

PROPOSITIONS

Budget Proposal

Shall the Board of Education of the West Genesee Central School District at Camillus be authorized to expend a sum not to exceed \$82,227,170 for the fiscal year 2016-17 and to levy the necessary tax for the local contribution thereto?

- The proposed 2016-17 budget requires an estimated 1.77% tax levy increase which is within the calculated tax cap.

Proposition #1 - District Vehicle/Equipment Purchase

Shall the Board of Education of the West Genesee Central School District be authorized and directed to purchase nine (9) school buses for the 2016-17 school year for a total sum not to exceed \$1,081,200 and maintenance and custodial equipment not to exceed \$125,000 and to pay for said vehicles and equipment by the levy of a tax which may be collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said school district shall be issued?

- Under current law, the District is reimbursed approximately 76% of the cost of each bus from New York State over a 5-year period.

Budget Public Hearing:

Wednesday, May 4, 2016
High School Library – 7:00 p.m.

Annual School District Election:

Tuesday, May 17, 2016
6:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
High School Auditorium Lobby

Proposition #2 - Fairmount and Maxwell Public Libraries

Shall the West Genesee Central School District levy and collect a tax, pursuant to Section 259 of the Education Law of the State of New York, in the sum of \$491,079 (which is an increase of \$132,000 from the combined levies in effect from 2015-2016 in the sum of \$359,079) for the continuing support and maintenance of the free library services offered to district residents by the public libraries historically supported by the West Genesee Central School District, with said monies to be apportioned as follows:

- \$258,000 to Fairmount Community Library (an increase of \$66,000)
- \$233,079 to Maxwell Memorial Library (an increase of \$66,000)?

Proposition #3 - Onondaga Free Library

Shall the West Genesee Central School District levy and collect a tax pursuant to Section 259 of the Education Law of the State of New York, in the sum of \$97,000 (which is an increase of \$9,000) for the continuing support and maintenance of the free library services offered to district residents by the Onondaga Free Library historically supported by the West Genesee Central School District?

REVENUE SOURCES

Real Property Tax	46.1%
State Aid/STAR	50.2%
Other Revenue	2.0%
Fund Balance	1.7%

Estimated Tax Rates

per \$1,000 of assessed value

Town	2015-16 Actual	2016-17 Projected	\$ Change in Rate	Percent Increase	Percent of Tax Base
Camillus	\$23.14	\$23.55	\$0.41	1.77%	76.0%
Elbridge	\$23.15	\$23.56	\$0.41	1.77%	0.1%
Geddes	\$25.15	\$25.59	\$0.45	1.77%	5.3%
Onondaga	\$23.15	\$23.56	\$0.41	1.77%	15.7%
Van Buren	\$23.15	\$23.56	\$0.41	1.77%	2.9%

We Strategically Focus our Resources to Enhance Learning

Embed the New York State Common Core Learning Standards for Mathematics and English Language Arts (including content area literacy) into Curriculum and Instruction.

- Continue to align grade level scope and sequences with the New York State Standards
- Enhance professional learning communities for teacher training

Analyze and improve Academic Support at All Instructional Levels with an emphasis on English Language Learners and the Response to Intervention Model, specifically on Tier 1 Interventions

- Provide teacher training on differentiated instruction to support all students' academic growth
- Utilize research-based interventions to close gaps in student achievement

Refine academic and social emotional counseling services to maintain a safe and supportive environment promoting the dignity and achievement of all members of the school community.

- Celebrate our diversity and help all stakeholders understand that our differences make us stronger
- Continue to enhance safety and security in all school buildings
- Increase student and family support through school and community connections that can minimize hurdles to academic success.

Increase support and access to instructional technology including but not limited to professional development, human resources and equipment.

- Enhance the District's technology plan to incorporate support for increased connectivity and computing needs of the 21st Century classroom
- Incorporate instructional technologies into curricula to support learners on all levels.

BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

Superintendent Dr. Christopher Brown will be giving a visual presentation to explain the proposed 2016-2017 school budget at these PTA/PTO and public meetings:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Meeting & Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
April 18	All PTA/PTOs at WGHS LGI Room	7:00 p.m.
May 4	Budget Public Hearing at the High School Library	7:00 p.m.

The public is invited to attend any of these presentations.

Demographics of our Graduating Seniors

Class	Number of Students	Graduation Rate	Percent of Class Receiving Special Education Services	Percent of Class Receiving Free or Reduced Lunch
2015	437	92%	9.2%	21.3%
2014	420	92%	8.6%	19.8%
2013	396	93%	8.1%	18.2%
2012	414	90%	9.4%	16.9%
2011	436	90%	11.5%	15.1%

Voter Qualifications:

1. 18 years old
2. U. S. Citizen
3. District Resident for 30 days