We will inspire our students to be knowledgeable, responsible, healthy and compassionate citizens.



Community Conversation 2024 – 2025 Budget

March 20, 2024



2023-2024 Calendar Updates

March 20 - Virtual Budget Community Conversation

April 8 - No school, Solar Eclipse glasses sent home with all students

May 21 - Virtual Half-Day, Budget Vote

- Promote the budget vote in the ES Cafe
- Art Show
- Food trucks
- Community Tables



Budget Updates Year over Year budget

Roll over budget with 2024-2025 Requests

Includes:

Maintaining all staff and school year programs

All purchasing requests



The Expense #s

7.7% Increase year over year (salary and benefits)

AREA	INCREASE
Non-Instructional	\$300k
Instructional	\$1.8m
Benefits	\$734k
TOTAL	\$2.8m



The Revenue #s

Governor's proposal - 0% increase in state aid

Still short \$2.8m

How to make up?

Reductions in expenses

Increase tax levy (amount collected through taxes)

Reserves

Fund Balance



Budget Development Process

What is LCSD leadership looking at:

Everything line by line

Student educational needs

Enrollments

Student support needs

Staffing changes and projections (retirements, resignations)

Reserve funds

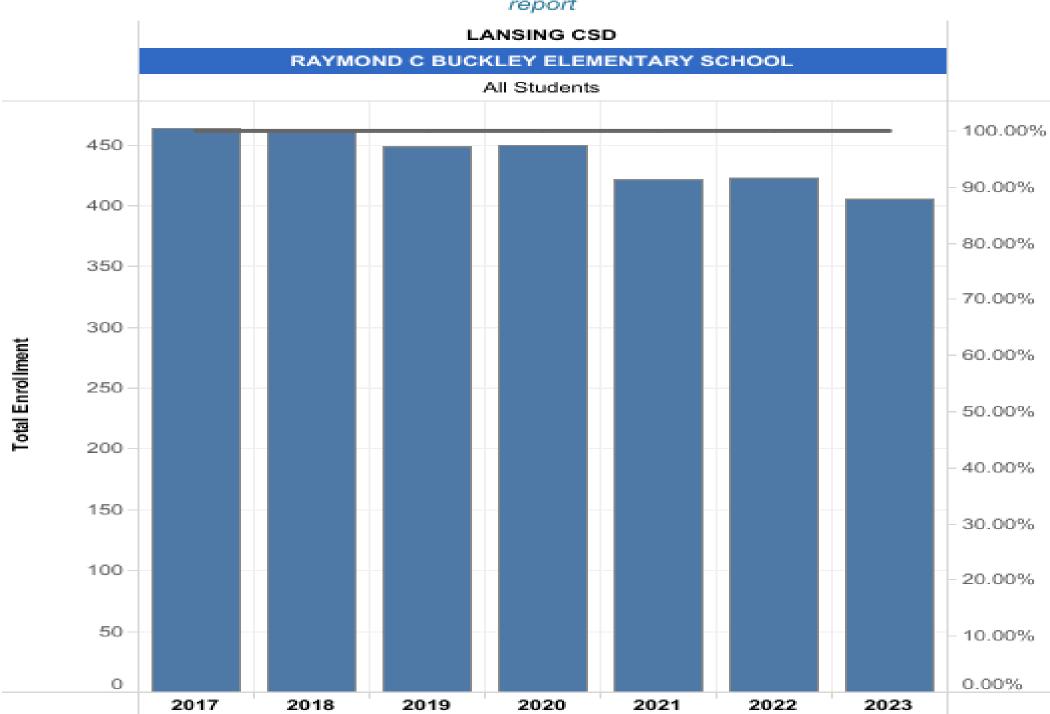
Unappropriated fund balance



Student Group Enrollment Breakdown - School

Source: NYSED School Enrollment Data

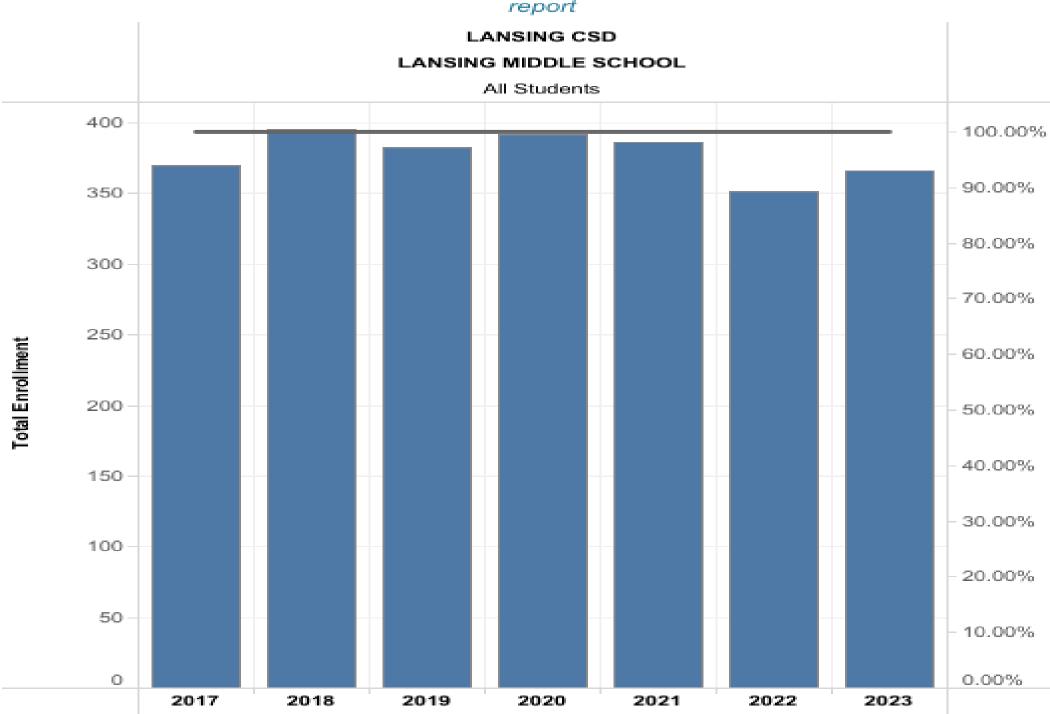
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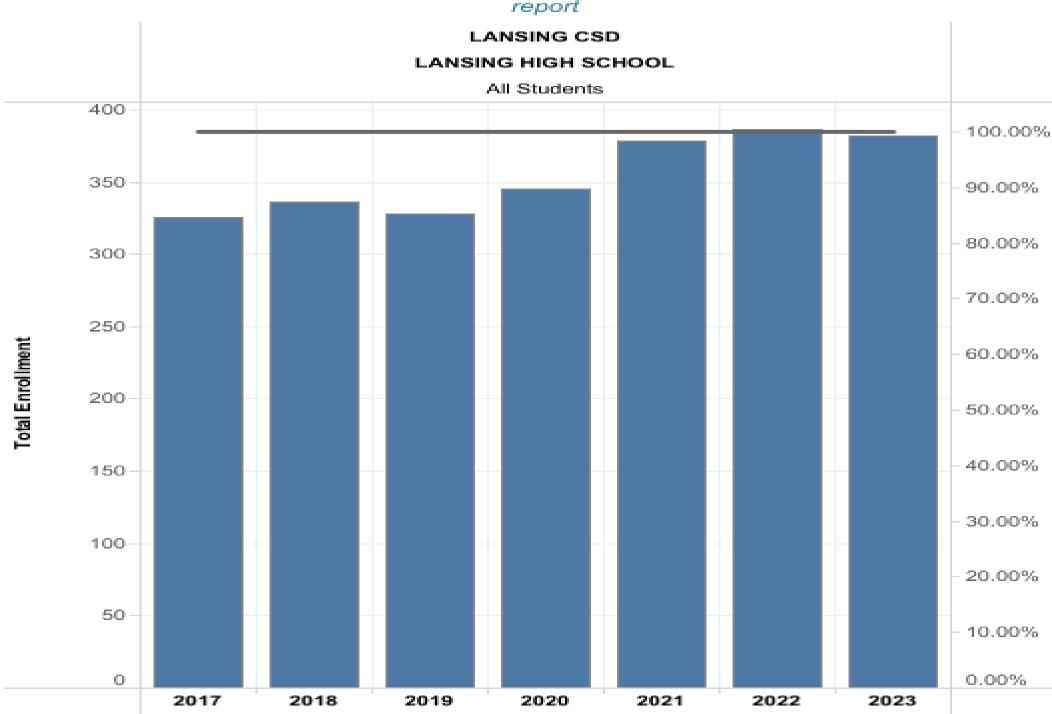
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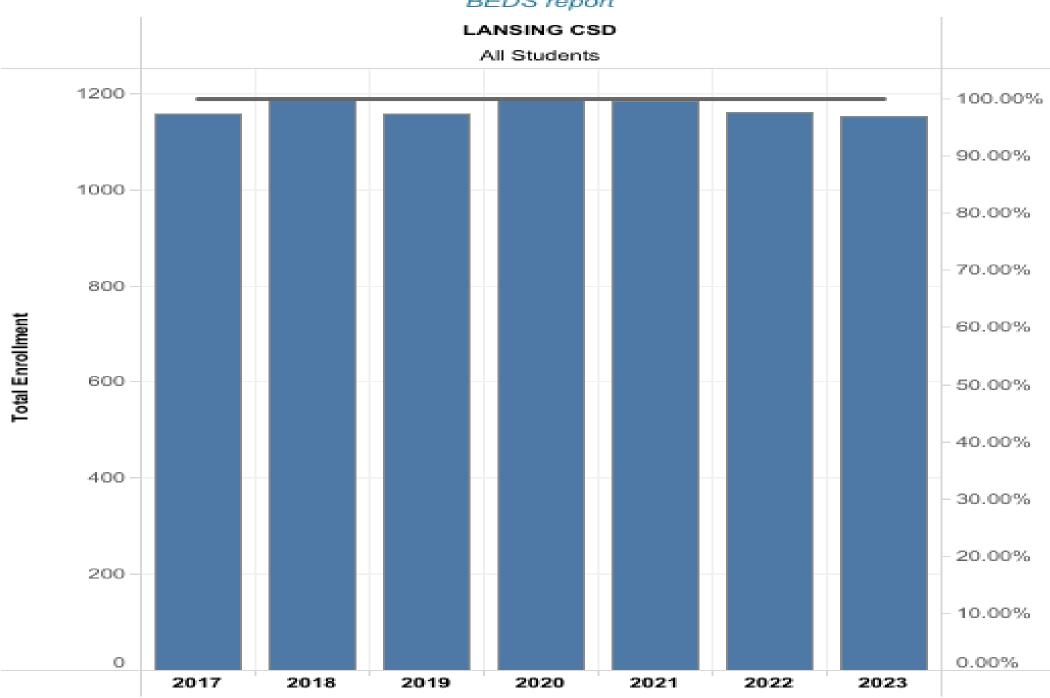
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Student Group Enrollment Breakdown - District

