



Menands

UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT






Grades PreK - 8

Menands Union Free School District

2023-2024 Budget Hearing

May 8, 2023



-  **New York State Education Department requires that it be held not earlier than 14 days and not later than 7 days before the annual budget vote.**
-  **Provides district residents with an overview of the proposed spending plan in the required 3 part (Administrative, Program and Capital) format.**
-  **The 2023-2024 Tax Levy calculation and limit.**
-  **Informs residents of what they will be voting on.**
-  **The District's opportunity to keep taxpayers informed of changes that impact the school budget.**



Influencing Factors Facing Menands

-  **Maintaining All Current Programs and Opportunities**
-  **Increased Safety Measures: Officer on Campus**
-  **Tuition (High School, SPED, Charter) and Transportation Cost**
-  **COVID Funding Streams Sunsetting**
-  **Professional Development Aligned With District Goals**
-  **Development & Implementation of Replacement Plans to meet Student, Staff and Facilities Needs**
-  **Maintenance of Operation & Plant Needs**



	Draft 1	Draft 2
Expenditure Budget	\$11,631,205	\$11,555,886
Revenue Budget	\$11,555,886	\$11,555,886
Existing Gap	\$75,319	\$0
*Fund Balance	\$950,000	\$950,000

- The Past several years, including 2022-23 we have allocated \$800,000 of fund balance.
- The allocation of another \$150,000 from fund balance is for the planning costs associated with the design component of proposed project addressing roofing and HVAC work.



Description	2022-2023 Adopted Budget	2023-2024 Proposed Budget	\$ Increase (Decrease)	% Increase (Decrease)
Administrative	1,157,683	1,246,781	89,098	7.70%
Program	8,255,895	8,680,567	424,672	5.14%
★Capital	1,408,044	1,628,538	220,494	15.66%
Total	10,821,622	11,555,886	734,264	6.79%

NOTE: What you are looking at is expenditures only and does not reflect accompanying offsetting increases in revenue – this will be seen on a subsequent slide.

★ The increase includes the \$150,000 expenditure for the design work. Were this not included the increase would be 5.01%



Description	2022-2023 Budget	2023-2024 Proposed Budget	\$ Increase or Decrease	% Increase or Decrease
Board of Education	5,819	6,400	581	9.98%
District Clerk and Meetings	10,300	11,900	1,600	15.53%
Chief School Administrative Office	248,259	249,639	1,380	0.56%
Business Office	239,146	295,604	56,458	23.61%
Auditing and Legal	45,521	64,771	19,250	42.29%
Printing and Records Management	12,812	9,500	(3,312)	-25.85%
BOCES Central Data Processing	26,855	34,560	7,705	28.69%
Insurance & Assoc. Dues	7,300	7,600	300	4.11%
BOCES Administrative Cost	55,781	56,288	507	0.91%
Unclassified	42,513	45,000	2,487	5.85%
Curriculum Development	25,736	30,000	4,264	16.57%
Supervision Regular School	162,062	153,900	(8,162)	-5.04%
Research and Planning	3,000	1,500	(1,500)	-50.00%
Professional Development and Training	0	9,750	(9,750)	0%
Employee Benefits	272,579	270,369	(2,210)	-0.81%
	1,157,683	1,246,781	89,098	7.70%



Description	2022-2023 Adopted Budget	2023-2024 Proposed Budget	\$ Increase or Decrease	% Increase or Decrease
Teaching Regular School	3,632,234	3,769,608	137,374	3.78%
Programs For Students w/Disabilities	1,755,819	1,921,834	166,015	9.46%
English Language Learners	114,061	64,624	(49,437)	-43.34%
School Library Audio Visual	78,606	85,059	6,453	8.21%
Computer Assisted Instruction	171,566	222,563	50,997	29.72%
Health Service Contract	107,896	141,647	33,751	31.28%
School Psychologist	11,854	26,067	14,213	119.90%
Guidance Regular School	74,483	85,561	11,078	14.87%
Co-Curricular Activities	31,104	40,050	8,946	28.76%
Inter Scholastic Activities	11,974	14,124	2,150	17.96%
Contract Transportation	1,015,815	1,023,261	7,446	0.73%
Employee Benefits	1,195,483	1,231,199	35,686	2.99%
Transfer Caf� & Special Aid	55,000	55,000	-	0.00%
	8,255,895	8,680,567	424,672	5.14%



