

# POUGHKEEPSIE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2021-22 BUDGET UPDATE

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## AGENDA

- Budget Development Calendar
- Tax Cap
- Update on Progress the Last Two Weeks
- Funding for Operations vs. Capital Projects
- Next Steps
- Questions/Comments

# BUDGET DEVELOPMENT CALENDAR



March 1	Submit Tax Levy Limit on NYS Comptroller's Website
March 3	Board Meeting/ Budget Update
March 17	Board Meeting/ Budget Update
March 25	Proposed Budget Workshop Meeting
April 3	1st of 4 Legal Notices Published (Budget Hearing and Vote)
April 7	Board Meeting/Budget Adoption
April 26	Submit Property Tax Report Card to SED and Local Newspaper
April 27	Board Meeting/BOCES Vote (6 PM)
April 28	Budget Available on Website, all Schools, and Central Office
May 5	Budget Hearing/Regular Meeting
May 12	6-Day Budget Notice Mailed to Residents
<u>May 18</u>	Budget Vote and Election of Officers

#### TAX CAP IMPLICATIONS

The tax cap simply determines the number of votes needed to pass a school budget.

- If a school district increases the taxes <u>less than or equal to the tax cap</u>, then only a simple majority (50% plus 1 vote) of votes are needed to pass the budget.
- If a school district increases the taxes <u>above the tax cap</u>, then a super majority (60%) of votes are needed to pass the budget.

#### TAX CAP FORMULA IS COMPLEX

- The factors for calculating the tax cap are:
  - Current year tax levy
  - Tax base growth factor
  - Current year PILOTs
  - Less exemptions
  - Capital tax levy, court orders, judgments, pension increases
  - Levy growth factor (CPI)
  - Next year PILOTs
  - Available carryover from prior year
  - Tax-levy limit (prior to exemptions)
  - Final tax-levy limit

#### 2020-21 TAX CAP FOR PCSD

The tax cap is 2.198% for the 2021-22 fiscal year. This allows for a tax increase of up to \$672,000 with a simple majority of positive votes.

Disclaimer: The tax cap formula is complex and contains several estimates.

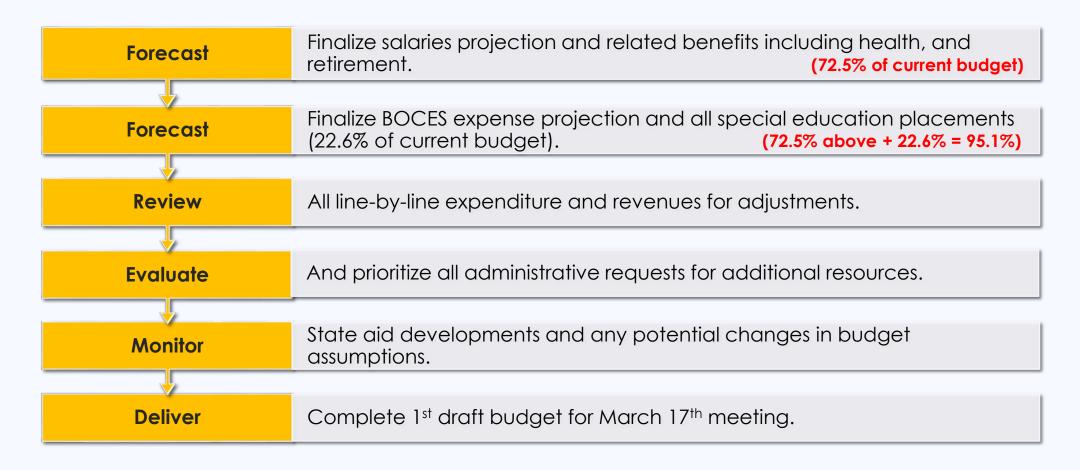
### UPDATE ON PROGRESS OVER PAST TWO WEEKS

- Computed Tax Cap
- Preliminary forecast of BOCES budgets
- Extensive review of staffing, vacancies, salary estimates, and benefit costs
- Finalized debt payments projection
- Updated revenue and expense forecasts
- Followed State-Aid developments

#### FUNDING FOR OPERATIONS VS. CAPITAL PROJECTS

- The funds to operate the district are budgeted in the General Fund and voted upon annually by the community in May of each year. These funds support the operational costs of the district such as: educational programming, buildings and grounds, transportation, insurance, equipment, and staffing.
- All funding for capital projects must be used exclusively for the capital project.

#### NEXT STEPS NECESSARY TO ISSUE 1ST DRAFT BUDGET



# Questions/Comments



