



Dear Community,

This year we find ourselves in a very challenging situation: developing a school budget that is fiscally responsible at a time in which our economy has suffered due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result of the economic hardship and the costs needed to support struggling

families in New York, the Governor has reduced the State Aid to our school district by nearly \$900,000. The Governor has also informed us that an additional 20 percent, or approximately 4.5 million dollars, in additional reductions may occur. Our current budget this year will be negatively impacted by the loss of sales tax revenue, and we anticipate a loss of \$760,000 in the 2020-21 budget year, as well.

Although our students have been learning at home, our teachers, administrators, and staff have been fully engaged and committed to providing resources and maintaining connections to our students and families throughout this timeframe. We have acquired some savings due to diesel and substitute teacher costs, and are using those funds to offset a portion of the upcoming budget. When we began our budget planning in December, we proposed the addition of a Pre-Kindergarten program. Given our current financial climate, we have removed that from the budget along with some staff reductions due to enrollment.

The process for developing a school district budget is taken very seriously and we have spent a great deal of time in work sessions reviewing expenditures, revenues, along with assessing efficiencies and cost saving measures. As a result, we have developed what we believe to be a fiscally sound budget to present to the community on June 9, 2020.

The proposed budget of \$88,467,407, adopted by the Board of Education on May 5, 2020, reflects an increase of 3.64% over last year's budget and would mean a 2.50% increase in the tax levy which is below the district's levy cap of 3.55%. This budget would result in an estimated tax rate increase of 1.58% for the town of Chili, an increase of 2.77% for the town of Riga, a decrease of .49% for the town of Ogden, and a decrease of 2.48% for the town of Sweden, due to varied equalization rates.

The second proposition on the ballot will be the purchase of 10 buses at a cost not to exceed \$1,210,000. Additional information about our district's proposed budget for the 2020-21 school year as well as information about our Board of Education candidates, may be found on the following pages.

Detailed budget information included in this newsletter is also posted on the district website at www.cccsd.org. We hope you will take the opportunity to complete your absentee ballot and return it by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 9, 2020.

Sincerely,

Lori Orologio
Superintendent of School

Budget Vote

June 9, 2020

By Absentee Ballot only
Due by 5 p.m.

Changes reflected in the proposed budget

- Pandemic Adjustment
- Retirement salary savings
- Unfunded mandates
- Use of unused substitute and diesel funds
- State aid
- Use of reserve funds/fund balance
- Special Education costs



Summary of Budget Proposals

	Budget 2019-20	Proposed Budget 2020-21	Difference	Percentage
Expenditures	\$85,362,900	\$88,467,407	\$3,104,507	3.64%
Revenues	\$45,157,624	\$46,449,242	\$1,291,618	2.86%
Appropriated Fund Balance/Reserves	\$2,925,675	\$3,804,795	\$879,120	30.05%
Tax Levy	\$37,279,601	\$38,213,370	\$933,769	2.50%
True Value Tax Rate	\$22.58	\$22.02	(\$0.56)	(2.48%)

As illustrated by this table, a budget of \$88,467,407 results in an increase of 3.64% over 2019-20.

Three-Part Expenditure

New York State law requires that all school districts present the proposed budget in three parts that include: Program, Capital, and Administrative. The law also states that these three-part expenditures of the budget must exclude propositions or voter-authorized adjustments.

Program

The Program component of the proposed budget includes expenses associated with instructional programs, teacher salaries and benefits, transportation, special education, and community services.

Capital

The Capital component contains maintenance costs for buildings and grounds, custodial services, utilities, tax refunds and judgments, capital expenses and debt service.

Administrative

The Administrative component consists of costs associated with personnel, communications, BOCES administration, all administrators, financial and legal services, the Superintendent's Office, and Board of Education expenditures.

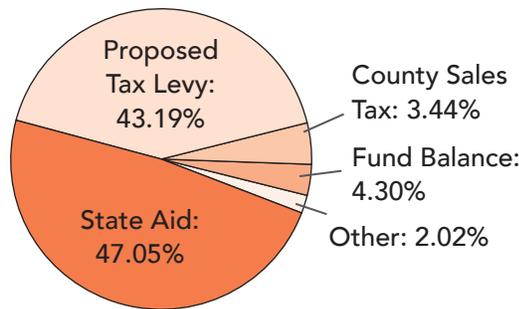
Component	2019-20	Percent of Budget	2020-21	Percent of Budget	Dollar Change
Program	\$62,236,117	72.91%	\$63,139,740	71.37%	\$903,623
Capital	\$13,619,846	15.95%	\$15,464,055	17.48%	\$1,844,209
Administrative	\$9,506,937	11.14%	\$9,863,612	11.15%	\$356,675

