



PULASKI

ACADEMY & CENTRAL SCHOOLS

Budget Edition 2021

2021-2022 School Budget

KEY DATES

ONLINE PUBLIC HEARING

Wednesday, May 11, 2021 | 6:30 p.m.

*online link can be found on the school website calendar

Please Vote
BUDGET VOTE

Tuesday, May 18, 2021
8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

RINGGOLD FIRE HALL

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Eligible voters may submit absentee ballots under certain conditions. For information, contact the District Office (315-298-5188).

Ballots must be received by 5 p.m. on May 18, 2021.

A Message From the Pulaski Board of Education

Our efforts this year have been focused around providing a safe and highly effective education environment while dealing with the many challenges that the pandemic has presented. We acknowledge and share our sincere appreciation for the entire PACS staff. Their exhaustive efforts and commitment to our students goes without question, and we are fortunate to be able to provide the level of education we have under the circumstances we are experiencing. Again, thank you to the PACS staff!

During the 2021-22 budget development process, the PACS Board of Education was committed to devising a spending plan focused on efficiency and effectiveness in school operations, and rigor and sustainability in academic programming while also considering current economic conditions. The result is a budget that maintains quality programming for students and is responsive to economic variables that will impact the district and community in the short and long term.

The proposed 2021-22 school budget totals \$27,929,000, which is a 1.1% increase over last year. Increases in state aid to schools in the approved New York state budget, as well as the addition of federal grants, have created the opportunity for the district to propose a 0% tax increase. If approved by voters, this budget

would result in no increase to the tax levy while maintaining current program levels.

A public hearing to present the 2021-22 budget will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 11, 2021. A link to the online hearing can be found on the school website calendar. Voting will take place on Tuesday, May 18, from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. at the Ringgold Fire Hall. The vote will include the 2021-22 budget, a proposition to withdraw \$55,500 from the bus purchase reserve, and the election of three members to the PACS Board of Education.

PACS has a tradition of sound financial planning and budget development. The board of education and administrative team will continue to be strategic with our resources to provide opportunities and programs for students of which we can all be proud.

Please visit www.pulaskicsd.org for PACS academic and extracurricular program highlights as well as more information on the 2021-22 school budget.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

PACS Board of Education





PACS REVENUE BUDGET

	2020-21 BUDGET	2021-22 PROPOSED BUDGET
STATE AID		
Foundation Aid	\$11,107,157	\$11,443,371
Pandemic Adjustment	(269,843)	0
Community Schools Set Aside	100,000	100,000
Hardware & Technology Aid	18,108	17,706
Transportation Aid	1,183,262	1,224,807
BOCES Aid	1,681,101	1,768,583
Software, Library & Textbook Aid	74,679	71,279
Building Aid	2,555,099	2,609,700
High Cost & Private Excess Cost Aid	725,000	725,000
Homeless Aid	80,000	80,000
Total State Aid	\$17,254,563	\$18,040,446
PROPERTY TAXES		
Tax Levy	\$7,120,035	\$7,120,035
Pilots	269,041	271,662
Tax Penalty	25,000	25,000
Total Property Taxes	\$7,414,076	\$7,416,697
OTHER INCOME		
Interest on Deposits	\$55,000	\$55,000
Miscellaneous	656,570	656,570
Debt Service	85,000	-
Reserves	805,000	760,500
Appropriated Fund Balance	1,346,791	999,787
Total Other Income	\$2,948,361	\$2,471,857
TOTAL - BUDGET	\$27,617,000	\$27,929,000

TAX RATE ESTIMATE (Estimated Tax Rate per \$1,000 Assessed Valuation)

TOWNSHIP	ACTUAL 2020-2021	PROJECTED 2021-2022	\$ CHANGE	% CHANGE
Albion	\$25.25	\$25.25	\$0.00	0.00%
Richland	\$24.65	\$24.65	\$0.00	0.00%
Sandy Creek	\$22.78	\$22.78	\$0.00	0.00%
Example: Town of Richland		Assessed Value: STAR Exemption: Taxed Value:	\$100,000 -\$25,500 \$74,500	
	2020-2021	2021-2022	\$ CHANGE	% CHANGE
Tax Bill	\$1,836	\$1,836	\$0.00 per year	0.00%



