

**SECTION A**

**2020-2021 BUDGET PROCESS  
SUPERINTENDENT'S MATERIALS**

**JEFFREY P. SIMONS  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

**MARCH 11, 2020**



# Board Budget Workshop #1

March 11, 2020

Jeffrey P. Simons, Superintendent



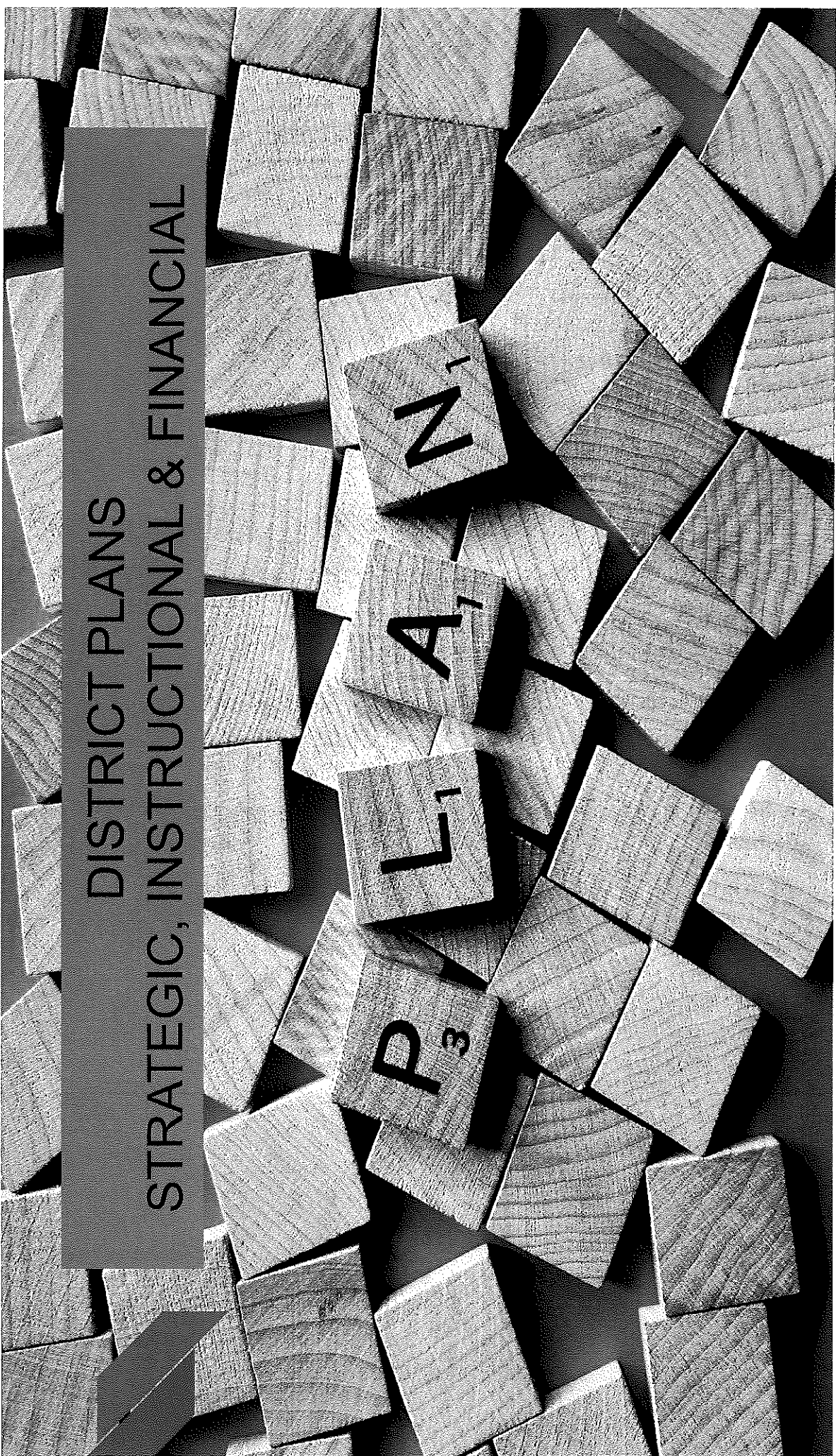
DISTRICT PLANS  
STRATEGIC, INSTRUCTIONAL & FINANCIAL

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## STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

- ★ Achieve academic excellence through reflection, innovation, accountability, and opportunity
- ★ Effectively deliver educational, human and fiscal resources to enhance student achievement and to ensure sustainability and future growth of the school community
- ★ Continue positive collaborative relationships and communication with families and the community
- ★ Cultivate a progressive, innovative and safe environment and culture for all students and staff



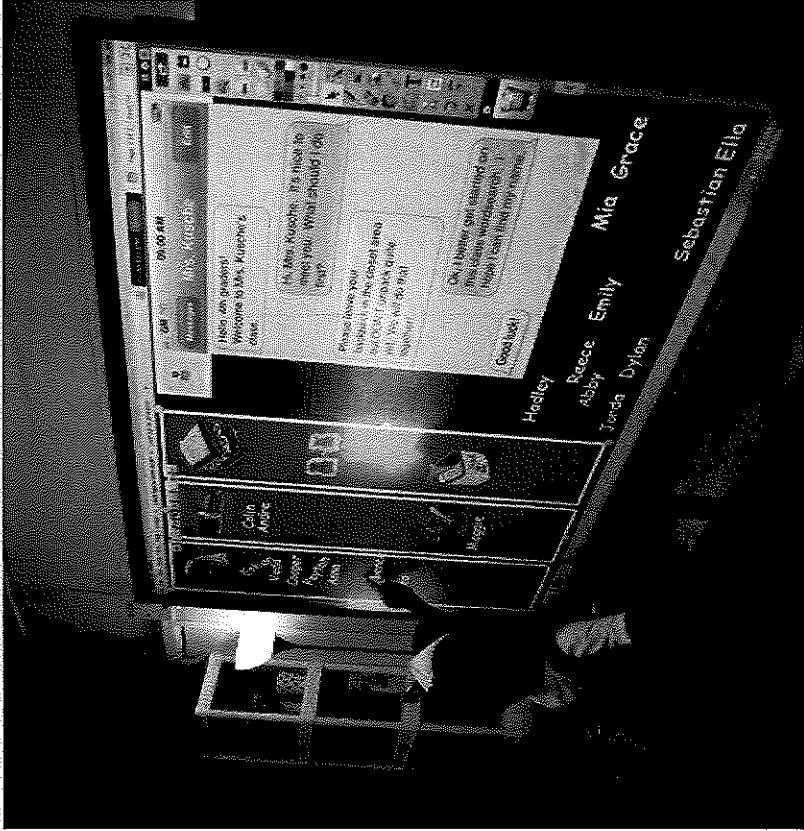
# ACHIEVE ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

