



# J-D Journal

by the Jamesville-DeWitt School District for its residents

Special Edition

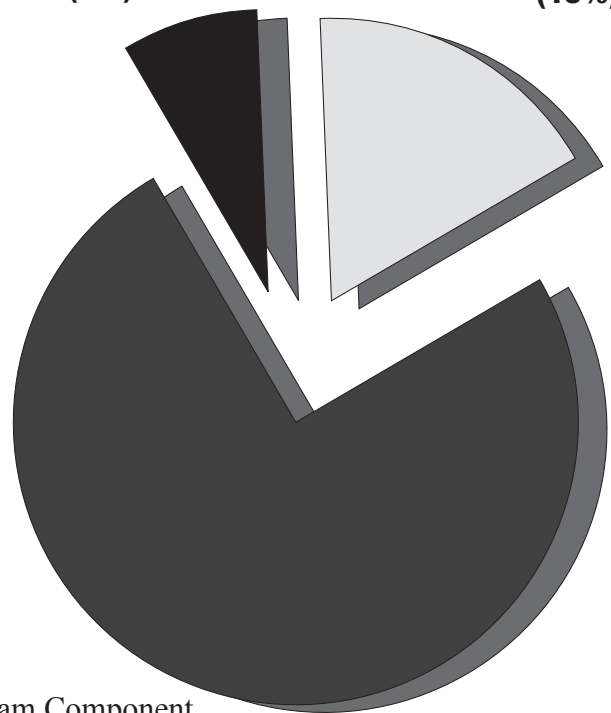
2018 - 2019 PROPOSED BUDGET

May 2018

## 2018 - 2019 Proposed Budget

Administrative Component  
**\$4,464,945**  
(8%)

Capital Component  
**\$8,514,491**  
(15%)



Program Component  
**\$43,290,558**  
(77%)

Total  
**\$56,269,994**

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#### PUBLIC HEARING

Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
7:00 PM  
Jamesville-DeWitt  
High School

#### VOTE

Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
7:00 AM to 9:00 PM  
Jamesville-DeWitt  
Main High School Gym

## To the Residents of the Jamesville-DeWitt School District:

### BUDGET DEVELOPMENT

The budget development process for 2018-19 again challenged the board and administration to create a budget that would provide appropriate support for the education of all of our students in a fiscal environment that continues to lack predictability and stability. First and foremost, Jamesville-DeWitt is a high achieving district supported by a community with high expectations for our students. The active involvement and support of local community members is critically important to the ongoing success of our students in all of their endeavors. The educational reform initiatives underway in New York State provide ongoing challenges as we work to implement the mandated changes in ways that seem educationally and fiscally appropriate for Jamesville-DeWitt students and community. The lack of fiscal stability and predictability calls for continued vigilance in monitoring and controlling expenditures. These conflicting factors remain, and, in fact, continue to increase in magnitude, making budgetary decisions incrementally more complex.

### BUDGET CONCEPTS

This year's budget can once again be best described as a status quo budget with additions to security. It supports our ability to maintain strong academic programs K-12, a comprehensive high school program with many opportunities for electives and college credit, amazing fine arts and interscholastic sports programs, and a multitude of programs and services for students who need additional support in a variety of ways. We continue to save money by participating in large consortiums to help moderate fringe benefits, energy, and purchasing costs. By taking these steps, we are in a better position long term to maintain the integrity of a quality, comprehensive, K-12 program.

With the help of our district safety team, the budget includes support of an all hazards approach to student safety. It includes improvements to prevention by adding four new counseling/social worker positions K-8, one in each building. Security upgrades include cameras added to buildings and buses, badging staff, improvement to public address and communication systems, as well as the addition of a School Resource Officer.

We are fortunate that the state legislature did approve an increase in our state aid for 2018-19. That is certainly good news, and we appreciate the effort of our legislators on our behalf. The board of education and administration worked very hard to develop a budget that would enable us to maintain the quality educational program the community expects and our students deserve, while minimizing the increased burden being placed on local tax payers.

