



UTICA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

2019-2020

FORMAL BUDGET HEARING

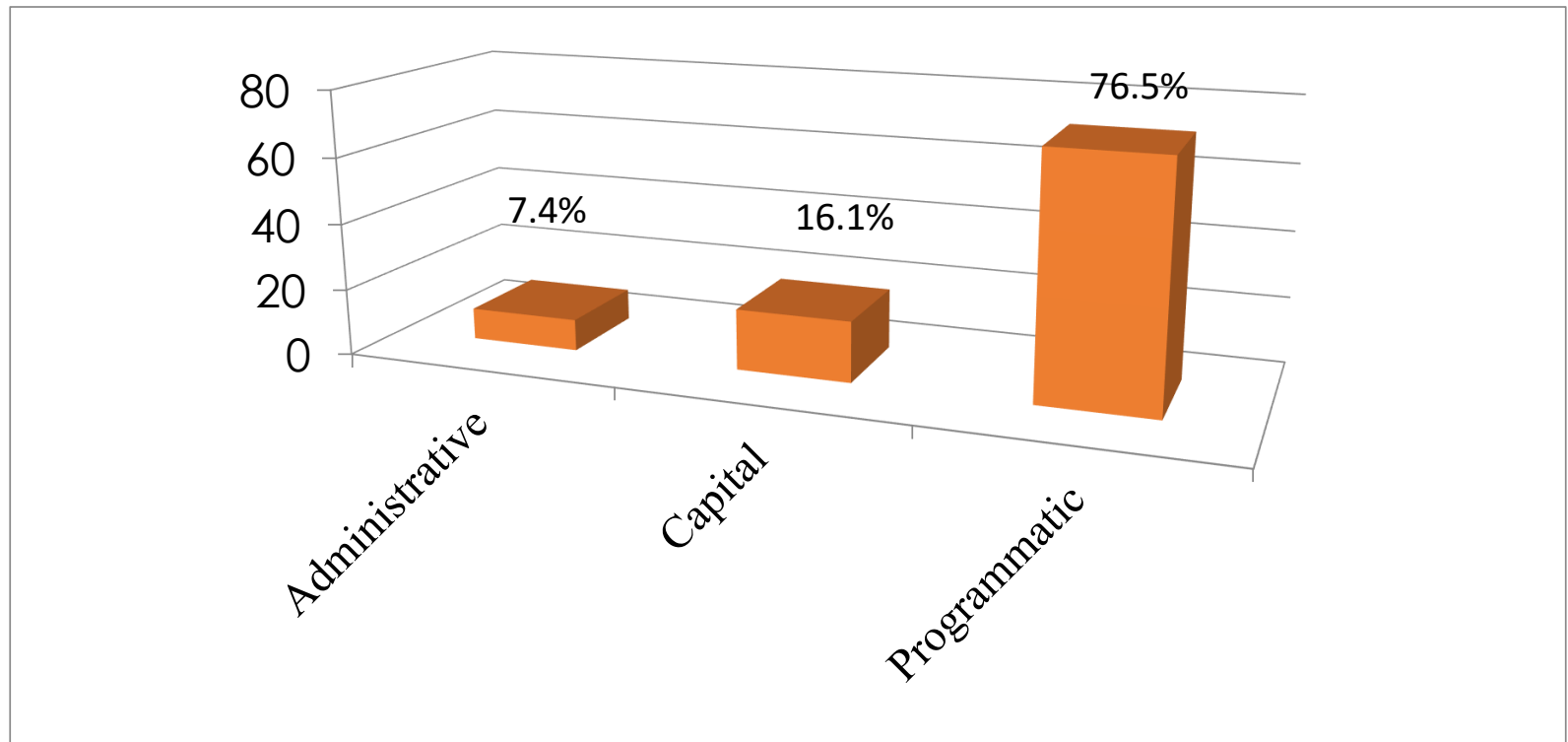
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**CONTRACT FOR
EXCELLENCE HEARING**

May 7, 2019

State Education Department Requires that we present our Budget in three parts (components)

WHAT ARE THE COMPONENTS ?



