

# Miller Place

Budget 2021

UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## SPECIAL BUDGET ISSUE

The 2020-21 school year has been unlike any in the history of our District. Yet, at the time of the publication of this newsletter, we are happy to report that all schools are open for full-time student instruction and learning. As safety measures such as masks remain in place, it appears now that there is light at the end of the tunnel. Not everything will be the same in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, but there is at least one thing we can be certain will persevere: the spirit, resolve and determination of the Miller Place School District community. To everyone who helped get us to this point—students, teachers, staff, administrators, and families—we say thank you.

As we prepare for the upcoming budget vote for the proposed 2021-22 school budget, the Board would like to reiterate that the proposed budget, developed by the Board and the administration, maintains and continues the academic programs, social and emotional learning, co-curricular activities, athletics, and technology initiatives that support our student's education. Considering ongoing economic realities, it was the Board's priority to develop a budget that was within the property tax cap. Thank you to all who participated in budget meetings, and we ask for your continued participation in the budget process by making sure to vote on May 18, 2021.



### BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

#### Sustaining Programs and Services at Pre-COVID levels

- ✓ Budgeting to return to full, in-school instruction
- ✓ Continues to maximize faculty and staff resources
- ✓ Adds secondary instructional enhancements with two new Advanced Placement classes
- ✓ Sustains mental health and student support services
- ✓ Presents an expenditure budget increase of 1.07% that is within the property tax levy cap limitation of 2.42%

**IMPORTANT DATE: MAY 4, 2021 • MPHS  
BUDGET HEARING: 7:00 PM  
MEET THE CANDIDATES: 7:30 PM**

## REMEMBER TO VOTE!

**TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021 • 6 AM TO 9 PM • NCRMS**

*The U.S. Department of Justice has mandated that all public school districts in Suffolk County and Nassau County, to be in compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, must produce board of trustee elections and school district budget vote documents in both English and Spanish.*

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# 2021-22 PROPOSED BUDGET

## EXPENDITURES

Description	2020-21	2021-22	Increase (Decrease)	
	Approved Budget	Proposed Budget	Dollars	Percent
General Support	\$ 7,690,886	\$ 7,805,720	\$ 114,835	1.49%
Instruction	41,852,828	43,121,381	1,268,553	3.03%
Transportation	4,095,424	4,225,573	130,149	3.18%
Community Service	50	50	0	0.00%
Undistributed	22,074,707	21,367,727	(706,980)	-3.20%
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES:</b>	<b>\$ 75,713,895</b>	<b>\$ 76,520,451</b>	<b>\$ 806,556</b>	<b>1.07%</b>

## REVENUES

Description	2020-21	2021-22	Increase (Decrease)	
	Approved Budget	Proposed Budget	Dollars	Percent
Property Taxes & STAR Program	\$ 47,616,060	\$ 48,769,567	\$ 1,153,507	2.42%
State Aid	23,144,911	23,150,501	5,590	0.02%
State Building Aid Projected-MPHS Gym				
Projected 2019-20	792,666	0	(792,666)	-100.00%
Projected 2020-21	208,010	0	(208,010)	-100.00%
Other Revenue	577,000	577,000	0	0.00%
Applied-Unemployment Reserve	50,000	200,000	150,000	300.00%
Applied-Workers Comp Reserve	33,918	15,460	(18,458)	-54.42%
Applied-ERS Reserve	618,654	618,654	0	0.00%
Applied-TRS Reserve	0	534,168	534,168	n/a
Applied-Fund Balance	2,655,101	2,655,101	0	0.00%
Applied-Admin Bond (One time)	17,575	0	(17,575)	-100.00%
<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES:</b>	<b>\$ 75,713,895</b>	<b>\$ 76,520,451</b>	<b>\$ 806,556</b>	<b>1.07%</b>

## THREE-PART BUDGET

Description	2020-21	2021-22	Increase (Decrease)	
	Approved Budget	Proposed Budget	Dollars	Percent
Administrative Component	\$ 8,727,946	\$ 8,856,755	\$ 128,808	1.48%
Instructional Component	55,870,478	57,543,077	1,672,599	2.99%
Capital Component	11,115,470	10,120,619	(994,851)	-8.95%
<b>TOTAL BUDGET:</b>	<b>\$ 75,713,895</b>	<b>\$ 76,520,451</b>	<b>\$ 806,556</b>	<b>1.07%</b>

## BUDGET VOTE INFORMATION

### WHAT'S ON THE BALLOT?

- PROPOSITION #1 – 2021-22 BUDGET
- PROPOSITION #2 – 2021-22 LIBRARY CONTRACT
- ELECT ONE (1) MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION:  
DESIREE O'NEIL • BRYAN MAKARIUS

**VOTER REGISTRATION:** You may register in the office of the district clerk, located within the Administration Building at 7 Memorial Drive in Miller Place, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays) between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Registration is for new residents or those residents who have not voted in the district or Suffolk County election in the past four years. Proof of residency is required. The deadline to register to vote at the Administration Building is May 13, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. If you would like to register

after May 13, 2021 for the May 18, 2021 budget vote, you must do so through the Board of Elections in Yaphank.

**VOTER ELIGIBILITY:** You must be a citizen of the United States, 18 years of age or older on the day of the vote, and a resident of the Miller Place School District for at least 30 days prior to May 18, 2021.

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS:** Applications for absentee ballots may be obtained through the office of the district clerk and the district website. Applications must be filed by May 11 2021, if the ballot is to be mailed, or by May 17, 2021, if the ballot is personally given to the voter. All ballots are due by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at the Administration Building. For more information, please call the district clerk at (631) 474-2700, ext. 764.

Please go to our website, [www.millerplace.k12.ny.us](http://www.millerplace.k12.ny.us), where you will find full line-by-line budget information.