### THE NUMBERS

Our proposed budget for 2018-19 is \$56,269,994, an increase of 3% over the 2017-2018 budget. This budget enables us to provide the same educational experiences and opportunities currently available to our students. It also enables us to keep within our tax cap levy limit of 2.05%.

Our revenue plan calls for continued use of reserves/fund balance, this year in the amount of \$1,280,102. We project a tax levy increase of 3%, the allowable levy limit for J-D. Based upon this year's proposed increase, the estimated tax rate would be \$23.71 per thousand dollars of assessed value, a slight increase over the current rate of \$23.25

### WHAT'S NEXT

Detailed copies of the budget are available by contacting the district office. Residents are invited to attend the budget hearing scheduled for Monday, May 7th, 2018, 7:00 PM in the District Office. In addition to the budget presentation, you will have the opportunity to hear comments from candidates for the Board of Education.

**THE BUDGET VOTE WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 15th, 2018 FROM 7:00 AM UNTIL 9:00 PM AT THE HIGH SCHOOL MAIN GYM ON EDINGER DRIVE**

We encourage you to participate in the budget vote and as always appreciate your continued support.

Sincerely,  
THE JAMESVILLE-DEWITT BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Mark Schulman, President  
Virginia Murphy, Vice President  
Patrick Brown  
Dana Corcoran  
Christine Woodcock Dettor  
Michelle Kielbasinski  
Susan Petrosillo  
Angela Tyson  
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# Vote!

### Absentee Voting

Absentee ballots are available through the District Office and **Due Back by 4:00 PM, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

For more information call:  
**(315) 445-8304**

# Proposed Budget Revenues

## Proposed Budget Revenues

This year we have an increase in state aid bringing the estimated state aid to be received in the 18-19 school year to \$14,127,097. We are planning on utilizing \$1,280,102 in reserves/fund balance for the 18-19 budget. This plan calls for a projected tax levy of \$39,400,433. This is a 2.05% increase in the tax levy.

The proposed budget would require a simple majority for approval as we are not exceeding our (tax cap), tax levy increase of 2.05%. Should the budget be defeated, the district can put the budget up for a revote. If it is defeated a second time, the tax levy could not be increased from the current year's levy of \$38,607,433.

	2017-18 Budget	2018-19 Proposed
State Aid	\$13,250,829	\$14,127,097
County Sales Tax	80,635	80,635
Health Services Other Districts	249,207	249,207
Rentals	20,000	20,000
Drug Prevention Program	50,000	50,000
Interest On Deposits	130,000	130,000
Medicaid Reimbursements	50,000	50,000
Medicare Part D	158,500	158,500
Miscellaneous	774,020	0
American Recovery Act/ Fed Jobs	0	724,020
Tax Levy	38,607,433	39,400,433
Appropriated Fund Balance	1,261,742	1,280,102
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$54,632,366</u></b>	<b><u>\$56,269,994</u></b>

# 2018-19 PROPOSED BUDGET EXPENDITURES

## Administrative Component

The Administration component of the budget represents the management of the school district and those functions not directly related to classroom instruction and maintenance of our facilities. It includes the Superintendent and district office staff, building principals and administrators, and general areas of expenditures such as legal representation, data processing, insurance and fringe benefits. The administration portion of the budget represents approximately 8% of total spending plan. We are pleased to report that the amount Jamesville-DeWitt allocates for administrative expenses is one of the lowest in the region. By controlling our administrative costs we are able to dedicate more of our resources directly into the classroom.

