



2024-2025

**Budget and 5-Year Capital Plan
Adoption
5-Year Budget Projections**

March 20, 2024



- Brief Recap of:
 - Board of Education's and Administration's Goals and the Budget Process
 - Tax Levy Limit Calculation and the submission of a Tax Cap Compliant Budget
 - Budget-to-Budget increase (3.88%) *less than* the Rate of Inflation (4.12%)
- Update on Voter Approved Capital Projects and the addition of Capital Projects Status report to be posted to District website
- Presentation of an updated 2023-24 Five-Year Capital Facilities Plan
- 5-year Budgetary Projections

BUDGET PLANNING CALENDAR

December 2023

- Administrators met with Central Office to discuss 2024-25 budget with a renewed focus on cost savings due to increased costs in Health Care, Transportation and Special Education.
- Salaries are projected based on contractual obligations and incorporated into the working budget
- Preliminary health care and retirement costs are projected and incorporated into the working budget

January 2024

- Initial draft of budget submitted to Superintendent and Central Office for review/comments/changes
- **January 10, 2024** - Presented the first draft of the 2024-25 Budget and the Facilities & Operations Budget
- **January 24, 2024** - Presented the *second draft of the 2024-25 Budget and the Transportation Department Budget and the Computer/Technology Budget*



BUDGET PLANNING CALENDAR

February 2024

- Continued to review, update, and refine the budget
- **February 7, 2024 - Presented the first draft of the 2024-25 Preliminary Revenue and Tax Cap Calculation; Reserve and Fund Balance Plan; BOCES 101**

March 2024

- March 1, 2024 Tax Levy Limit Calculations must be uploaded to Comptroller's Office
- March 6, 2024 – Presented **Curriculum and Instruction Budget & Special Education Budget**. Presentation by PTA Advisory Committee
- March 20, 2024 – Present **Staffing and Enrollment, 5-Year Budget Projections**, and the **5-Year Capital Facilities Plan**
- Review the Final 2024-25 Budget and 5-year Capital Facilities Plan for Board of Education adoption
- March 21, 2024 - File the Property Tax Report Card by the close of business (following the day the budget is adopted by the Board of Education)



BUDGET PLANNING CALENDAR

April 2024

- April 29, 2024 – Deadline for filing Property Tax Report Cards with the New York State Education Department (NYSED)
- April 30, 2024 - Budget Statement and required attachments must be made available to the public (hard copies in the schools, Levittown Library, and Levittown Memorial) in hard copy and on the website

May 2024

- May 8, 2024 - Budget Hearing
- May 15, 2024 Budget Notice mailed after Budget Hearing (no later than 6 days before Budget Vote)
- **May 21, 2024 – BUDGET VOTE: 7:00 am to 8:00 pm**



