



Argyle Central School

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2022-2023 School Budget

The Argyle Central School District is proposing a budget of \$13,513,030 and a tax levy increase of 1.0%, for a total tax levy of \$4,958,480 for the 2022-23 school year.

The NYS Tax Cap formula allows the District to increase our 2022-23 tax levy by 1.0%, which is an average tax levy increase over the last five years.

The Argyle community has a long history of supporting our school and our Board of Education's efforts to provide exceptional academic and extracurricular opportunities at a reasonable cost to the Argyle community. The Argyle Board of Education recognizes and greatly appreciates your continued support.

The 2022-23 budget as presented maintains all of our current academic, sports, and extracurricular programs and reflects the District's efforts to continue offering a quality educational program for all of our students with a tax levy increase that is consistent with our previous budgets.

In addition, here are some additional facts about this budget:

- The proposed tax levy increase of 1.0%, or \$49,880, is the District's 2022-23 allowable property tax cap limit.
- The proposed budget is \$311,670 more than the 2021-22 budget, an increase of 2.36%.
- The primary increase in this year's budget is the cost of fuel used for heating and transportation.

The Argyle CSD 2022-23 Budget Vote and Board of Education Elections will be held May 17, 2022 from 12:00 noon to 8:00 pm at the school.

Absentee ballots are available by contacting the District Clerk, Kim Humiston. Requests for absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the election, if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. prevailing time, on Tuesday, May 17, 2022.

The chart below shows Argyle CSD's historical budget information. In addition to the proposed 2022-23 budget information, the chart also includes the school budget, state and federal aid, and tax levy percentage increases for the last five years.

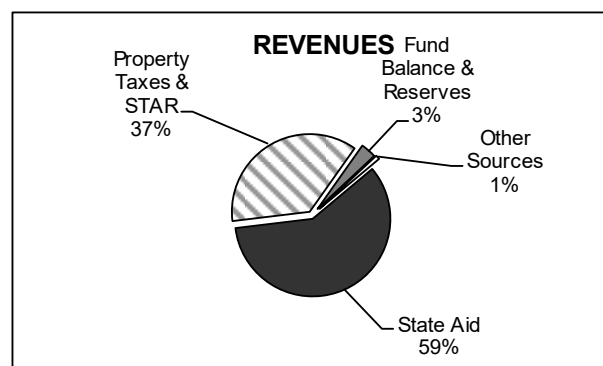
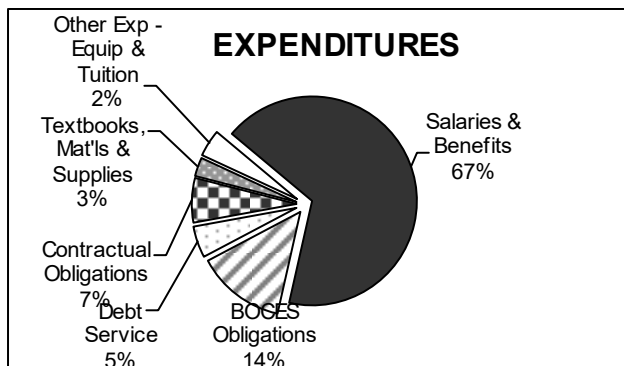
	SCHOOL BUDGET	STATE & FEDERAL AID	TAX LEVY % INCREASE
2018-2019	\$12,749,000	\$7,360,000	2.33%
2019-2020	\$13,364,486	\$7,769,236	-1.33%
2020-2021	\$13,305,750	\$7,598,287	1.97%
2021-2022	\$13,201,360	\$7,942,380	1.0%
2022-2023	\$13,513,030	\$8,250,000	1.0%

