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Enlarged City School District

the **BUDGET** *edition*



THE MAROON MONTHLY

2018-2019 PROPOSED BUDGET

BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

7:00 PM, AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

BUDGET VOTE & ELECTIONS



Tuesday, May 15, 2018

7:00 AM TO 9:00 PM

WHAT TO VOTE ON:

- Budget Proposition
- Election of Board Members
- Proposition to Establish Turf Replacement Reserve
- Proposition to Establish Capital Reserve

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We Make a Difference!

The Wax Museum at Herman Avenue Elementary School



The fifth grade LEAD in 5 groups at Herman Avenue School, led by Ms. Sobus and Mrs. Franchina, presented the Wax Museum on April 5th. Each child chose a person that they felt was a good example of a leader and researched this person. With their information, each student created a slideshow presentation about the leaders' personal background information, interesting facts, why this person was famous, and what leadership traits each possessed. As they finished their research they were asked to choose clothing and props to put together a costume that they could use that best represented their leader. Great job to all participants!

L-R: Abigail Ringwood (as Shirley Temple), Claire Williams (as Charles Schulz), Emily Neuman (as Christa McAuliffe), Noah Moniz (as Abraham Lincoln), and Eric Barski (as Hank Aaron).

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Jeffrey A. Pirozzolo

It has been another challenging year for budget planning in the Auburn Enlarged City School District. Our board of education and administrators have put a great deal of time and effort into figuring out the best way to work within this year's budget constraints. Even with the state giving our district an extra \$163,812 in its final budget, using \$1.32 million out of our reserves, and finding all sorts of unique ways to save money in every area possible, we are still facing a \$2.3 million deficit.

The good news is that the proposed 2018-19 budget will not affect programming for our students. It will increase some of our elementary classroom sizes, but they will not exceed the target class sizes set forth by our board of education. Though the proposed budget does include 28 position cuts, due to the high number of retirees, we have crafted the budget to save as many jobs as we possibly can. Thankfully, our proposed budget will only affect one teaching position, but unfortunately, it does affect 13 teacher aide positions.

One of the ways we are able to save the most money is by bringing three of our BOCES classrooms back into our buildings – two at the junior high and one at the high school. By doing this, we will be able to save money that we would have had to pay BOCES to house those special education classrooms, while also allowing us to hire our own teachers and teacher aides.

The proposed 2018-19 budget includes a 1.58% tax levy increase, which is within the tax cap limit set by New York State. Taxpayers will still be eligible to receive the tax cap rebate checks from New York State.

Tax increase based on projected tax rates and a property assessment of \$100,000

	Annually	Monthly
No Star Exemption	\$30	\$2.50
Basic Star Exemption	\$19	\$1.58
Enhanced Star Exemption	\$7	\$0.58

In addition to the budget proposition and the board member election, there will be two additional propositions on your ballot. One is asking for the community to consider authorizing the district to establish a Turf Capital Reserve Fund that would allow the district to set aside money each year to defray costs to our taxpayers for possible future turf repair or replacement not covered by state building aid. The other proposition is asking the community to consider authorizing the district to establish a Capital Reserve Fund that allows the district to set aside money to help offset the costs of any future capital improvement projects, major purchases, and upgrades. Funding for both reserve funds would come from excess General Fund monies at the end of the fiscal year and from transfers of other designated reserves as approved by the Board of Education. In addition, expenditures from either of these reserve funds would still require voter approval through a separate referendum.

If you have any questions about the proposed budget for the 2018-19 school year, or about any of the voting propositions, please do not hesitate to contact the district office at (315) 255-8822 or budget@auburn.cnyric.org.


Thank you for your continued support of the Auburn Enlarged City School District's educational programming. We constantly strive to ensure that we provide high quality curriculum and instruction that meets the unique needs of each of our students.



2017-18 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ✓ The **Project Lead the Way Biomedical Program** at AHS is now in its third year with the addition of the **Medical Intervention** course. There are a total of 84 students taking advantage of this innovative and exciting learning opportunity.
- ✓ Over 90 students in grades 3 through 6 participated in the **CNY Perennial Math Tournament**, a problem-solving competition. Of those students, 11 individual participants and 4 school teams earned a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in their divisions, moving them forward to the national competition in May.
- ✓ The **Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) Program** at AHS entered its 3rd year. Our partnership with Cayuga Community College continued as students were able to access the **Fundamentals of Plastics Technology** and **Two-Dimensional Design** courses on the college campus.
- ✓ AECSD's **Seal of Biliteracy Plan** was approved by the NYS Education Department. The Seal of Biliteracy is a designation earned upon graduation indicating a high level of proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing in one or more languages, in addition to English. Currently, 13 students are seeking this highly valuable designation.
- ✓ At AJHS, the **READ 180** program was expanded so that over 140 students this year were provided personalized and engaging literacy instruction. Over the last 3 years, 270 students have participated in this blended learning opportunity where they have achieved or exceeded individual literacy goals, as well as grade level reading expectations.
- ✓ Across the district, our students have been engaging in organized and spontaneous **acts of kindness**; from the Kids of Pride at Genesee Elementary to the Kindness Club at AHS, our students have recognized the importance of being positive, welcoming others and paying forward a kind act. Hundreds of volunteer hours have been accomplished by our students within our schools and community this year.

