



Guilderland

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

VOTE 2022

2022-23 SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE & BOARD OF EDUCATION ELECTION



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On May 17, 2022, Guilderland residents will cast their vote on the proposed \$109,887,845 budget for the 2022-23 school year. The proposal is a 4.68% increase in spending over the current year. If approved, the tax levy would increase by 2.98%, which is within the district's levy limit.

Qualified voters needing to vote by absentee ballot must submit an application to the district clerk at least seven days before the vote if the ballot is to be mailed. Find more information, including the absentee ballot application, under "Budget & Taxes" on the district website.

Like most school districts across New York State, the Guilderland Central School District is experiencing many cost pressures, including inflation that is higher than it has been in decades. "While we are facing challenges, our mission has not changed,"

said Superintendent Dr. Marie Wiles. "We remain committed to the whole student. In addition to robust academics, we will continue to support the programs that contribute to the social and emotional well-being of our students, such as music, the arts and athletics. Unfortunately, it now costs more to offer these programs, but this is not the time to shortchange our students. Their education is too valuable."

In addition to the budget, residents will elect four members to the board of education.

Find more information about the proposed budget and board candidates at www.guilderlandschools.org.

Want to learn more about the use of one-time, limited federal funds? Visit www.guilderlandschools.org/budget-taxes/gcsd-arp-esser-funds.

TAX RATE BY TOWN	2021-22 TAX RATE	2022-23 ESTIMATED TAX RATE	INCREASE
Guilderland	\$17.3584	\$17.8761	\$0.52
Bethlehem	\$18.6641	\$19.2208	\$0.56
New Scotland	\$19.0743	\$19.6432	\$0.57
Knox	\$34.7153	\$35.7507	\$1.04

*Based on projected equalization rates and assessment levels for next year, which are subject to change once final information becomes available in August. Tax rates are per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. Calculate your specific estimated tax bill at: www.guilderlandschools.org/budget-taxes (click on "calculate your taxes").

VOTE
Tuesday, May 17, 2022

7 A.M. TO 9 P.M.
AT YOUR HOME ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL. ABSENTEE BALLOTS
ARE AVAILABLE AT THE
DISTRICT OFFICE.

BUDGET AT-A-GLANCE

2022-23 Proposed Budget
\$109,887,845

Spending Increase
\$4,908,275 (4.68%)

Tax Levy Increase
\$2,265,253 (2.98%)

VOTER QUALIFICATIONS:

- US Citizen & 18 years of age
- Registered to vote with Albany County or the school district



School District Budget Notice

OVERALL BUDGET PROPOSAL

	Budget Adopted for the 2021-22 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2022-23 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2022-23 School Year*
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions Increase/Decrease for the 2022-23 School Year	\$104,979,570	\$109,887,845	\$107,622,582
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		\$4,908,275	\$2,643,022
Change in the Consumer Price Index		4.68%	2.52%
		4.70%	
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$75,953,398	\$78,218,651	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	\$61,250	\$220,619	
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)	\$76,034,648	\$78,439,270	\$75,743,398
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$1,223,428	\$1,633,220	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$74,729,970	\$76,752,289	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E – B – F + D)	\$74,729,970	\$76,585,431	
I. Difference: G – H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval – See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions)**	\$0	\$166,858	
Administrative Component	\$11,844,392	\$12,541,724	\$12,121,724
Program Component	\$81,144,489	\$84,722,981	\$83,050,528
Capital Component	\$11,990,689	\$12,623,140	\$12,450,340

* In the event of a defeated budget, the 2022-23 tax levy may not increase beyond the amount of the 2021-22 tax levy. Guilderland Central School District would have to reduce the proposed budget by \$2,643,022 potentially affecting school programs, services and staffing. It must also exclude non-contingent items such as student supplies, certain equipment purchases and free community use of school facilities.

** 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
School Buses, Vehicles, & Equipment	\$976,000

Under the Budget Proposed for the 2021-22 School Year

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings¹ \$513

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2022-23 by the qualified voters of the Guilderland Central School District, Albany County, New York, will be held at all Guilderland Central School District elementary school buildings. Qualified voters are to vote at the elementary school in their residential zone in said district on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 between the hours of 7 a.m. and 9 p.m. at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting machine.

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



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