



PORT BYRON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

BUDGET 2024-25 NEWSLETTER

BUDGET VOTE

Tuesday, May 21, 2024
9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Athletic Center Lobby

*(Please enter through the back doors
located on Athletic Drive)*

2024-25 BUDGET PROPOSAL

Total Budget **\$24,867,816**

Proposed Budget Increase **\$399,691**

Proposed School Tax Levy **\$6,576,945**

Estimated School Tax Levy Increase **1.2%**

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Dear Port Byron CSD Community,

As we approach the annual school budget vote and Board of Education elections, I am pleased to present to you the budget proposal for the 2024-2025 school year. This marks the third budget that I have had the privilege to help develop as Superintendent of the Port Byron Central School District.

The budget represents a culmination of collaboration with the business office, school leaders, and the Board of Education. I am grateful for their dedication and commitment to ensuring our budget reflects our mission to provide the best possible opportunities for our students and families, while remaining fiscally responsible to district residents.

We are proud to share that this year's budget demonstrates our continued efforts to do more with less. We are excited to expand our S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics) programming through partnerships with Woz ED (UPK-12) and Cayuga Community College, offering our students the opportunity to explore multiple career pathways.

Additionally, we are introducing agricultural education classes for the first time in recent history, providing students with valuable insights into the science, business, and technology of agriculture, food, and natural resources.

To further enrich our students' educational experience, we are enhancing our arts programs. This includes expanding opportunities for students to participate in band or choir, and upgrading equipment and tools in our art rooms to maximize their potential.

Despite these additions, we remain committed to maintaining the initiatives that make Port Byron stand out from other districts. This budget proposal includes school supplies for all students, smaller class sizes, cutting-edge technology, breakfast and lunch for all students, and a full-time School Resource Officer through the Cayuga County Sheriff's Department.

I am pleased to note that despite these enhancements, this budget proposal includes a tax levy increase of 1.2%, the smallest increase among school districts in Cayuga County.

I invite you to review the budget newsletter, attend a community budget meeting, or reach out to me directly for more information. **Most of all, please vote on May 21st.**

Thank you for your continued support of our students and schools.



Go Panthers!

Michael Jorgensen, Superintendent of Schools

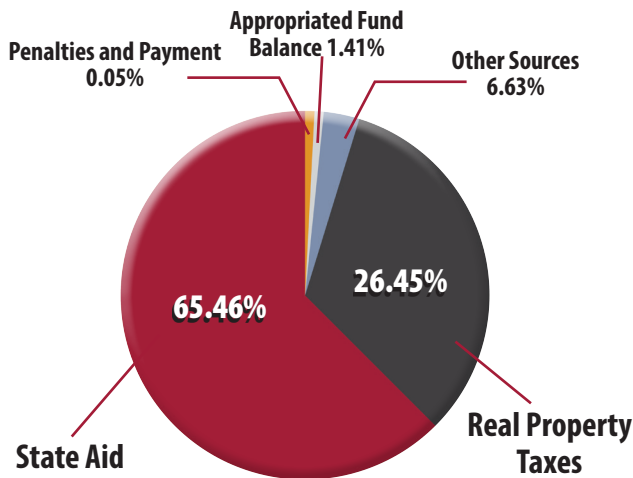


REVENUE SUMMARY	2023-2024	2024-2025
State Aid	(16,197,600.00)	(16,277,551.00)
Real Property Taxes Local Tax Levy	(6,498,957.00)	(6,576,945.00)
Penalties and Payment in Lieu of Taxes	(13,458.00)	(13,458.00)
Other Sources (such as admissions, interest on investments, tuition billing for non-residents, other miscellaneous charges, and fund balance application)	(1,408,110.00)	(1,584,907.00)
Appropriated Fund Balance	(350,000.00)	(350,000.00)
Total	(24,468,125.00)	(24,867,816.00)

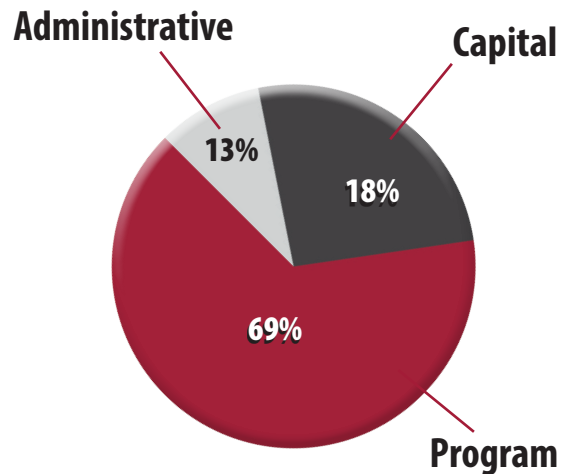


SPENDING SUMMARY	2023-2024	2024-2025
Administrative Expenditures	3,221,635	3,275,134
Program Expenditures	16,623,095	17,231,243
Capital Expenditures	4,623,395	4,361,439
Total	24,468,125	24,867,816