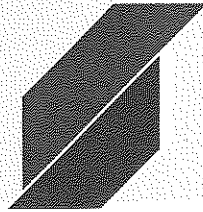
- ★ EGCSD's four-year graduation rate is 96%, the 3rd highest in the Capital Region
- ★ Ranked 9th among 84 Capital Region school districts and 1st in Rensselaer County (Albany Business Review)
- ★ Columbia is one of only 131 schools in the state to be named a Recognition School in 2019 and a Reward School in 2018
- ★ Columbia has added more college-level courses in recent years, now totaling 29 college level courses
- ★ The Sage Colleges & Columbia signed an agreement on a 3+1 Teaching Pathway



# EDUCATIONAL, HUMAN & FISCAL RESOURCES TO ENHANCE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

- ★ Phase II of the \$39.7 million Capital Project will begin in the summer of 2020
- ★ The District's "Count Me In" initiative in the fall of 2019 informed school enrollment projections for the budget
- ★ The Capital District Regional Planning Commission issued an enrollment projections report for the next five years
- ★ The HR Department worked to achieve a 91% retention rate for bus drivers in 2018-2019
- ★ The District has utilized over \$1.4 million in NYS Smart Schools funds to enhance technology in classrooms



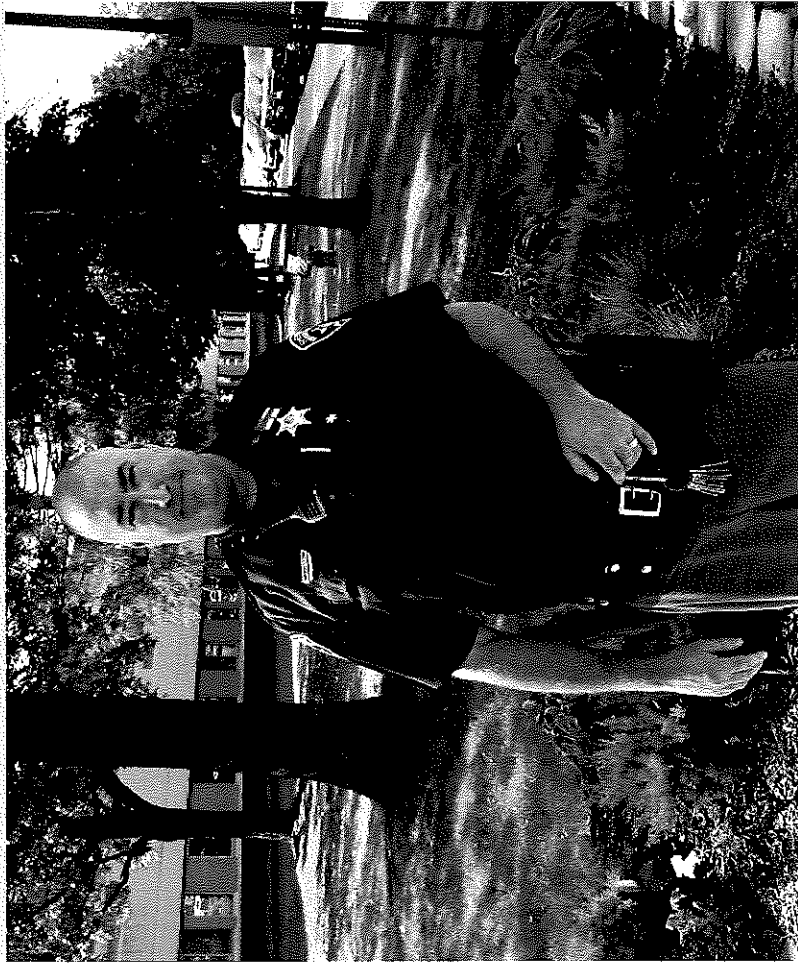


## POSITIVE, COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIPS & COMMUNICATION WITH FAMILIES & COMMUNITY

- ★ Columbia & Green Meadow established backpack programs to supply students susceptible to hunger with breakfast and lunch on weekends
- ★ Howard L. Goff Middle School started a new therapy dog program this year
- ★ For the second year in a row, Columbia Athletics offered a free summer training program to all students and athletes entering 7th to 12th grades
- ★ Columbia Athletics raised a record \$13,191 for ovarian cancer awareness at the 18th annual Teal Ribbon in September
- ★ The District has hosted a series of free workshops this year including topics such as moderating use of technology at home, recognizing anxiety in children, and social media safety



# PROGRESSIVE, INNOVATIVE AND SAFE ENVIRONMENT & CULTURE



- ★ A new school resource officer program was created at the Howard L. Goff Middle School
- ★ Phase I construction added new cameras, access, fire, and smoke alarm systems at all schools
- ★ The March 20th Professional Development Day for staff will focus on wellness
- ★ 45 individuals have agreed to participate in the new Committee to Promote Global Education





# AWARDS STUDENTS, STAFF & THE DISTRICT

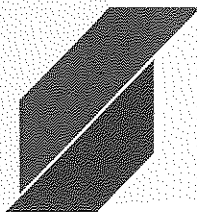
- ★ Columbia won the Capital District Regional Science Olympiad Championship, its 27th regional title in the last 28 years
- ★ Columbia boys' indoor track won its third consecutive Sectional Championship
- ★ Howard L. Goff School recognized Character Education Students of the Month in February at an assembly
- ★ Citizen Genet School recognized 29 students as January Pride Paws for exhibiting the character education trait of self-control



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- ★ School Social Worker Maria Fontaine was named EGTA Teacher of the Year in 2019
- ★ Columbia Science Teacher Tom Ross was named a NYS Master Teacher
- ★ Red Mill Principal Helen Squillace was awarded Special Educator of the Year by the EG Special Needs Parent Support Group
- ★ Columbia Wrestling Coach Anthony Servidone was inducted into the National Wrestling Hall of Fame
- ★ Green Meadow Teacher Erin Tarbox was inducted into the Columbia High School Alumni Hall of Fame