	2017-18 Budget	2018-19 Proposed	# Staff
Board of Education	\$18,800	\$19,000	
District Meeting	300	300	
Office of Superintendent	264,359	260,940	2
Business Office	301,902	279,730	4
Auditing	38,000	40,875	
Treasurer	300	300	
Tax Collector	15,300	15,300	
Fiscal Agent	3,000	3,000	
Legal Fees	60,000	60,000	
Personnel	29,778	30,030	
Public Information and Services	6,500	6,500	
Central Data Processing	66,365	60,228	
Unallocated Insurance	128,775	136,321	
Assessments on School Property	17,950	17,950	
BOCES Administration	242,523	255,963	
Curriculum Development	222,383	229,991	2
Building Supervision	1,424,656	1,466,257	15
Inservice Training-Instruction	15,000	15,000	
Employee Benefits	<u>1,502,288</u>	<u>1,567,260</u>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$4,358,179</u></b>	<b><u>\$4,464,945</u></b>	<b><u>23</u></b>

## Capital Component

The largest expenditure in this category is the debt service associated with our building expansions and renovations. Debt service has a slight decrease from last year. Over the past couple of years we have refinanced some long term debt, lowering the amount of interest we pay, thus decreasing our payments. Care has been taken to provide the needed dollars for preventative maintenance on operating systems including boilers, HVAC, fire alarms and communication systems. We will embark on a capital project that the voters approved in this past year to upgrade our auditorium, large group instruction rooms, as well as upgrading our electrical systems throughout the district.

Operation of Plant	\$3,163,610	\$3,368,349	27
Maintenance of Plant	804,668	818,562	5
Refund on Real Property Taxes	15,000	15,000	
Employee Benefits	751,144	783,630	
Serial Bonds-School Construction	<u>3,566,350</u>	<u>3,528,950</u>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$8,300,772</u></b>	<b><u>\$8,514,491</u></b>	<b><u>32</u></b>

## Program Component

In order to maintain our commitment to excellence, the proposed program budget reflects maintaining our academic programs. Cost increases are primarily from increased personnel and security improvement costs. The budget puts increased technology in the hands of our students and faculty. The budget does maintain our extra-curricular activities, such as music, drama and athletics. We are pleased to report that Jamesville-DeWitt dedicates maximum resources to the instruction that takes place in the classroom. Providing a quality education program that meets the needs of our diverse student population continues to be the major focus of our district.

Instructional Salaries	\$15,848,706	\$15,980,153	222.6
Students with/ Disabilities	6,524,388	6,569,367	96.7
Occupational Education	265,605	310,019	
School Library & AV	497,268	520,049	7.5
Computer Assisted Instruction	1,013,927	1,004,466	7
Attendance	23,234	23,977	1
Guidance	813,687	1,139,117	16
Health Services	503,968	511,591	5.4
Psychological Services	388,810	435,500	6
Pupil Personnel Services	188,376	193,899	2
Co-Curricular Activities	200,217	206,131	
Interscholastic Athletics	842,831	896,288	2
Transportation	2,092,950	2,178,287	37.5
Contract Transportation	0	0	
Employee Benefits	<u>12,769,448</u>	<u>13,321,714</u>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$41,973,415</u></b>	<b><u>\$43,290,558</u></b>	<b><u>403.7</u></b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$54,632,366</u></b>	<b><u>\$56,269,994</u></b>	<b><u>458.70</u></b>

# O U R M I S S I O N

The Jamesville-DeWitt Central School District has an uncompromising commitment to excellence in preparing students to achieve and succeed, to respect themselves and others and to practice lifelong learning in an ever-changing, richly diverse society. We take responsibility for providing a challenging educational experience in a safe and nurturing environment. We dedicate ourselves to the academic, artistic, social, emotional and physical development of each student.

# Meet the Board of Education Candidates

*Vote for up to three candidates.*

## Juanita Rivera-Ortiz

My name is Juanita Rivera-Ortiz and I am honored to run for a seat on the Jamesville-DeWitt Board of Education. We have an amazing school district, a vibrant community and a ripe opportunity to enhance the academic, artistic, athletic and social-emotional assets of "Our JD". I intend to support Our JD in better communication, by respectfully and thoughtfully hearing the multi-dimensional views and needs of our constituents. I will help Our JD to act with intention, by making strategic, data-based and fiscally sound decisions that support our mission. And, I commit to Our JD being a place that cultivates civility and kindness, by weaving character building into all academic, athletic, artistic and social emotional programs. Our students, staff, administration and the community that supports them are worth the investment of my time and effort. I appreciate the commitment and persistence of the current Board to deliver on our District's Mission and I would be honored to join them in this important work!

