

# Webutuck Central School District

# Budget News

## School Board Adopts Budget

**Proposed Budget: \$19,780,957**

**Budget-to-Budget Decrease: 3.41%**

**Tax Levy Increase: 2.67%**

The Webutuck Board of Education approved its 2010-2011 budget proposal at the April 12, 2010 Board of Education meeting. The proposal caps the District spending in 2010-11 at \$19,780,957 which represents a reduction of \$699,043 from the 2009-10 budget. This budget will be presented to District voters on a May 18. Due to the State of New York reduction in State Aid and increases in the District's cost of Teacher Retirement and Employee Retirement Systems, and health coverage, some of the significant changes in the 2010-2011 budget are the elimination of all equipment purchases, reduction in staffing, reduction of field trips and teacher professional conferences, and the closing of the Millerton Elementary School.

With the closing of the Millerton Elementary, the Pre-Kindergarten program will be moved to the Webutuck Elementary School. All programs will be located on a

“Webutuck students will possess the knowledge, desire, and ability to achieve their potential and make a significant contribution to society.”

*Webutuck Board of Education*

central campus enabling the District to eliminate additional transportation costs.

The proposed budget for next year constitutes a budget-to-budget decrease of 3.41 % . The projected tax levy increase is about 2.67 %.

## Budget Vote

**Tuesday, May 18**

**Noon to 9pm**

**Webutuck High School Library**

## IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

**May 12, 2010** - EBIS Spring Concert 7:30 PM

**May 18, 2010** - Budget Vote & Election of Board Members  
District Art Show

**May 19, 2010** - Jr./Sr. High School Spring Concert  
7:30 PM

**May 21, 2010** - National Honor Society Induction  
7:00 PM

**June 9, 2010** - Webutuck Elementary Spring Concert  
7:00 PM

**June 10, 2100** - International Potluck Supper  
6:00-8:00 PM

**June 24, 2010** - 8th Grade Moving up Ceremony  
8:00 AM

**June 26, 2010** - High School Graduation 11:00 AM

**NORTHEAST (WEBUTUCK) CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SAMPLE BALLOT**

**May 18, 2010 SCHOOL DISTRICT VOTE**

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**PROPOSITION I: 2010-2011 SCHOOL BUDGET**

Shall the Board of Education of the Webutuck Central School District be authorized to expend the sum of \$19,780,957.00 for School District purposes for the 2010-2011 school year (the Budget) and to levy the necessary tax therefor?

**YES                         NO**

**PROPOSITION II: 2010-2011 TRANSPORTATION VEHICLE PURCHASE**

Shall the Board of Education of the Webutuck Central School District, be authorized to (1) purchase one 30-passenger school bus at a maximum estimated cost of \$46,000, two 7-passenger minivans at a maximum estimated cost of \$17,000 each, for an aggregate maximum estimated cost of \$80,000, (2) and equipped with related optional equipment to be determined (3) expend such sum for such purposes, (4) levy the tax necessary therefore, to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education, taking into account state aid received, and (5) in anticipation of the collection of such tax, to issue bonds and notes of the District at one time or from time to time in the principle amount at a aggregate maximum estimated cost of \$80,000, and levy a tax to pay the interest on said obligations when due.

**YES                         NO**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS – THREE VACANCIES**

**(VOTE FOR THREE)**

**Heidi Dean    Joanne Boyd    Casey Swift    Ann Sheeley**

**Victoria Alexander    Andrew Jablonsky    William McGhee**

**District Highlights and Achievements**

**Webutuck Junior Senior High School**

The Junior Senior High school has worked hard to ensure student success academically, socially and in many extracurricular opportunities.

• **Academics**

Due to the quality of new courses offerings this year, there is a large increase in the number of students selecting them for next year.

72 students qualify to apply to be members of the National Honor Society or the National Junior Honor Society .

• **Character Education and School Culture**

Rachel’s Challenge and the recent national events involving bullying and harassment have increased our awareness of these issues. We are focused and involved in providing education for all members of the school community and taking a proactive stance in dealing with these topics.

• **Athletics and Extracurricular Activities**

The athletics program is dedicated to the development of the whole person and the integration of ethical values consistent with the Mission Statement of Webutuck Jr. Sr. High School. The Athletics Program strives to offer Webutuck students the opportunity to participate in athletics activity at their level of ability and interest. The Athletics Program aims to complement academic and social experiences with the development of organizational skills, leadership qualities, and an appreciation for sportsmanship and team effort through athletic opportunities and community service.

Webutuck students have participated in the following

extracurricular activities: Mock Trial, T.E.A.M. (athletes who provide a number of community services), Future Farmers of America, Drama Club (this year’s production was Oliver), and the Red Cross Blood Drive.

**Webutuck Elementary/Intermediate Schools**

The elementary school has been working on doing in depth analysis of New York State scores and determining areas of improvement. Professional development has centered around best practices and how they relate to our current instructional programs. Many of the staff are involved in Professional Growth Plans focusing on reading, writing, and math. Many staff have begun implementing several research based best practices in their classrooms. We continue to strive to enhance instructional practices and the materials embedded in the budget will support these initiatives.