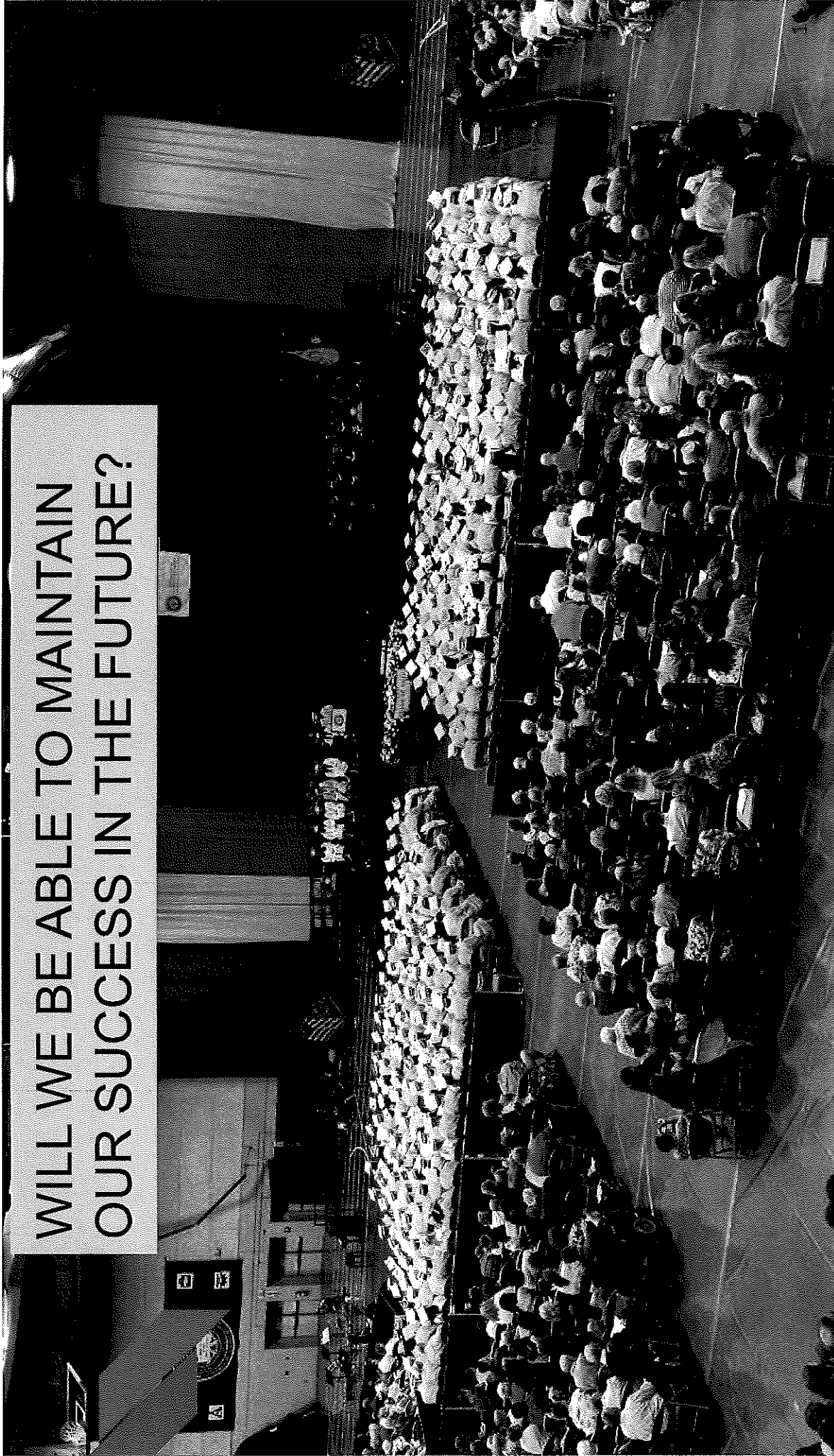


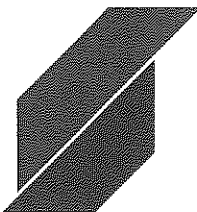
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- ★ A 2019 Times Union Top Workplace
- ★ The District received the Champions of Change for Kids Award from NYSSBA for its suicide prevention program
- ★ Columbia High School won the State Sportsmanship Award for the 7th straight year from the New York State Public High School Athletic Association
- ★ The District achieved Utica National Insurance Group's School Safety Excellence Award for the 17th straight year
- ★ For the 7th straight year, the District has received the "no designation" fiscal stress score from the NYS Comptroller's Office

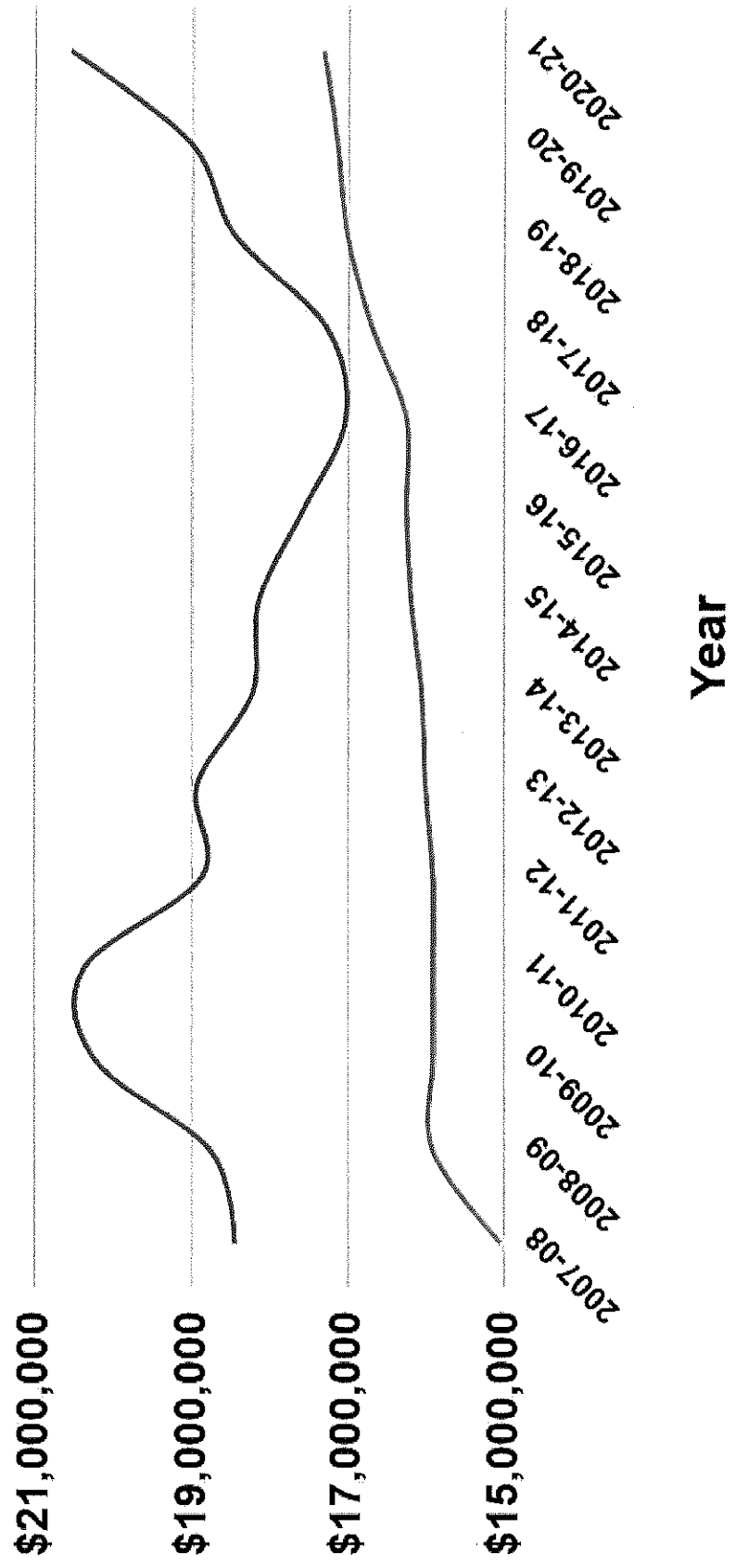


WILL WE BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN  
OUR SUCCESS IN THE FUTURE?

