



HANNIBAL

Central School District

2024-25 BUDGET PROPOSAL

On behalf of the Board of Education, we would like to thank our community for continuing to support the robust opportunities we offer our students. As we gear up for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year, we remain committed to providing the best educational experience possible so our students can thrive as productive citizens in an ever-changing world.

As part of that commitment, we offer our students a wide range of learning opportunities, extracurricular activities, and comprehensive support systems. We will continue to focus on fostering a safe, high-quality learning environment where our students can explore their passions and cultivate essential skills for future success. Whether it's tailoring reading programs for early literacy achievements at Fairley Elementary or offering college-level coursework provided by our own teachers, our primary focus is the development and growth of every student.

With the expiration of the American Rescue Plan and ESSER Federal Funding in September 2024, we want to assure you that the initiatives and resources enabled by this funding will seamlessly transition into our general budget. All pertinent documentation regarding the ARP and ESSER plans and expenditures are readily accessible on our website. Should you have any queries or feedback concerning federal spending plans, please don't hesitate to reach out to my office or submit a question or comment via the website.

At our district, we are committed to student programming and their success they have achieved thus far. There will be no reduction in student programs,

support services, or enrichment activities reflecting our dedication to meeting the diverse needs and interests of our community.

We are leveraging our fund balance to responsibly manage the budget increase for the upcoming school year, aiming to uphold our standards of excellence while also alleviating financial burdens on our community members. The proposed 3.4% tax levy reflects a conscientious effort to balance the financial needs of our district with the impact on our community members.

Furthermore, the budget proposal encompasses \$100,000 allocated for capital improvements. Per NYSED regulations, districts can receive aid for capital expenses on projects totaling up to \$100,000, which can augment revenues for subsequent years. This allows for ongoing minor enhancements and preventive maintenance of our facilities, with the intention of minimizing the necessity for major capital projects in the future. For the 2024-25 academic year, the district plans to utilize these funds to upgrade ceilings, lighting, and other essential fixtures at Fairley Elementary School.

To seek an understanding into the proposed budget, as well as voting procedures, please refer to the budget information provided in this newsletter, come to our budget hearing on May 8 in the high school boardroom or visit www.hannibalcsd.org/budget.

Sincerely,

Christopher A. Staats
Superintendent of Schools

BUDGET VOTE & BOE ELECTION:

May 21, 2024

You may vote in-person, noon to 8 p.m. at Hannibal High School, or by absentee or early voting ballot. It is advised that voters request an absentee or early ballot (if not voting in-person) no later than May 14. To ensure timely delivery and receipt, please mail your completed absentee or early ballot to the district clerk by May 17, or hand-deliver it to the district clerk by 5 p.m. May 21. Please call 315-564-8100, ext. 8 for more information.

QUALIFIED VOTERS MUST:

- Be a citizen of the United States
- Be at least 18 years of age
- Be a resident of the District for a period of at least 30 days prior to the day of the vote
- Not be disqualified by any reason set forth in NYS Election Law §5-106.

Note: Please contact the District Clerk at 315-564-8100, ext. 8, to request that an absentee or early voting ballot be sent to you.



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What is on the Ballot?

2024-2025 Budget Propositions

PROPOSITION 1

Shall the Board of Education authorize the proposition of voters' approval on May 21, 2024, for expending the sum of \$40,725,000 for the 2024-2025 school year for school purposes and levy the necessary tax thereof?

PROPOSITION 2

Shall the Board of Education purchase and, at the option of the Board, finance four (4) school vehicles estimated cost not to exceed \$700,000, including necessary furnishings, fixtures and equipment and all other necessary costs incidental thereto and to expend a total sum not to exceed \$700,000 which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and levy a tax which is hereby voted for the foregoing in the amount of \$700,000, which shall be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education and in anticipation of the collection of such tax, bonds, notes or installment purchase contracts are hereby authorized to be issued or executed at one time, or from time to time, in the principal amount not to exceed \$700,000 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said obligations when due?