PROJECTED REVENUES



PROJECTED EXPENDITURES



VOTER QUALIFICATIONS

- At least 18 years old by May 21, 2024.
- Must be a US Citizen and a Port Byron Central School District.
- Resident for at least 30 days prior to May 21, 2024.
- Residents are eligible to vote if they have registered with the county board of elections.
- No pre-registration is required, but personal ID/proof of residency, such as a driver's license with current address or utility bill showing resident's name and current address.
- Questions? Call 315-776-5728.



BUDGET SUMMARY

All public schools in New York State are required by law to report their spending in three categories: Administrative (this page), Program, and Capital (Page 4).



ADMINISTRATIVE COMPONENT

The administrative component provides for overall general support and management activities including board of education, central administration, business office, and legal and auditing services. Costs for administration and supervision of each of the district's schools are also included.

	2023-2024	2024-2025
Board of Education	44,197.00	48,075.00
Central Administration	279,055.00	293,649.00
Finance	599,672.00	621,117.00
Legal	28,807.00	29,774.00
Personnel	11,495.00	11,725.00
Public Information	13,286.00	12,933.00
Other Central Services	441,307.00	435,194.00
Other Special Items	241,290.00	275,004.00
Supervision	642,825.00	685,295.00
Research Planning & Development	131,111.00	133,799.00
Benefits	788,590.00	728,569
Total	3,221,365	3,275,134

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

How is the budget developed?

The proposed budget adopted by the Board of Education began as a draft developed by administrators and staff during the fall and early winter. From January through early April, the board reviewed and revised the draft budget to reflect its annual goals and public feedback.

What happens if the budget is defeated?

Under New York State law, if the school budget is defeated, the Board of Education can either put the same budget or a modified budget up for another vote, or immediately adopt a contingent budget. If residents defeat the proposed budget during a second vote, the board must adopt a contingent budget.

Where can I learn more about the proposed budget?

Visit the district's budget webpage on the district website, www.pbcschools.org.

Attend an upcoming community budget meeting. The district is hosting four more this month: See back page for dates, times, and locations.



PROGRAM COMPONENT

This program component includes salaries of all teaching staff, as well as pupil transportation and employee benefits.

	2023-2024	2024-2025
Legal	29,000.00	25,000.00
Inservice/Curriculum Development	126,349.00	129,621.00
Teaching Regular School	5,067,440.00	5,251,833.00
Teaching Special Programs	3,419,170.00	3,228,789.00
Teaching Special Schools	843,817.00	873,593.00
Library Media Services	172,065.00	175,502.00
Computer Assisted Instruction	1,011,946.00	1,139,453.00
Guidance	295,123.00	306,523.00
Health Services	121,408.00	125,513.00
Psychological Services	25,000.00	25,000.00
Pupil Services Athletics	471,337.00	485,249.00
Transportation	1,543,215.00	1,658,020.00
Benefits	3,497,225	3,807,147
Total	16,623,095	17,231,243

CAPITAL COMPONENT

The capital component of the budget deals with all personnel, equipment, supplies and materials for the operation and maintenance of district families. It also includes any judgment and claims, refunds of real property taxes and all payments on principal and interest on judgments.

	2023-2024	2024-2025
Operation of Plant	1,077,832.00	1,123,458.00
Maintenance of Plant	279,747.00	296,007.00
Other Special Items	77,500.00	82,500.00
Refund of Property Tax	2,000.00	2,000.00
Bus Garage	422,779.00	466,300.00
Debt Service	2,124,141.00	1,773,764.00
Transfer to Capital Fund (Capital Outlay)	250,000.00	250,000.00
Interfund Transfers	15,000.00	24,000.00
Benefits	374,396	343,410
Total	4,623,395	4,361,439





VOTERS TO ELECT TWO MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Port Byron Central School District residents will elect two members of the Board of Education on May 21, 2024. The two with the highest number of votes will each serve three-year terms beginning July 1, 2024. Each board candidate has prepared his or her own biography.