Proposition 1: Budget

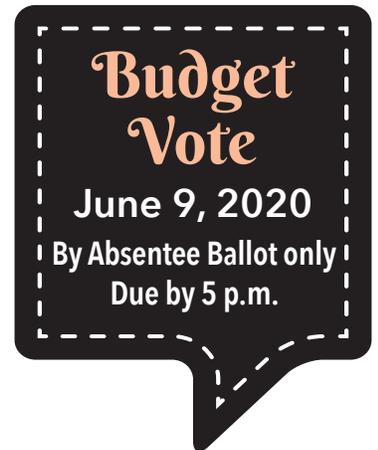
Voters will decide whether to approve the proposed budget of \$88,467,407 as presented by our Churchville-Chili Board of Education for the 2020-21 school year.

Proposition 2: Bus Purchase

Voters will decide on a resolution authorizing the district to purchase five 66-passenger buses, two 36-passenger wheelchair buses, and three 30-passenger wheelchair buses at an estimated maximum cost of \$1,210,000.



State Aid:	\$41,625,200
Proposed Tax Levy:	\$38,213,370
County Sales Tax:	\$3,040,000
Fund Balance:	\$3,804,795
Other:	\$1,784,042



Basic STAR Exemption Impact

Under the Budget Proposed for the 2020-21 School Year

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings¹ \$661

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2020-21 by the qualified voters of the Churchville-Chili Central School District, Monroe County, New York, will be held on June 9, 2020 by absentee ballot only. All ballots must be received by the district by 5 p.m. on June 9, 2020.

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

What Tax Rate Means to the Home Owner

Town	True Value of Home	2020-21 Equalization Rate	Assessed Value of Home	2019-20 Actual Property Tax Rate	2020-21 Estimated Property Tax Rate	Estimated Change	2019-20 Actual Property Tax	2020-21 Estimated Property Tax	Estimated Change per \$100,000 Assessed Value
Riga	\$100,000	.93%	\$93,000	\$23.04	\$23.68	\$0.64	\$2,258	\$2,202	(\$56)
Ogden	\$100,000	.98%	\$98,000	\$22.58	\$22.47	(\$0.11)	\$2,258	\$2,202	(\$56)
Chili	\$100,000	.96%	\$96,000	\$22.58	\$22.94	\$0.36	\$2,258	\$2,202	(\$56)
Sweden	\$100,000	100%	\$100,000	\$22.58	\$22.02	(\$0.56)	\$2,258	\$2,202	(\$56)

Voter qualifications

In order to vote you must be:

- A United States citizen.
- At least 18 years of age.
- A resident of the Churchville-Chili Central School District for at least 30 days prior to the vote.

Absentee ballots

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, voting will be by absentee ballot only. Two ballots will be sent to each household. Eligible voters can request additional ballots by calling 293-1800 extension 2305 or by completing an online form at www.cccsd.org/BallotRequest.aspx.

All completed ballots must be returned to our district office no later than 5 p.m. on June 9. Ballots received later than this cannot be accepted under education law, regardless of the postmarked date.

For more information

If you would like to learn more about the proposed budget, please contact Frank Nardone, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services, at 293-1800 extension 2330 or fnardone@cccsd.org or Lori Orolonio at 293-1800 extension 2300 or lorologio@cccsd.org. Budget information is also available on the district website at www.cccsd.org.

Tax Cap Information

As with all districts, the cap is calculated using a complex equation. This year the tax levy cap specific to the Churchville-Chili District is 3.55%. With a proposed increase to the levy of 2.50%, the district is below the State's cap. This increase in the levy would result in an estimated tax rate rate increase of 1.58% for the town of Chili, an increase of 2.77% for the town of Riga, a decrease of .49% for the town of Ogden, and a decrease of 2.48% for the town of Sweden due to varied equalization rates.

2020-21 Budget Proposal and Comparison Figures

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2019-20 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2020-21 School Year	Contingency Budget for 2020-21 School Year
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$85,362,900	\$88,467,407	\$87,533,638
Increase/Decrease for the 2020-21 School Year		\$3,104,507	\$2,170,738
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		3.64%	2.54%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		1.81%	
A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$37,279,601	\$38,213,370	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable			
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable			
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy			
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$37,279,601	\$38,213,370	\$37,279,601
F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit			
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$37,617,435	\$38,604,670	
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)	\$37,279,601	\$38,213,370	
I. Difference: (G - H); (Negative Value Requires 60% Voter Approval - See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$337,834	\$391,300	
Administrative Component	\$9,506,937	\$9,863,612	\$9,595,985
Program Component	\$62,236,117	\$63,139,740	\$62,799,233
Capital Component	\$13,619,846	\$15,464,055	\$15,138,420

Meet the Board of Education Candidates

There are three open seats, each for a three-year term. Candidates are listed in order they will appear on the ballot.