I have three children who have attended or are currently attending a JD School. I serve on the YWCA Board of Directors where our mission is to eliminate racism and empower women. I am a Business Implementation Lead in the marketing division of a local health-care company. In this role, I mobilize and manage high performing cross-functional teams to deliver priority projects. As a Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program Coordinator, I help young people develop confidence and competence in communication and leadership skills. I earned my Masters in Business Administration and Bachelors of Science in Accounting from SUNY Oswego. I am a life-long New Yorker and grateful to be able to call Jamesville home. I am committed to listening, thoughtful decision-making and cultivating kindness. Our JD is an extraordinary community and I look forward to serving it!

## Mark Schulman

My wife, Diane, and I are both JD graduates. Our son, Hal, graduated from JD in 2017 and is a freshman at New York University. Our son, Max is in 11th grade and is on the varsity basketball and golf teams.

I have been an attorney at the Koldin Law Center, P.C. for over 23 years where I practice in the areas of elder law, estate planning and Medicaid law. My wife is a reading teacher in the Syracuse City School District. I am a Past-President of the boards of Menorah Park and Temple Adath Yeshurun.

Currently, I am President of the Jamesville-DeWitt Board of Education. I have served on the school board for 9 years and am currently the second most senior member. With my 9 years of experience, I have the knowledge to help mentor the newer members. As a JD graduate who was a student in the district in the 1970's and 1980's, and having my children attending school in the district since 2004, I have a lot of knowledge about the school district.

During my time on the school board I have chaired and served on the school board's Finance Committee and have served on the Facilities and Audit Committees. I have served previously as President and Vice-President of the school board. Currently, I am on the District Wide School Safety Team doing the very important work of improving school safety and security at JD. I am also currently serving on the district's Steering Committee addressing the issues of diversity, inclusion, equity and technology.

I think I have represented the District's residents well during my three terms on the Jamesville-DeWitt Board of Education. I would like the opportunity to serve a fourth term on the school board in order to continue working to ensure that every JD student receives an outstanding education.

Thank you for your vote on Tuesday, May 15th. I appreciate the opportunity to continue to represent you on the Board of Education.

## Stephen Mili

My name is Stephen Mili and I am respectfully asking for your vote to be given the opportunity to serve on our school board. I am a proud member of the Jamesville Dewitt community and in my role as Senior Vice President at the American Heart Association I have gained invaluable experience effectively consulting with dozens of volunteer boards throughout the Northeast. I am eager to bring my experience to the Jamesville Dewitt School Board as the district continues to address many important school and community issues including diversity, inclusion, safety and fiscal responsibility just to name a few.

My wife Michelle and I have 2 daughters, Macy (14) and Nikki (12), who have both enjoyed their JD school journey through attending Moses-Dewitt Elementary and JD Middle School. Next year Macy will be attending the High School.

I have worked for the American Heart Association for 24 years. I oversee executive operations across eight states throughout the Northeast. My role includes board consulting with volunteer boards throughout the region, as well as our Affiliate Board, which is comprised of CEOs and executives from our local markets. Throughout my career I have worked extensively in the greater Syracuse area partnering with local schools and corporations on various community projects. I believe that my experience working with diverse boards will provide an important asset to the Jamesville Dewitt School Board. My board skills include volunteer collaboration, constituent needs assessment, strategic planning and goal setting, monitoring and driving performance outcomes, budget planning and adherence – all while staying focused on the overall mission of the organization.

As a potential board member, I believe it is imperative to listen to the community at large and ensure that we are meeting the important needs of our children. I look forward to bringing a fresh new voice to the group. I am committed to listening to community concerns based on facts and constructing decisions that advance our district in progressive ways.

