2025-26 School District Budget Notice

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2024-25 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2025-26 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2025-26 School Year *
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$18,895,718	\$22,475,710	\$ 22,096,260
Increase/Decrease for the 2025-26 School Year		\$ 3,579,992	\$ 3,200,542
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		18.95 %	16.94 %
Change in the Consumer Price Index		2.95%	
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$ 5,157,400	\$ 5,283,993	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	\$ 90,258	\$ 98,834	
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable **	\$0	\$ 0	
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy	\$0	\$ 0	
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$ 5,247,658	\$ 5,382,827	\$ 5,157,400
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$ 1,292	\$ 0	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$ 5,156,108	\$ 5,283,993	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, $\underline{\text{Excluding}}$ Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E $-$ B $-$ F $+$ D)	\$ 5,156,108	\$ 5,283,993	
Difference: G – H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval – See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$ 0	\$ 0	
Administrative Component	\$ 1,964,623	\$ 2,284,152	\$ 2,071,580
Program Component	\$ 15,378,555	\$ 16,862,525	\$ 16,855,648
Capital Component	\$ 1,552,540	\$ 3,329,033	\$ 3,169,033

^{*} Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2025-26 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law.

The Capital Outlay Project as well as equipment classified as contingent have been eliminated. Reductions have also been made in materials and supplies as well as conference attendance and association dues.

** List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval requirements)

Description	Amount	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	

*NOTE TO SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS OFFICIALS: Please submit an electronic version (Word or PDF) of this completed form to: emscmgts@nysed.gov	Under the Budget Proposed for the 2025-26 School Year
Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings ¹	\$ 368

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2025-2026 by the qualified voters of the Barker School District, Niagara County, New York, will be held in the Herbert F. Ludwig Fine Arts Hall in said district on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, between the hours of 12:00 pm and 8:00pm, prevailing time in the Barker Jr/Sr High School, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

^{1.} The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.