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

Three members will be elected to the Board of Education; two (2) for a three-year term commencing July 1, 2024 and expiring on June 30, 2027, and one (1) for a two-year term commencing May 21, 2024 and expiring on June 30, 2026. Five (5) residents have submitted petitions for election to the Board of Education. The candidates are listed below in the order in which they will appear on the ballot:

1. Eric L. Sherman

2. Brianna L. Wilbur

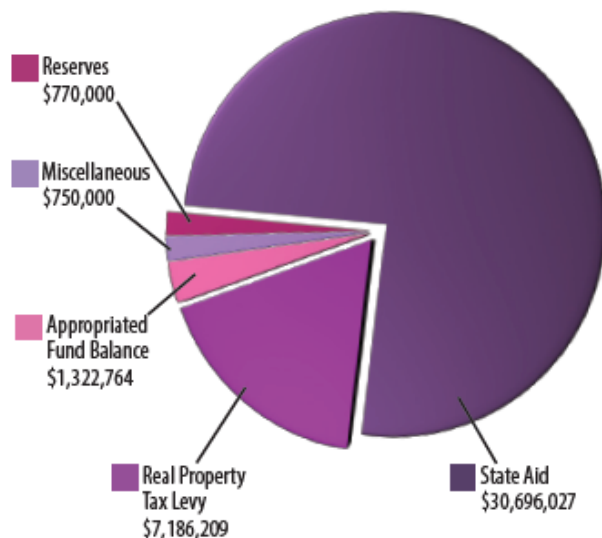
3. Tiesha K. Combes

4. Amanda R. Babb

5. Christopher J. Long

The two candidates receiving the most votes will assume the three-year terms and the candidate with the third highest votes will assume the partial term.

What are the Revenue Sources?



What is the Impact on my Tax Bill?

ASSESSED	23-24 BILL	Projected BILL 24-25	Increase
—	\$23.73	\$24.54	\$0.81
\$50,000	\$474.60	\$490.74	\$16.14
\$75,000	\$1,067.85	\$1,104.16	\$36.31
\$100,000	\$1,661.10	\$1,717.58	\$56.48

UPK & K REGISTRATION INFORMATION

If you have a child who will be entering UPK or kindergarten next school year, please return your registration packet as soon as possible. You should have received a registration packet in the mail. Please note that UPK students who are registered by June 30 are guaranteed a spot. However, if the packet is not received by the deadline, the district will conduct a lottery drawing where students are selected at random in August. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact our district registrar's office at 315-564-8100, ext. 1.



2024-2025 THREE-PART BUDGET

Program	2023-2024 Adopted Budget	2024-2025 Proposed Budget	Dollar Difference	Percent of Change
Teaching-Regular School Instruction	8,165,200	8,640,800	475,600	5.8%
Programs For Students w/ Disabilities	5,250,050	6,352,500	1,102,450	21.0%
CareerTech Ed & Special Schools	1,760,000	1,950,000	190,000	10.8%
School Library	268,000	271,000	3,000	1.1%
Computer Assisted Instruction	954,000	986,000	32,000	3.4%
Attendance/Guidance	524,300	529,300	5,000	1.0%
Health Services	278,000	253,000	-25,000	-9.0%
Psychological and Social Services	106,000	190,000	84,000	79.2%
Co-Curricular Activities	65,000	83,000	18,000	27.7%
Interscholastic Athletics	495,000	558,400	63,400	12.8%
Transportation Services	2,210,500	2,210,500	0	0.0%
Employee Benefits for Instruction	5,650,000	5,734,000	84,000	1.5%
Transfer to School Lunch and SWD Programs	40,000	40,000	0	0.0%
TOTAL INSTRUCTION	25,766,050	27,798,500	2,032,450	7.9%

Capital	2023-2024 Adopted Budget	2024-2025 Proposed Budget	Dollar Difference	Percent of Change
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	2,603,000	2,897,000	294,000	11.3%
Refund on Real Property Taxes	5,000	5,000	0	0.0%
Serial Bonds-School Construction	4,400,000	4,400,000	0	0.0%
Employee Benefits for Operation & Maint.	600,000	600,000	0	0.0%
Transfer to Capital Fund	100,000	100,000	0	0.0%
TOTAL CAPITAL	7,708,000	8,002,000	294,000	3.8%