ATHLETIC HIGHLIGHTS

-  The NYS Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) Scholar Athlete Award was earned by 6 Varsity teams this past Fall and Winter Season.
-  Fall golfers Ross Burgmaster and Parker Hogan qualified to participate in the NYS Boys Golf State Qualifier Tournament this spring in Colgate.
-  Girls Tennis Team made it to the final match of the Section III Girls Tennis Tournament this Fall season before falling to F-M.
-  Senior Field Hockey Captain Emma Clark received the Spectrum Scholar Athlete Award this Fall season.
-  Auburn Football renewed the 2nd oldest rivalry in NY State this season when they opened against Ithaca in the Carrier Dome this past Fall. The team concluded the season as Champions of the Section III Class AA Back Tournament.
-  The Ice Hockey team won the Section III Tournament this Winter, and advanced to the semi-finals of the NYSPHSAA Championship Tournament at the Buffalo Harbor Center. Jake Morin and Johnny Malandrucolo were named to both the ALL-CNY team and the NYS 1st Team All-Stars. Jake Morin was named the League Player of the Year and Coach Mike Lowe was named All-CNY Coach of the year. The team finished ranked #3 in NY State.
-  The Girls Bowling team won the Salt City Athletic Conference (SCAC) league title and placed 3rd in the Section III tournament. Individually, Kaylee Hodson qualified to participate in the NYSPHSAA Bowling Championship Tournament held at the Syracuse OnCenter this past Winter season.
-  The Boys Basketball team won the SCAC league title this year. Senior Scotty Minnoe and Junior Kaleb Cook both broke the 1,000 point mark this season.
-  On the wrestling team this Winter season, 11 wrestlers qualified for the Class Tournament and attended the Section III Tournament. Six wrestlers finished in the top six, and both Luca Pirozzolo (113 lbs) and Hunter Duger (152 lbs) finished 2nd in the Section III Tournament.
-  On the Boys Indoor Track team Christian Dotts set a new school record in the 55M HH and the High Jump. Dotts won a league title in the High Jump and Josh Cuddy defended his league title in the 600M race.

2018-2019 PROPOSED BUDGET EXPENDITURES

Program Component: 75.14% of Budget

The Program component provides funding for the instruction of and educational support services of district students, including regular, special, and occupational education, guidance and health services, and cocurricular and interscholastic activities. Also included are the costs of transporting students to and from the five elementary, one junior high, and one high school.

Program	2017-2018	2018-2019	Increase/(Decrease)
Legal	7,500	7,500	0
Teaching - Regular School	19,511,616	19,364,113	(147,503)
Programs - Students with Disabilities	12,043,899	10,636,839	(1,407,060)
Occupational Education	1,700,096	1,891,365	191,269
Teaching - Special Schools	286,822	297,250	10,428
School Library & Audiovisual	880,766	836,684	(44,082)
Computer Assisted Instruction	1,709,101	1,894,603	185,502
Guidance	599,657	671,322	71,665
Health Services	564,253	607,903	43,650
Co-Curricular Activities	178,104	184,680	6,576
Interscholastic Activities	553,536	573,879	20,343
District Transportation	257,800	171,600	(86,200)
Contract Transportation	2,403,371	2,572,827	169,456
Public Transportation	50	50	0
BOCES Contract Transportation	50,200	55,200	5,000
Employee Benefits	16,282,442	17,644,811	1,362,369
Interfund Transfers	10,000	10,000	0
Total Program Expense	\$57,039,213	\$57,420,626	381,413

Capital Component: 13.86% of Budget

The Capital component provides funding for the operation and maintenance of the district's buildings and grounds, as well as for the costs of natural gas and electricity, water, sewer, and telephone services. Also included is funding for debt service - principal and interest payments on capital projects, installment purchases, leases, and interfund transfers.

Capital	2017-2018	2018-2019	Increase/(Decrease)
Operation	2,901,331	2,960,362	59,031
Maintenance	1,070,540	1,089,702	19,162
Employee Benefits	1,258,255	1,737,929	479,674
Debt Service	4,384,516	4,707,222	322,706
Interfund Transfers	100,000	100,000 *	0
Total Capital Expense	\$9,714,642	\$10,595,215	880,573

*For Capital Project not to exceed \$100,000

Special Sewing Project at Seward Elementary

Many students in Amy Vitale's 4th grade class showed interest in doing a project after school that would benefit other students at Seward Elementary. We decided to learn how to sew and make bandanas for our friends with special needs here at Seward. After school Mrs. Weaver, Mrs. Murphy and Mrs. Vitale went over the basics of hand stitching and how to use a sewing machine. We stitched wash cloths to the back of bandanas for our friends. After we completed them, students went and delivered the bandanas to the students and staff. Our friends with special needs wear them throughout the day, so our students wanted to make some new ones with fun patterns for them to wear. It was a heartwarming experience for all students involved.



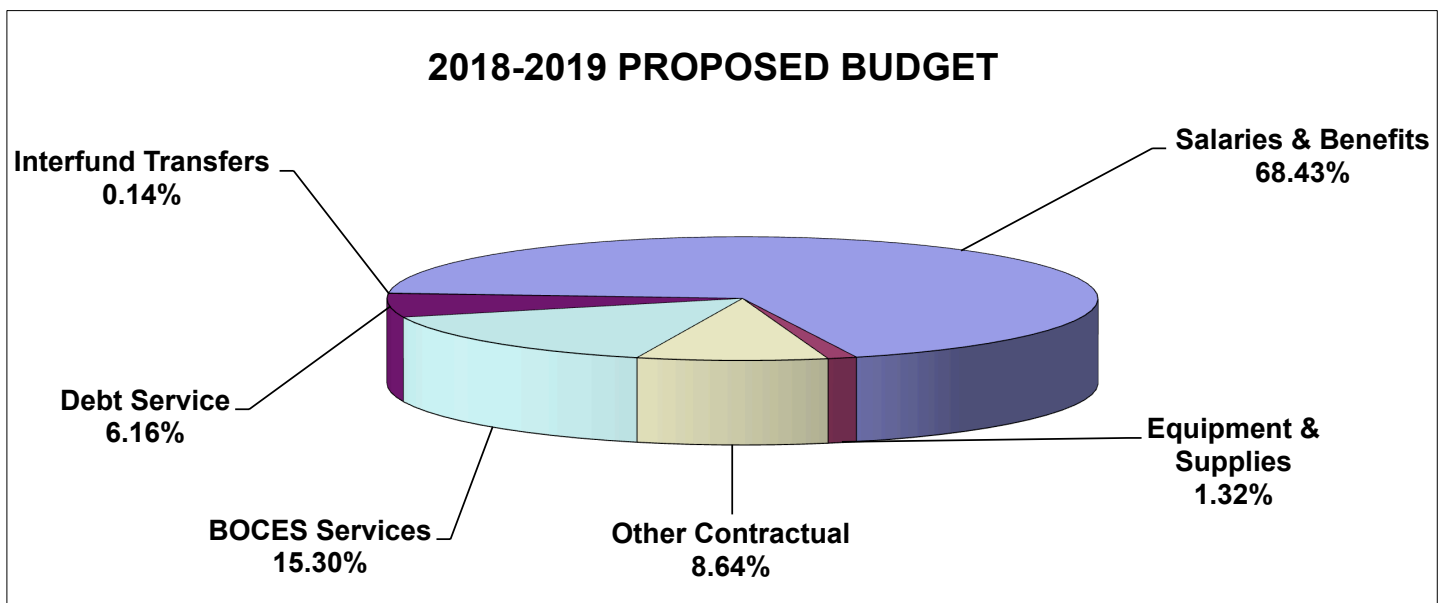
2018-2019 PROPOSED BUDGET EXPENDITURES

Administrative Component: 11.00% of Budget

The administrative component provides funding for general support and management activities, including central administration and business office operations such as payroll, auditing, tax collection and purchasing, as well as legal and personnel functions. Also included in this component are the costs for administration and supervision at each of the district's schools.

