Invest in every child, everyday

FFCSD Proposed Budget: Thomas Ciaccio, Superintendent of Schools Tabatha Biggane, School Business Official





Goals:

- Success for all: Engaging and challenging every student
- Innovation: Integration of technology.
- College and career readiness:
 Compete at a global level.
- School and community partnerships.
- Bolster mental health supports







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Academic Excellence:

- Ranked 15th out of 84 Schools Albany Business Review
- 96% Graduation rate
- 2022 National Blue Ribbon Elementary School (2nd time 2009)
- ALL FFCS athletic teams earned NYS Scholar Athlete Award (90 or above)
- New Hartford MS and HS jazz bands achieve Gold Standard



Cost Drivers

External/Mandated Cost Drivers

- <u>Health Insurance</u> (4.75%)
- Retirement System
- Homeless student regulations

Instructional Cost Drivers

- K-12 Instructional program:
- Program Offerings and Supports: Special education, <u>BOCES services (4%)</u>, and ELL.
- Professional Development
- Mental Health Supports
- Technology Integration: Expanding chromebook access and Distance Learning
- Athletics and Extra curriculars

Operational Cost Drivers

- Contractual
 Obligations
- <u>Transportation -</u> <u>4.7%(CPI)</u>
- Debt Service
 Payment



FFCS Mission Critical Priorities

- 1. ADD Mental Health supports
- 2. Maintain rigorous academic program
- 3. Maintain ALL student programs
- 4. If reductions necessary attrition
- 5. Fiscally Conservative
- 6. 5 year financial plan Prepare for flat foundation aid