THREE-PART BUDGET

<u>Function or Account-Administrative</u>	Budget 2018-2019	Budget 2019-2020	Difference
Board of Education	\$ 247,498	\$ 253,897	\$ 6,399
Central Administration	\$ 342,462	\$ 345,617	\$ 3,155
Finance	\$ 1,135,505	\$ 1,161,098	\$ 25,593
Legal Services	\$ 143,238	\$ 145,350	\$ 2,112
Personnel	\$ 465,392	\$ 413,450	\$ (51,942)
Labor Relations	\$ 137,480	\$ 140,230	\$ 2,750
Public Information	\$ 48,003	\$ 49,443	\$ 1,440
Unallocated Insurance	\$ 402,499	\$ 402,499	\$ -
Other Special Items	\$ 2,561,358	\$ 2,630,999	\$ 69,641
Curriculum Dev. & Sup.	\$ 620,795	\$ 633,203	\$ 12,408
Supervision, Regular School	\$ 3,201,854	\$ 3,466,347	\$ 264,493
Research, Eval. & Planning	\$ 329,533	\$ 339,866	\$ 10,333
Employee Benefits	\$ 3,986,160	\$ 3,856,050	\$ (130,110)
Total	\$ 13,621,777	\$ 13,838,049	\$ 216,272
<u>Function or Account - Programmatic</u>			
Legal Services	\$ 143,238	\$ 145,349	\$ 2,111
Unallocated Insurance	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -
Staff Development	\$ 254,815	\$ 766,196	\$ 511,381
Instruction-Regular Day	\$ 57,520,594	\$ 66,188,828	\$ 8,668,234
Handicapped Programs	\$ 20,218,229	\$ 21,184,854	\$ 966,625
Occupational Education	\$ 4,471,917	\$ 4,238,215	\$ (233,702)
Special Schools	\$ 490,028	\$ 504,729	\$ 14,701
Library/Audio Visual/Educational TV	\$ 1,875,313	\$ 2,162,295	\$ 286,983
Computer Assisted Instruction	\$ 2,475,582	\$ 3,328,862	\$ 853,280
Attendance Services	\$ 61,400	\$ 61,395	\$ (5)
Guidance Services	\$ 1,449,507	\$ 1,472,494	\$ 22,987
Health Services	\$ 941,437	\$ 945,130	\$ 3,693
Psychological Services	\$ 612,488	\$ 737,805	\$ 125,317
Social Worker Services	\$ 796,189	\$ 1,015,853	\$ 219,664
Co-curricular Activities	\$ 309,231	\$ 305,493	\$ (3,738)
Athletics	\$ 675,222	\$ 694,344	\$ 19,122
District Transportation	\$ 8,292,684	\$ 9,175,299	\$ 882,615
Garage Building	\$ 48,000	\$ 49,416	\$ 1,416
Transfers to Special Aid Fund	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ -
Employee Benefits	\$ 30,501,234	\$ 29,199,398	\$ (1,301,836)
Total	\$ 131,339,107	\$ 142,377,955	\$ 11,038,848
<u>Function or Account - Capital</u>			
Operation of Plant	\$ 5,057,982	\$ 5,248,804	\$ 190,822
Maintenance of Plant	\$ 3,931,706	\$ 4,116,654	\$ 184,948
Judgments and Claims	\$ 51,500	\$ 51,500	\$ -
Refund of Taxes	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ -
Employee Benefits	\$ 3,610,427	\$ 3,518,430	\$ (91,997)
Debt Service	\$ 19,590,060	\$ 17,004,085	\$ (2,585,975)
Total	\$ 32,243,175	\$ 29,940,973	\$ (2,302,202)
Total Budget	\$177,204,059	\$186,156,977	\$ 8,952,918

2019-2020 REVENUES

General Fund	2018-2019	2019-2020
	Final Budget	Proposed Budget
State Aid Projection	\$142,504,244	\$151,213,379
Local Tax Levy	\$30,005,865	\$30,005,865
Pilots	\$500,000	\$750,000
Medicaid	\$350,000	\$400,000
Medicare Part D	\$600,000	\$600,000
Interest on Investments	\$25,000	\$200,000
Miscellaneous	\$657,958	\$626,740
Refund Prior Year	\$1,250,000	\$1,050,000
Other State Aid		
Taxes on Utilities	\$1,310,992	\$1,310,993
TOTAL	\$177,204,059	\$186,156,977

Taxes

Under the new Property Tax Cap Laws, there are new restrictions on how school districts may increase their tax levies (tax levy limit).

- Utica's Tax Levy Limit for 2019-2020 is \$30,592,751.
- Our proposed levy for 2019-2020 is \$30,005,865.
- This levy is below our maximum allowable tax levy, as determined by NYS Law.
- Will only require a simple majority vote.
- The Superintendent of Schools continuously works to keep property taxes below 2% each year.
- The tax increase for the 2019-2020 school year is 0%.

However, please note that the school district, because of assessments and STAR reductions, has no control over a residents final tax bill.

Contingency Budget

If the proposed budget is defeated by the voters, the District has the following options:

The District may resubmit the original budget,

OR

The District can submit a revised budget to the voters on the third Tuesday in June,

OR

The District can immediately adopt a contingency budget.

Contingency Budget continued

If the District adopts a contingency budget, the following limitations will apply:

- Under the new Property Tax Cap Laws, the District must adopt a budget that levies a tax no greater than that of the prior year.
- **Even though the tax levy is a 0% increase, the tax rate could increase due to fluctuations in our total taxable assessed valuation.**
- The administrative component is capped at the lesser of the previous years percentage or the percentage from the last defeated budget.
- Remove non-contingent expenses from original budget:
Equipment purchases

CONTRACT FOR EXCELLENCE

WHAT IS IT?