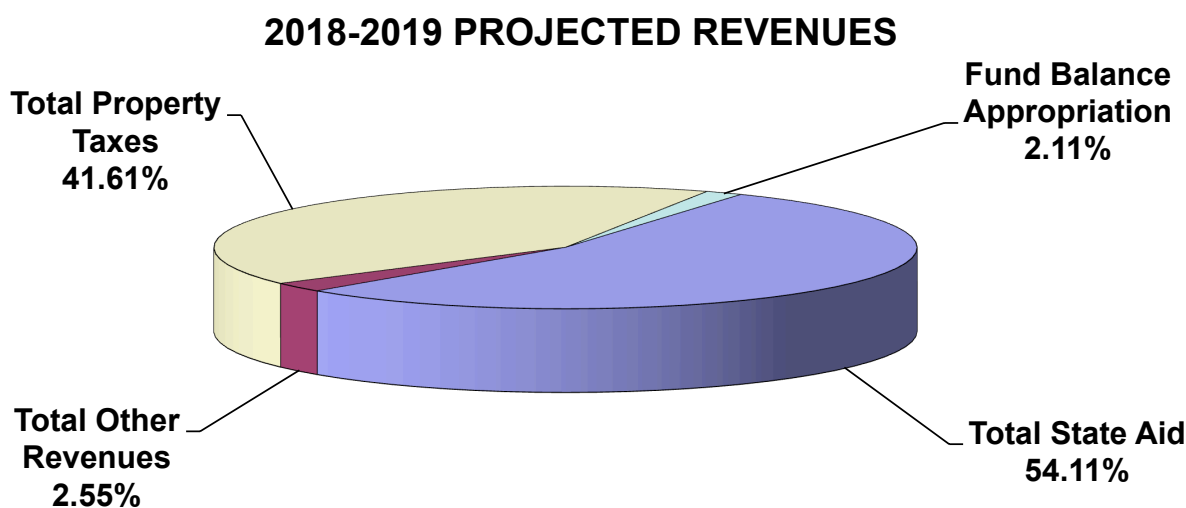
Administrative	2017-2018	2018-2019	Increase/(Decrease)
Board of Education	12,500	13,500	1,000
District Clerk	10,550	10,550	0
District Meeting	18,200	15,200	(3,000)
Central Administration	247,220	247,008	(212)
Business Administration	248,154	265,715	17,561
Auditing	40,000	40,000	0
Treasurer	117,975	120,391	2,416
Tax Collection	28,441	29,406	965
Purchasing	11,000	11,000	0
Fiscal Agent Fees	0	15,000	15,000
Legal	115,000	115,000	0
Personnel	728,935	727,112	(1,823)
Public Information & Service	21,000	20,000	(1,000)
Central Storeroom	37,512	38,482	970
Central Printing & Mailing	550,000	574,750	24,750
Central Data Processing	613,000	641,000	28,000
Unallocated Insurance	222,000	222,000	0
Board Membership Dues	26,500	26,500	0
Assessments on School Property	80,000	80,000	0
BOCES Admin. Charges	753,000	766,000	13,000
Curriculum Development, Supervision	380,927	448,280	67,353
Supervision - Reg. School	1,667,644	1,618,133	(49,511)
Research Planning & Evaluation	107,000	102,000	(5,000)
Inservice Training	49,000	59,000	10,000
Programs - Students with Disabilities	316,162	340,768	24,606
Health Services	85,373	89,764	4,391
Employee Benefits	2,031,301	1,769,856	(261,445)
Total Administrative Expense	\$8,518,394	\$8,406,415	(111,979)

Total Budgeted Expenses	\$75,272,249	\$76,422,256	1,150,007
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2018-2019 PROJECTED REVENUES

State Aid	2017-2018	2018-2019	Increase/(Decrease)
Operating State Aid	37,319,913	38,005,995	686,082
Building Aid	2,808,728	3,342,308	533,580
Total State Aid	\$40,128,641	\$41,348,303	1,219,662
Other Revenues	2017-2018	2018-2019	Increase/(Decrease)
Tuition	50,000	50,000	0
Interest	5,000	5,000	0
Miscellaneous Revenues	645,450	660,450	15,000
Prior Year Refunds	1,000,000	800,000	(200,000)
Property Rental	79,500	86,000	6,500
Medicaid Reimbursement	250,000	250,000	0
Indirect Costs - Other Funds	250,000	100,000	(150,000)
Total Other Revenues	\$2,279,950	\$1,951,450	(328,500)
Property Taxes	2017-2018	2018-2019	Increase/(Decrease)
Tax Levy	30,789,198	31,274,768	485,570
Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT)	484,460	527,735	43,275
Total Property Taxes	\$31,273,658	\$31,802,503	528,845
Appropriated Fund Balance	2017-2018	2018-2019	Increase/(Decrease)
Fund Balance Appropriation	1,590,000	1,320,000	(270,000)
Total Projected Revenues	\$75,272,249	\$76,422,256	1,150,007



Alumni Visit AHS to Share College Experience With Students



Nicholas Radell, Luke Parker, Jennifer Currier,
Michael Currier, and Bailey Fanning

The Auburn High School Counseling Department reinstated our Alumni Panels this year, with great success. Past graduates who were home on holiday break stopped by to share their college experiences and give advice to current AHS students. Their overwhelming message was that success comes from hard work and maintaining focus on one's goals. They encouraged students to trust in the journey -- a closed door usually leads to the right door opening, and they all felt that they've ended up exactly where they are meant to be.

