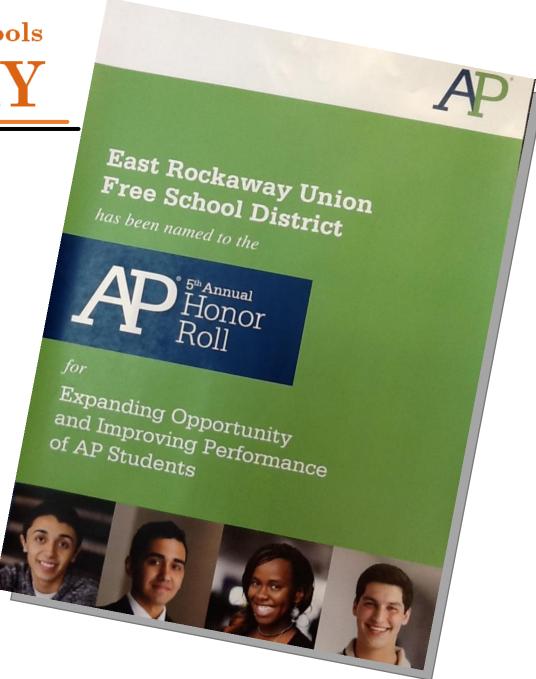
#### 2015-2016 Budget Development:

#### Status & Next Steps

Budget Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting #2

February 4, 2015



#### Budget Advisory Committee Meeting Dates

1) Weddesday, January 7, 2015 (Snow Date: Thursday, January 15, 2015) Location: High School Band Room

2) Wednesday, February 4, 2015 (Snow Date: Monday, February 9, 2015) Location: High School Library

3) Wednesday, March 4, 2015 (Snow Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2015)

4) Wednesday, April 15, 2015 (No Snow Date planned) Location: High School Band Room

#### 2015-16 Budget Development: STATUS

- Meetings with Staff / Analyzing Needs Continues
- Follow-up on data requests from previous meeting
- Governor's Executive Proposal Refusal to release funding numbers for district's!
- GEA Status Currently unchanged!
- Tax Levy Cap Ramifications State Deadline to File March 1
- Advocacy Letter Template Prepared
- Upcoming Administration/Board of Education Meeting with local Legislators – Saturday, February 7
- NYS Office of the State Comptroller's Report Fiscal Stress Monitoring

#### Follow-up on Data Request

Question from Previous Meeting

ESL enrollment look back 5 years: 2010-2011 = 16 2011-2012 = 16 2012-2013 = 15 2013-2014 = 222014-2015 = 25

New requirements (mandates) necessitate the addition of two (2) staff members to address:

- 5 Proficiency Levels
- Mandated Co-teaching
- 2 year age span reduction

#### Governor's Executive Budget Proposal



## "School groups slam Cuomo's refusal to release funding numbers for districts"

January 27, 2015 – Newsday Reporter, John Hildebrand

## EAST Public Schools Gap Elimination Adjustment (GEA)

The effect of this loss is cumulative!		<sup>*UpDATED</sup> DJUSTMENT <sup>*ENTATIVE</sup> (508.020)		
GAP ELIMINATION ADJUSTMENT				
2010-11	\$	(508,020)		
2011-12	\$	(847,914)		
2012-13	\$	(728,934)		
2013-14	\$	(628,934)		
2014-15	\$	(540,066)		
2015-16	\$	(540,066)*		
Total Loss:	\$	(3,793,934)		

This is a NYS deficit being passed on to School Districts!

2015-2016 Proposed Budget Tax Levy Cap

 Allowable Tax Levy Growth Factor (CPI Increase) Forecasted at 1.6 – 1.8% (Under 2%)

Actual CPI was finalized at 1.62%

After allowable exclusions and other adjustments allowed under the tax levy cap provisions:

• Approximate Levy increase off \$450,000 (Slightly less than last year) \*State Aid report indicating forecasted building aid is needed to finalize this calculation!

\*These amounts are tentative and subject to change

#### Budget vs. State Aid History

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<u>Budget - Expense</u>	<u>% Chg</u>	<u> Budget - Revenue</u>	<u>% Chg</u>
\$32,733,570		\$6,653,427	
\$33,336,549	1.84%	\$5,893,176	-11.43%
\$34,317,959	2.94%	\$5,756,270	-2.32%
\$35,601,664	3.74%	\$5,670,749	-1.49%
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\*2013-2014 – Emergency Building Aid \$1.082 million

#### OSC – Fiscal Stress Monitoring Report

The Fiscal Monitoring Report is part of a state wide initiative launched by the Comptrollers Office last year and uses an elaborate formula to calculate a fiscal stress score for each school district

- 1. No Designation / Not in Fiscal Stress
- 2. Susceptible to Fiscal Stress
- 3. Moderate Fiscal Stress
- 4. Significant Fiscal Stress

East Rockaway UFSD:

 $16.7\% \rightarrow 53.3\% = Moderate Fiscal Stress$ 

Proposed Capital Projects Capital Reserve Fund

Upcoming Discussion at Committee Meeting on March 4, 2015

- Additional Proposition for District-wide Capital & Technology Reserve projects
- Review of past projects and discussion regarding

Capital Projects:\$200,000Technology Projects:\$200,000

No additional cost to the taxpayers

### What Can We Do?

#### Advocate, Advocate, Advocate

- Modify Tax Cap
- Increase in State Aid
- Remove GEA
- Provide funding to offset mandates

#### 2015-2016 Budget Discussions



**Budget Advisory Committee Meetings are ongoing** 



**Questions**?

