



EAST GREENBUSH CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2019-2020 Budget Hearing, May 8, 2019

Jeffrey P. Simons, Superintendent



PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

- **Location And Time Of Public Hearing**
- **Availability Of Budget Documents**
- **Voting Date And Propositions**
- **Election Of Board Members Process**
- **Voting Districts And Polling Sites**
- **Voter Registration, Inspection Of Register**
- **Qualifications Of Voters**
- **Absentee Ballots**



PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE AVAILABILITY

- **Published In Two Newspapers
Four Times Within Forty-Five
Days Preceding The May 21 Vote**
- **On Website At www.egcsd.org**

2019-2020 BUDGET PACKET AVAILABILITY



- **Central Office & All Buildings**
- **EG, NG, Sand Lake & Nassau Libraries**
- **District Website: www.egcsd.org**
- **At May 8 Public Hearing**

2019-2020 BUDGET PACKET: #1 OF 2

- Revenue Summary
- Expenditure Summary
- Current Staffing Levels
- Enrollment History
- Property Tax Report Card
- Three-Part Budget

- Administrative Salary Disclosure
- School Tax Exemptions
- Fiscal Accountability Supplement
- Students With Disabilities Disclosure
- Ballot Propositions


2019-2020 BUDGET PACKET: #2 OF 2

- **Enrollment Data**
- **Grades 3 - 8 Assessment Data**
- **School Report Card**
- **High School Graduation Rate & Pathways Data**
- **Student and Educator Report**