Expenditure Budget to Three Components per Section 2601A of the Education Law

ARGYLE CENTRAL SCHOOL—2022-2023 BUDGET

<u>Function or Account</u>	<u>SBM Code</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Administrative</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Capital</u>
Board of Education	1099.0	19,250	19,250		
Central Administration	1299.0	224,000	224,000		
Finance	1399.0	184,400	184,400		
Legal Services	1420.0	17,000	17,000		
Personnel	1430.0	4,450	4,450		
Public Information	1480.0	24,000	24,000		
Operation of Plant	1620.0	785,800	26,500		759,300
Maintenance of Plant	1621.0	229,500			229,500
Other Central Services	1699.0	46,000	46,000		
Other Special Items	1998.0	100,650	100,650		
Curriculum Dev. & Supervision	2010.0	4,100	4,100		
Supervision Regular Schools	2020.0	268,100	268,100		
Instruction (Net of Supervision)	2999.0	6,781,630	44,250	6,737,380	
Purchase of Buses	5510.21	130,000			130,000
Other District Transportation	5510.0	619,500	27,250	592,250	
Garage Building	5530.0	32,550		32,550	
Contract Transportation	5540.0	80,000		80,000	
Employee Benefits	9098.0	3,303,000	216,887	2,957,577	128,536
Debt Service	9898.0	539,100			539,100
Other Transfers	9951.0	120,000		20,000	100,000
Total Budget		13,513,030	1,206,837	10,419,757	1,886,436

	2021-2022	Proposed Budget 2022-2023	Difference	% Change
Expenditures				
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 9,083,425	\$ 9,108,325	24,900	0.27%
BOCES Obligations	1,964,700	1,855,700	(109,000)	(5.55%)
Debt Service	680,950	659,100	(21,850)	(3.21%)
Contractual Obligations	673,675	930,325	256,650	38.10%
Textbooks, Mat'ls & Supplies	347,610	393,080	45,470	13.08%
Other Exp—Equip. & Tuition	451,000	566,500	115,500	25.61%
	<u>\$13,201,360</u>	<u>13,513,030</u>	<u>311,670</u>	<u>2.36%</u>
Revenues				
State Aid	\$ 7,942,380	8,000,000	57,620	0.73%
Property Taxes & STAR	4,908,600	4,958,480	49,880	1.02%
Fund Balance & Reserves	240,630	436,800	196,170	81.52%
Other Sources	109,750	117,750	8,000	7.29%
	<u>\$13,201,360</u>	<u>13,513,030</u>	<u>311,670</u>	<u>2.36%</u>



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OVERALL BUDGET PROPOSAL	Budget Adopted for the 2021-22 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2022-23 School Year	Contingency Budget* For the 2022-23 School Year
Total Budgeted Amount	\$ 13,201,360	\$ 13,513,030	\$ 13,362,530
Increase/Decrease for the 2022-2023 school year		311,670	161,170
Percentage increase in each proposed budget		2.36%	1.22%
Change in the consumer price index (CPI)		1.23%	
Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, including Levy to Support Library Debt, if applicable	4,908,600	4,958,480	4,958,480
A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	4,908,600	4,958,480	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	-	-	
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable**	-	-	
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy	-	-	
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C + D)	4,908,600	4,958,480	1.02%
F. Permissible Exclusions to the School Tax Levy Limit	170,650	99,795	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	4,896,679	4,858,744	
H. Total Proposed Tax Levy for School Purposes, Excluding Permissible Exclusions and Levy for Library Debt, Plus Prior Year Tax Cap Reserve (E - B - F + D)	4,737,950	4,858,685	
I. Difference: (G-H); (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval—See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	158,729	59	
Administrative Component	1,196,607	1,206,837	1,206,837
Program Component	10,330,260	10,419,757	10,416,757
Capital Component	1,674,493	1,886,436	1,738,936

*Statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2022-23 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated. Contingent items in the budget that would be excluded include: athletic uniforms, custodial equipment, bus/van purchase.

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)

Description	Amount
Argyle Free Library appropriation	\$ 65,320

Basic STAR Exemption Impact

	Budget Proposed for the 2022-23 Year
Estimated Basic STAR tax savings ¹	\$ 433

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2022-2023 by the qualified voters of the Argyle Central School District, Washington County, New York will be held at Argyle Central School in said District on Tuesday, May 17, 2022, between the hours of 12 noon and 8:00 p.m. prevailing time in the Argyle Central School Atrium, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot.

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

Travis Dessaint — Board of Education Candidate

My name is Travis Dessaint, ACS Class of 1990 and current board member. My first five-year term has come to an end, and it would be my honor to continue with a second term.