Kristen Brumbaugh

585-613-5619
62 W Forest Drive.
Rochester, NY 14624

How many years have you lived in the district?

Six and a half years

What is your Occupation? Business Manager and Administrative Assistant

Do you have children attending Churchville-Chili schools? Yes, my son is in sixth grade at the middle school and my daughter in fourth grade at Fairbanks Road School

Please list your contributions to or involvement in the community and the community service you have done.

I have served on the Churchville- Chili School Board for the past three and a half years. While on the school board, I have been a part of the following committees: 5-8 Instructional Leaders, 5-8 Report Card Committee and most recently the Audit Committee. In the past, I have been involved in the Churchville-Chili Literacy Volunteer program. My family and I are active members of New Hope Community Church.

Why do you want to be a school board member?

I would like to continue to support our community and school system. I have learned so much in my first term serving on the board but know that there is still more to learn. I love seeing the students flourish in the programs that we are able to offer at Churchville-Chili their achievements are amazing. To be able to continue to support this public school system would be an honor. I hope to partner with board members and the school district to help create a supportive and successful environment of all students.

What do you think are the two top issues facing Churchville-Chili schools over the next three years?

Over the next few years I think that the district will continue to face unfunded mandates and we may need to balance a budget without knowing a guaranteed dollar amount of state funding. Our responsibility will be to work together to maintain our high education standards, help each child succeed and use our resources to the best of our ability.



Mike Iacucci

585-509-1132
16 Ronnie Lane,
North Chili, NY
14514

How many years have you lived in the district?

What is your occupation?

Retired New York State parole officer. Consultant Spectrum Health and Human Services, Adjunct professor of Criminal Justice Roberts Wesleyan College.

Do you have children attending Churchville-Chili schools?

Four children who graduated from CCCSD and two grandchildren attending.

Please list your contributions to or involvement in the community and community service you have done.

15 years as a Churchville-Chili board of education member. Former board member partner and restorative initiatives, current board member Grace House Rochester and re-entry Association of Western New York. Current Elder Assembly of God Church Chili. Good News Clubs.

Why do you want to be a board member?

I would like to continue as a board member in order to provide the best possible environment for students and staff to reach their highest level of success within the educational system. Experience as a board member would be an asset to leadership in these changing times.

What do you think are the two top issues faced in Churchville-Chili schools over the next 3 years?

Balance unfunded State mandates and limited funding with the best interest of our students and Community stakeholders. Continue to provide sound fiscal oversight of distant resources and ensure a safe School community.



Amy Wilson

585-259-8329
18 Redfern Drive, Churchville, NY 14428

How long have you lived in the district?

27 years.

What is your occupation?

Teacher

Do you have children attending Churchville-Chili Schools?

No children currently attend. Zachary and Katherine, both Graduates of the district (2014 and 2017 respectively)

Please list your contributions to or involvement in the community and community service you have done:

I have served on the Churchville-Chili School Board Member for the past 9 years. While serving on the board, I have been part of the following district committees: Audit Committee, Memorials Committee, Title 1 Parent Advisory Committee, and the FLASH Committee.

Why do you want to be a school board member?

I would like to continue my work on the Churchville-Chili School Board to give back to a school district that has provided my own two children a great education. As a teacher for the past 27 years in the Penfield School District, I understand the impact that decisions made at the Federal, State or Local level have on classrooms. I believe that my work as a teacher has been able to provide a balanced view for the school board in understanding the direct impact that decisions have on students and teachers. I have a skill set that allows me to support the district, its teachers and most importantly, its students.

What do you think are the top two issues facing Churchville-Chili schools over the next three years:

As a Board of Education, one of our primary responsibilities is to support all students while maintaining fiscal responsibility. One of my most significant concerns for the future of Churchville-Chili, as well as all districts across the state, is how we will continue to implement the high academic standards while supporting all our students. Many of our students come to school either not ready to tackle with the academic tasks they are being asked to do or they are coming to us carrying emotional burdens that get in the way of their learning. The rigor of our educational standards requires that students receive appropriate and timely support. Teachers need to be able to identify the needs of students and more importantly, have the tools and resources to make sure that all our students can be successful.

Every year, the State, Governor, and Board of Regents and/or the Federal Government place new mandates on school districts. In most cases, additional funding from the district is needed to fulfill these mandates. The reality of these mandates is that each result in a variety of expenses to our district. This is not a challenge unique to Churchville-Chili. Districts across the state are continuing to struggle not only with these unfunded mandates but also maintaining our facilities, supporting the educational, emotional and social growth of our students, all while under the confines of limited and in some cases, inequitable, state aid.