I am confident that as a member of the school board, I will outwardly engage in the decision-making process and provide comprehensive ideas based on student needs. I will offer new perspective from my unique personal and professional experiences. I am committed to bringing my best to this important role. I would appreciate your vote and the opportunity to serve the Jamesville Dewitt community.

## Paul Gratien

My name is Paul Gratien and I am honored to be considered for a position as a member of the Jamesville-DeWitt Board of Education. I have lived in the district for nearly 20 years and it was JD schools' great reputation that first enticed me, a single father of three girls, to move to DeWitt and take advantage of all of the opportunities that JD schools would offer my children. My three older daughters have long since graduated, but my beautiful bride Tiffany and I have three more children of our own that are currently enrolled or soon to be enrolled at Tecumseh Elementary. Our daughter Ailyn is in third grade, our son Reagan is in first, and our daughter Quinn will soon be entering in the class of 2033.

I am a graduate of Syracuse University, with a major in American Studies, and Onondaga Community College with a degree in Computer Engineering Technology. I'm employed by Vitec Solutions, a regional IT company that services and repairs computers and printers for several state offices, hospitals, and universities. I am the upstate supervisor of field technicians covering an area from Herkimer to Rochester and Massena to Elmira. I spent over 20 years as a volunteer basketball coach and athletic director for St. Matthew's parish and had the pleasure to coach my son's first basketball team this year for JDYAA. In addition, for the last 20 years I have also been a member of IAABO Board 38 as a boys' basketball official.

The Jamesville-DeWitt school district has always had the reputation of being one of the finest school districts in the state, if not the country. My motivation for wanting to join the school board is to insure that JD continues to have the best resources available for our students and attracts the most talented educators. One of the issues I am personally passionate about is school safety. Children should be comfortable going to school and feel safe in their learning environment. I believe an anti-bullying campaign would serve the students of the district well. Also, I firmly believe that all school districts should have a comprehensive special education program. We have an obligation to service all students, whatever their requirements. Personalized Learning is essential to reaching each student's individual needs. It increases student engagement, and has shown to improve test scores. I believe that communication from top to bottom is essential and that our schools should be a welcoming environment not only to the students, but also to the parents.

Thank you for your consideration of my membership to the Jamesville-DeWitt Board of Education. If chosen, I will do all that I can to insure that my children and yours will have a safe and effective education that will prepare them for all future endeavors.

## Michelle Kielbasinski

Hello Friends & Neighbors, I'm connecting with you in anticipation of the Jamesville-DeWitt School District budget vote on Tuesday, May 15, 2018. In addition to casting a vote for the district's budget, you'll also be asked to support three candidates to serve on the Jamesville-DeWitt Board of Education. With the support and encouragement from my family, I have decided to run for re-election. I have learned so much from and about our constituency during my tenure. I look forward to the opportunity to continue working with my fellow board members to attend to the needs of our community.

I wish to express my gratitude to the community for your willingness to share openly and honestly with myself and the BOE. I'm impressed by how you have come together in pursuit of safety, security, and inclusion. You have reaffirmed the importance of widening the lens through which we see and the necessity to seek expert guidance as we work together to tackle the challenges our students, teachers, administration, and district face. The answers do not and cannot dwell solely upon the opinions and experiences of the members of the board and administration. We must continue to work diligently to seek other perspectives and expertise.

I'm proud to have had an opportunity to serve in a district rich with teachers and administrators who have shown exemplary skill, fierce commitment to academic success, and a willingness to provide the social and emotional support our children need. I'm in awe of our teacher's abilities to continually adapt to the standards, expectations, and regulations set forth by the government. Policy makers have become fixated on student outcomes while placing strict regulations on how money can be spent. I believe that this is not how we best support our teachers. We need to fight to get to a place where districts can have the autonomy necessary to invest in the needs of their specific district. We need to support our teachers with professional development opportunities, appropriate classroom sizes, and do everything we can to keep them and our students safe while in our buildings. I thank our teachers for their willingness to serve our students in a capacity that is far beyond their job description. They are often serving as mother, father, counselor, nurse, event coordinator, nutritionist, mediator, accountant, author, comedian, and the list goes on and on. They do all of this selflessly, seeking little attention or praise, because they are passionate about the overall needs of our children. I value our teachers and I believe we need to seek their guidance as we move forward adopting policies and making decisions that will impact their classrooms.