INFLATION AND ALLOWABLE LEVY GROWTH FACTORS

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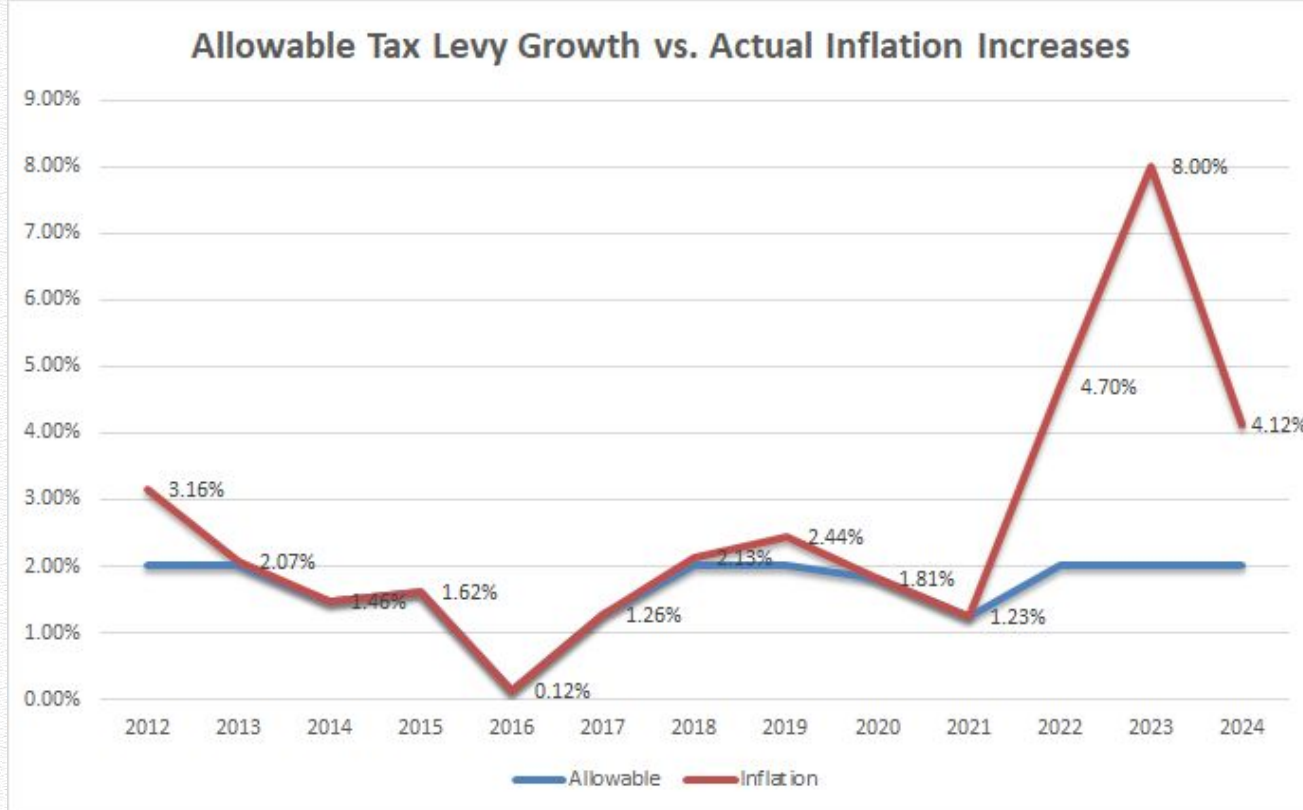
Property Tax Cap

Inflation and Allowable Levy Growth Factors



Inflation Factors and Allowable Levy Growth Factors by Fiscal Year

Fiscal Year	Fiscal Years Beginning									
	2020		2021		2022		2023		2024	
	Inflation Factor	Allowable Levy Growth Factor	Inflation Factor	Allowable Levy Growth Factor	Inflation Factor	Allowable Levy Growth Factor	Inflation Factor	Allowable Levy Growth Factor	Inflation Factor	Allowable Levy Growth Factor
Jan 1 - Dec 31	2.07%	1.0200	1.56%	1.0156	2.30%	1.0200	7.17%	1.0200	6.26%	1.0200
Mar 1 - Feb 28	1.90%	1.0190	1.46%	1.0146	3.00%	1.0200	7.69%	1.0200	5.43%	1.0200
Apr 1 - Mar 31	1.85%	1.0185	1.43%	1.0143	3.33%	1.0200	7.92%	1.0200	5.06%	1.0200
Jun 1 - May 31	1.78%	1.0178	1.31%	1.0131	4.23%	1.0200	8.06%	1.0200	4.37%	1.0200
Jul 1 - Jun 30	1.81%	1.0181	1.23%	1.0123	4.70%	1.0200	8.00%	1.0200	4.12%	1.0200



In the last 3 years, prices as measured by the CPI index have risen 17.73%.

Over the same 3-year period property taxes have risen by 6.47%.

The difference between the rate of inflation and the increase in tax revenues is a measure of the loss in purchasing power.

