Board of Education Meeting
March 21, 2023

2023-24 Budget Development
Budget Discussion on Instruction
First Draft of Budget
Instructional Highlights
Class of 2022

- Academic Highlights
  - 97.0% Graduation Rate
    - 5 year average:
      - 96.4% in 2021
      - 94% in 2020
      - up from 86% in 2015
  - 65.4% Advanced Regents Diplomas
    - 5 year average
      - 63% in 2021
      - 58% in 2020
      - up from 46% in 2015)
Class of 2022

- CTE (Career and Technical Education) success
  - 39 students attended Career Tech Center to pursue trades and licenses

- Alternative Ed success
  - 27 students graduated directly as a result of these programs

- Military highlights
  - 6 Students entered the military service from the class of 2022
High School Initiatives

- 19 University in the High School offerings in Science, English Language Arts, Math, Spanish/ French - 383 students (10-12)
- 41 College in the High School courses - 695 students (9-12)
- 12 Advanced Placement courses - 458 students (10-12)
- College and Career Pathways
- Seal of Biliteracy and Civic Readiness
Instructional Highlights

District-Wide Initiatives

● STEAM (Science Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math)
  ○ Offerings at the Middle School - Kidwind
  ○ STEAM at the K-4 Level (added in 22-23 school year)

● Multi Tiered System of Supports (MTSS)

● Social Emotional Learning and Screening - Second Step

● 1:1 Chromebooks

● UPK and Early Intervention
Next Gen Capital Project

● Continued Support for Music and Arts
  ○ Auditorium Renovations
    ■ Conclusion of 2020 Phase IV Capital Project
    ■ More renovations planned in Next Gen at High School and Middle Schools

● Continued support for Physical Education and Recess
  ○ New Playgrounds
  ○ Facilities upgrades planned in Next Gen (construction to begin Spring 2024)

● Enhancing facilities district-wide
Alternative Education Programs

- Colonie Academy - Pine Grove
- STRIVE - Seniors
- REACH - Special Education
- General Education Development Test
- RISE (Responsive Intervention for Secondary Education)- 7/8
Average Class Size

Elementary Schools
- Forest Park - 16.1 (19.1)
- Roessleville - 19.9
- Saddlewood - 20.6
- Shaker Road - 19.4
- Veeder - 22.9

Middle Schools
- Grades 5-6 - Lisha Kill: 21.0, Sand Creek: 21.0
- Grades 7-8 - 23.3
Proposed Budget Changes

**Elementary Schools**
- +3.0 Teachers for class size reduction
  - 2 at Veeder (2nd and 4th grade recommended)
  - 1 at Roessleville (3rd grade)
  - Accommodate shifts in ELL (english language learners)

**Middle Schools**
- +1.6 Teacher for class size reduction at Sand Creek
  - 5th Grade
  - .6 Science = .4 Science at SC, .2 Science at Colonie Academy

**High School**
- +2.0 Teachers to support Pathways
  - Tech Teacher +1.0
  - Art .6 -> 1.0
  - Social Students .4 -> 1.0
Proposed Budget Changes

UPK Expansion
- +2.0 UPK Teachers (covered in new UPK grant)
- +2.0 Teaching Assistants (not covered in grant)

Administrative Support
- +1.0 Administrator
  - Associate Principal or Music, Art, World Language Supervisor

Expiring Stimulus Grants
- 50 Staff Members (Instructional and Support Staff) are currently funded in Stimulus Grants
  - ESSER 2 (expires 9/30/23)
  - ARP ESSER (expires 9/30/24)
    - $400,000 in staffing still in the grant
  - All positions must be moved to General Fund in order to sustain positions
Budget Impacts - Athletics