The kindness, ingenuity, passion, and perseverance at all grade levels of our student body have inspired me. As advocates for themselves and their peers they have shown respect to their teachers and administrators while remaining steadfast in their convictions. I have spent hundreds of hours volunteering at each of our building levels and have cherished the opportunities I've had to interact with our students. One thing is for sure, if the quality of their character, strength of their spirit, and commitment to positive change is any indication of what our future holds, then my heart is filled with hope.

The Jamesville-DeWitt School District is, like many other districts, is going to be forced to navigate difficult paths in the years ahead. Our success as a district will be determined by our willingness to communicate openly and honestly and our ability to be empathetic and resourceful. These are the values that I hold dear. On May 15th, I would be very honored if you'd support me with your vote and allow me the privilege of continuing to represent your family on the Jamesville-DeWitt Board of Education.

## Joshua King

Joshua Michael King graduated from Jamesville-Dewitt in 1999, stayed close to home and received two undergraduate degrees from Cazenovia College, where he was inducted into Tau Upsilon Alpha Honor Society for Human Services. With his candidacy he offers nearly two decades of professional experience in systemic and consumer advocacy, activism, disability rights, community health, care management, counseling and mentoring, as well as primary and secondary education. King holds a number of certificates, has been decorated with numerous service honors and has served on a number of boards or committees; including Onondaga County Office for the Aging, FACES at Syracuse Community Connections, Taskforce to End the Epidemic, Inner-city Little League, and was recently appointed to Mayor Ben Walsh's Education Transition Team. He has spent considerable stretches in both Albany and Washington, D.C., working on public policy and petitioning for education, healthcare, human rights, as well as a myriad of other criminal and social justice issues.

In an effort to progress information and skills he has graduated from Leadership Greater Syracuse's Citizen's Academy, Political Leadership Institute, and is now completing Nourishing Tomorrow's Leaders. As the Founder and CEO of Masking & Kompany, he provides development, management, and consulting support to a number of local organizations; including SUNY Upstate, Cazenovia College, PCDC, SUNY Oswego, Lemoyne College Upward Bound Program, New York State Department of Health, Boys and Girls Club of Syracuse, VOCAL-NY, We Rise Above the Streets, and has been central within countless others throughout the years. King is heavily grounded in resounding faith and commitment to servanthood, teaching Sunday school and a member of the several ministries at his place of worship.

Joshua is currently completing a complex graduate program at Regent University, where he studies Organizational Leadership and Nonprofit Management, concentrating in education. He is a single parent of two Jamesville-Dewitt scholars; Javonte, who is in 5th grade at JD Middle and Jayden, who is in 4th grade at Tecumseh Elementary. While nurturing their futures, he also works for Syracuse City School District as a floating substitute teacher and will soon become dual-certified in education and administration. King has dedicated himself to the advancement of the community and believes in diverse, inclusive, supportive, and innovative educational opportunities for all students of the Jamesville-Dewitt School District.

## Qualifications for Voters

- United States Citizen.
- At least eighteen (18) years of age.
- A resident of the school district for at least thirty (30) days prior to May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

## Wendy Rhodes

Dear Families and Residents of the Jamesville-Dewitt School District,

My name is Wendy Rhodes and I am excited to be running for a seat on the Jamesville-DeWitt School Board. Our family moved to DeWitt from New York City two years ago so that my husband could attend medical school at Upstate. As a multi-racial family with children who have unique learning challenges that are reflected in an IEP, we did extensive research to find a school district that would provide academic excellence, a supportive learning environment, and a community that values diversity. Jamesville-DeWitt School District was the clear winner for our family. We purchased a home in DeWitt and have had a wonderful experience at Moses Dewitt Elementary.