Over this 3-year period the loss of purchasing power is greater than \$28M

**Levittown Public Schools
2024-2025 Budget Development
Changes between Draft Budgets**

2023-2024 Voter Approved Budget		251,792,906
2024-2025 1st Draft Presented January 10, 2024		266,785,872
Budget-to-Budget Percent Increase		5.954%
2024-2025 2nd Draft Presented January 24, 2024		266,646,995
Budget-to-Budget Percent Increase		5.899%
2024-2025 3rd Draft Presented March 6, 2024		262,439,545
Budget-to-Budget Percent Increase		4.228%
2024-2025 4th and Final Draft Presented March 20, 2024		261,572,899
Budget-to-Budget Percent Increase		3.884%
Cummulative Budget Reduction from 1st Draft		(5,212,973)

Comparison to the County

As of April 24, 2023	Tax Levy	Budget to Budget
Nassau County Average	2.484%	n/a
Levittown UFSD	2.942%	3.884%

2023-24: \$251,792,906

2024-25: \$261,572,899

Year-to-Year Change: \$9,779,993 or 3.884%



Capital Projects Update

The community approved the capital referendum last year. Planning was done this year and sent to SED for approval. This included the following projects in our 5-year Capital Project Plan:

- Completion of air conditioning project
- Replacement/Upgrade of all school building public address systems
- Replacement/Upgrade of all school building fire alarm systems
- Installation of enhanced security measures including “one button” lock down systems
- Track and field upgrades at Wisdom Lane Middle School
- Locker room renovations and Roof Reconditioning at Wisdom MS
- Playground upgrades at all elementary schools
- Energy Performance Contract Phase II (includes Solar Panels)
- Replacement/Reconditioning of district roofs
- Interior and exterior masonry repairs
- Locker room renovations and the FACS room at MacArthur
- Lighting at Wisdom Lane MS Track & Field and Tennis Courts
- Potential reconstruction of Salk Middle School bus circle and parking lot at Lee Road

Note: These projects do not affect the tax levy or annual budget. Work will begin on projects this summer and fall.

Key:

■ Completed

■ Approved by SED Facilities Planning

■ Pending SED Approval



Capital Projects Construction Summary Milestones

SED Project Number	DESCRIPTION	VOTER APPROVAL	ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS	NYSed FACILITIES PLANNING APPROVAL	COMPETITIVE BIDDING & CONTRACT AWARDED	PROJECT STARTED	SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION	FINAL COST REPORT
EPC PHASE II	LIGHTING INTERIOR RETROFIT	✓	✓					
015-020	ABBey LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓					
033-007	BUS GARAGE	✓	✓					
003-034	DIVISION AVE HIGH SCHOOL	✓	✓					
014-022	EAST BROADWAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓					
013-019	GARDINERS AVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓					
009-018	LEE ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓					
001-026	LMEC	✓	✓					
008-022	NORTHSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓					
018-035	MacARTHUR HIGH SCHOOL	✓	✓					
002-028	JONAS SALK MIDDLE SCHOOL	✓	✓					
005-020	SUMMIT LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓					
011-023	WISDOM LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓					
035-007	TRANSPORTATION OFFICE	✓	✓					
PA SYSTEM/FIRE ALARM	districtwide upgrades of public access systems and fire alarm systems to meet NYS building code requirements	✓	✓	✓				
001-025	LMEC	✓	✓	✓				
002-027	JONAS SALK MIDDLE SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓				
003-033	DIVISION AVE HIGH SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓				
005-019	SUMMIT LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓				
008-021	NORTHSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓				
009-017	LEE ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓				
013-018	GARDINERS AVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓				
014-021	EAST BROADWAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓				
015-019	ABBey LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓				
018-034	MacARTHUR HIGH SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓				
ELECTRIC INFRASTRUCTURE	upgrade electrical system at Summit Lane and Gardiners Ave to support air conditioning	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
013-018	GARDINERS AVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
005-019	SUMMIT LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
SEAMAN NECK ROAD (BOCES) (006-013)	removal of asbestos containing material	✓	✓	✓	✓			
SECURITY	districtwide upgrade of security system infrastructure	✓	✓	✓	✓			
015-021	ABBey LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓	✓			
003-035	DIVISION AVE HIGH SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓	✓			
014-023	EAST BROADWAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓	✓			
013-020	GARDINERS AVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓	✓			
009-019	LEE ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓	✓			
001-027	LMEC	✓	✓	✓	✓			
008-023	NORTHSIDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓	✓			
018-036	MacARTHUR HIGH SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓	✓			
002-029	JONAS SALK MIDDLE SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓	✓			
005-021	SUMMIT LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	✓	✓	✓	✓			