Capital Component

Description	2022-2023 Adopted Budget	2023-2024 Proposed Budget	\$ Increase or Decrease	% Increase or Decrease
Operation of Plant	424,721	476,253	51,532	12.13%
Maintenance of Plant	101,974	111,293	9,319	9.14%
Debt Service	780,600	787,500	6,900	0.88%
Employee Benefits	100,749	103,492	2,743	2.72%
Inter Fund Transfer to Capital	-	150,000	150,000	100.00%
	1,408,044	1,628,538	220,494	15.66%



Tax Cap Calculation

Tax Cap Calculation	2023-2024	2022-2023	2021-2022
	0	0	0
Prior Year Levy	7,469,448	7,258,591	7,236,094
Reserve Amount	- 0	0	0
Prior Year Adjusted Levy	7,469,448	7,258,591	7,236,094
Tax Base Growth Factor	X 1.0019	1.0138	1.009
	7,483,640	7,358,760	7,301,219
Prior year Pilot	+ 31,296	0	0
	7,514,936	7,358,760	7,301,219
Prior Year Capital Tax Levy Exclusions	- 324,048.00	322,783.00	449,685.00
Torts And Judgements	- 0	0	0
Adjusted Prior Year Tax Levy	7,190,888	7,035,977	6,851,534
Allowable Growth Factor (lessor of CPI or 2%)	x 1.02	1.02	1.0123
	7,334,706	7,176,696	6,935,808
Pilots for Coming year	- 33,800.10	31,296.00	0
	7,300,906	7,145,400	6,935,808
Carryover	+ 0	0	0
Tax Levy Limit	7,300,906	7,145,400	6,935,808
Coming School Year Exemptions:			
Capital Exclusion for Coming Year	+ 330,375	324,048	322,783
Maximum Allowable Levy	7,631,281	7,469,448	7,258,591
Proposed Levy Amount	7,631,281	7,469,448	7,258,591
Difference Between Tax Levy Limit and Proposed Levy	0	0	0
	2.17%	2.90%	0.31%



Revenue Estimates

	2022-2023	2023-2024	Change	% of Revenue
Property Taxes	7,469,448	7,631,535	162,087	2.17%
PILOT	-	33,800	33,800	-
State Aid	2,219,905	2,619,498	399,593	18.00%
BOCES Aid	221,895	224,553	2,658	1.20%
Misc/Donation/Commission	1,400	1,000	(400)	-28.57%
Refund Prior Year	88,174	70,500	(17,674)	-20.04%
Interest Earnings	800	5,000	4,200	525.00%
Medicaid	20,000	20,000	-	0.00%
Assigned Fund Balance	800,000	950,000	150,000	18.75%
	10,821,622	11,555,886	734,264	6.79%



2020-2021

\$464,711

2021-2022

Increased to 60%

\$806,305

2022-2023

50% of remaining

\$271,824

Total = \$1,074,456

2023-2024






Fully Funded

\$326,633

Total = \$1,401,089



What are you voting on?

-  **A school budget of \$11,555,886**
-  **A budget that enhances programs and opportunities for the children of our community, and addresses current student, staff and facility needs**
-  **Enhances Safety on our School Campus**
-  **The budget requires a simple majority to pass, 50% + 1 yes votes, within the tax levy limit of 2.17%**
-  **A Separate Project Referendum;**
-  **Two Members of the Menands Board of Education**
-  **Library Budget and Board of Trustees**



In Addition to the proposed budget, qualified voters will be asked to consider the following, separate proposition:

Shall the Board of Education of the Menands Union Free School District be authorized to (A) reconstruct various School District buildings, facilities and sites, acquire original furnishings, equipment, machinery or apparatus required for the purpose for which such buildings, facilities and sites are to be used and pay costs incidental thereto, at a maximum aggregate cost of not to exceed \$2,360,000, (B) expend such sum for such purpose, (C) levy the necessary tax therefore, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education taking into account state aid and (D) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, issue bonds and notes of the School District at one time or from time to time in the principal amount not to exceed \$2,360,000 and levy a tax to pay the interest on said obligations when due?

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include notice of such proposition in the notice of the annual District meeting.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution takes effect immediately.



NYS Education Law requires districts to conduct a Building Conditions Survey (BCS) every 5 years for occupied school buildings.

The BCS is an inspection conducted by an architect or engineer to assess the current state of the building(s) and infrastructure, and to establish and maintain its maintenance and repair condition.