- + 10 Coaching Positions
  - Football - Reinstate Freshman Team (+2 coaches)
  - Add JV Programs (+3 Coaches)
    - Golf (co-ed)
    - Girls Tennis
    - Boys Tennis
  - Lacrosse - Add 2nd Assistant Varsity Coaches (+2 coaches)
    - Girls and Boys
  - Indoor Track - Add 1 assistant coach
    - .5 to Boys and .5 to Girls (+1 coach)
  - Modified Swimming with Schen. co-ed (+1 coach)
  - Girls Wrestling (+1 coach)
Budget Impacts - Co-Curricular

- **Extracurricular** (recommendations from Points Committee)
  - Update Points for Current Clubs (+$2,000)
    - Art Club for 5/6 and 7/8
      - Increase from 15 to 20 points
    - Eco Club at High School
      - Increase from 1 advisor to 2 advisors
  - Add Club/Positions (+$4,250)
    - Ski Club at High School
      - 25 points for 1 advisor
    - Middle School Jazz Band
      - 25 points at each school
Instructional Technology
Budget Impacts - IT

● Equipment Replacement Plans
  ○ 1:1 Devices
    ■ HS Student Chromebooks ($120,000)
    ■ MS Student Chromebooks ($120,000)
  ○ Device Upgrades
    ■ K-12 Offices ($50,000)
    ■ HS Tech Labs ($80,000)
    ■ 5-8 Classroom Teacher Laptops ($160,000)

● Software
  ○ Continue instructional software purchases through State Aid Software funds and BOCES aided purchases
Budget Impacts - IT

● Funding Sources
  ○ Since 2020, the district was able to use stimulus funds, grants, and Emergency Connectivity Funding (ECF) to purchase student technology needs

● 2023-24 Budget
  ○ Includes State Aid Hardware (~$75,000)
  ○ Increases to Equipment and Supply Lines to cover next year’s replacement items (+$265,000)
  ○ Plans for use of Smart Schools Bond Act funds ($100,000)
Instruction Budget Summary
## Budget Summary - Instruction

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## Budget Summary - Athletics / Co-Curricular

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Budget Factors
2023-2024 Budget Priorities

- Focus is on academic Equity and Opportunities for students
- Expansion of ENL (English as a New Language) opportunities
- Strengthening SPED (Special Education) Continuum of Services
- Structure and sustainability of programming
- Enhancing Facilities-Next Generation Colonie
Financial Trends

➢ State Aid
  ○ South Colonie is anticipated to see **Foundation Aid growth** due to the Phase-In.
  ○ Projected Foundation Aid increase: $6,981,844

➢ Federal Aid
  ○ School districts have one-time relief funds to be used in specific ways

➢ Tax Cap
  ○ Allowable levy growth factor to be limited to 2% while CPI-U falls at 8%

Revenues
2022-23 Total Budget = $113,458,885
## Tax Cap Factors

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<th>Allowable Levy Growth Factor</th>
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<td>Lesser of 2% or Consumer Price Index-Urban CPI-U (Inflation)</td>
<td>Tax and Finance growth in our district</td>
<td>Capital Expenditures - Aid = Exclusion</td>
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<td><strong>2%</strong> for 2023-24 (2% for 22-23)</td>
<td><strong>1.0047</strong> for 2023-24 (1.0077 for 22-23)</td>
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**Net Difference**
- Between Expected Debt Service/Capital Expenditures and Aid Revenue on Capital and Transportation Expenses
## Tax Cap: Inflation and Tax Levy

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Financial Trends

➢ Inflation
  ○ +6.5%  
    (2022 Consumer Price Index vs. 2021 December)

➢ Health Insurance
  ○ +18% Prescription
  ○ +8% Highmark
  ○ +9.74% CDPHP

➢ Salary Trends
  ○ Salary projections for multiple groups are pending negotiations

➢ Pension Contributions
  ○ Teachers Retirement System (TRS) decreasing from 10.29% to 9.76%
  ○ Employee Retirement System (ERS) increasing from 11.6% to 13.1%