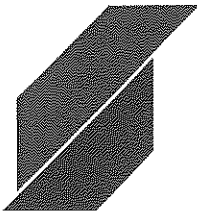




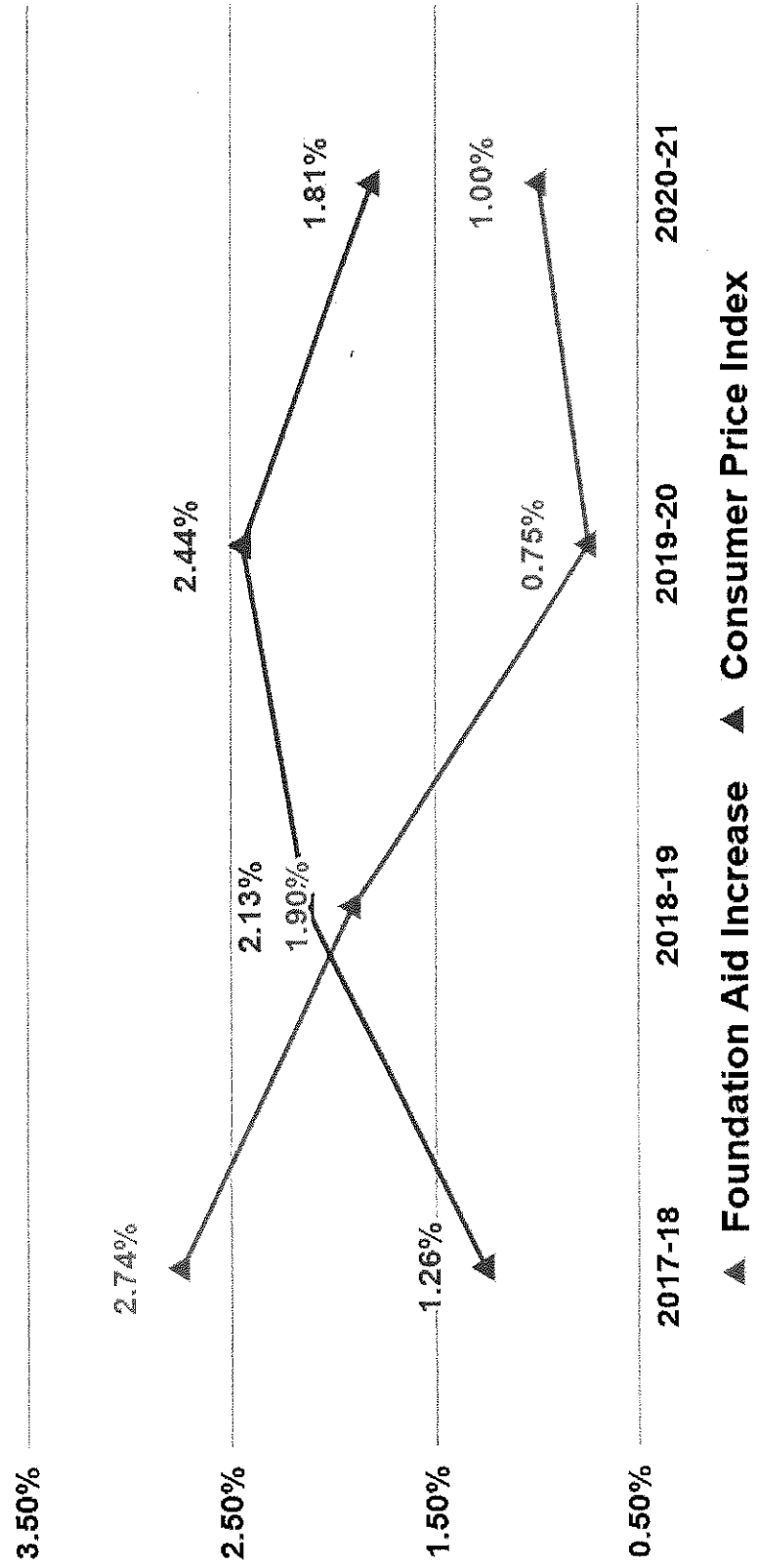
# EGCSD Foundation Aid Gap Continues To Increase