The districts most current BCS, identified some priority areas for consideration:

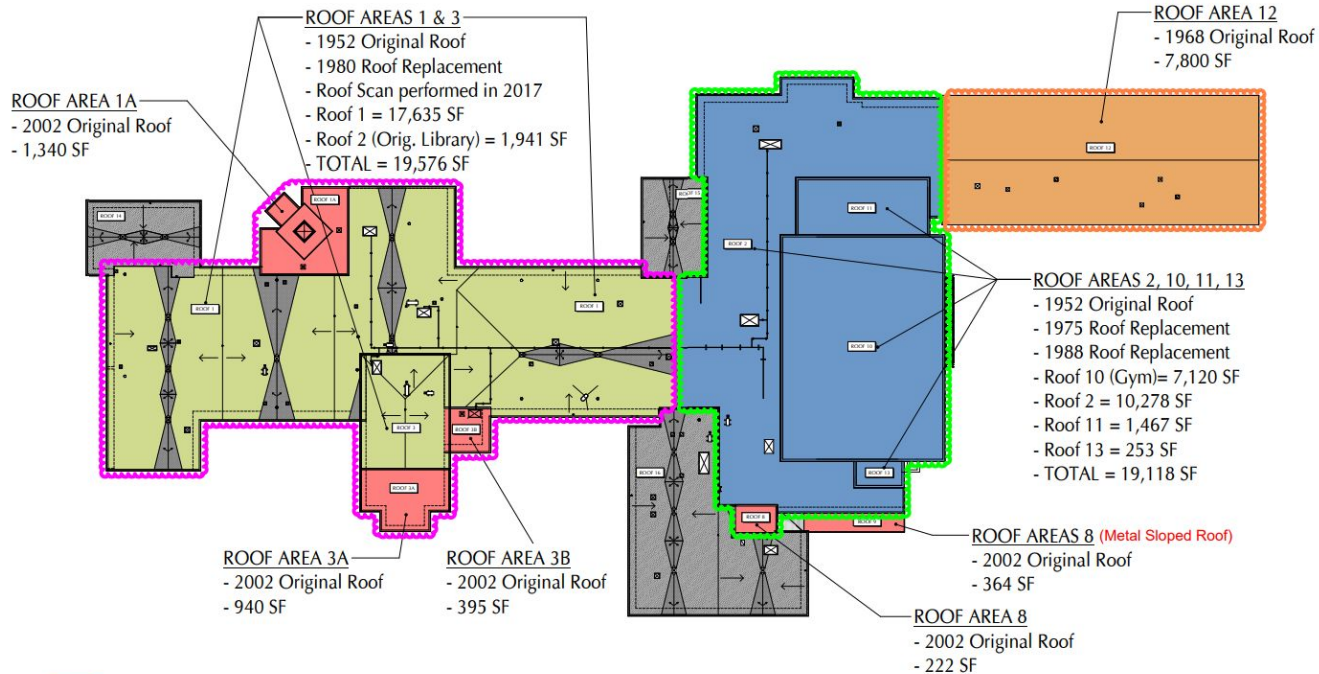
- Roofing
- Heating, Air Conditioning & Ventilation (HVAC)
- Paving

Existing components in all three identified areas, are approaching or have surpassed their useful life.

Given the cost of repairs it would be more fiscally prudent to repair and upgrade what is currently in place.



Roofing



22,251 sf

19,340 sf

7,800 sf

New from 2016 Capital Project



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


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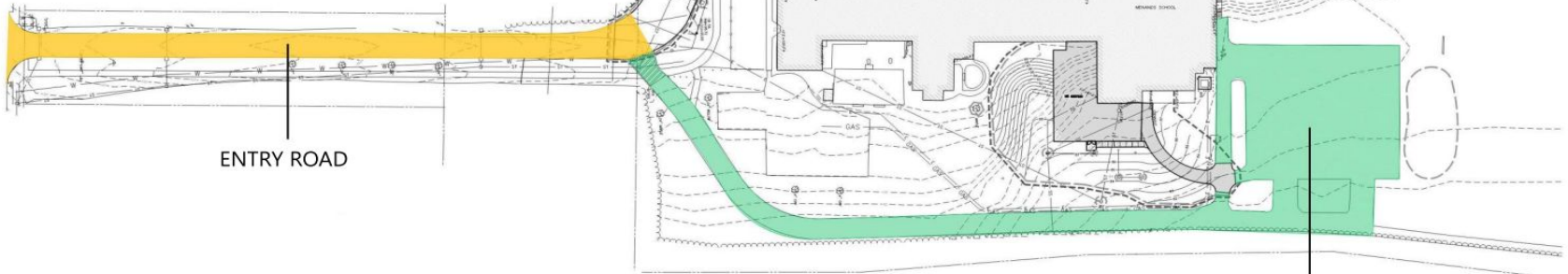
HVAC





UPPER PARKING LOT

-  FULL DEPTH REBUILD WITH 4" ASPHALT
-  FULL DEPTH REBUILD WITH 4" ASPHALT
-  FULL RECONSTRUCTION WITH 5" ASPHALT



ENTRY ROAD

LOWER PARKING LOT



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**No Additional
Taxpayer Cost**