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	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
K	67	63	66	65
1st	65	67	63	66
2nd	83	65	67	63
3rd	66	83	65	67
4th	95	66	83	65
5th	76	95	66	83
6th	89	76	95	66
7th	91	89	76	95
8th	87	91	89	76
9th	93	87	91	89
10th	89	93	87	91
11th	101	89	93	87
12th	99	101	89	93
TOTAL	1101	1065	1030	1006
		-36	-35	-24

PROJECTIONS BASED ON LIVE BIRTH DATA



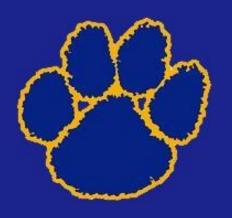
Home Assessment and Consideration

Average Assessment increase in Tompkins County: 20% Average Assessment increase in Lansing – 14% (Varies based on home)

Note: This may lower the overall tax rate but will increase the tax due.

Tax Bill = total assessed value MULTIPLIED BY the tax rate 2023-2024 Example: \$.0191732 x \$100,000 assessed home = \$1,917.33

Community capacity for increased taxes.



Home Assessment and Tax Rate

2023-24 Total Assessments (July 1, 2023): \$1,194,694,162

2024-25 Projected Assessments (March 2024): \$1,375,000,000

Impact on tax rate:

(Total tax levy divided by total assessments)

2023-24 Total Tax Levy: \$22,906,212

Rate with 23-24 Assessments: \$.0191732 (22,906,212 divided by 1,194,694,162)

Rate with 24-25 Assessments: \$.0166591 (22,906,212 divided by 1,375,000,000)





Tax Levy for 2024-25

NOT yet determined

Part of final budget development

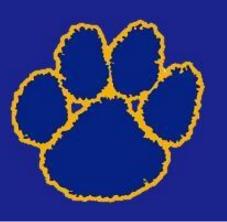
Impacted by:

Final expense budget

Final State Aid projections (due April 1st)

Other revenue sources (interest, etc.)

Use of reserves and fund balance



Projected Assessments & Tax Rate

NOT FINAL UNTIL JULY 1, 2024

Cannot finalize the tax rate calculation until final tax roll released

- Tompkins County Assessment Dept.
- July 1st each year



Talking Points

Key Points

- Assessment variance with some extremely high
- Unknown what our final state aid will be or when
- Misconception that the tax rate will increase this year due to capital project (this will not hit tax rolls until 2025)
- Working closely with the Town of Lansing
- Reviewing all funding sources closely
- Reviewing all areas of reduction based on right sizing
- Reviewing all areas of reduction based on need
- Enrollment is decreasing
- Tax rate finalized in July



Capital Projects Updates

Gymnasiums - 2024

HVAC - 2024

HVAC Controls - 2024

Roofing - 2024

Sobus - 2025

ES Public Announcement System - 2025

Restroom Facilities - 2025

Reminder: This project will not impact taxes until the Fall of 2025.



















Previous Budget Meetings

Available online to watch: LCSD YouTube Channel

Jan. 8 Rollover budget - contractual increases only. No budget requests

Jan. 22 Governor's Proposal: Initial State Aid projections

Feb. 12 Tax Cap Presentation

Feb. 27 Non-Instructional Budget

Mar. 11 Instructional Budget





General Safety Updates

Lighting

Cameras

Door security

Collaboration w/ TC Sheriff Dept



March 25, 7pm BOE Meeting

BOCES Budget, Revenues, Reserves, Tiered

Reductions

Presentation from Jay Franklin, Director of Tompkins

County Assessment Department

April 15, 7pm BOE Meeting

Full Budget Presentation

April 22, 6pm, Community Conversation: Budget





April 22, Petition must be filed with Debbie Todd in District Office by 5pm



April 24, 7pm BOE MeetingFinal Budget Approval

May 13, 6PM Budget Hearing Meet the Candidates Board Meeting



Budget Vote

Budget Vote

May 21, 7am – 9pm Elementary School Cafeteria





QUESTIONS