The panelists were engaging and informative as they answered questions about unique opportunities at their chosen schools, factors in their success, knowledge they've gained that they wish they'd known in high school, and words of wisdom for students as they embark on the college admissions process. It was wonderful to visit with the panelists -- they've made us very proud and have credited Auburn High School as an important step in their success.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Missing just a few days of school a month can hurt a child's math and reading skills or even their chance of graduating. Please help us reduce chronic absence. Find out more at www.everystudentpresent.org/parents

2016-17 NYS Fiscal Accountability Summary for the Auburn School District (Based on 2015-2016 School Year)

Instructional Costs per Pupil	General Education	Special Education		Auburn	Similar Districts	All Public Schools NYS
Auburn	\$9,547	\$28,259	Total Expenditures per Pupil	\$17,644	\$21,264	\$23,361
Similar Districts	\$11,446	\$30,859				
All Public Schools NYS	\$12,615	\$31,423				

PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD

050100 - Auburn Enlarged City School District

Contact Person: Lisa Green

Telephone Number: 315-255-8808

	Budgeted 2017-18 (A)	Proposed Budget 2018-19 (B)
Total Budgeted Amount, not Including Separate Propositions	75,272,249	76,422,256
A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	30,789,198	31,274,768
B. Tax Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable		
C. Tax Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable		
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy, if Applicable		
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	30,789,198	31,274,768
F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit	774,194	584,325
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions	30,015,004	30,690,443
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	30,015,004	30,690,443
I. Difference: (G - H); (negative value requires 60.0% voter approval)	0	0
Public School Enrollment	4,163	4,133
Consumer Price Index		2.13%
	Actual 2017-18 (D)	Estimated 2018-19 (E)
Adjusted Restricted Fund Balance	4,407,485	2,817,485
Assigned Appropriated Fund Balance	1,590,000	1,320,000
Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance	3,010,837	3,056,890
Adjusted Unrestricted Fund Balance as a Percent of the Total Budget	4.00%	4.00%

Schedule of Reserve Funds

Reserve Type	Reserve Name	Reserve Description	3/31/18 Actual Balance	6/30/18 Estimated Ending Balance	Intended Use of the Reserve in the 2018-2019 School Year
Capital	2018 Capital Reserve Fund	To pay the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued.	0	100,000	None; Establishment of Reserve requires voter approval on 5/15/18
Capital	2018 Turf Capital Reserve Fund	To pay the cost of replacing the athletic field turf, for which bonds may be issued.	0	50,000	None; Establishment of Reserve requires voter approval on 5/15/18
Capital	2007 Capital Reserve Fund	To pay the cost of any object or purpose for which bonds may be issued.	4,059	4,062	None
Unemployment Insurance	Unemployment Insurance Reserve	To pay the cost of reimbursement to the State Unemployment Insurance Fund.	150,380	75,451	\$75,000 to pay 2018-2019 Unemployment Claims
Insurance	Insurance Reserve Fund	To pay liability, casualty, and other types of uninsured losses.	254,959	55,243	\$200,000 to pay 2018-2019 Property Insurance Premium
Liability	Liability Reserve Fund	To establish and maintain a program of reserves to cover liability claims incurred.	277,388	57,670	\$220,000 to pay 2018-2019 Stop Loss Premium
Tax Certiorari	Tax Certiorari Reserve	To establish a reserve fund for tax certiorari settlements	1,654,630	1,656,270	To pay Certiorari Claims as they are Settled
Employee Benefit Accrued Liability	Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve (EBALR) Fund	For the payment of accrued 'employee benefits' due to employees upon termination of service.	263,115	263,382	To pay Accrued Benefits as appropriate
Retirement Contribution	Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund	To fund employer retirement contributions to the State and Local Employees' Retirement System	1,802,954	979,750	\$825,000 to pay 2018-2019 Retirement Claim

2018-2019

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Overall budget up 1.53% compared to 2017-2018
- ✓ Tax Levy Increase of 1.58%
- ✓ Increase in State Foundation Aid of 2.0%, or \$600,000
- ✓ Reduction of 28 positions



May 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		NYS Math Assessments AJHS Grades 7 & 8 Elementary Grades 3-6 1	NYS Math Assessments AJHS Grades 7 & 8 Elementary Grades 3-6 2 AJHS Title 1 Parents 5PM AJHS PTO Mtg. 6:00PM	NYS Math Assessments AJHS Grades 7 & 8 Elementary Grades 3-6 3 Genesee PTP Mtg. 6:00PM	NYS Math Assessments AJHS Grades 7 & 8 Elementary Grades 3-6 4 HS End Marking Period 5	SAT Exam AHS 7:45AM 5  AHS Junior Prom Springside Inn 7-11PM Cinco de Mayo
 Teacher Appreciation Week Be Kind to Animals Week 6	 Casey Park Spring Concert Band/Chorus/Orch. 6PM District Parent Council Mtg. 6:30PM @ Tubman 7	8 Teacher Appreciation Day VE Day World Red Cross Day Board of Education Mtg. AHS Library @ 7:00PM	9 Bike to School Day School Nurse Appreciation Day Herman PTO Mtg 4:00PM Casey Park CPTO Mtg. 6:30PM Seward Spring Concert 6:00PM	10 Herman Spring Concert Band/Chorus/Orch. 6PM Owasco Spring Concert at AHS Auditorium, 6PM	 HS Report Cards 11	 AHS Senior Prom The Lodge 7-11PM 12
 Mother's Day 13	14 Kindergarten Registration at Casey Park Owasco OPT Mtg 3:30PM	 Kindergarten Registration at Genesee 15  School Board Election & Budget Vote 7AM-9PM	16 Kindergarten Registration at Herman Avenue AHS Spring Band Concert Senior Farewell 7:00PM Board of Education Mtg. Tubman @ 5:15PM	17 Kindergarten Registration at Seward Herman Multi-Cultural Fair & Garden Show 6:00-7:30PM	18 Kindergarten Registration at Owasco AEF Alumni Hall of Distinction 7:00PM Hilton Garden Inn Endangered Species Day	19 Armed Forces Day
20 Asian American Heritage Month National Physical Fitness and Sports Month	 PTA Meeting Seward 6:00PM AJHS Band/Jazz Band Spring Concert 7:00PM 21	22 Board of Education Mtg. AHS Library @ 7:00PM	23 Science Assessment Grade 4 & 8 (Performance) AHS Fall Sports Physicals Boys 2:20PM AHS Spring Orchestra Concert 7:00PM	24 AHS Fall Sports Physicals Girls 2:20PM AJHS Spring Chorus & Orchestra Concert 7:00PM	25	26
27 Preservation Month Better Hearing and Speech Month	 NO SCHOOL Memorial Day Memorial Day Parade AJHS, AHS Marching Bands 28	29	30 Sports Physicals 6th Gr. Casey Park 2:30PM AHS Choral Senior Farewell Concert 7:00PM	31 District Elementary Track Meet 3:30PM	April 2018 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	June 2018 S M T W T F S 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

NEW YORK STATE SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY:

You can go online to find out if any sexual offenders live near you. The New York State Sex Offender Registry is available at www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/nsor/index.htm whereby you can search for Level 2 and Level 3 sex offenders.

WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

The NYS Report Card and the Fiscal Supplement: <http://data.nysed.gov>:

For information about the performance of each public school in the district and across New York State, download The NYS Report Card, The NYS Assessment Data, and The Fiscal Supplement that are located at this website.

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Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA)

Students who are applying to colleges, please be aware that procedures for the confidentiality of student records within the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) have recently changed. FERPA permits school officials to disclose all education records, including disciplinary records, to another institution at which the student seeks or intends to enroll. This now also applies to post-secondary institutions (colleges), upon request.

NYS SCHOOL TAX RELIEF PROGRAM (STAR)**Basic STAR Exemption Impact**

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption savings based on a hypothetical home within the school district with a full value of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000)

	Proposed Budget 2018-2019
Basic STAR tax savings	\$566

For ALL Owner-occupied Residences:

All taxpayers are eligible for a Basic STAR exemption for owner-occupied, primary residences. For 2018-2019 the STAR program continues to provide qualifying households with a \$30,000 exemption on the full value of their property. For a home with a full value of \$100,000, qualifying residents will realize an estimated \$566 in Basic STAR tax savings.

For Senior Citizens:

The Enhanced STAR program for senior citizens provides eligible seniors an exemption from school property taxes for owner-occupied, primary residences. To be eligible for this exemption, a property owner must be 65 years of age or older on December 31, 2018, with income not exceeding \$86,000.

STAR provides qualifying households with up to a \$66,800 exemption on the full value of their property. Qualifying residents owning a home with a full value of \$100,000 will recognize an estimated \$1,181 in Enhanced STAR tax savings in 2018-2019.


Projected Total Tax Increase for a \$100,000 full value house with:

Basic STAR	\$19
Enhanced STAR	\$7

ESTIMATED SCHOOL TAX IMPACT:

Projections for the tax rates on each of the four towns and city comprising the Auburn Enlarged City School District are dependent upon the assessed value of the District, NYS equalization rates for each municipality and the local tax levy amount. Property assessments are still subject to change and equalization rates are not completed by the State until summer.

Annual Auburn School District



Senior Citizen Concert & Luncheon
Thursday, May 10th
12:15 PM

The Auburn High School Jazz Band will perform in the AHS Auditorium followed by a luncheon in the AHS cafeteria. The cost is \$4.00 per person, at the door.

Call Pam Skomsky
@ 255-8822

END OF YEAR SCHEDULE

For Students in the Auburn Enlarged City School District for the 2017-18 School Year:

AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL

June 6 - Last Full Day for Students
June 7, 8, 11 - Local Exams
June 12 - 21 - Regents Exams
June 22 - Rating Day - No Students

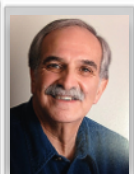
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

June 19 - Last Full Day for Students
June 20 - Half Day -
Students Released 11:00AM

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

June 19 - Last Full Day for Students
June 20 - Half Day -
Students Released 12:00PM

MEET THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES



Salvatore J. Giangreco (Sam) I am a lifelong resident of Auburn, a 1969 Graduate of Mount Carmel High School, and attended Cayuga Community College. I am married with six children, eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. I retired from Auburn School District with 34 years as a senior/maintenance custodian. I currently work at the ARC of Cayuga-Seneca County as a Skills Service Enhancement Specialist III. I am Chairman of the Auburn City Planning Board, and the longest sitting member of the Emerson Parks Commission and a member of the Knights of Columbus. I am a three term incumbent of the AECSD Board of Education. My focus is on children's safety and educational success. I love Auburn and care deeply about Auburn children!



Michael McCole I have served as the Vice President for one year and President for four years and served on the Audit, Curriculum and Instruction, and Facilities committees. I have been actively involved in CNY SBA Forums advocating for changes in state aid funding, the GAP elimination adjustment and the income wealth index funding formula. I've met with our NYS legislators to discuss state aid funding, NYS property tax formula and other issues facing public education. I've been an Auburn resident since 1997. I am married to Denise and have two children, both graduates of AHS, who are currently attending college.



Kathleen Rhodes I am a lifelong resident of Auburn, and I'm married to Brent with two children, Andrew (34) and Katie (33). I graduated from AHS in 1971, Cayuga Community College in 1973, Nazareth College in 1975, and earned my CAS from Cortland in 2004. I was employed by the AECSD for 13 years and Cayuga Onondaga BOCES for nine years. I have been on the AECSD school board for two terms and am seeking my third term. I have chaired the Policy committee and Curriculum and Instruction committee for the last three years, and I have been the Vice President for the last four years.



Andrew Roblee My wife, Devon (Dellostritto), and I own a home on Van Patten Street where we live with our two boys, Alex (9) and Arthur (6). I served on the Board of Education from 2013 until 2015, when I stepped down to finish my Master's at Cornell University. At Cornell I studied preservation and public school buildings. As a parent of children in the district (one being special-needs student), homeowner, and someone who has studied our public education system in-depth, I am eager to return to the school board and help move the district forward.



Ian Phillips I'm a proud Auburn graduate. Auburn's teachers inspired me and changed my life. I believe our schools are at a critical juncture. Our schools are being starved of resources by the state, teachers are being forced to teach to a test, and our students are suffering as a result. I've spent my professional life advocating for kids and schools. First, as a parent advocate in Philadelphia, then as middle school teacher in Detroit, and currently with New York State United Teachers. I'm running for the school board because I want to support the learning of our students and innovative educators that support them.

