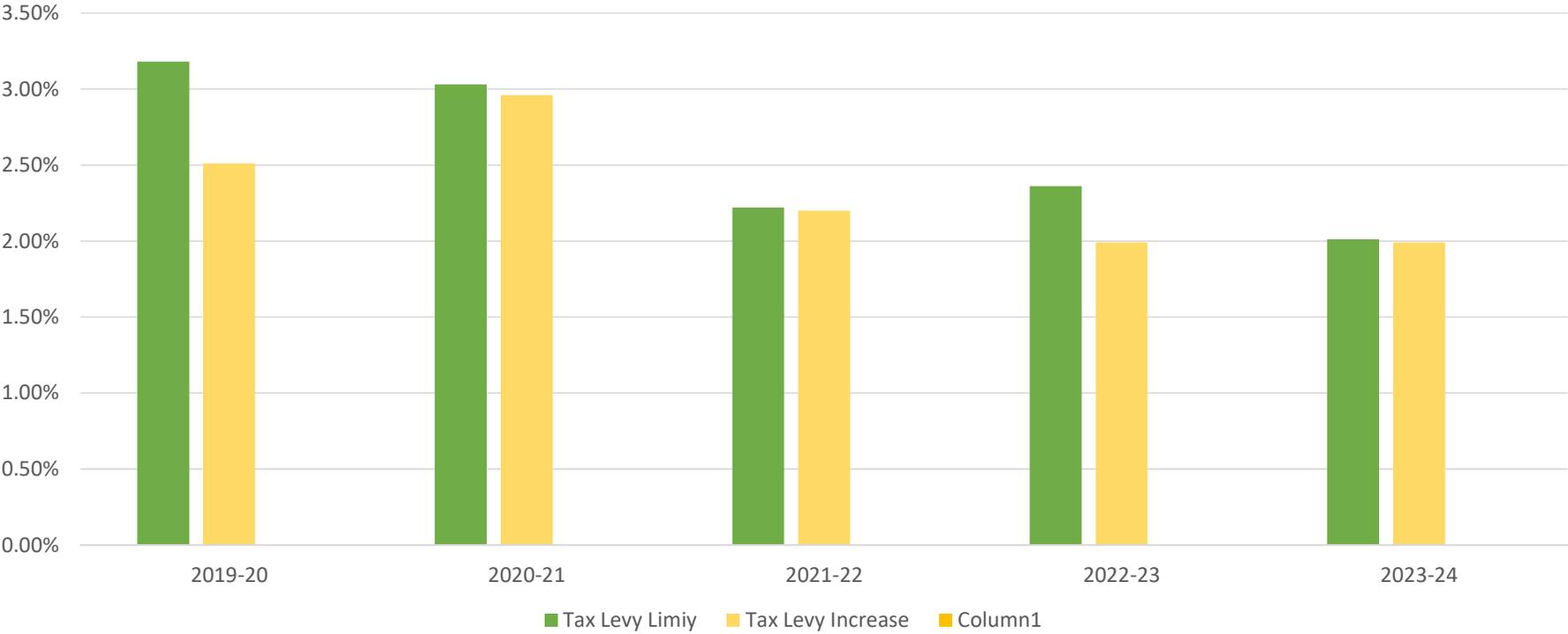
- Must follow an eight-step formula determined by NYS
- If the tax levy increase is greater than the levy limit, the budget must have 60% or more of the voters voting 'yes' to pass
- Currently, our property tax cap is at 2.01% and our tax levy increase is 1.99%



TAX LEVY LIMIT CALCULATION

1. Total Real Property Tax Levy for Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) 6/30/2022	\$ 6,595,164
2. Tax Base Growth Factor, if any	1.0029
3. PILOTS receivable in FYE 6/30/2023	22,513
4. Capital Tax Levy for FYE 06/30/2023	(384,000)
5. Allowable levy growth factor (This is limited to 2.00- known as the 2% Tax Cap)	1.02
6. PILOTS receivable in FYE 06/30/2024	(22,963)
TOTAL LEVY LIMIT BEFORE EXCLUSIONS	\$6,354,896
<u>EXCLUSIONS:</u>	
1. Tax Levy necessary for expenditures resulting from tort orders/judgments over 5% FYE 06/30/2024 tax levy	0
2. Capital Tax Levy for FYE 06/30/2024	<u>372,774</u>
TOTAL TAX LEVY LIMIT PLUS EXCLUSIONS	\$ 6,727,670
Increase from 2023-2024	\$132,506/ 2.01%
Adopted Tax Levy at 1.99%	\$6,726,408

Tax Levy Limit Vs. Tax Levy Increase



Proposed 2023-24 Tax Rate Change

	Tax Levy	Tax On True rate
Current year -2022-23	\$6,595,164	\$15.93 per thousand
Proposed 2023-24	\$6,726,408	\$16.24 per thousand

Proposed 2023-24 Tax Rate Change

	Tax Levy	LaFayette Tax Rate
Current year -2022-23	\$6,595,164	\$21.24 per thousand
Proposed 2023-24	\$6,726,408	\$21.65 per thousand

STAR School Tax Exemptions

Basic STAR

- Available for all occupied primary residents
- No age requirement
- *Income limit for Basic STAR credit is \$500,000*
- *Income limit for Basic STAR Exemption is \$250,000*
- *Based on the first \$30,000 of the full value*

Enhanced Senior STAR Exemption

- Available on a primary residence for 65+ years of age
- Household income of less than \$93,200 per year
- All Enhanced STAR recipients are required to participate in the Enhanced STAR Income Verification Program (IVP). In the first year that you apply for the Enhanced STAR exemption, your assessor will verify your eligibility based on the income information you provide. In the following years, NYS will verify your income eligibility. You will not need to reapply for the exemption or provide copies of your tax returns to your local assessor

Italics are updated information from our budget brochure

What if the budget is defeated?

- If the proposed budget is defeated, the District may do one of the following:
 1. Resubmit the defeated budget
 2. Submit a Revised Budget
 3. Adopt a Contingent Budget*

*A contingent budget must maintain the educational program, preserve property and assure the health and safety of students and staff.

- 0% increase to the tax levy
- Equipment purchases are eliminated
- \$100,000 Capital Outlay is removed

LaFayette Contingent Budget

	2023-24 Proposed Budget	2023-24 Contingent Budget	Variance	
Administrative	\$ 2,037,717	\$ 2,032,217	\$ 5,500	Miscellaneous Administrative expenses will need to be reduced
Capital	5,101,945	4,987,695	114,250	Miscellaneous Capital expenses such as equipment and capital outlay will be reduced
Program	<u>16,582,119</u>	<u>16,536,119</u>	<u>46,000</u>	Miscellaneous Program expenses, such as equipment, will need to be reduced
TOTAL	\$23,721,781	\$23,556,031	\$ 165,750	

Reminder...

Budget Vote on May 16, 2023,
1:00 pm – 9:00 pm
at LaFayette Jr/ Sr High School



QUESTIONS?