- Expand Leveled Library to support Guided reading and Literature Circles K-6
- Feature Assemblies to focus on bullying and character building
- Increase the use of technology in all curriculum areas
- Provide field trips to support the curriculum and broaden our students cultural experiences
- Support professional development activities to enhance skills of our educators
- Support differentiated instruction & materials necessary for implementation

## Budget Components

	Administrative		Program		Capital	
	2009-10	2010-11	2009-10	2010-11	2009-10	2010-11
<b>Budget Amount</b>	\$2,080,522	\$1,987,207	\$15,038,691	\$14,569,000	\$3,360,787	\$3,224,750
<b>% of Budget</b>	10.2%	10.0%	73.4%	73.7%	16.4%	16.3%
<b>What Each Component Pays For...</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Salaries &amp; benefits of administrators, supervisors and administrative clerical staff</li> <li>Public information and central printing</li> <li>Research, planning &amp; evaluation</li> <li>Audits, tax collection, &amp; most legal services</li> <li>School board costs</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Salaries &amp; benefits of teachers, guidance counselors, aides, monitors, nurses, social workers, psychologists, speech teachers</li> <li>In-service training</li> <li>Library/media/computer services</li> <li>Student transportation</li> <li>Co-curricular activities</li> <li>Interscholastic athletics</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Debt service on buildings and busses</li> <li>Tax certiorari and court ordered costs</li> <li>Operations and maintenance costs including utilities and salaries and benefits of maintenance and custodial personnel.</li> </ul>	

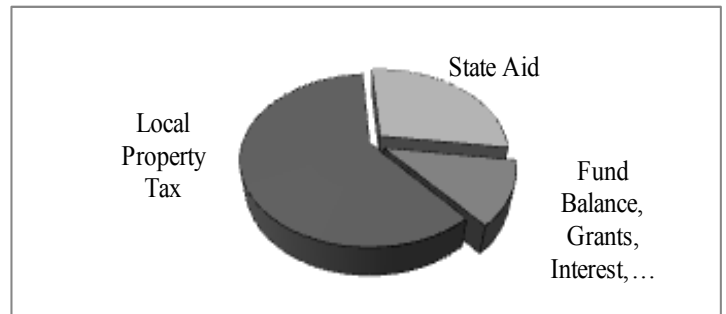
### Revenues by Major Source

Local Property Tax	11,888,243
State Aid	5,579,452
Fund Balance, Grants, Interest, Other	<u>2,313,262</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$19,780,957</b>

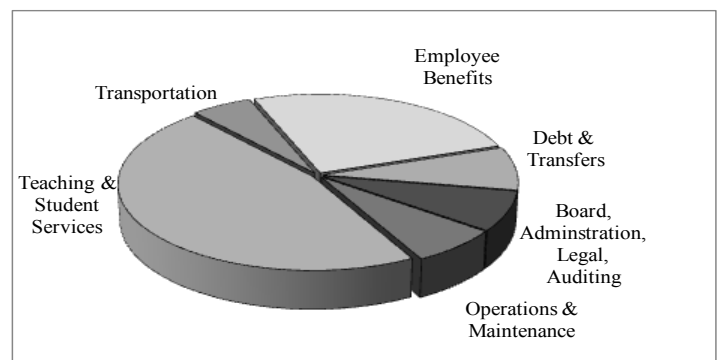
### The Budget by Function

Board of Education	27,788
Central Administration	229,634
Financial & Accounting	394,738
Legal & Personnel	59,604
Operations, Maintenance & Printing	1,361,506
Insurance & BOCES Administration	161,528
Instructional Administration	606,499
Teaching	7,776,825
Instructional Media	540,128
Pupil Services	870,720
Pupil Transportation	1,081,844
Employee Benefits	5,077,190
Debt Service & Fund Transfers	<u>1,592,953</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$19,780,957</b>

### Revenues by Major Source



### The Budget by Functional Group



# School District Budget Notice

	Adopted Budget 2009-10	Proposed Budget 2010-11	Contingent Budget 2010-11
<b>Total budget amount</b>	<b>\$20,480,000</b>	<b>\$19,780,957</b>	<b>\$19,765,744</b>
<b>Decrease for 2010-11</b>		<b>\$ - 699,043</b>	<b>\$ - 714,256</b>
<b>Percent decrease in each budget</b>		<b>- 3.41%</b>	<b>- 3.49%</b>
<b>Change in consumer price index</b>		<b>-.04%</b>	
<b>Estimated property tax levy for 2010-11</b>		<b>\$11,888,243</b>	<b>\$11,873,030</b>
<b>Administrative component</b>	<b>\$2,080,522</b>	<b>\$ 1,987,207</b>	<b>\$ 1,981,994</b>
<b>Program component</b>	<b>\$15,038,691</b>	<b>\$14,569,000</b>	<b>\$14,567,000</b>
<b>Capital component</b>	<b>\$3,360,787</b>	<b>\$ 3,224,750</b>	<b>\$ 3,216,750</b>

**Contingent Budget Assumptions:** Adoption of a contingent Budget will eliminate the purchase of all equipment and student supplies, community or public use of buildings, and salary increases for certain staff.

Basic STAR Exemption Impact	Budget Proposed for the 2010-11
<b>Estimated Basic Star Exemption Savings</b>	<b>\$348.00</b>

*Estimated Basic Star exemption savings are based on a hypothetical \$100,000 residence in the District using the true value tax rate for 2009-10 school year's STAR exemption information, equalization rates, and assessed values, and a projected School Tax increase of 2.67%.*

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2010-2011 by the qualified voters of the Northeast school district, Dutchess County, New York, will be held at Webutuck High School in said district on Tuesday, May 18, 2010 between the hours of 12:00 noon and 9:00 pm, prevailing time in the High School Library, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot machine.

**Copies of the budget are available on the Web at [www.webutuckschools.org](http://www.webutuckschools.org) and at the Webutuck and Miller-ton Elementary Schools, Webutuck High School, Eugene Brooks Intermediate School, the Webutuck School District Administrative Office, and at the Amenia Free Library and Northeast-Millerton Library**

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