For those of you who do not know me, I am a former high school social studies teacher for the District of Columbia Public Schools. I am currently employed full-time at Irving Tissue and part-time as a substitute teacher for WSWHE BOCES. I am a graduate of Wingate University (BA in History 1998), the College of Saint Rose (MS Ed. In Secondary Education 2022), and the George Washington University (Ed. Specialist in Educational Leadership and Administration 2006). I currently reside on County Route 43 with my wife, Anastasia and our two children who both attend ACS, Theodore (10) and Arina (5).

During my time on the ACS Board, I have served on the Policy Committee, the Safety Committee, and the NTA Contract Negotiations Committee. I have worked with the other board members and our Administration to ensure the successful completion of a capital project and to successfully navigate our way through the pandemic. I also voted in favor of providing a significant reduction in school taxes for veterans and senior citizens of Argyle.

During the COVID pandemic, our goal as a board was to keep everyone safe and to keep our school open for business. I believe that we accomplished this goal and are now in a better place to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of everyone on the ACS campus going forward.

It will be my goal in the future to ensure that ACS continues to offer quality academic programs and competitive athletics programs. I will continue to be a reliable, trustworthy, and available member of the school board. As always, any person in our learning community will be able to contact me at anytime with any questions or concerns that they may have. I will continue to do my best to get you an honest answer and positive solution to your concerns. Thank you everyone for your continued support of Argyle Central School.

My Best,
Travis Dessaint



Tina Alberico —Board of Education Candidate

I am very excited to run for the Argyle school district Board of Education. As a mother of 4 children in the school district, I strongly believe being a member of the Board of Education is one of the most impactful ways I can contribute to the strength and success of the community.

I am a proud United States Marine Corps veteran. During my time in the Marine Corps, I learned to live by the motto "Marines don't try, they do." I have used this motto to motivate me as an active member and treasurer of the local chapter of the American Legion Post 1518. During this time, I have worked with the other members of the American Legion, and the community to host several annual community events.

Continuing to be an active member of the community has allowed me to make many connections with people in the district. I have also worked as a teacher's assistant and a substitute teacher for 5 years, prior to being a stay at home mom. I believe that this time working in a school along with my active role in the community places me in a unique position to be able to serve the community effectively. This will allow me to be conduit of concerns and interests of the community and teachers to the Board of Education.

I believe that a strong school district that serves the needs of the families and students will preserve the quality public education for current and future students.

Congratulations to the following National Honor Society Inductees



Clay Bates, a junior, son of Jeremy and Chelsea Bates
Conner Buck, a sophomore, son of Richard and Averil Buck
Carlie Depew, a sophomore, daughter of Dana and Leslie Depew
Jacob Durkee, a sophomore, son of Justin and Jammie Durkee
Madison Eldred, a sophomore, daughter of John and Jolene Eldred
Sarah Gaulin, a junior, daughter of Dan and Jill Gaulin
Mackenzie Heller, a sophomore, daughter of Matthew and Amber Heller
Carrie Humiston, a sophomore, daughter of Matt and Kim Humiston
Raegan Humiston, a sophomore, daughter of Jared and Denise Humiston
McKenna McWhorter, a sophomore, daughter of Mike and Shellie McWhorter
Mya Munoz, a sophomore, daughter of Jorge and Raquel Munoz
Jonathan Pratt, a sophomore, son of Stacey Pratt
Benjamin Randles, a sophomore, son of Jereme and Deborah Randles
Erica Siaulnski, a sophomore, daughter of Steve and Erin Siaulnski
Emilie Wood, a junior, daughter of Mike Wood and Audrey McKernon

ACS Class of 2022 Top Graduates



*Front Row (L-R): Elizabeth Bolio, Lyndsey Milne, Anna Aubrey, Sage Frank, Emma Harwood
Back Row (L-R): Lauryn Streicher, Kylie Ricciardelli, Jared Montello, Paige Cormie, Hannah Brady, Alyssa Freeguard*

Anna Aubrey, daughter of Kenneth and Amy Aubrey, has been named Valedictorian of the Class of 2022. Anna is a member of the National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, and New York State Science Honor Society. Future plans include attending SUNY Cortland to major in Speech and Hearing Sciences.

