# EAST ISLIP

# Major Challenges

- Maintaining quality educational programs with limited areas of financial resource
- Cost efficiencies in the face of declining enrollment and building capacity under utilized (schools)
- NYS Tax Cap For East Islip 2.81%
- Low Tax Base
- Contractual Restrictions
- Not Technologically Competitive

# Budget Draft #1

Projected Budget Drivers:

- Allowable Tax Levy increase calculated at 2.81% or $2,005,010, as compared to 2018/19.
- The first draft of the 2019/20 expense budget is supported by a tax levy increase of 1.95% or $1,391,126.
- BOE to make final(r)1.6 (s1e)1. mCl6 (k)0.5 (e)121.6 (Cd4( )-1ŏ)1.5 (n)0.5

# BAC Continues to Support

Spending Efficiencies

- Re-Allocation of Resources and Staff
- District central storage facilities and strict inventory controls
- Collaborative efforts between staff and community
- Maintain and enhance current educational opportunities
- Seek to reallocate funding for Academic Advancements
- Maintain all current Music, Art, Athletics, Clubs and provide extended opportunities for students
- Support the Long Range Planning committee findings
- Align Expenditure “Requests” with “Actual” expenditures

# BOND Referendum

# Reserves

The BAC strongly supports the district's decision to establish a Repair Reserve that can fund non-recurring repairs to capital assets

The BAC recommends using down the capital reserve fund to complete projects not addressed under the current proposed budget or the bond

We continue to support funding both reserves with surplus going forward

# Proposed in this budget

We are in agreement that these listed items proposed in this budget will be beneficial to East Islip:

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| Cosmetology Teacher/Teacher Assistant/Supplies | BOCES Occupational Education – 15 Students |
| Library Media Specialist | STEAM Teacher |
| Social Worker | JV Volleyball |
| BOCES Enrichment Program | Modern/Flexible Classroom Furniture * |
| HS Auditorium Curtains | Mobile Bleachers and Scorer's Table |
| Wrestling Mat Lift | Unit Ventilators Repairs |
| Lawn Mowers | Window Blinds |
| Dump Truck | Commercial Dryer |

We would recommend funding the entire 1.4 million dollars for furniture replacement throughout the district but it must bethout

# Security

Review of annual policies and procedures of all security personnel on a on-going basis

We encourage a new phone system as equipment that is necessary for the safety of our staff and students in all buildings

# Technology

All buildings should change to a centralized printing network system.  This would reduce the cost of printing, supplies and maintenance

Continue use of a centralized system for ordering new technology to be consistent throughout buildings/grades/classrooms ensuring equity between all schools.

We fully support the increase of technology in our schools, however, professional development must accompany the introduction of any new technology so it is utilized

# Facilities

To reduce the amount of money spent on outsourcing contract

# Transportation

In preparation of the upcoming RFP we would like to ask that the district re-evaluate and take into consideration the following:

- Possible future vote to align mileage requirements for grade levels within each school
- Ridership in regard to any change in alignment
- Revaluate start times to help the elementary families

# BOCES and/or In-House Certification Program

EISD should continue to establish in-house Vocational programs for the most requested trades based on interest

We are encouraged by the BOCES vocational offerings and support future expansion of the program

# Overtime Costs

The BAC strongly encourages an annual review of overtime costs to analyze the benefit of hiring additional staff vs. paying current staff overtime for example weekend events

# Personnel Efficiencies

The budget should continue to reflect the teacher/pupil ratio

Teacher/student load in the HS should be done efficiently in order to help increase Electives throughout all subject areas. This could provide viable options, instead of Study Halls, to make for a well-rounded student. This could help to maintain the number of teachers while enhancing our course selections in order to fill a student's full 9-period day

# Additional Funding

The district should seek additional areas of financial resources in the form of grants

# Student Interest

In order to help build a well-

# Principal/Director's Budget

We concur that attempts to fulfill Principal and Director's budget requests throughout the district as long as they pertain directly to the students needs or safety of all staff and students be met starting with and not limited to:

- Textbooks
- Adding age appropriate books to their reading libraries
- New Science programs for elementary students
- Additional technology
- Supplies

Given the limited budget for Principals and Director's the following should not have to be included in their budgets

- Fencing
- Landscaping
- Signage

# Board of Education

Thank you for providing a representative from the BOE for this year's BAC

Prior to the committee reconvening next year, the BAC would like to sit with two board members to assess our recommendations.  We are seeking a more constructive dialog so that the BAC will be better prepared for the next budget cycle