Expenses

South Colonie Central School District

2022-23 Total Budget = $113,458,885
Projections & Estimates
23-24 Revenue Projections

$121,866,177
Total Projected Revenue

24.37%
Increase in State Aid

7.43%
Overall Revenue Increase
## 23-24 Revenue Projection Summary

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*Projections as of March 21, 2023*
23-24 Expenditure Budget Process

**Trans. / O&M**
- 2 Full Time Sub Bus Drivers
- 1 Pupil Trans Analyst
- 1 Mechanic
- Technology Upgrades for Transportation Department
- Bus Proposition
- Maintenance Fleet Replacement Plan
- Maintenance Program for Sealing and Paving

**Special Ed. / PPS**
- Support growing needs for ENL and Special Ed.
- 3 Teachers for Special Ed
- 2 TAs
- 2 ENL Teachers
- 2 ENL TAs
- 1 School Psych
- 1 Nurse (DW)
- 2 Monitors
- 1 Administrator

**Instruction**
- 7.6 Teachers to enhance programs and reduce class sizes
- 2 Teachers/TAs for UPK Expansion
- 1 Administrator
- 50 Stimulus Funded Positions
- Coaching/Advisor Positions
- IT Replacement Plan
- Replace retirements
Other initiatives included in this budget:

- +1.0 Payroll/HR Support (shared position)
- Continue paperless workflow initiatives through SchoolFront
- New Election Management Software
- Additional resources for summer school and Summer Academy
- Expanded needs for acquired BOCES CTE property
- Replacement of all expired AEDs throughout the District
Foundation Aid Increase

South Colonie is receiving a $6,981,844 increase in Foundation Aid

The district plans to utilizing the funds to address the following priorities:

- Sustainability after stimulus grants of positions used to address lost instruction and the needs of the whole student, including mental and physical health needs from the pandemic
- Additional teachers to reduce class sizes K-8
- Equipment and supply increases to continue purchasing instructional technology and materials
- Staffing to expand our ENL programs and special needs populations
- Additional courses and sections to enhance the pathways at the High School

Feedback? Questions? Comments? Please contact communications@scolonie.org.
## 23-24 Expenditure Estimates

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23-24 Expenditure Estimates

Total Projected Expenditures

$122,212,673

Overall Increase

$8,753,788

Overall Increase

7.72%
$121,866,177
Revenues

$122,212,673
Expenditures

-$326,496
Budget Gap
Closing the Gap

Increase Tax Levy
Projected with 1.99% increase
2.14% = +$114,823
Up to 2.14% without override

Assign Fund Balance
Current revenue projection
reduces assigned fund balance by $350,000

Strategically Select Additions
Prioritize and strategically recommend additions to 23-24 budget based on areas of highest need and district goals

Budget Goal: Sustainability

Combination of All
In order to close the gap, we may need to consider a combination of these options
Propositions for May 16 Vote

- Proposition #1: Annual Operating Budget
- Proposition #2: Bus Purchase
New Polling Locations for May 16 Vote

Saddlewood and Veeder zones will now vote at Lisha Kill Middle School

Forest Park, Roesselville, and Shaker Road zones will now vote at Sand Creek Middle School
Budget Timeline
2022-23 Budget Development Timeline

Expected NYS Release of Budget & State Aid

03.21.23
BOE Meeting
Focus: Instruction
First Draft of Budget

04.01.23

04.04.23
BOE Meeting
Second Draft of Budget
Community Budget Forum
at Veeder
2022-23 Budget Development Timeline

**BOE Meeting**
Final Presentation and Adoption of 2022-2023 Budget & Approval of the Property Tax Report Card

- **04.17.23**
- **04.19.23**
- **05.02.23**
- **05.16.23**

**Annual Budget Vote and BOE Election**

**Deadline** for submission of petitions for nominations of BOE candidates

**BOE Meeting**
Public Budget Hearing at Saddlewood
Questions?
Comments?