Administration	2023-2024 Adopted Budget	2024-2025 Proposed Budget	Dollar Difference	Percent of Change
Board of Education & District Clerk	59,500	60,500	1,000	1.7%
CSO, Curriculum & Supervision	1,539,750	1,597,500	57,750	3.8%
Business Administration	461,500	502,800	41,300	8.9%
Legal	50,000	40,000	-10,000	-20.0%
Personnel	81,000	106,000	25,000	30.9%
Public Relations and Printing	130,500	130,500	0	0.0%
Central Data Processing	620,000	570,000	-50,000	-8.1%
Unallocated Insurance	135,000	145,000	10,000	7.4%
BOCES Administrative Costs	692,000	692,000	0	0.0%
Employee Benefits for Admin. & ALL Retirees	1,067,200	1,080,200	13,000	1.2%
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	4,836,450	4,924,500	88,050	1.8%
TOTAL PROJECTED BUDGET	38,310,500	40,725,000	2,414,500	6.3%

Healthy Family Night set for May 23 at Fairley Elementary School

Fairley Elementary School is gearing up for its annual Healthy Family Night, with a full slate of games, activities, raffles, a book fair, and information booths in the works.

The annual event, set for 5-7 p.m. May 23, will feature a variety of community agencies, nonprofit organizations and local businesses. Participants include the Child Advocacy Center; Camp Hollis; Camp Waves of Hope; Catholic Charities; Blessings in a Backpack; Excellus BCBS; Farnham Family Services; Food Bank of CNY; Hannibal Library; Hannibal Pharmacy; Hannibal Tops; CITI Audiology; Peace, Love & a Fuller Experience; Yoga; Oswego County Opportunities; Ontario Orchards; Oswego Health; Workforce NY; and more!

In addition to the participating organizations, there will also be prize giveaways and other activities. Donors and sponsors include the Mets, Chuck Hafner's Garden Center, Wonderworks, Hycamore Handmade Soaps, the MOST, Rosamond Gifford Zoo, CMOO, Chipotle and Price Chopper.

"We would like to thank everyone who makes this event such a success every year," said Hannibal Central School District psychologist Brittany Meler, who organizes the event alongside Fairley social worker Maggie Olon. "This is truly a community event, and we couldn't do it without the support of our families, our staff, local agencies and volunteers."



Student Musicians Shine

To celebrate Music In Our Schools Month, the Hannibal Central School District hosted concerts in March featuring its talented student musicians. Vocalists and instrumentalists from elementary school through high school were able to display their musical abilities to a packed auditorium of family and friends. Upcoming concert dates can be found on the district calendar and on our website at www.hannibalcsd.org/calendar.



Fairley students compete in Battle of the Books



The Reading Rangers team of Autumn Bonoffski, Lilah Murphy, Camilla Ford and Rex Vallance celebrates their Battle of the Books win.

Four teams of Fairley Elementary School students recently participated in the annual Battle of the Books competition for a chance to advance to the regional level, with the Reading Rangers earning the win.

The participants each read a selection of eight

books and then answered questions to test their reading comprehension and knowledge. To earn the maximum amount of points for each question, the teams had to correctly identify the book title and author for which the question referenced.

After months of studying and reading the books, students faced off in two rounds of eight questions each.

"I'm so proud of their efforts and hard work," said librarian Marie Smith, who coordinated the battle and served as emcee for the battle. "Competing in this event is no easy task, but they did so well and should be proud of their accomplishments."

Ultimately, the "Reading Rangers" were able to edge out their opponents to advance to the regional competition. The winning team was comprised of Autumn Bonoffski, Lilah Murphy, Camilla Ford and Rex Vallance.

Fairley students welcome guests for evening of crafts, bonding

The Fairley Elementary School cafeteria was bustling with excitement April 11 as students invited family members for an evening of bonding and activities.