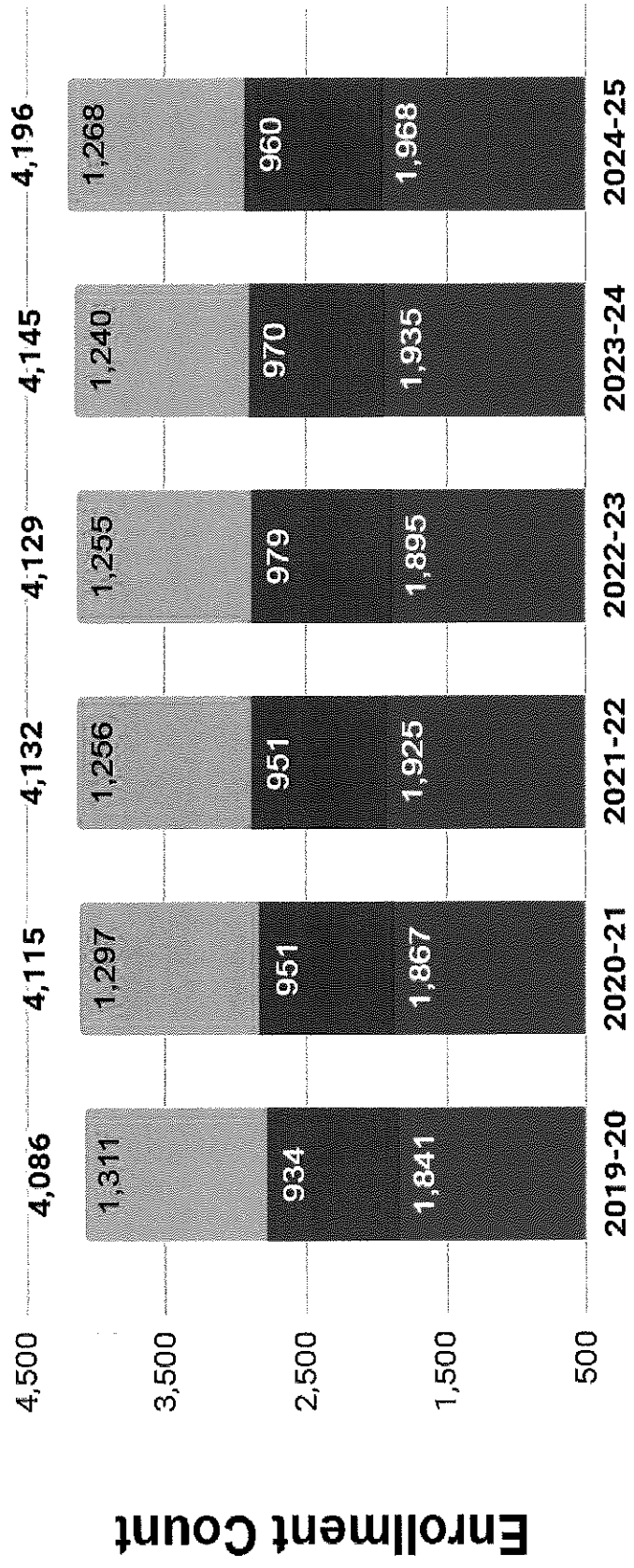
— Aid Received — Full Phase-In



## Foundation Aid Increases Vs. CPI East Greenbush Central School District



# Enrollment Is Projected To Increase (CDRPC)

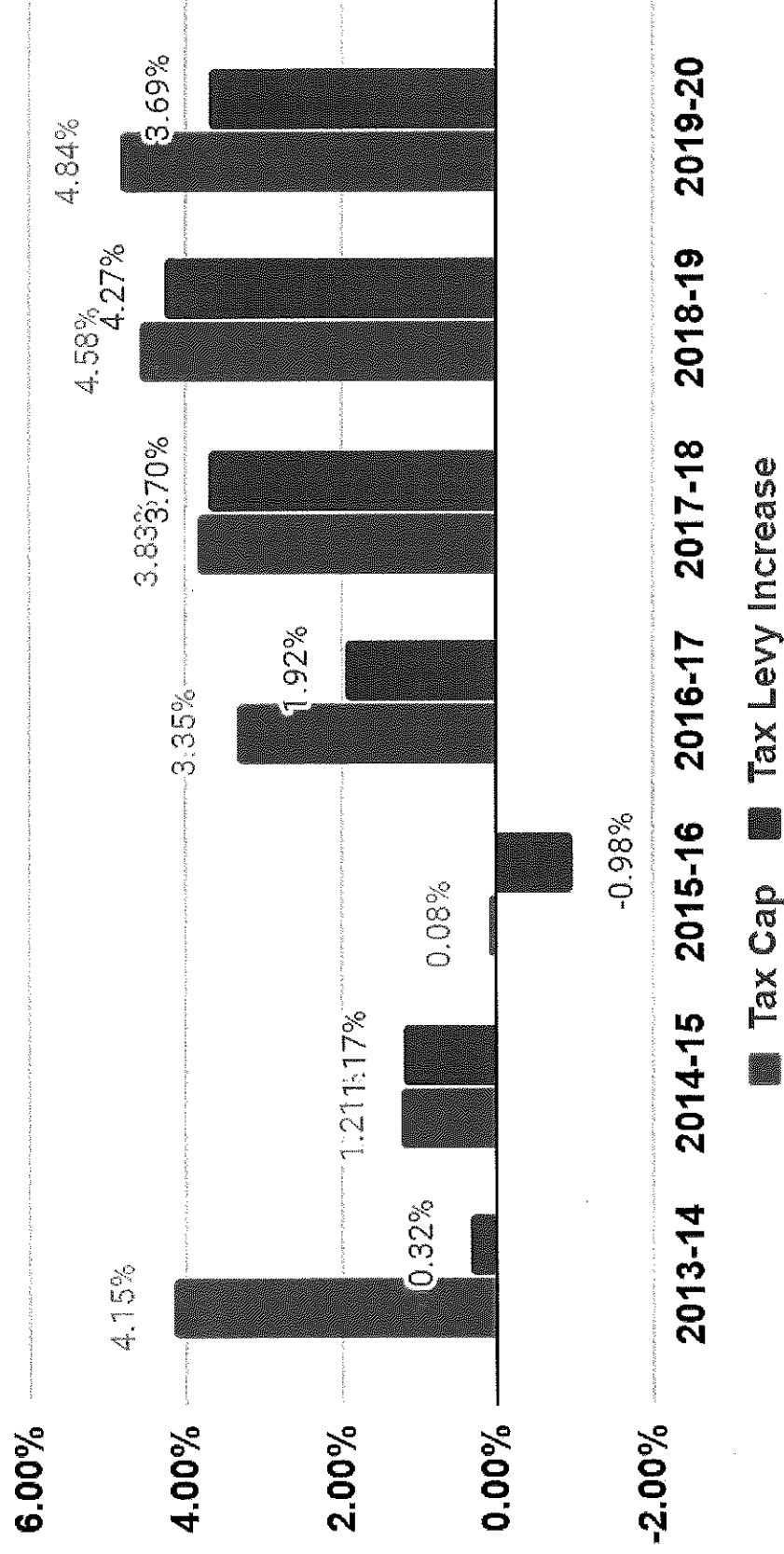


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# Historical Tax Cap and Tax Levy Increase