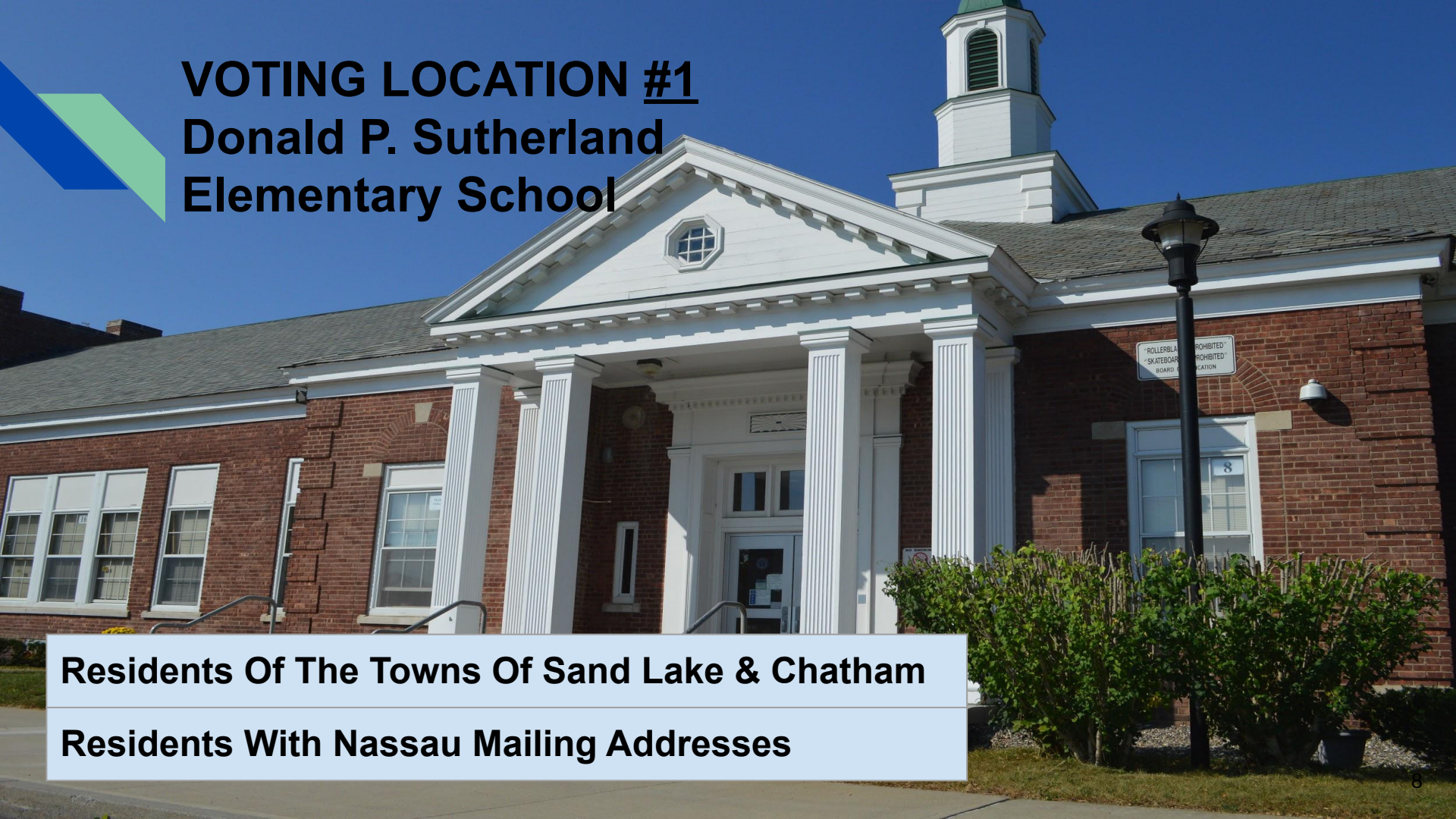
VOTING

- Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2019
- Time: 7:00 a.m. To 9:00 p.m.
- Method: Electronic Voting Machine
- 3 Board Vacancies For Terms:
 - July 1, 2019 To June 30, 2022





VOTING LOCATION #1 Donald P. Sutherland Elementary School



Residents Of The Towns Of Sand Lake & Chatham
Residents With Nassau Mailing Addresses



VOTING LOCATION #2

Green Meadow Elementary School



**Residents Of The Town Of Schodack
(Not A Nassau Mailing Address)**



Residents Of The Town Of East Greenbush



VOTING LOCATION #3
Howard L. Goff
Middle School



VOTING LOCATION #4 Bell Top Elementary School



Residents Of The Town Of North Greenbush



VOTER REGISTRATION REQUIRED

- **Registration Required In Order To Vote**
 - **Rensselaer County Board of Elections OR**
 - **District Clerk's Office Between 8:00 a.m. And 3:30 p.m. On Regular Business Days OR**
 - **Have Voted In The School Election In Past 4 Years**
- **Last Day To Register: Tuesday, May 14, 2019**

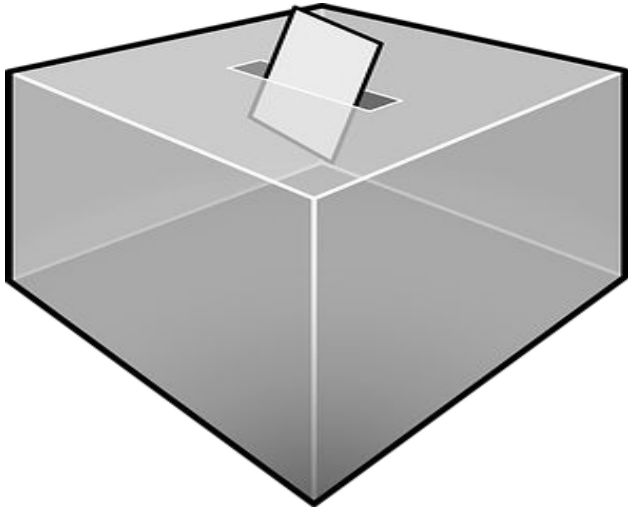


REGISTER OF VOTERS OPEN FOR INSPECTION

- **May 15, 2019 To May 20, 2019**
- **Regular Business Hours: 8:00 a.m. To 4:00 p.m.**
- **Office Of District Clerk, Genet School**



VOTER QUALIFICATIONS



- **Citizen Of The United States**
- **Eighteen Years Of Age**
- **Resident Of The District For 30 Days Preceding The Day Of The Vote**
- **Registered To Vote**



ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Obtain Application

- **Application Required**
- **Available From:**
 - **Office Of District Clerk**
 - **District Website At**
www.egcsd.org

File By Due Date

- ### **Application Due Dates**
- **May 14 If By Mail**
 - **May 20 If In Person**