Sage Frank, daughter of Andy and Jodi Frank, has been named Salutatorian of the Class of 2022. Sage is a member of the National Honor Society and National Art Honor Society. Sage plans to attend SUNY New Paltz to major in Political Science.

Elizabeth Bolio is the daughter of Aaron and Kristina Bolio. Elizabeth is a member of the National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, and the New York State Science Honor Society. She plans to attend Castleton University to major in Sociology—Criminology.

Hannah Brady is the daughter of Donald and Dawn Brady. She is a member of the National Honor Society and the New York State Science Honor Society. Hannah plans to attend SUNY Cobleskill to major in Agricultural Business and minor in Agriculture Education.

Paige Cormie is the daughter of Peter and Jessica Cormie. Future plans include attending SUNY Empire State College and majoring in Elementary Education.

Alyssa Freeguard is the daughter of Kimberly Beecher and Jason Freeguard and is the granddaughter of Walter and Deborah Pinkowski. Alyssa is a member of the National Honor Society. Future plans include attending SUNY Cobleskill to major in Environmental Science.

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ACS Class of 2022 Top Graduates (Continued)

Emma Harwood is the daughter of Mark and Stephanie Harwood. Emma is a member of the National Honor Society and the National Art Honor Society. She plans to attend SUNY Adirondack to major in Management Marketing and Entrepreneurship.

Lyndsey Milne is the daughter of Ray Milne and Samantha Jacques. Lyndsey is a member of the National Honor Society and the New York State Science Honor Society. Future plans to attend Le Moyne College to major in Psychology.

Jared Montello is the son of Jim Rozelle and Jill Montello. Jared is a member of the National Art Honor Society. Jared plans to attend Clarkson University to major in Aerospace Engineering.

Kylie Ricciardelli is the daughter of Robert and Angelique Ricciardelli. Kylie is a member of the National Honor Society, the National Art Honor Society, and the New York State Science Honor Society. Future plans include attending Russell Sage College to major in Occupational Therapy.

Lauryn Streicher is the daughter of Paul and Melissa Schneible. Lauryn is a member of the National Honor Society and the National Art Honor Society. Future plans will be studying Pre-Law.

Mrs. Bailey Named Ag Teacher of the Year!



Congratulations to our New York Agriculture in the Classroom Teacher of the Year, Jennifer Bailey of Argyle Central School District for earning the top award National Agriculture in the Classroom Teacher of the Year!

From worms in her classroom, maple tree tapping in the schoolyard, and layers of local agriculture engaging with her students, Jen is more than deserving of this prestigious honor. She will be recognized by USDA-NIFA and the National Agriculture in the Classroom Organization this June at the national conference held in Saratoga Springs, NY. We are so very proud!

National Art Honor Society Inducts New Members



*Left to right:
Aislinn Gillis, a junior, daughter of David and Susan Gillis*

Lily Rich, a junior, daughter of Paul and Nicholle Rich

Carrie Humiston, a sophomore, daughter of Matt and Kim Humiston

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POSTAL PATRON

**If you have any questions
regarding the proposed
budget, please call a
member of the Board of
Education.**

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518-638-6065

● David Holck, *Vice President*

518-638-8906

● Travis Dessaint

202-641-6600

● Thomas Genovese

518-638-1048

● Rodney Saunders

518-636-9059

VOTER ELIGIBILITY

- A resident of the District for at least thirty days prior to the vote
- A United States citizen
- Eighteen (18) years of age or older

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee Ballots are available to eligible voters who are unable to vote in person. Call 518-638-8243, ext. 504 for information on obtaining a ballot.

DETAILED BUDGET INFORMATION

If you would like a more detailed budget, please contact Ronald Black, Business Manager at 518-638-8243, ext. 508.

VOTING WHERE AND WHEN

Budget Hearing

Tuesday, May 10, 2022
7:00 pm in the Library

Budget Vote

Tuesday, May 17, 2022
12:00 noon—8:00 pm
Argyle Central School
Atrium

PROPOSITIONS

1. 2022-2023 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$13,513,030.
2. Argyle Free Library Proposition of \$65,320
3. **Board Candidates-
One 5-Year Term**
(July 1, 2022—June 30, 2027)
Travis Dessaint
Tina Alberico