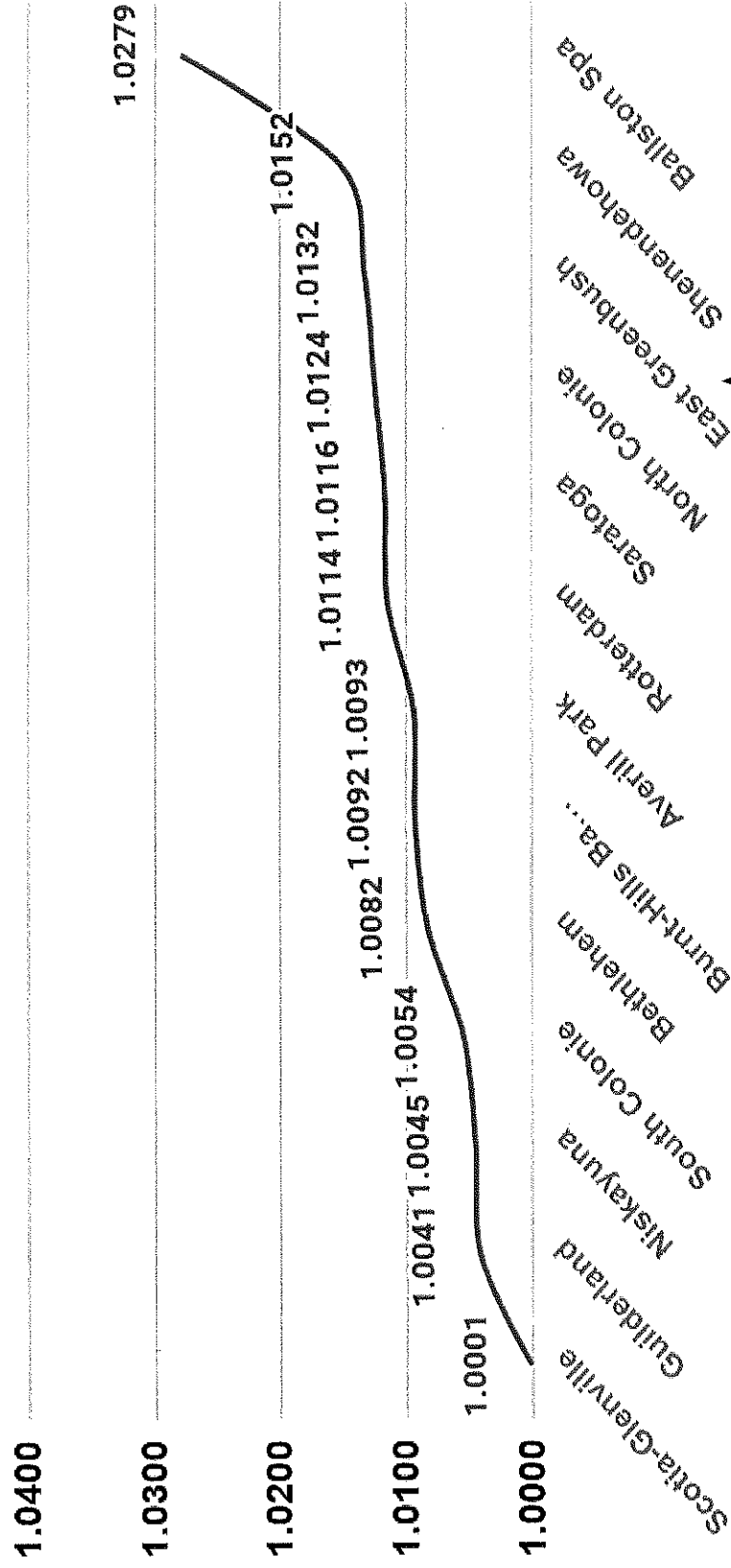
## East Greenbush CSD 2013-2020



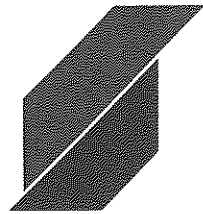


# NYS Tax Base Growth Factors - 2020-2021 Tax Cap

## Suburban Council Schools

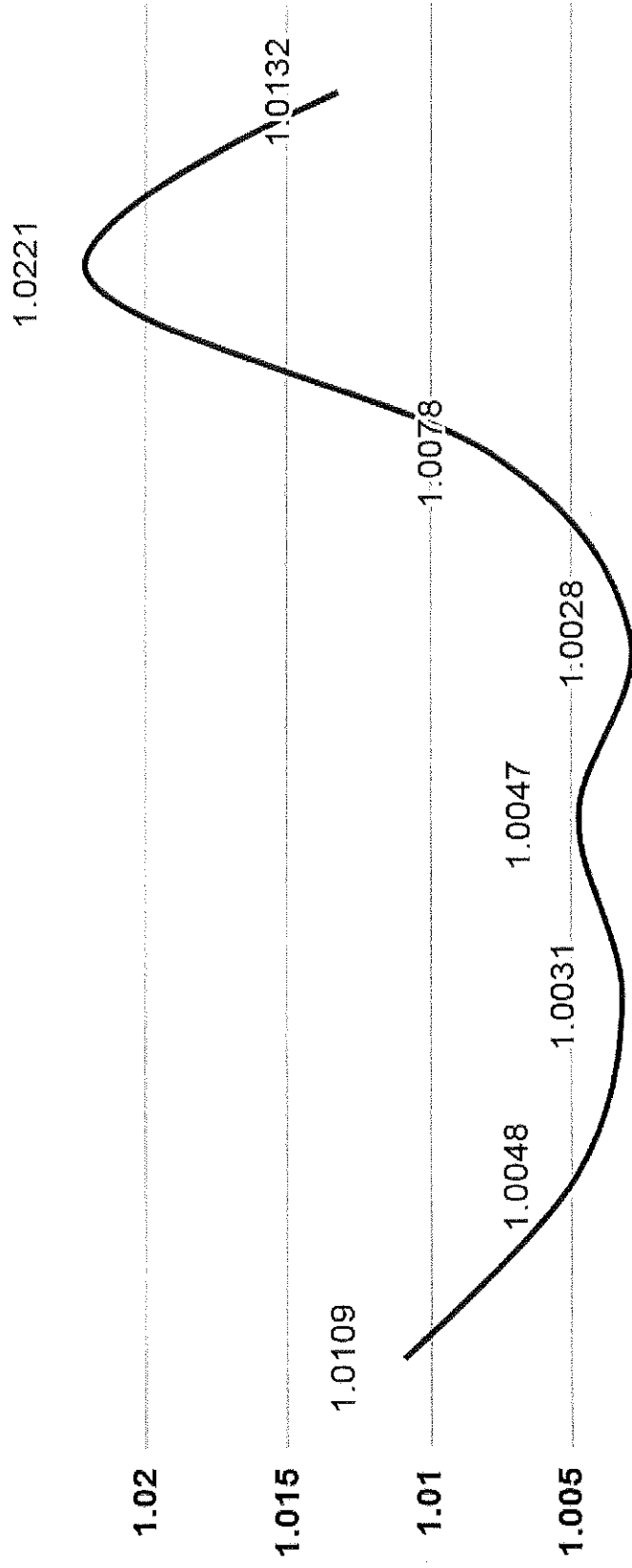


Source: NYS Tax Department