**After Valid Application Is
Received, Ballot Is Issued**

Return Ballot

Ballot Issuance

- **Between April 23 And
May 20**
- **Ballots Due By May 21
Before 5:00 p.m. To
Office Of District Clerk**

ABSENTEE BALLOT - VALID REASONS

- Hospitalization
 - Physical Disability Or Illness
 - Away On Business
 - Vacation
 - Detained In Jail
- Contact District Clerk For Information Or To View Absentee Ballot List

INTRODUCTION OF BOARD CANDIDATES



- Petitions Returned April 22, 2019
- Three Candidates, Three Open Seats
 - Karen Curran
 - Deanna Muth
 - Michele Skumurski



STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Maintain Academic
Excellence

Deliver Educational,
Human & Fiscal
Resources to Enhance
Student Achievement

Positive, Collaborative
Relationships &
Communication

Progressive, Innovative &
Safe Environment &
Culture



MAINTAIN ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



- 88% of the Class of 2018 went to a college or vocational school
- Four-year graduation rate is 95%, the 2nd highest in the Capital Region
- Ranked 8th among 84 Capital Region school districts and 1st in Rensselaer County (Albany Business Review)
- Columbia High School received a Silver Medal ranking in US News & World Report's 2018 Best High Schools List
- Columbia High School added five college level courses in the last year, 22 college level courses available
- During 2018-2019, program reviews are underway for math, art, health, physical education, and Academic Intervention Services

DELIVER EDUCATIONAL, HUMAN & FISCAL RESOURCES TO ENHANCE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

- Phase I of the \$39.7 Million Capital Project was approved by the State Education Department and will begin shortly. Phase II is awaiting State approval.
- The Capital District Regional Planning Commission issued an enrollment projections report for the next five years
- The Board and District administration began planning in connection with staff bargaining unit agreements that expire in June 2019
- In connection with New York State Smart Schools Funding, the District launched a new 1:1 Chromebook program for students
- The Human Resources Department enhanced recruitment efforts for difficult to fill staff positions, including substitutes

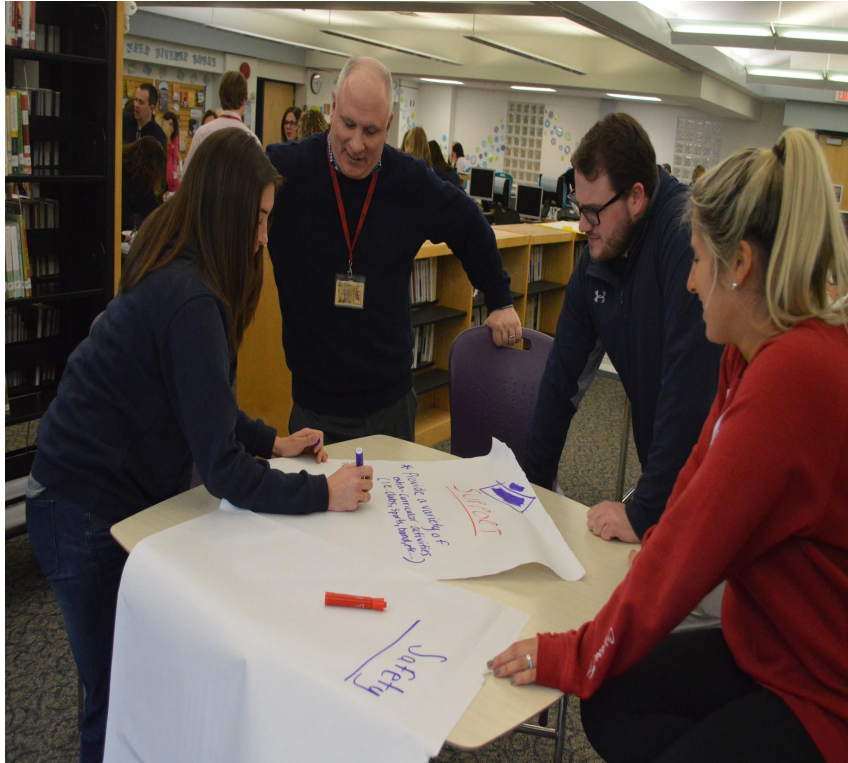


POSITIVE, COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIPS & COMMUNICATION

