

## 2021 - 2022 Budget Development Report Draft 1

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Tomorrow's Leaders.

CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

The Troy City School District will provide a strong educational and social foundation to graduate all students college and career ready.



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  - What will next school year look like?
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  - How will we fully support our students going forward?



- Educationally Sound
  - What do our students need to be successful?
    - Mission Statement
    - Staffing/Programs
    - Supports
    - Academic Achievement How do we fully support our students going forward

#### • Fiscally Responsible

- Good stewards of the taxpayers' money
  - Mindful of our overburdened taxpayers
  - Mindful of the economic fallout of the past year
  - Under the tax cap for the last nine years
  - Continue to search for other funding sources



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Year	Tax Cap (What we could have done)	Tax Levy We Chose (What we did)
2012-2013	3.61%	2.89%
2013-2014	4.01%	2.99%
2014-2015	3.61%	2.99%
2015-2016	2.75%	2.49%
2016-2017	.13%	0%
2017-2018	.45%	.45%
2018-2019	1.88%	1.54%
2019-2020	1.89%	1.00%
2020-2021	2.13%	1.99%
2021-2022	1.40%	?



### Executive Proposal – School Aid

- Total school funding (state and federal) increased by \$2.11 billion (7.1%)
- The amount of state support to education has been reduced by \$607 million.
- Reduction offset by \$2.72 billion increase in federal stimulus assistance
  - This assistance strongly targeted based on student poverty (high needs districts)
  - "Fiscal cliff" \$3.8 billion increase from State would be needed in 2022-2023
- Foundation Aid frozen for second consecutive year
  - The State is \$4.06 billion behind in phasing in Foundation Aid
  - Last year, we were underfunded just under \$11 million



#### **Expense-Driven Aids**

- Executive Proposal includes consolidation of aid categories into one new "Services Aid" category:
  - BOCES Aid
  - Textbook Aid
  - Software, Library Materials, Computer Hardware Technology Aid
  - Supplemental Public Excess Cost Aid
  - Transportation Aid Including Summer Transportation Aid
  - Special Services Aid
  - Academic Enhancement Aid
  - High Tax Aid
  - Charter School Transitional Aid
- These aids would "run" as designed through this current year, but then be capped and reconfigured as one category (Services Aid) beginning in 2021-2022



#### Senate and Assembly Budgets

- Federal Aid supplement, not supplant
- Foundation Aid
  - Increase of \$1.4 billion (Assembly) / \$1.37 billion (Senate)
  - Minimum per district increase of 2%
  - Three year phase in of Foundation Aid (fully funded by 2023-2024)
- Consolidation of Expense-Based Aids
  - Reject the Executive Proposal to consolidate multiple categories into a "Services Aid"
- Fund Balance Flexibility
- Temporary NYS Retirement Incentive
- Charter Schools
  - Tuition rates/reimbursements
- Other Items



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#### **Unprecedented Uncertainty**

- What will the final State Budget look like?
  Assemblymember McDonald "mirage"
  - -State Aid
- What are the details of the Federal Stimulus Aid (non-recurring)
  - -Fiscal Cliff





#### Draft 2 will be presented at the April 14<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting

#### Budget Vote is May 18, 2021



# We Can. We Will. End Of Story