Current AECSD Board Members/Term Expires:

William Andre	2019
Frederick Cornelius	2019
Jeffrey Gasper	2019
Sam Giangreco	2018
Eli Hernandez	2020
Michael McCole, P	2018
Kathleen Rhodes, VP	2018
Rhoda Overstreet-Wilson	2020
Joseph Sheppard	2020



OTE FOR ANY THREE CANDIDATES

Candidates for the Board of Education had until April 25 to return their petitions for running for the Board. These photographs and biographies were the only ones provided by potential or verified candidates at the time of publication.

*Please remember to vote on Tuesday, May 15, 2018.
Polls are open 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM.*


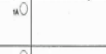

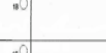





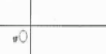



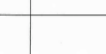

ABSENTEE VOTING

Qualified school district voters who are unable to vote in person on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, may vote in the Annual School District Election and Budget Vote by absentee ballot. Those who are ill, hospitalized, physically disabled, away on business or vacation, or who are detained in jail, awaiting action by a grand jury, awaiting trial or confined for an offense other than a felony may use an absentee ballot to vote. Registered sex offenders must use an absentee ballot to vote.

To receive an absentee ballot, individuals must first fill out an application for the ballot. If you are unable to personally vote at your polling location, applications are available in the district office and on our website and may be filed up to one day before the date of the vote. Applications for absentee ballots may be requested from: Michelle Major, District Clerk, Auburn Enlarged City School District, 78 Thornton Avenue, Auburn, NY. Telephone: 315-255-8850.

INFORMATION ON VOTING MACHINES/SAMPLE BALLOT

At this year's school election the District will be using the optical scan voting machines used by the Cayuga County Board of Elections for the past several years during their primary and general elections. The ballot is two-sided with the Proposed Budget 2018-2019 and other propositions on one side, and the School Board Candidates on the reverse side.

OFFICE	MEMBER OF SCHOOL BOARD (Vote for any three)		
			
			
			
			
			
			
			
WRITE-IN 	WRITE-IN	WRITE-IN	WRITE-IN

OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR THE AUBURN ENLARGED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION - MAY 15, 2018

INSTRUCTIONS: (1) Mark only with a pen having blue or black ink or with a pencil having black lead. (2) To vote for a candidate whose name is printed on this ballot fill in the square to the right of his or her name. (3) To vote for a person whose name is not printed on this ballot write or stamp his or her name on a blank "Write-in" area under the names of the candidates for that office. (4) To vote yes or no on a proposal fill in the square opposite your vote. (5) Any other mark or writing, or any erasure made on this ballot outside the voting squares or blank spaces provided for voting will void this entire ballot. (6) Do not overvote. If you select a greater number of candidates than there are vacancies to be filled, your ballot will be void for that public office or party position. (7) If you tear, or deface, or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and obtain another. Do not attempt to correct mistakes on the ballot by making erasures or cross outs. Erasures or cross outs may invalidate all or part of your ballot. Prior to submitting your ballot, if you make a mistake in completing the ballot or wish to change your ballot choices, you may obtain and complete a new ballot. You have a right to a replacement ballot upon return of the original ballot.

PROPOSITION #1 PROPOSED BUDGET 2018-2019

RESOLVED, that the proposed budget of expenditures of the Auburn Enlarged City School District for the 2018-2019 school year be and the same hereby is approved in an amount not to exceed **\$76,422,256** and the amount thereof shall be raised by a levy of tax upon the taxable property of the School District, after first deducting the monies available from state aid and other sources as provided by law.

YES ☐NO ☐

PROPOSITION #2 2018 TURF CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Shall the following proposition be adopted, to wit:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Auburn Enlarged City School District is hereby authorized to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law, to be designated "2018 Turf Capital Reserve Fund," to defray the cost to, in whole or in part, finance, reconstruct, renovate, and equip the District's athletic fields with turf, including all costs incidental to the acquisition thereof, and in order to accomplish the same, in an amount not to exceed One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) plus accrued interest and other investment earnings. The 2018 Turf Capital Reserve Fund shall have a probable term of fifteen (15) years. The Board of Education is hereby authorized to pay into the 2018 Turf Capital Reserve Fund in the 2017-18 school year and annually thereafter funds from the School District's available funds balance, State aid reimbursement to the School District, such other monies as the voters may direct, and other legally available funds of the School District, including funds generated by field use fees, in an amount determined by the Board of Education up to the maximum authorized amount.

YES ☐NO ☐

PROPOSITION #3 2018 CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Shall the following proposition be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Education Law section 3651, the Board of Education of the Auburn Enlarged City School District is hereby authorized to establish a Capital Reserve Fund, to be designated "2018 Capital Reserve Fund," to defray the cost of construction and reconstruction of School District buildings, facilities and grounds, including original equipment, machinery, apparatus, appurtenances, furnishings, and other incidental improvements and expenses in connection therewith, in an ultimate amount not to exceed Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00) plus accrued interest and other investment earnings. The 2018 Capital Reserve Fund shall have a probable term of ten (10) years. The Board of Education is further authorized to pay into the 2018 Capital Reserve Fund in the 2017-2018 school year and annually thereafter funds from the School District's available funds balance, State aid reimbursement to the School District on account of capital projects, such other monies as the voters may direct, and other legally available funds of the School District in an amount determined by the Board of Education up to the maximum authorized amount.

YES ☐NO ☐

DRIVER'S EDUCATION CLASS



Driver's Ed will be offered this summer to current sophomores and juniors. A minimum of a driver's permit is required for participation. Applications are now available in the AHS Counseling Office. The application deadline is Thursday, May 31, 2018. If more students apply than there are spaces for, enrollment in this program will be determined by:

- a) Current juniors, the current sophomores
- b) Daily attendance for the school year to date.

Admitted students will be required to attend a mandatory student/parent meeting sometime in June, date and time TBA. You need to be present for every class/driving session. No absences are allowed. For further information, contact Annie Hoff at 255-8338.



Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

Three AECS D schools – Casey Park Elementary, Genesee Elementary, and Auburn Junior High School – are currently participating in a School Climate Transformation Grant funded by the U.S. Department of Education. This program is designed to promote positive learning

environments in these schools.

The local evaluation of this program is being conducted by the Youth Policy Institute, Inc. As part of this evaluation, AECS D students in Grades 4-8 in the participating schools are asked to complete an anonymous and voluntary online survey each year of the project.