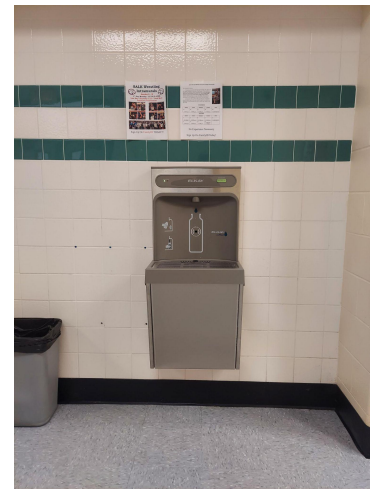
Levittown Public Schools

Executive Summary of the Five - Year Capital Plan

March 20, 2024



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2023-24 Updates to the 5-Year Capital Facilities Plan

- Change of Scope:
 - Increased projections for elementary school playgrounds
 - Increase projections for outdoor athletic facilities at Wisdom Lane Middle School
 - Increased projections for districtwide bathroom renovations and reconstruction
 - Increased projections for districtwide ceiling replacements
- Required submission of an Updated Building Condition Survey (BCS) by the end of 2024
- Changes in the BCS will in turn generate changes to the 2024-25 5-Year Capital Facilities Plan



Building	Building Condition Survey	Percent of Total
ABBEY	\$6,753,642	6.1%
DIVISION	\$13,508,617	12.1%
EAST BROADWAY	\$6,432,520	5.8%
GARDINERS	\$7,614,901	6.8%
LEE	\$3,683,000	3.3%
LMEC	\$7,587,124	6.8%
MacARTHUR	\$15,955,294	14.3%
NORTHSIDE	\$4,568,000	4.1%
SALK	\$9,783,734	8.8%
SUMMIT	\$7,804,810	7.0%
WISDOM	\$18,646,351	16.8%
LAUREL	\$1,325,000	1.2%
SEAMAN	\$7,626,682	6.9%
Total Building Costs	\$111,289,675	100.0%

To date approximately \$40M of projects have either been approved or are under review at the state while another \$20M are in the design phase

5-year Budgetary Projections

- Growth in Revenues are constrained by the Property Tax Cap and the rate of increase in State Aid
- Over a period of time the growth in expenditures cannot exceed the growth in revenues
- The forecasting model is only as accurate as the underlying assumptions utilized in determining variables, examples include:
 - Interest rates and investment returns
 - Interest rates will determine the amount of interest earning the District can reasonably expect in the coming year
 - Investment earning are the key variable in calculating the required contribution rate for NYS Retirement Systems (ERS and TRS)
 - Anticipated rate of inflation for items such as special education tuition, health insurance premiums, and property and liability insurance