The event, "Grow with your Grandparents and Grownups," was a new take on an old tradition where parents and grandparents would come in during lunch periods. This year, the event was held after school and enabled more families to participate. Students created crafts and enjoyed the company of their adult guests.

"We are thrilled that so many of our families were able to join us for an evening of fun activities," said Fairley Principal Amy Bird. "It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces."



Fairley students enjoy time with their parents and grandparents during a recent family engagement event.





Hannibal High School musicians explore Washington, D.C.



Hannibal High School students gather for a group photo in Washington, D.C.

Hannibal High School student musicians recently took their talents on the road, performing in Washington, D.C.

The once-in-a-lifetime experience enabled choral and band students to not only perform, but also

take a masterclass under the tutelage of esteemed professors from Howard University.

"It was a great learning experience, and the kids are still talking about the HU choir," said Hannibal music teacher Dr. Denise Ellis.

In addition to the music portion of the trip, students also had an opportunity to explore history and culture in the nation's capital. They received an illuminated tour of the monuments, explored the American History Museum and the Natural History Museum, and spent time at the Udvar-Hazy Center in Virginia.

"We are thrilled to be able to provide such a wonderful opportunity for our students," Ellis said. "They did an incredible job and represented Hannibal very well."



The Hannibal High School choir performs in Washington, D.C.



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Music Teacher (Full time)

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Fairley students show off Inventive Minds

Fairley students recently displayed their creativity as they became Inventors and pitched their products to a panel of judges during the annual Inventive Minds competition.

Third and fourth grade participants were tasked with identifying an everyday problem then creating an invention that would solve the problem. Hannibal students showcased their ideas first at the district level before some advanced to the regional competition featuring student inventors from Lyons and Red Creek as well.

"Each year we are so impressed with our students and their creative inventions," said club co-advisor and teacher Bethany Simmons. "This year was no different, as our students once again amazed us with their innovative ideas. They all did a wonderful job!"

Students highlighted their inventions in a tri-fold presentation board, then verbally pitched their product to judges from each participating school. The judges awarded points based on a set of criteria. After all the points were tallied, three Hannibal students earned top 10 finishes. Brantley Greco came in second, Harper Prall placed sixth and Malsy Tibebe earned a ninth-place finish.

"We'd like to congratulate all of our creative and talented participants," Simmons said.



Inventive Minds co-advisors congratulate the Fairley participants who finished in the top 10 of the competition. From left are Bethany Simmons, Malsy Tibebe, Harper Prall, Brantley Greco and Kate Babbitt.



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Literacy Night provides fun activities for Fairley families

Fairley Elementary students celebrated National Reading Month in March by reading plenty of books and participating in fun literacy activities.

The celebration culminated with a Literacy night where students and their families engaged in different activities throughout the school. Students could create their own version of book characters such as Pete the Cat. They made crafts and colored, and even had a visit from the Cat in the Hat.

"Literacy night provides our families with an opportunity to share the love of reading with one another," said Fairley Elementary Principal Amy Bird. "It's wonderful to see our families fostering that joy of reading."



Students enjoy activities during a recent literacy night.

Two DMK students earn Showcased Author Awards through Echoes program



Abby Abrams and Glada Westcott earn the Showcased Author Award in the Echoes competition.

Dennis M. Kenney Middle School students recently tapped into their creativity to write unique poems, songs, stories and skits that were submitted into a statewide competition.

Through the Echoes program, brought to life by The Rev Theatre Co., students participate in a classroom workshop focusing on creative writing. Following the workshop, students write their own stories to submit into the competition. Dozens of original pieces are selected and weaved into a 50-minute production by actors from The Rev Theatre Co.

This year, two DMK students earned special recognition for their submissions as Glada Westcott and Abby Abrams earned the Showcased Author Award. Their pieces were selected as part of the 50-minute performance.

"These young ladies were selected out of thousands of students," said DMK Principal Khrystie Allen. "We are so proud of them and of all the students who submitted entries. These pieces showcased incredible student talent and creativity, and we could not be prouder."



Actors from The Rev Theatre Co. deliver a showcase Echoes performance at Dennis M. Kenney Middle School.