In addition to being the mother of two amazing sons (currently ages 9 and 4), I have a strong background in business and non-profit management. I earned an MBA from the NYU Stern School of Business and built a career in fundraising and organizational strategy for internationally-recognized cultural organizations in New York City, including the New York Philharmonic, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, and most recently the iconic Apollo Theater. I am now the Director of Development for Legal Services of Central New York, a non-profit law firm seeking justice, equality, and opportunity for all people throughout the 13-county region of Central New York we serve.

I am seeking a seat on the Jamesville-DeWitt School Board to ensure that our district continues to flourish and grow as a place where all children are welcomed and can blossom. I was surprised to notice that the current school board members are all from Jamesville or Fayetteville, and would be especially proud to be a voice for the vibrant neighborhoods of DeWitt. As the mother of black sons, the parent of students with special needs, an experienced non-profit executive, and a member of the DeWitt community, I would be honored to serve on the Jamesville-DeWitt school board, building on the district's reputation for academic excellence and continuing to foster an inclusive community where all children are valued and can succeed.

## Joshua D. Mele

To the families and members of the Jamesville-Dewitt community, it is my pleasure to introduce myself and ask for your support to serve as a member of the JD school board. I am a lifelong CNY resident, having grown up just next door in the Fayetteville-Manlius district. After graduating from F-M, I received dual degrees in Environmental Forest Biology and Resources management from the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry in Environmental Forest Biology and Resources Management. My wife, and our two sons moved to the J-D district four years ago. Our oldest currently attends Moses DeWitt as a 1st grader, while our youngest is currently a student at Jowonio School, and will be moving into Moses DeWitt this fall.

As the parent of two children with special needs, I hope to bring to the board the perspective of a parent of children with challenges. Protecting and expanding early education intervention is an absolutely critical part of helping those with different abilities reach their full potential. As such, I will make it my mission to ensure that every child has access to the services they require to become happy, successful, independent members of their schools, and later, their societies.

I am also a lifelong member of the performing arts community in the Central New York area, and I believe that art and music are every bit as vital to the development of fully rounded adults as math and english. I hope to ensure that all students have access to these programs to give them the tools to synthesize new ideas and harness their creativity in new and interesting ways.

As an Eagle Scout, and still active member of Scouting, public service has always been a guiding principle in my life. I have always striven to leave the world around me better than I found it. I can think of no higher calling than helping the students of Jamesville-DeWitt, my children and yours, reach as far as their dreams can take them.

Thank you for your time, and I hope for your support on May 15th.

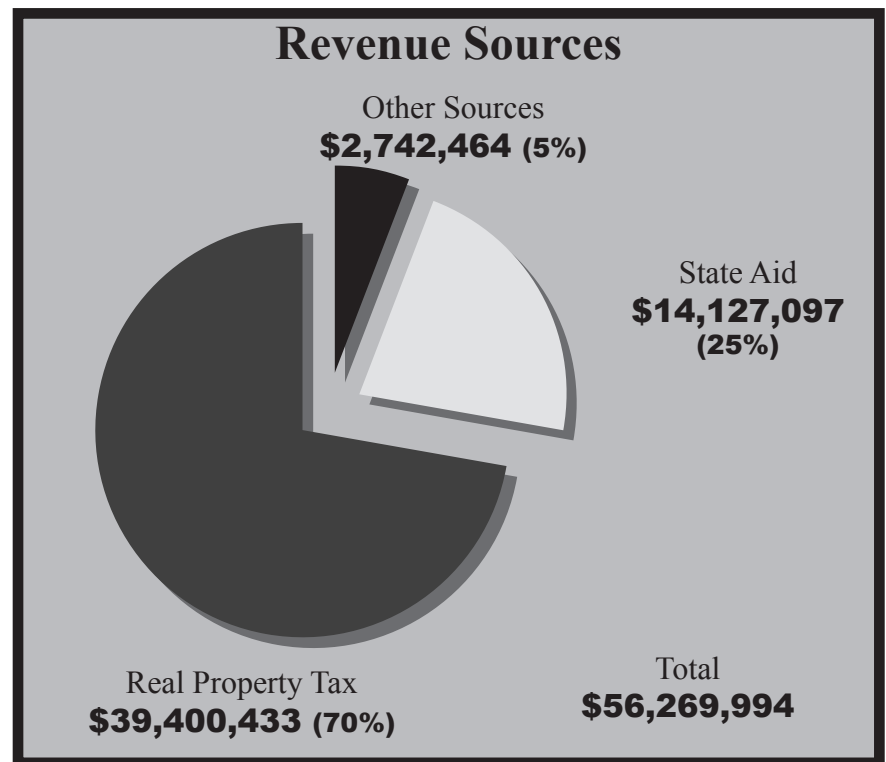
# PROPOSITIONS FOR SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2018