Established in Chapter 57 of New York State Law of 2007

Applies to districts receiving an additional \$15m or a 10% increase and having one or more schools:

- Requiring academic progress, or
- Identified as in need of improvement, or
- In corrective action, or
- Restructuring status.

Allowable Programs

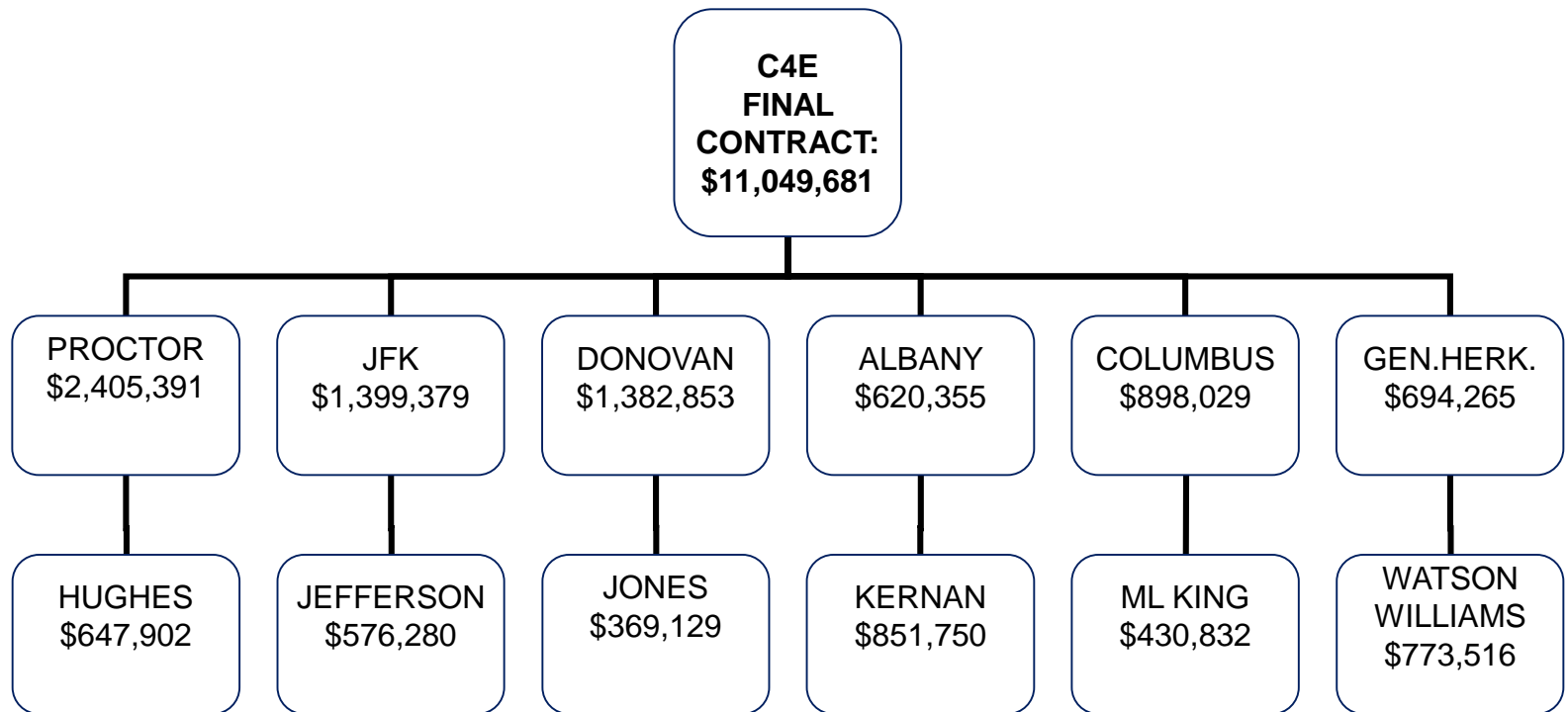
Are:

- Class size reduction
- Increased time on task
- Improving Teacher/Principal quality
- Restructuring Middle School/High School
- Pre-k and Kindergarten
- Experimental Programs
- Align Contract for Excellence (C4E) funds with Race to the Top Reforms

And, must be:

- Selected and targeted to improve the achievement of the students with the greatest educational needs, especially ESL and students with disabilities
- Selected based on the student needs in a particular district
- Used to supplement and not supplant local efforts

C4E TOTALS by School



QUESTIONS?

- You have the right, as a taxpayer, to be informed about C4E and to ask questions. All of your questions and the answers to them will be posted on our web site under C4E, if you wish to view them.
- If you have any financial questions, please feel free to contact **Michele Albanese, School Business Official**, at (315)792-2225 or email at mialbanese@uticaschools.org
- If you have any programmatic questions, please feel free to contact **Michele Lagase, Director of Grants, Contracts and Compliance**, at (315)792-2215 or email at mlagase@uticaschools.org



**PLEASE REMEMBER
TO VOTE
ON
TUESDAY, MAY 21st**