This year, school staff will be administering the surveys **May 14th-25th**. There are three important features of these evaluation surveys:

1. **The surveys are anonymous.** Students will not have to provide their names or any personal information when taking the survey. School staff will not see any student responses and all student answers will be reported in aggregate form (such as averages or percentages).
2. **The surveys are voluntary.** You may decline to have your child take the survey. Your child may decline to take the survey at any time or may skip any questions in the survey they do not wish to answer. If you or your child declines to participate, your child will be allowed to read or participate in some other activity during the survey. There will be no negative consequences if your child does not participate.
3. **The surveys are age-appropriate.** The survey questions are written to be easily understood for students in Grade 4 and up. School staff will be available to read questions out loud for participants who have any trouble reading.

The success of this evaluation depends on responses from as many students as possible. I hope you will agree to allow your child to participate in this survey. If you agree to allow your child to participate, no action is necessary. If you do not wish your child to participate, please contact Camille Johnson, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services, at (315) 255-8801.

If you have any questions about the survey or anything about the evaluation, please contact Philip B. Uninsky, Executive Director of the Youth Policy Institute at (315) 824-0530 or youthpi@gmail.com.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Pirozzolo

Superintendent of Schools



A Career in Science!



On Saturday, April 7, 2018, a group of 30 girls in grades 7-10 attended the Girls' Summit at SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry (ESF). Science teachers, Dominick Carnicelli, Judy Coye, Lisa Spencer, and art teacher, Kasha Fletcher, accompanied the girls. The girls participated in a hands-on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Math) career exploration day. Some of the careers explored were: Medicine, Physical Therapy, Meteorology, Welding, Environmental Engineer, Paper Science, Ecology, and Manufacturing Engineer. The girls had fun discovering new careers and engaging in hands-on activities!

A special thanks to Krista Martin, Assistant Superintendent, for finding a grant to fund our trip, and Matt Drastal's Newspaper Club for funding admission to the event! Thank you for making this inspiring trip possible for our girls!

By Judy Coye
AHS Science Teacher

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

The Auburn School District is fortunate to receive support from a variety of local sources, including businesses and community organizations.

- A** The District collaborates with Cayuga Community College, Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES, Early Childhood Center, YMCA, Headstart, Westminster Nursery School, Montessori School of the Finger Lakes and the E. J. Gavras Center to provide *Prekindergarten programming for 3 and 4 year olds in Auburn*. These programs prepare our students for a strong academic start when they enter kindergarten.
- A** Auburn Education Foundation is a major supporter of innovative projects in the District.
- A** The School District partners with Cayuga Community College (CCC) and the Manufacturer's Association of Central New York (MACNY) to support the Pathways in Technology Early College in High School (P-TECH AUBURN) program. This six year program offers eligible students an opportunity to focus on technology in high school while also taking classes at CCC for an Associate's Degree in Mechanical or Electrical Technologies.

WHERE TO VOTE IN SCHOOL ELECTIONS

School Board Election and Budget Vote to be held:

Tuesday, May 15, 2018; polls are open 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM

Where you live determines where you vote in school elections. School election districts have changed slightly this year. The chart below shows the general area for each election district and the polling place for each election district. Qualified voters must be a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old, and a resident of the school district for at least 30 days prior to the date of the vote. You do not need to be a registered voter.

For more information on voting in school elections, call 255-8850.

District	Area	Polling Place
1	Legislative District 10	Casey Park Elementary School
2	Legislative District 11 and portion of Sennett within the Auburn School District	Auburn Junior High School
3	Portion of Owasco within the Auburn School District	Owasco Elementary School
4	Legislative Districts 12, 13, 14 & 15 and portions of Fleming and Aurelius within the Auburn School District	Seward Elementary School

DISTRICT GOALS

High Quality Curriculum and Instruction

The Auburn Enlarged City School District will develop a framework and implement high quality curriculum, instruction, and balanced assessment model for all students. All staff will implement evidence-based practices including high yield instructional strategies that increase higher order thinking, collaboration and creativity, and student engagement.

Leadership and Innovation

All members of the Auburn Enlarged City School District and community are valued and seen as contributors to the goals of the district. Allocation of resources will support job-embedded professional development dedicated to promoting creative problem solving and critical thinking. We will seek to leverage emergent ideas and insights to realize measurable achievement gains for educators and students.

Systems Thinking

The Auburn Enlarged City School District will continually create benchmarks for success that align targeted resources to evaluate and enrich the quality of our instructional programs. Each student will be provided equitable access to meet and exceed the standards for college and career readiness.



SAVE THE DATE!

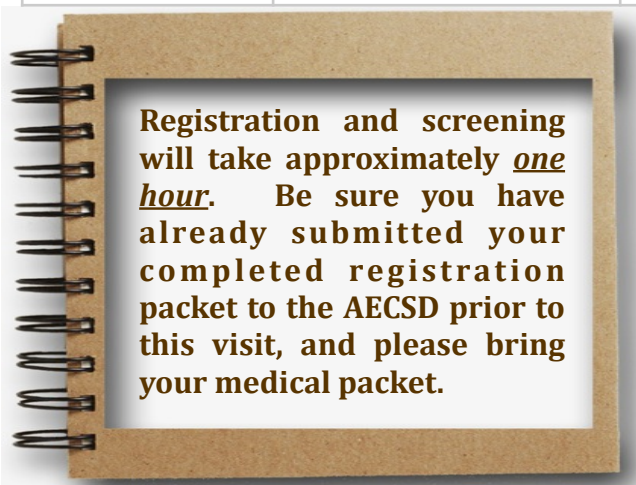


KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION – PART II

- Do you reside in the Auburn Enlarged City School District (AECSD)?
- Will your child be five years old on or before December 1, 2018?
- Have you completed Part I of the Kindergarten Registration process by submitting your registration packet to the AECSD?

YES? Then you and your soon-to-be Kindergartener are ready for the next step in the registration process – a visit to your child's new school! See below for the dates and times scheduled for your neighborhood elementary school!

Monday	May 14, 2018	Casey Park Elementary 101 Pulaski Street	315-255-8798
Tuesday	May 15, 2018	Genesee Elementary 244 Genesee Street	315-255-8678
Wednesday	May 16, 2018	Herman Ave Elementary 2 N. Herman Avenew	315-255-8718
Thursday	May 17, 2018	Seward Elementary 52 Metcalf Drive	315-255-8601
Friday	May 18, 2018	Owasco Elementary 66 Letchworth Street	315-255-8721



9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

If your child's last name begins with A - L



1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

If your child's last name begins with M - Z

Questions? Please call the applicable elementary school for more information.