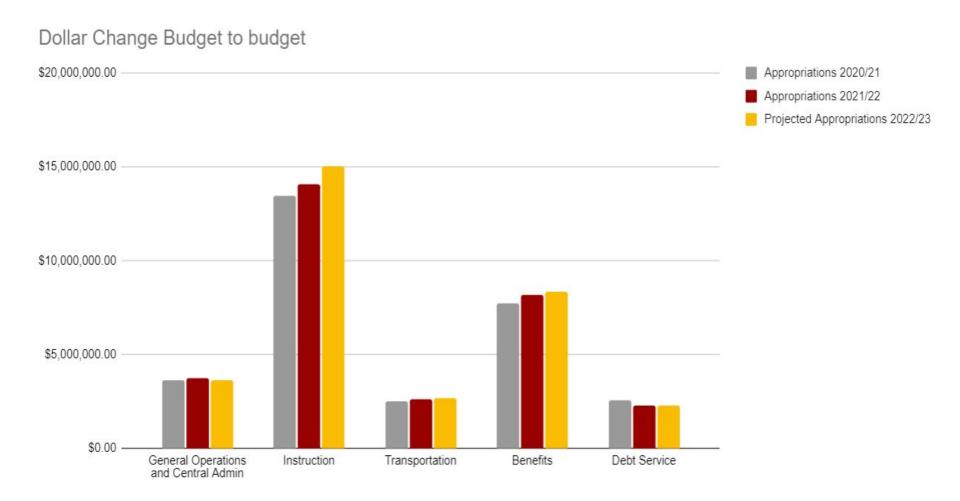


Enacted NYS Aid runs 2022-2023

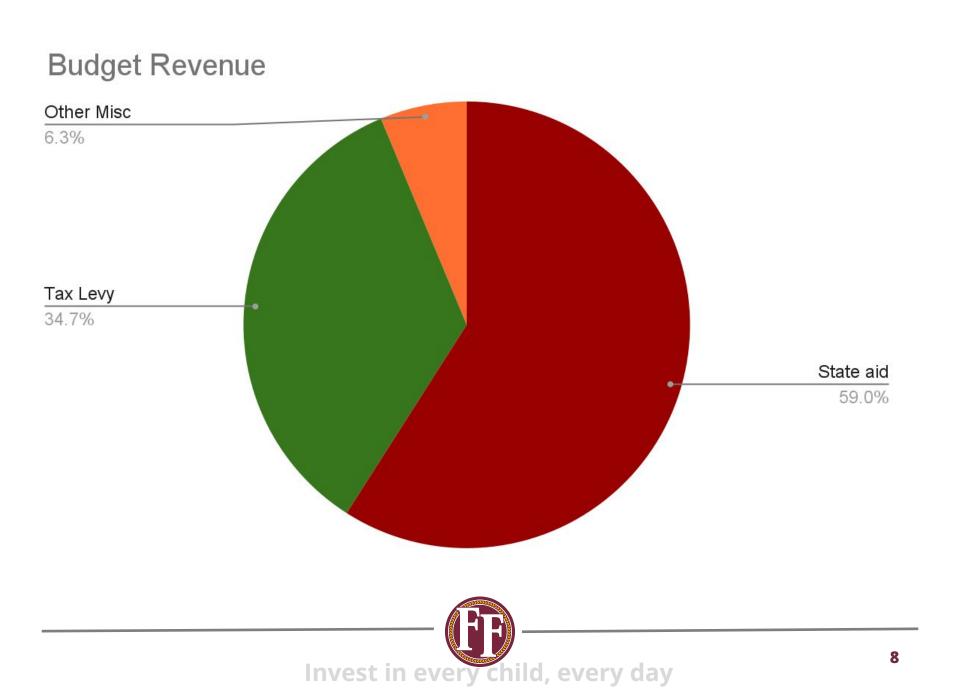
	2021-22	Est 2022-2023	Difference
FOUNDATION AID	\$ 11,993,207	\$ 12,353,003	\$359,796
UNIVERSAL PRE-KINDERGARTEN	\$ 570,003	\$ 570,003	\$ -
BOCES	\$ 1,186,425	\$ 1,492,736	\$ 306,311
HIGH COST EXCESS COST	\$ 254,771	\$ 260,478	\$ 5,707
PRIVATE EXCESS COST	\$ 108,232	\$ 100,076	\$ (-8,156)
Hardware, Technology, Software,Textbook	\$ 118,163	\$ 117,658	\$(-505)
Transportation	\$ 1,673,640	1,790,212	\$ 116,572
BUILDING + BLDG REORG INCENT	\$ 2,163,577	\$ 2,183,353	\$ 19,776
TOTAL	\$ 18,068,018	\$ 18,867,519	\$ 799,501



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Priority: Mental Health Supports

- 7-12 TurnAbout counselor *Berkshire Farms* Support 10 at-risk students and families with counseling and wrap around support. (no added cost)
- 5-8 Counseling support through St Marys/Northern Rivers - referral based counseling program - on site support (no cost) -
- 3. K-6 School Counselor add 1.0FTE \$65K reallocate portion of material/supply budget (no added cost)



Speech Support Pre K

- 1. Support speech needs in pre K ½ FTE \$25-\$30K
 - A. Split with another school district Canajoharie
 - B. Utilize Pre K grant funds no increase to budget
 - C. If costs exceed grant allocation reallocate Special

Education resources - no increase to budget



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Estimated Expenses \$31,9

\$31,962,793 (3.62% increase)

Estimated Revenue: State Aid Tax Levy (1.9% inc- tax cap 2.61) Other Appropriated Reserves Appropriated Fund Balance Total Revenue

\$ 18,869,501
\$ 11,085,008
\$ 598,930
\$ 138,470
\$ 1,270,884
\$ 31,962,793

A home fully assessed at \$75,000 - approximately \$28 overall increase A home fully assessed at \$100,000 - approximately \$38 overall increase A home fully assessed at \$200,000 - approximately \$76 overall increase **This will vary based on your town/village tax rate, which will be finalized this summer.**



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Where does FFCS compare in cost per pupil?

FFCS: \$18,063.85

County Average: \$18,641.59

State Average: \$23,470.91





Infrastructure Capital Project and Use of Capital Reserve Fund

- \$7.5 million infrastructure capital project
- Replace and upgrade infrastructure to enable state of the art learning spaces to be created in the future (plumbing, bathrooms, septic lines, electrical expansion, MS/HS parking and roadway, centrally locate kitchen, water heaters, etc)
- 84% reimbursement through New York State Building Aid.
- \$1 million in Capital Reserve cannot be used without voter approval. Created to support a capital project to pay for local taxpayer share of this project.





Establish a Capital Reserve

- To support: purchase of equipment, maintenance vehicles, capital improvements, etc. This will eliminate a local school tax impact on these purchases or a future capital project.
- 10 year term up to \$2 million
- Zero balance upon creation. Money for the fund will come from the <u>utilization of federal funds and educational</u> <u>contributions.</u>



 This fund cannot be established without voter approval and reserve funds cannot be spent without voter approval.



Other Referendums:

- 1. 2 available BOE Seats
- 2. Tax Levy 2 Libraries
 - a. Frothingham Free Library Increase to \$50,000
 - b. Fort Hunter Free increase to \$18,000



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Budget Vote at FFCS Auditorium May 17, 2022 Noon - 9PM

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