PACS MAJOR BUDGET UNITS		
	2020-21 BUDGET	2021-22 PROPOSED BUDGET
ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET		
Board of Education	\$34,755	\$34,910
Central Administration	215,065	220,690
Finance	290,508	296,420
Staff	102,835	101,079
Central Services	201,135	228,209
Administration and Improvement	794,143	766,229
Employee Benefits	721,628	735,891
Special Items	558,635	558,268
Total Administrative Budget	\$2,918,704	\$2,941,696
PROGRAM BUDGET		
Teaching	\$10,241,253	\$10,279,026
Instructional Media	789,525	803,010
Pupil Services	944,365	952,287
Pupil Transportation	1,016,699	1,045,231
Community Services	14,509	14,509
Employee Benefits	6,066,224	6,279,034
Interfund Transfers	100,000	100,000
Total Program Budget	\$19,172,575	\$19,473,097
CAPITAL BUDGET		
Central Services	\$1,711,914	\$1,696,818
Pupil Transportation	285,000	305,000
Debt Service	3,014,000	2,986,088
Employee Benefits	514,807	526,301
TOTAL CAPITAL BUDGET	\$5,525,721	\$5,514,207
TOTAL BUDGET	\$27,617,000	\$27,929,00

**Estimated
Basic STAR
Exemption
Savings***

Under the Budget
Proposed for the 2021-22
School Year, the Estimated
Basic STAR Savings:

\$626

*The basic school tax relief (STAR)
exemption is authorized by section
425 of the Real Property Tax Law.

Tax Levy

is below the

TAX CAP

Tom Jennings
Superintendent of Schools

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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PROPOSITIONS

2021-22 Budget \$27,929,000

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of Central School District No. 1 of the Towns of Richland, Albion and Sandy Creek, Oswego County, New York be and hereby is authorized to expend a sum not exceeding \$27,929,000 commencing July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022 and to levy the necessary tax on the taxable property of said District.

2021-22 Bus Reserve of \$55,500

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of Central School District No. 1 of the Towns of Richland, Albion and Sandy Creek, Oswego County, New York be and hereby is authorized to expend a sum not exceeding \$55,500 or so much therefore as may be necessary from the 2017 Bus Purchase Reserve Fund for the purchase of student transportation vehicles.

Board Members - Three Seats

Please vote for three candidates for the available board of education seats.

BOARD CANDIDATE BIOS - VOTE FOR 3

Bill Wood

Bill is a lifelong resident of Pulaski where he is actively involved in local organizations such as Pulaski Academy & Central School District Board of Education since 2012, Relay for Life of Pulaski and he sits on the Haldane Advisory Committee. Bill is employed with Exelon where he is the senior manager of cyber security. He has an associate degree in electrical engineering from SUNY Canton, a bachelor's degree in computer engineering from RIT, and an executive MBA from RIT. He is married to Tammy Wood who owns and operates Tanglez Hair Salon, and together they have two children; Alexa and Deven. Bill has enjoyed his past three terms on the board and would be honored to serve another term. Mr. Wood feels his strong sense of pride for this community combined with his experience makes him an ideal candidate for the school board.

Joel Southwell

Joel is seeking your support for his fifth term on the Pulaski Academy & Central School District's Board of Education. He has served as the board president for the last six years and his experience on the PACS board, along with a term representing Pulaski on the Citi BOCES board, has given him significant experience and insight in many areas. These include budget planning, program development, policy requirements and building project management.

Like every school district in the United States of America, the PACS district has experienced unprecedented challenges over the last two school years. The support and efforts by our dedicated PACS staff have been unparalleled and we are very fortunate that our students are provided a safe learning environment while operating at one of the highest levels of in-person education in the county. With your support, Joel would like to continue this work with fellow board members and the superintendent to see us through to the next chapter.

Joel is the vice president of sales at Fulton Companies in Pulaski. Joel, his wife Sherrie and his family are lifelong residents of the Pulaski area. He is committed to the success of our students along with maintaining the sound fiscal position of the PACS district.

Todd Masuicca

Todd will complete his second three-year term as board member for the Pulaski Academy & Central School District this June. He has been a lifelong resident of Pulaski and graduated from Pulaski Academy in 1994. Todd and his wife Crystal have two children who attend Pulaski schools. He is employed by the Oswego County Sheriff's Office as a deputy sheriff. Todd looks forward to continuing to help Pulaski Academy be the best it can be.

Please
REMEMBER TO VOTE!

WHO CAN VOTE?

According to New York Education Law, in order to vote, you must be:

- ✓ A citizen of the United States
- ✓ 18 years of age
- ✓ A resident of the district for at least 30 days
- You do not have to be registered to vote.
- You do NOT have to own property in the district, but you MUST reside in the district.
- Identification and proof of residence WILL be requested at the time of voting.



Don't Forget!

**Polling Location
Will Be Ringgold Fire Hall!**