- Columbia merged with four other school districts to create a new ice hockey team
- Goff, DPS & Red Mill Schools have established backpack programs to supply students susceptible to hunger with breakfast and lunch on weekends
- Bell Top started a new therapy dog program
- A new Business Advisory Council was formed to review trends in employment, examine skills needed for success, and develop strategies for students and parents
- District employees donated nearly \$5,000 to the American Red Cross to support its disaster relief efforts following Hurricanes Florence and Michael in fall 2018



PROGRESSIVE, INNOVATIVE & SAFE ENVIRONMENT & CULTURE



- A series of free workshops for parents this school year on the topics of technology, anxiety, mindfulness, resiliency and organization
- Columbia athletics offered a free summer training program to all students and athletes entering 7th to 12th grades
- Coordinated emergency preparedness training with Greenbush Child Caring
- Professional development in technology and mental health
- Implemented the Raptor visitor management system in all schools during the fall of 2018

AWARDS

STUDENTS, STAFF & THE DISTRICT



- Columbia boys' indoor track and boys' bowling won Sectional Championships
- Columbia's Science Olympiad Team earned a sixth consecutive trip to the National Championships
- Sam Koblensky '19 was selected as a 2019 National Merit Scholarship finalist
- Leif Haley '19 participated in the 23rd annual Electronic Music Composition Showcase at the NYS School of Music Association Convention
- Genet 5th graders Bhaswati Kar and Taylor Lawrence finished in the top 10 of a national math competition out of more than 11,000 students

AWARDS

STUDENTS, STAFF & THE DISTRICT



- Physical Therapist Jean Patrick was named as Special Educator of the Year by the East Greenbush Special Needs Parent Support Group
- Ryan Jones was named Times Union Track Coach of the Year
- School Bus Driver Michael Bodi received the Safe Bus Driver Award from AAA Hudson Valley
- Bill Clum received the lifesaving award for using CPR training to save a Columbia student from choking
- Dan Wagner and James Driscoll were named Top Teachers by News Channel 13



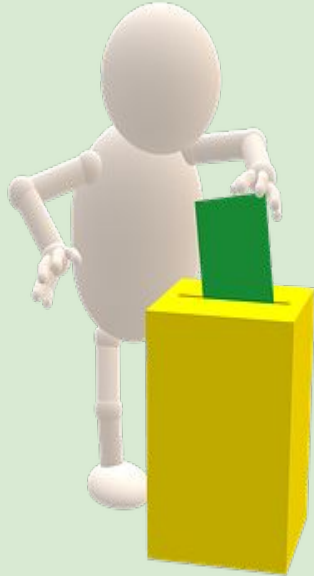
AWARDS

STUDENTS, STAFF & THE DISTRICT

- A Times Union Top Workplace
- State Sportsmanship Award from the New York State Public High School Athletic Association for the 6th Year
- Utica National Safety Excellence Award (Sixteenth Year)
- The “No Designation” Fiscal Stress Score from the New York State Comptroller’s Office for the 6th straight year, indicating a low level of fiscal stress
- Writing & Video Awards from the New York School Public Relations Association
- More awards on the District website at www.egcsd.org



MAY 21, 2019 VOTE



Proposition #1:

2019-2020 Budget - \$95,925,684

Proposition #2:

Eight (8) School Buses - \$702,780

Election of Board Members

Three (3) Seats Available



HOW WILL MY TAX BILL CHANGE WITH A 3.69% INCREASE IN THE TAX LEVY?