## BUDGET PROPOSITION

Shall the Board of Education of the Jamesville-DeWitt Central School District be authorized to expend the sums set forth in the total amount of \$56,269,994 for the 2018-2019 school year and to levy the necessary tax therefore?

### Proposition #1 School Bus Replacement

Shall the Board of Education of the Jamesville-DeWitt Central School District ("District") be authorized and directed to purchase four (4) 66-passenger diesel school buses with cameras at an approximate cost of \$119,850 each not to exceed \$479,400, such sum to be raised by levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the District to be collected in annual installments in the years and amounts as the Board of Education shall determine in accordance with Section 416 of the Education Law and, in anticipation of such tax, issue obligations of the District?



School District Budget Notice			
Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2017-2018 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2018-2019 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2018-19 School Year *
<b>Total Budgeted Amount</b>	\$54,632,366	\$56,269,994	\$55,476,994
<b>Increase/decrease for the 2017-18 school year</b>		\$1,637,628	\$844,628
<b>Percentage increase(decrease) in each proposed budget</b>		3.0 %	1.55 %
<b>Change in the Consumer Price Index</b>		2.13 %	
<b>A. Proposed Tax Levy to support the Total Budgeted Amount</b>	\$38,607,433	\$39,400,433	\$38,607,433
<b>E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy</b>	\$38,607,433	\$39,400,433	
<b>F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit</b>	\$1,283,737	\$1,086,110	
<b>G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions</b>	\$37,323,696	\$38,314,323	
<b>H. Total Proposed Tax Levy for School Purposes, Excluding Permissible Exclusions and Levy for Library Debt, Plus Prior Year Tax Cap Reserve</b>	\$37,323,696	\$38,314,323	
<b>Difference: A - B (Positive Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval - See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions)</b>	\$3	\$0	
<b>Administrative component</b>	\$4,358,179	\$4,464,945	\$4,464,945
<b>Program component</b>	\$41,973,415	\$43,290,558	\$42,497,558
<b>Capital component</b>	\$8,300,772	\$8,514,491	\$8,514,491
* Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2018-19 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law. Should the budget be defeated the district can put the budget up for a re-vote. If it is defeated a second time the tax levy could not be increase from the current year's levy of \$38,607,433. The district would need to make a decision that could include a reduction in an additional \$793,000 from the proposed expense plan. These reductions would significantly reduce many of the programs in our district. <b>List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with propositions not eligible for exclusion may affect property tax levy limit and voter approval requirements)</b>			
		<b>Budget Proposed for the 2018-19 School Year</b>	
<b>Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings<sup>1</sup></b>		\$711.30	
The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2018-2019 by the qualified voters of the Jamesville DeWitt Central School District, Onondaga County, New York, will be held at Jamesville-DeWitt High School Gym in said district on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 between the hours of 7:00am and 9:00pm, prevailing time in the High School Main Gym, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.			
<sup>1</sup> The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.			