

2026-2027 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT

BUDGET PLANNING SESSION #2: BUDGET OVERVIEW

Presentation to the Board of Education: February 4, 2026

Mr. Michael Fabiano, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Finance



Mr. Fabiano and central administration spend time with Salk students to sample cafeteria offerings this year.

Purpose Statement:

To work with the Board of Education & District Administration to develop a responsible and efficient budget that maintains existing programs, safeguards District assets, supports a safe and healthy learning environment, and ensures Success for Every Student while remaining within the Tax Levy Limit.

LEVITTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS BUDGET DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

NOV/DEC '25



Internal development of budget, including administrative meetings, salary projections, and determination of other contractual obligations

JANUARY '26



January 7:
26-27 Budget Process presentation

January 21:
• First Budget presented to the Board
• Transportation Presentation

FEBRUARY '26



February 4:
• Second Budget
• Curriculum & Instruction and Facilities presentations

February 25:
• State Aid
• Reserves
• Fund Balance

MARCH '26



March 11:
• Third Budget
• Special Education presentation and PTA Advisory presentation

March 25
• Staffing and Enrollment presentation
• Budget Adoption

APRIL/MAY '26



April 22:
BOCES Budget Vote

May 6:
Public Budget Hearing

May 19:
Budget Vote



Summary of Changes

<i>Iteration</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Change from 25-26</i>	<i>% Change</i>
Current 25-26 Budget	\$274,346,775	N/A	N/A
26-27 Proposed Budget dated 1/21/26	\$290,290,989	\$15,944,214	5.81%
26-27 Proposed Budget dated 2/4/26	\$289,342,830	\$14,996,055	5.47%



ASBO New York

Advocacy Day in Albany

- **Foundation Aid:** approximately two-thirds of school districts across the State will receive the minimum proposed increase of 1%, no new recommendations from the Rockefeller Institute Study were incorporated into the Governor's proposed budget.
- **Universal Pre-K:** Governor proposed to consolidate existing UPK funding and increase per pupil funding to \$10,000 per year, but would also mandate districts to provide full day pre-k to all families that request it by the 2028-29 school year. Construction costs to expand UPK space within a district would still not be eligible for building aid.

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- **Zero-Emission Bus Transition:** provisions have been made to extend the purchase deadline from 2027 to 2029 and possibly 2031 but as of now no extension has been proposed to the 2035 deadline.
- **Support Local Efficiencies:** extend the current “piggyback” contract authorization for 5 additional years to 2031, reject the requirement that Nassau and Suffolk schools use a Project Labor Agreements, this requirement is not the same across the State.

**NEXT BUDGET UPDATE:
FEBRUARY 25, 2026**