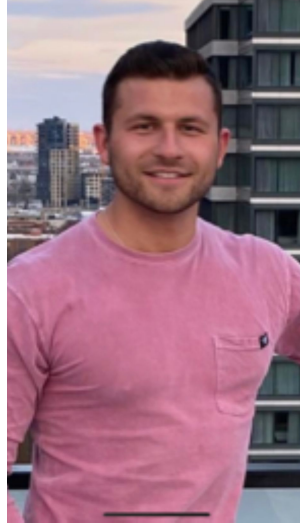
The timing of the proposed referendum was thoughtful, allowing the district to maximize available state aid and utilizes the debt reserve, so the project will be at no additional cost to the taxpayer.



Board of Education Candidates



Charlie Luke



Joshua Kullman



Mashal Shaikh

There are two vacancies on the Board of Education, one for a term of four (4) years commencing on July 1, 2023 and expiring on June 30, 2027, and the second for the remaining balance of an unexpired term commencing on May 17, 2023 and expiring on June 30, 2026, with the successful candidate for such unexpired term being eligible to take office immediately upon being elected and duly qualified. You may vote for two persons, one for each of the vacant seats. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected to the four (4) year term and the candidate with the second highest number of votes shall be elected to fill the remainder of the unexpired term.



Library Budget

Menands Public Library	
Approved Budget	
June 2023-July 2024	
	Budget
Income	
1001-REAL PROPERTY TAXES	\$ 149,328.00
2082-FEES FOR SERVICE	\$ 500.00
2401-INVESTMENT/INTEREST income	\$ 25.00
3840-State aid	\$ -
2760-LIBRARY SYSTEM GRANT	\$ 1,418.00
Total Income	\$ 151,271.00

 **Menands Library budget: \$151,271**

Expenses	
7410.100 Payroll	
7410.142-wages	\$ 75,450.00
7410.474-PAYROLL FEES	\$ 2,000.00
9030.8-Payroll tax expense	\$ 5,800.00
Total 7410.100 Payroll	\$ 83,250.00
7410.2-CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	
7410.410-BOOKS&PERIODICALS	\$ 20,000.00
7410.413-UHLAN CIRCULATION FEES	\$ 3,475.00
7410.429-Computer/IT Support	\$ 2,250.00
7410.430-OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 6,000.00
7410.431-TELEPHONE	\$ 825.00
7410.432 CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS	\$ 3,000.00
7410.433- Adult Programs	\$ 1,250.00
7410.434-teen programs	\$ 500.00
7410.435-summer reading	\$ 1,250.00
7410.437-PROFESSIONAL FEES	\$ 5,700.00
7410.438-MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$ 1,600.00
7410.450-UTILITIES	\$ 4,500.00
7410.451-CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	\$ -
7410.452-REPAIR & MAINTENANCE	\$ 3,000.00
7410.453-LAWN CARE	\$ 1,500.00
7410.454-INSURANCE(PFL&DBL W/H)	\$ 700.00
7410.457-MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 150.00
7410.459-WATER & SEWER TAX	\$ 700.00
7410.462-ALARM MAINT CONTRACT	\$ 750.00
7410.468-CLEANING SERVICES	\$ 2,220.00
7410.476-CONTINGENCY	\$ 11.00
7410.477-CELEBRATIONS	\$ 500.00
7410.478-Centennial Celebration	\$ -
Total Expense	\$ 151,271.00
Net Income	\$ -



There are five candidates for two seats on the Library Board of Trustees

- **Tammy McNamara**
- **Jennifer Baltrush**
- **Libby Post**
- **Kelley Lemyre**
- **Rosalynn Duvall**



- ❧ The district could put the same expenditure budget up for a re-vote.
- ❧ The district could put an amended expenditure budget up for a re-vote.
- ❧ The district could go directly to a contingency budget, not requiring a re-vote.
- ❧ After two unsuccessful budget votes, the district has to go to a contingency budget in which case the tax levy can not be greater than the previous year, or a 0% tax increase
- ❧ That would require expenditure reductions of \$162,087, which would impact offerings, programs & opportunities and most importantly



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.... Our Kids





- ❏ Encourage family and friends to vote, Tuesday, May 16th 12:00 pm-8:00 pm
- ❏ Absentee ballots can be obtained from the District Clerk and must be returned by 5:00 pm May 16th

It takes a
village to
raise a child....





**Budget Vote & Board Elections
In-Person
Tuesday May 16, 2023
12:00 pm – 8:00 PM
Menands School
District Office Entrance**