MELINDA QUANBECK

My name is Melinda Quanbeck. I graduated from Port Byron in 1982. My husband Erik and I have been married for 37 years and our three children all graduated from Port Byron. I am finishing up my 8th term on the board and am fully committed to continue to make our school district the very best possible.

As a board, we are always looking for ways to give our students more opportunities and supports while being fiscally responsible. Our course offerings continue to increase and our technology is unparalleled. Our students will have the ability to explore exciting careers and we are graduating students that are successful in college, trades, and many varied careers.

It is imperative that as the state struggles with financial stability, the school district does not. We are committed to doing more with less and not over burdening our community with taxes. Please contact me with questions or concerns. Thank you.

JOSEPH VERDI

I have proudly served several terms on the Port Byron School Board of Education and I am excited about the opportunity to serve another term. During my time on the board, I feel that the board has made great strides in maximizing opportunities available to all of our students.

My wife and I have lived in Montezuma for over 20 years and we are blessed with 3 daughters. Daily I own and operate our 3rd generation family business that was started on Green St. in Port Byron, which is currently located in Montezuma and Savannah.

I am very proud of our school district and am grateful for the opportunities that we have provided in the past and I really look forward to how we can continue to progress. I feel that our children are the future and I want to introduce them to as many experiences that we possibly can.



SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET NOTICE

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2023-24 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2024-25 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2024-25 School Year *
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$24,468,125	\$24,867,816	\$24,031,166
Increase/Decrease for the 2022-23 School Year		\$399,691	\$303,881
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		1.63 %	1.24%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		4.12%	
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$6,498,957	\$6,576,945	
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)	\$6,498,957	\$6,576,945	0%
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$213,040	\$193,784	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$6,607,439	\$6,642,651	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E – B – F + D)	\$6,285,917	\$6,383,161	
I. Difference: G – H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval – See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$321,522	\$259,490	
Administrative Component	\$3,221,635	\$3,253,484	\$3,253,484
Program Component	\$16,623,095	\$17,231,243	\$17,231,243
Capital Component	\$4,623,395	\$4,361,439	\$3,546,439

* Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2024-25 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law. The reductions that make up the contingency budget include no new buses, no maintenance equipment purchases, no capital outlay project, and reduction in contractual expenses (conferences and staff development opportunities).

** 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
Replacement student transport vehicles	\$450,000.00
Library	\$105,147.00
	\$

*NOTE TO SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS OFFICIALS: Please submit an electronic version (Word or PDF) of this completed form to: emscmgts@nysed.gov

Under the Budget Proposed for the 2024-25 School Year

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings¹

\$447.06

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2024-25 by the qualified voters of the Port Byron Central school district, Cayuga County, New York, will be held at Port Byron Central School District in said district on Tuesday, May 21, 2024 between the hours of 9:00am and 9:00pm, prevailing time in the Athletic Lobby, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine. ***Districts should include information according to Executive Orders and as advised by legal counsel.***

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



VOTERS TO DECIDE ON FOUR PROPOSITIONS

1 Shall the Board of Education of the Port Byron Central School District, Cayuga and Wayne Counties, New York be authorized to adopt the annual budget of the School District for the fiscal year 2024-2025 in the amount of **\$24,867,816.00** and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District?

2 Shall the Board of Education of the Port Byron Central School District be authorized to purchase and finance three (3) student transport vehicles, including necessary furnishings, fixtures and equipment and all other costs incidental thereto, and expend a total sum not to exceed \$450,000, which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and said amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and, in anticipation of such tax, shall obligations of said School District, in the principal amount not to exceed \$450,000, be issued?

3 Shall the Board of Education of the Port Byron Central School District, Cayuga and Wayne Counties, New York be authorized to increase the funding for the Port Byron Library by \$4,000.00 bringing it from \$101,147.00 to \$105,147.00 for the 2024-2025 school year?

4 To elect TWO (2) members of the Board of Education to 3-year terms commencing July 1, 2024 and expiring June 30, 2027 to fill the vacancies of the expiring terms of Melinda Quanbeck and Joseph Verdi.

Melinda Quanbeck
Joseph Verdi

Write-In Candidates



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- **MONTEZUMA**
May 8th at 6 p.m. at the Town Hall
- **MENTZ**
May 13th at 7 p.m. at DLW Lehn
Library during our board meeting
- **CONQUEST**
May 14th at 6 p.m. at the Town Hall
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May 15th at 6 p.m. at the Town Hall

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