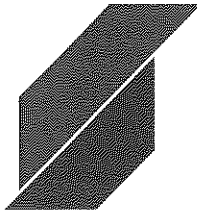
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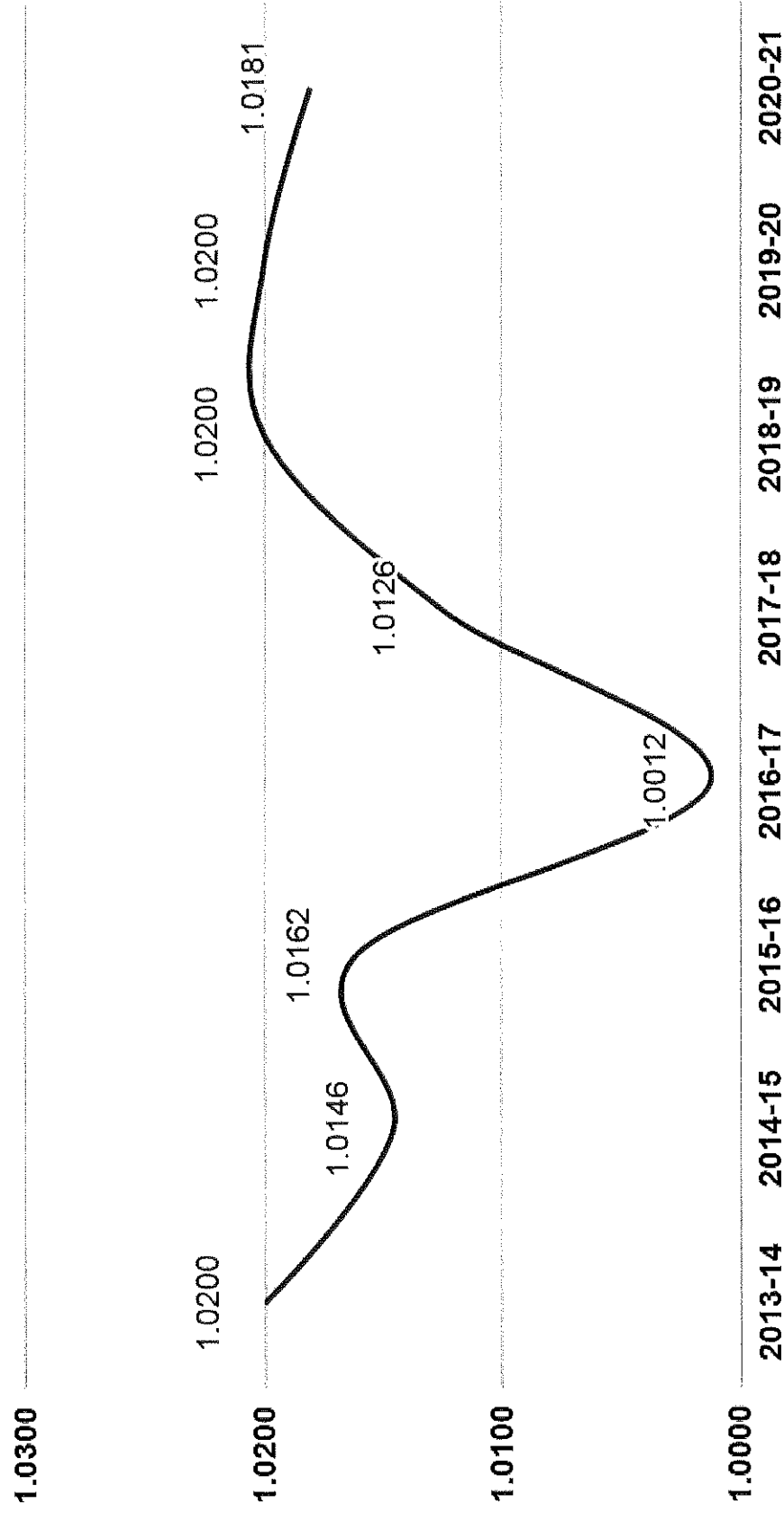


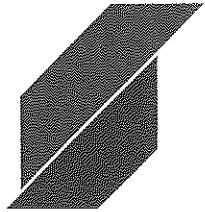
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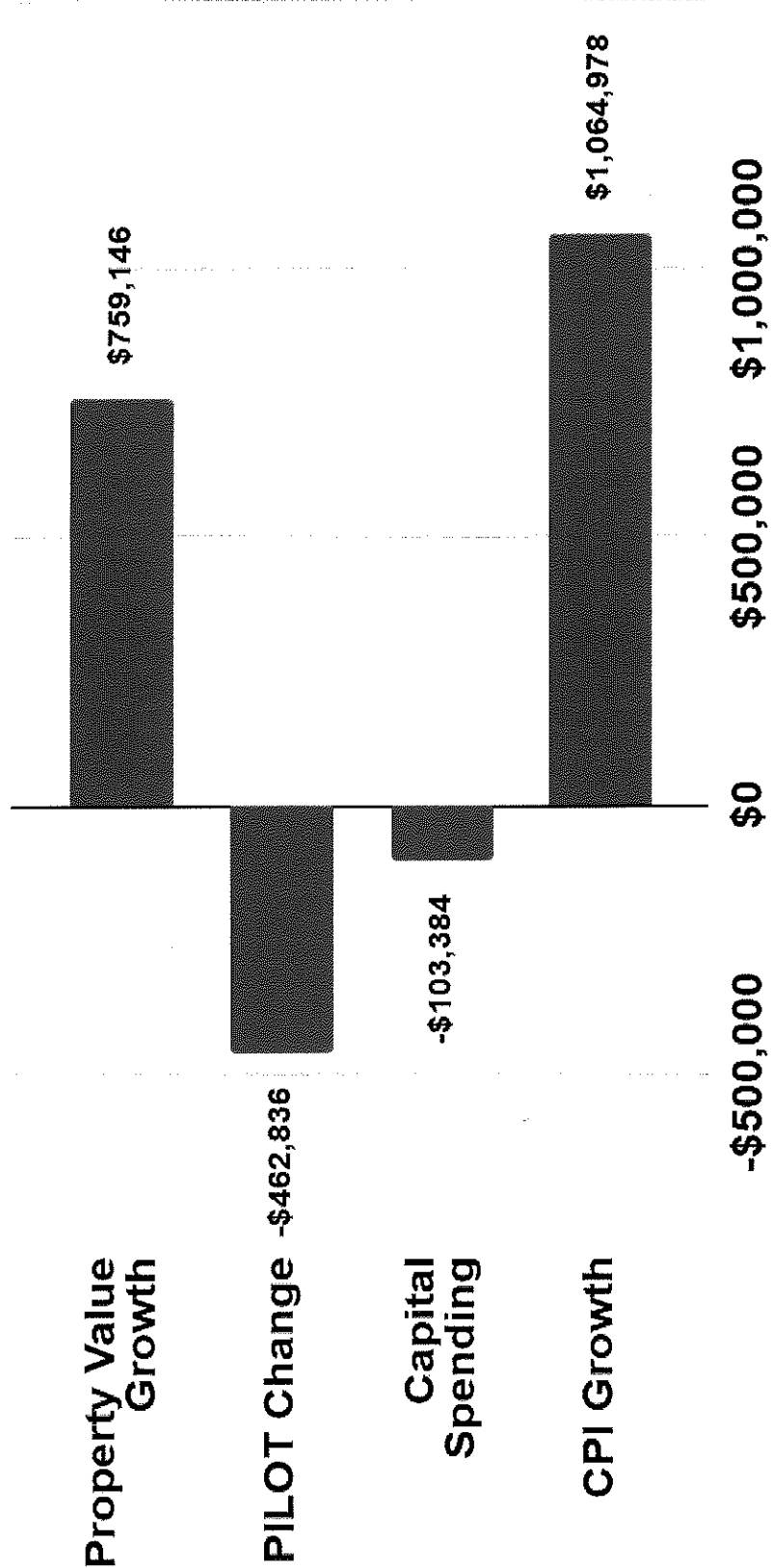


