# Lansing Central School District

**School Finance Updates** 

# November 2023

## School Lunch: Meals for All Students

As of November 1, 2023, all students are eligible for free meals during the 2023-2024 school year.

This is made possible through Lansing CSD's participation in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) of the National School Lunch Program. CEP is a federal program that allows schools in low-income areas to serve free meals to all students without having to collect household income information. This means that all students, regardless of their family's income, can enjoy nutritious meals at school every day. Free meals at school offer a number of benefits for students and families. They can help to improve student nutrition, academic performance, and overall health. Free meals also help to reduce family food costs and stress.

To learn more about CEP and free meals for all students, please visit the USDA website at <u>https://www.fns.usda.gov/cn/community-eligibility-provision</u> or visit the NYS Child Nutrition site at <u>https://www.cn.nysed.gov/content/CEP</u>

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### Final Assessed Values and the Impact on Tax Levy and Tax Rate

Final Assessed Values were provided to the District on July 1, 2023. Projections provided in May during the budget process are estimates based on conservative data from the Tompkins County Department of Assessment. Below is a chart that shows the final numbers and the impact on our final tax rate.

	May Projections	July Final	Difference
Total Assessed Values	\$1,179,022,823	\$1,194,901,612	+\$15,878,789
Tax Levy	\$22,760,337	\$22,768,332	+\$7,995
PILOTs	\$149,852	\$141,857	-\$7,995
Combined Levy & PILOTS	\$22,910,189	\$22,910,189	\$o
Tax Rate per thousand	\$19.43151	\$19.1732851	-\$0.2582249

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