- Actual Tax Rates Calculated In August
- Information Currently Not Available:
 - Town Assessment Totals
 - Residential Vs. Commercial Levels
 - State Equalization Rates
 - NYS Changes In Tax Computations

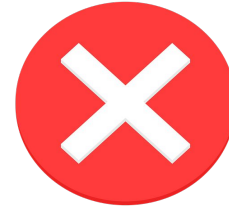




MAY 21, 2019 VOTE BUDGET PASSED OR DEFEATED



- Enact Proposed Budget Effective July 1, 2019



- Resubmit Budget For Second Vote OR
- Revise Budget For Presentation To Voters OR
- Adopt Contingent Budget Effective July 1, 2019



CONTINGENT BUDGET - \$2,049,277 REDUCTION

EXAMPLES - POSSIBLE CUTS

- Administrators
- Advanced Placement
- Art
- CAP, OG, Jump Start
- Community Use of Schools
- Equipment
- Honors Courses
- Full Day Kindergarten
- Library
- Monitors
- Music
- Nursing Services
- Regents Review
- School Resource Officers
- Security Supervisors
- Small Class Sizes
- Social Workers
- Student Assistance Counselor
- Student Clubs & Sports
- Technology Support
- Transportation Special Runs

SCHOOL BUS PURCHASES PROPOSITION #2 - RESERVE

Bus Type	Qty	Cost
Sixty-Six Passenger	4	\$453,848
Thirty Passenger	4	\$248,932
Total	8	\$702,780





FACTORS IN SCHOOL BUS REPLACEMENT

- **Student & Staff Safety**
- **Mileage**
- **Operating & Maintenance Costs**
- **Fuel Efficiency**
- **Estimated Life**
- **State Aid Funding at 64.1%**
- **Reserve Funds Available to Purchase All Buses**





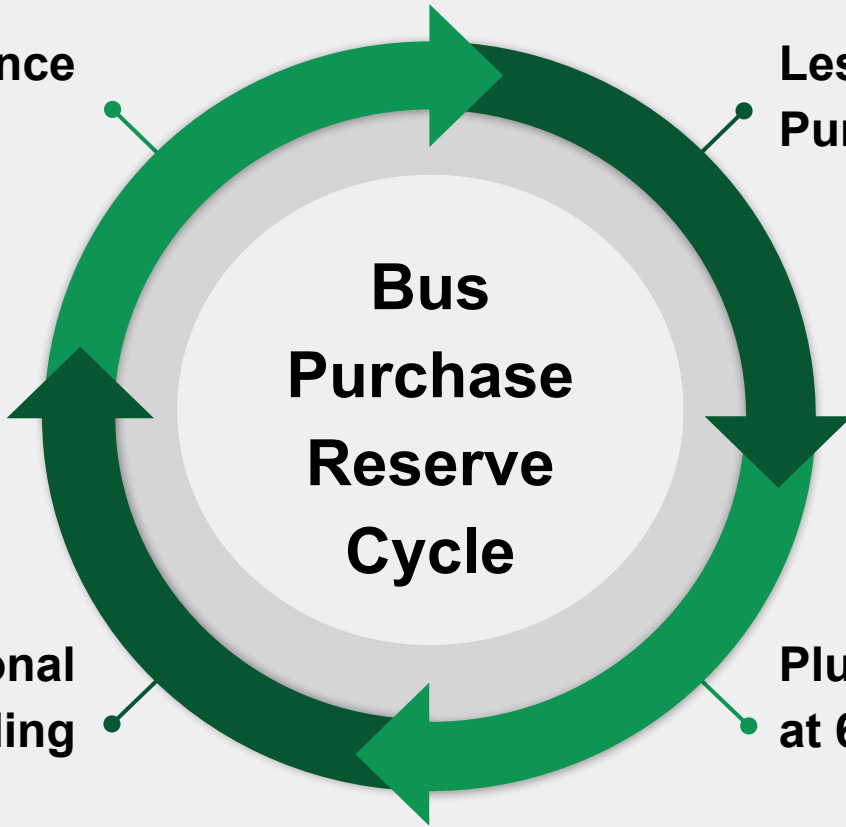
Reserve Balance

Less: Bus Purchases

**Bus
Purchase
Reserve
Cycle**

**Plus: Optional
Funding**

**Plus: State Aid
at 64.1%**





BENEFITS OF BUS PURCHASE RESERVE

01	Specific	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Only Used For Bus Purchases● Limit 15 Years Or \$5 Million On Deposits
02	Controlled	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Voter Approval For Withdrawals
03	Flexible	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Board Of Education Optional Annual Funding
04	State Aid	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 64.1% Of Eligible Cost Paid Over 5 Years
05	Cost Reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Borrowing Cost Avoided



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