Base Case Scenario							
Category	2024-25 Budget	Growth Factor	2025-26 Projection	2026-27 Projection	2027-28 Projection	2028-29 Projection	2029-30 Projection
Revenues							
Tax Levy and STAR Reimbursement	158,813,038	2.0%	161,989,299	165,229,085	168,533,666	171,904,340	175,342,427
State Aid including Foundation Aid	82,157,609	2.0%	83,800,761	85,476,776	87,186,312	88,930,038	90,708,639
Other Local Revenue	7,752,252	2.0%	7,907,297	8,065,443	8,226,752	8,391,287	8,559,113
Appropriated Fund Balance use of Reserves	12,850,000	0.0%	12,850,000	12,850,000	12,850,000	12,850,000	12,850,000
Total Revenues	261,572,899		266,547,357	271,621,304	276,796,730	282,075,665	287,460,178
Appropriations							
Salaries	134,871,225	2.0%	137,568,649	140,320,022	143,126,423	145,988,951	148,908,730
Employee Benefits	53,169,674	2.0%	54,233,068	55,317,729	56,424,084	57,552,566	58,703,617
All Other Expenses	73,532,000	2.0%	75,002,640	76,502,693	78,032,747	79,593,402	81,185,270
Total Appropriations	261,572,899		266,804,357	272,140,444	277,583,253	283,134,918	288,797,616
Analysis							
Salaries and Benefits Share of Total	71.9%		71.9%	71.9%	71.9%	71.9%	71.9%
Annual Surplus or (Deficit)	(0)		(257,000)	(519,140)	(786,523)	(1,059,253)	(1,337,438)
Cummulative Surplus or Deficit	(0)		(257,000)	(776,140)	(1,562,663)	(2,621,916)	(3,959,355)

Health Care Costs Increasing more than the Tax Cap and State Aid

<u>Category</u>	<u>2024-25 Budget</u>	<u>Growth Factor</u>	<u>2025-26 Projection</u>	<u>2026-27 Projection</u>	<u>2027-28 Projection</u>	<u>2028-29 Projection</u>	<u>2029-30 Projection</u>
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Appropriations							
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Employee Benefits	53,169,674	4.0%	55,296,461	57,508,320	59,808,653	62,200,999	64,689,039
All Other Expenses	73,532,000	2.0%	75,002,640	76,502,693	78,032,747	79,593,402	81,185,270
Total Appropriations	261,572,899		267,867,751	274,331,035	280,967,822	287,783,351	294,783,038
Analysis							
Salaries and Benefits Share of Total	71.9%		72.0%	72.1%	72.2%	72.3%	72.5%
Annual Surplus or (Deficit)	(0)		(1,320,394)	(2,709,731)	(4,171,092)	(5,707,687)	(7,322,860)
Cummulative Surplus or Deficit	(0)		(1,320,394)	(4,030,124)	(8,201,216)	(13,908,902)	(21,231,763)



QUESTIONS?

NY STATE SCHOOL PROPERTY TAX LEVY FORMULA



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Property Tax Cap

Formula for Determining Tax Levy Limit: School Districts

Base Formula

$$\left(\left[\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Total taxes levied for prior fiscal year} \\ + \\ \text{Prior year reserve offset} \\ - \\ \text{Reserve amount (including interest earned)} \end{array} \right) \times \text{Tax base growth factor}^1 \right] + \begin{array}{l} \text{PILOTs receivable in the prior fiscal year} \\ - \\ \text{Capital tax levy exclusion, prior fiscal year} \\ - \\ \text{Tort exclusion, prior fiscal year} \end{array} \right) \times \begin{array}{l} \text{Allowable levy growth factor (1.00 to 1.02)}^2 \\ - \\ \text{PILOTs receivable in coming fiscal year} \\ + \\ \text{Available carryover, if any} \end{array} = \text{Tax Levy Limit}$$

+ Exclusions

$$\text{Tax Levy Limit} + \begin{array}{l} \text{Tax levy necessary for expenditures resulting from court orders/judgments arising out of tort actions for any amount in excess of 5% of the total taxes levied in the prior fiscal year} \\ + \\ \text{Capital tax levy} \\ + \\ \text{Tax levy necessary to pay for increases to the system average actuarial contribution rate (ERS) or normal contribution rate (TRS) of pension funds over 2 percentage points} \end{array} = \text{Tax Levy Limit, with Exclusions (if applicable)}^3$$

¹ Tax base growth factor: Based on Tax and Finance determination of "quantity change," such as new construction, newly taxable status of existing property, or measurable improvements to taxable property within the boundaries of the local government or school district.

² Allowable levy growth factor: Lesser of 1.02 or inflation factor (percent change in CPI for the 12 month period ending 6 months before the start of the coming fiscal year over the prior 12-month period), but never lower than 1.00.

³ If school districts propose to exceed this, they must get 60% voter approval for an override.