

Levittown School District 2020/2021 Budget

The Board of Education adopted the proposed 2020/2021 school district budget at an open meeting on March 25, 2020 after a public process that lasted for three months. The budget maintains our excellent academic programs as well as our robust athletic, fine arts and extra-curricular activities. It maintains fiscal stability and accountability not only for next year, but for the years to come. This budget includes the resources necessary to open schools in September. Please see our budget presentations on our website to learn all of the opportunities for students this budget contains.

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Opening of Schools in September

The Levittown School District is committed to opening school in September and is currently preparing procedures to make that transition safe and healthy. People have asked, "If the Public Schools are closed by the Governor, will private schools also be closed?" The answer is YES. The decision to close schools is within the Governor's discretion. Voting no on the Levittown School District budget will have no effect on the Governor's decision. It will, however, have a negative impact on the programs we can offer the children of the Levittown School District.

What happens if the budget is not approved by the voters?

To date there has been no guidance from the Governor's Office on a revote. We anticipate if the budget does not pass, the district would be required to operate on a contingency budget, which could mean the elimination of all non-mandated programs such as sports, clubs, art and music. Although there would be a zero percent increase on the tax levy it doesn't mean your individual taxes will not increase, as that is within the discretion of Nassau County, who has the final say on the total levy of taxes. **Adopting a contingent budget prohibits a district from spending any money in certain areas, including community use of school facilities, and field trips.**

Educational Initiatives and Enhancements

Curriculum and Instruction

- * New additions to the Course Catalog:
 - * Personal Finance
 - * College Calculus
 - * Art of the Short Story
 - * The Graphic Novel
- * Expansion of Mindfulness/Social-Emotional Literacy programs
- * Continuation of Flexible Furniture initiative
- * Continued implementation of hands-on elementary science
- * Increased use of Outdoor Learning Center
- * Creation of Junior Chamber of Commerce club at the high schools

We continue to enhance our educational program and to plan for a safe and healthy opening of schools in September

Physical Education and Interscholastic Athletics

- * Continued refurbishment of athletic facilities
- * Addition of Badminton team

Instructional Technology

- * Implementation of K-12 1:1 device plan
- * Transition to Google Classroom
- * Development of mobile app for students and parents
- * Complete transition to online course registration for students in grades 5-11

Special Education

- * Continue to expand community resources and involvement, including collaboration with South Oaks
- * Increase pre-vocational and vocational skills opportunities
- * Continue to work with staff and parents on multiple pathways to graduation to provide maximum opportunities for success for students
- * Expand social emotional awareness and learning

Absentee ballots must be received in the District Clerk's office by 5:00 on June 9th.