Universal Pre-Kindergarten Registration 2018-19

Submit your enrollment forms as soon as possible - spots are limited.

For further information, please call: Mary Cregg at 315-255-8825

or visit our website: district.auburn.cnyric.org/UPK





Auburn Education Foundation proudly announces the
**Auburn Alumni Hall of Distinction
Sixth Annual Induction Ceremony**



2018 Honorees:

Pauline Copes Johnson, Class of 1945 – great-great grandniece of Harriet Tubman and a tireless advocate for the preservation of the rich history of Harriet Tubman at local, state and national levels;

Thommie Walsh (posthumously), Class of 1968 – Tony award-winning dancer, choreographer, director and advocate for the arts;

Dr. Larry Ellison, class of 1971 – highly respected educator/administrator (Rochester City Schools) who has been recognized for his work with youth;

Kevin J. Corcoran, Class of 1972 – internationally recognized speaker and marketing expert/consultant who has also been recognized for mentoring youth;

Dr. Peter Usowski, Class of 1973 – Director of the Center for the Study of Intelligence at the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA);

Kevin Murphy, Class of 1997 – educator and founder of **Ocean Cure**, a not-for-profit whose unique mission is “to better the quality of life for those with disabilities through surfing”

Please join us in honoring the inductees at an hors d’oeuvres and dessert reception on Friday, May 18 at 7:00 PM at The Hilton Garden Inn. Tickets are \$35 and can be purchased via PayPal at

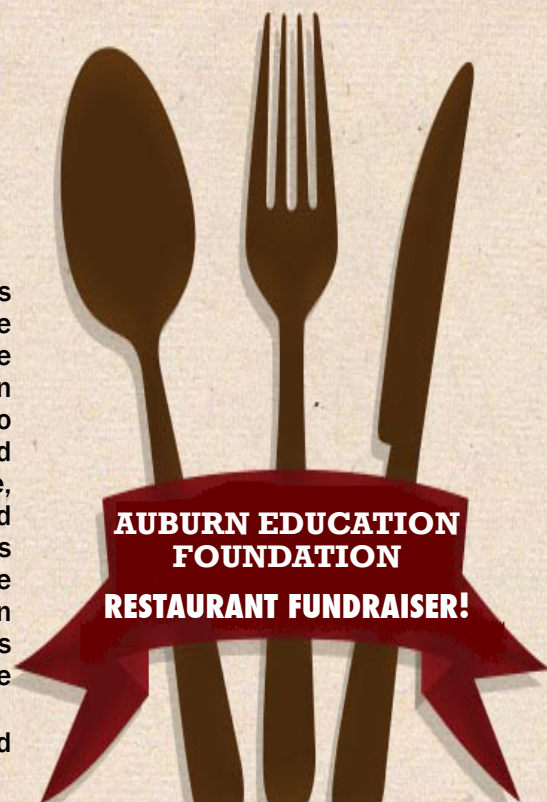
www.auburnedfoundation.org or checks can be mailed to Auburn Education Foundation, PO Box 592, Auburn, NY 13021. Tickets are advance sale only! No charge for children under 12.

Questions can be emailed to aef@auburn.cnyric.org or call (315) 255-8827.

Let's Eat Out

Spring is the time of year when Auburn Education Foundation plants the seeds that will allow our funds to GROW! With that in mind, be watching for us at any of the upcoming school spring concerts where we will be selling tickets for a chance to win one of more than **TWENTY gift cards to area restaurants!** Get your taste buds ready to enjoy some delicious dining at places such as Balloon's, Sherwood Inn, Michael's, Copper Pig, Osteria Salina, Prison City, Oak & Vine, Moro's Table, and more! The vast majority of the gift cards are valued at \$25.00 with some as high as \$50.00, and we are selling chances for \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00. You can also purchase tickets in the Business Office of the Tubman Administration Building at 78 Thornton Ave. The drawing to determine winners will be held at A.T. Walley's "Welcome to Summer Jam" on Saturday, June 23. Winners who are not present will be notified.


Your support is greatly appreciated as we continue our efforts to fund educators' creative ideas and help our children to blossom!



Auburn Enlarged City School District
Harriet Tubman Administration Building
78 Thornton Avenue
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Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted 2017-2018 School Year	Budget Proposed 2018-2019 School Year	Contingency Budget 2018-2019 School Year
Total Budgeted Amount	\$75,272,249	\$76,422,256	\$75,935,521
Increase/Decrease for the 2018-2019 School Year		\$1,150,007	\$663,272
Percentage increase (decrease) in Proposed Budget		1.53%	0.88%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		2.13%	
A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support Total Budgeted Amount	\$30,789,198	\$31,274,768	
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)	\$30,789,198	\$31,274,768	
F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit	\$774,194	\$584,325	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$30,015,004	\$30,690,443	
H. Total Proposed Tax Levy for School Purposes, Excluding Permissible Exclusions			
and Levy for Library Debt, Plus Prior Year Tax Cap Reserve (E-B-F+D)	\$30,015,004	\$30,690,443	
I. Difference: (G-H); Negative Value Requires 60% Voter Approval	\$0	\$0	
Administrative Component	\$8,518,394	\$8,406,415	\$8,365,666
Program Component	\$57,039,213	\$57,420,626	\$57,144,640
Capital Component	\$9,714,642	\$10,595,215	\$10,425,215
* The following assumptions were made in projecting the Contingency Budget:			
- No purchase of new equipment in excess of categorical aid			
- No tax levy amount in excess of 2017-2018 tax levy; reduction of \$485,570, in property tax revenue			
- Administrative component subject to cap			
- Implementation of fee for community use of school facilities			
		Under the Budget	
		Proposed for the	
		2018-2019 School Year	
Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings (1)		\$566.00	 OTE
The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2018-2019 by the qualified voters of the Auburn Enlarged City School District, Cayuga County, New York, will be held at Auburn Junior High, Casey Park Elementary, Owasco Elementary and Seward Elementary Schools in said district on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, between the hours of 7:00 am and 9:00 pm, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.			
(1) The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.			

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