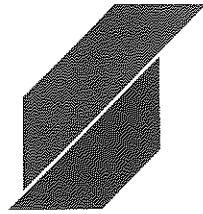
## NYS Tax Cap Inflation Factors (CPI Growth)





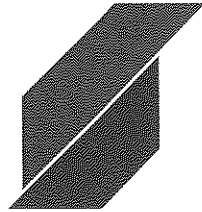
## Tax Cap Components





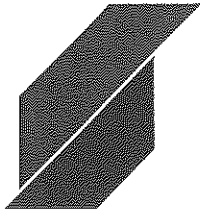
# TAX CAP CALCULATION: PART 1 AS OF MARCH 11

<b>\$57,511,067</b>	<b>Tax Levy From 2019-2020</b>
<b>X 1.0132</b>	<b>Multiply By: Tax Base Growth Factor</b>
\$58,270,213	Subtotal #1
+ 4,061,385	Add: PILOTS Receivable 2019-2020
- 3,493,036	Less: Capital Exclusion 2019-2020
\$58,838,562	Subtotal #2
<b>X 1.0181</b>	<b>Multiply By: One Plus Lower of 2% or Consumer Price Index</b>
\$59,903,540	Subtotal #3 (Continued on Next Page)



## TAX CAP CALCULATION: PART 2 AS OF MARCH 11

<b>\$59,903,540</b>	<b>Subtotal #3 From Previous Slide</b>
- 4,524,221	Less: PILOTS Expected in 2020-2021
+ 0	Add: Available Carryover from 2019-2020
\$55,379,319	Subtotal #4: Tax Levy Limit Before Exclusions
+ 3,389,652	Add: Exclusions (Capital Only)
<b>\$58,768,971</b>	<b>Tax Levy Limit Plus Exclusions</b>
\$57,511,067	Less: Previous Year Tax Levy
<b>\$1,257,904</b>	<b>Increase Allowable Under Tax Cap: 2.19%</b>

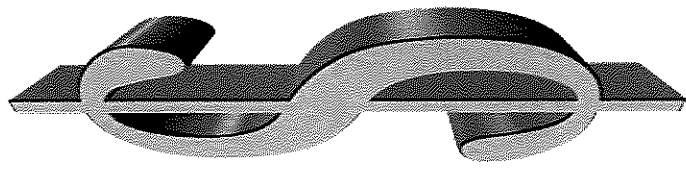
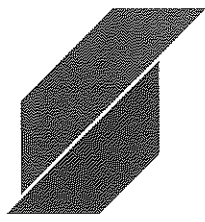


## Preliminary Estimates As Of March 11, 2020

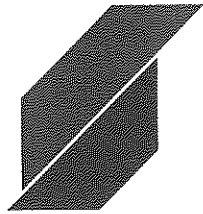
Preliminary Budget Type	Estimate Total	Percent Change	Tax Levy	Percent Change
Tax Cap Compliant	\$98,749,300	2.94%	\$58,768,971	2.19%
Fundamental Operating (FOB)	\$99,420,269	3.64%	\$59,439,940	3.35%
<b>Estimate w/Tier A</b>	<b>\$99,788,012</b>	<b>4.03%</b>	<b>\$59,807,683</b>	<b>3.99%</b>
Estimate w/Tier B	\$100,055,348	4.31%	\$60,075,019	4.46%
Estimate w/Tier C	\$101,695,911	6.02%	\$61,715,582	7.31%

# PRELIMINARY BUDGET ESTIMATE

\$99,788,012	Preliminary Budget Estimate
\$3,862,328	Increase in Preliminary Budget: 4.03%
\$2,296,616	Required Tax Levy: 3.99% (Subject to Change)
\$1,257,904	Tax Cap Yield in Revenue: 2.19%
\$1,038,712	Gap Between Preliminary Budget Estimate and Projected Revenues
\$2,296,616	Reductions Required Under Contingent Budget





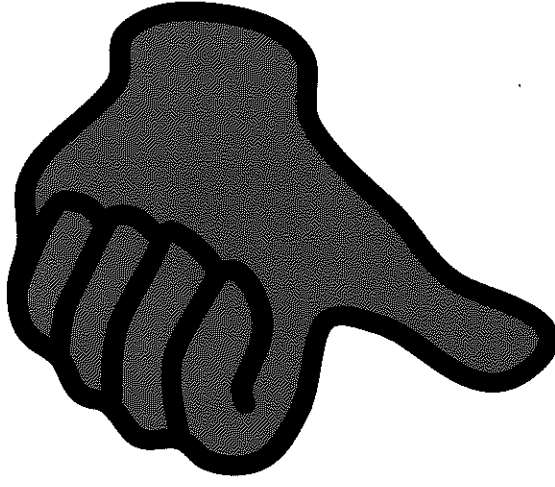
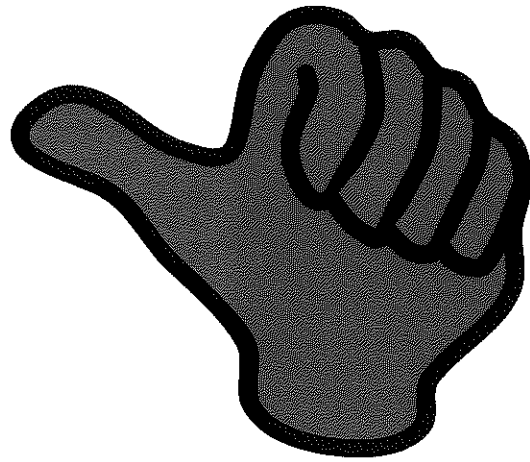


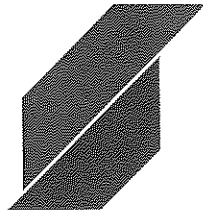
# MAY 19, 2020 VOTE

Proposed Budget

Purchase of Buses,  
Reserve

Election of Board  
Members (3)





# IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

