# Commentator

2018-19 Budget Newsletter May 2018

## A message from the Superintendent and Board President

Dear Fairport Community:

This has been a year of reflection and growth for our organization. Through the District Advisory Council (DAC), we assembled over 105 community members and staff to examine our values and expectations for our schools. Over 2000 community members responded to a survey designed for the same purpose. We have also been through a budget process. All these things have been done with an eye to the future, with a desire to assure the Fairport Family strengths continue for years to come and to successfully meet the challenges we face.

The budget adopted for the 2018-19 school year has been assembled with the purpose of this long-term perspective. We are committed to altering the trajectory of our financial position for the good of the District. Although challenging and emotional, this year's reductions reflect our realities of declining enrollment, revenue shortfalls and increasing costs, all of which are projected to continue for the foreseeable future.

We are confident that with sound resource management in the short-term and via our DAC planning process, the long term fiscal prospects for Fairport are strong. Our student-centered values remain intact; we are dedicated to investing in our students and staff so they can have hallmark experiences in Fairport. We remain steadfast to offering programs that enhance connections and life-defining opportunities for students. Through this budget process, the District maintains the ability to provide similar opportunities for students in 2018-19 that it has in the past.

The administration and the Board of Education, with information from school leaders, community members and our state representatives, developed a budget that is studentcentered, fiscally sound and enhances the sustainability of our district for the future. The District is on a path toward sustainability with educational programming, fiscal management and facilities planning. The Board of Education has high expectations for transparency and future planning. We will continue to invite all school members to be a part of our journey as we communicate our path forward with clarity and purpose.

We hope you will exercise your right to vote on Tuesday, May 15 from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the Johanna Perrin Middle School gymnasium. You do not need to be a registered voter in order to vote, but you do need to be a resident of the District with proper identification (see page 8 in this newsletter for details). Thank you for your support and for making our school community a true Fairport Family!

Sincerely,

Brett Provenzano Superintendent of Schools Pate Faguer

Peter Forsgren Board of Education President

### On the Ballot

### Fairport Central School District

- Proposed 2018-19 school budget
- Proposition #1 authorizing FCSD to expend from the Capital Technology Reserve Fund an amount not to exceed \$736,000 for the purchase of information technology equipment and supplies
- Proposition #2 authorizing FCSD to establish a Capital Building Reserve Fund for the purpose of paying the costs associated with future District buildings and facilities projects
- Two Board of Education members

#### Fairport Public Library

- Proposed 2018-19 Public Library budget
- One Public Library trustees

## **Zweigle's and Fairport** staff and students create community connections

Fairport Central School District's Food Service Department has been offering a large selection of food options for many years. For example, Zweigle's, a Rochester family-owned company since 1880, is the District's supplier of hot dogs.

Recently the president of Zweigle's, Kevin Salva, visited the Fairport High School cafeteria to meet with staff and students on a day hot dogs were on the menu.

Salva spent his time at the FHS kitchen with FHS Food Service staff learning about how Fairport uses the Zweigle's products and how they can partner more with Fairport to provide quality food options for students and staff. Salva also spent time in the cafeteria conversing with students and serving them lunch.



Zweigle's President Kevin Salva visits with students at FHS.

## **Budget Vote & Board Elections**

Tuesday, May 15, 2018 6 a.m. – 9 p.m. Johanna Perrin Middle School Gymnasium 85 Potter Place

## 2018-19 Budget Plan

## **Expenditure** — Where tax dollars are spent

Three Part Budget: As required in New York State, the budget proposal is presented in three components, including program, administrative, and capital.

### Part I: Program Budget

The program budget is the focal point and the core of education in Fairport. It represents the largest portion (75.87%) of the budget and includes instruction and educational support services for students for approximately 5,700 students. Also included are services such as health, guidance, library, co-curricular activities, athletics, and transportation.

activities, attieucs, and transportation.	2017-18	2018-19
Staff Development	\$338,385	\$347,843
General Instruction	\$31,644,647	\$31,258,491
Special Education	\$21,022,196	\$21,070,719
Summer School	\$154,640	\$156,640
Library, Media & Computer Instr.	\$2,619,156	\$2,572,543
Pupil Services	\$4,547,835	\$4,645,569
Student Activities and Athletics	\$1,560,914	\$1,600,609
Student Transportation	\$5,287,643	\$5,898,743
Community Service	\$17,500	\$17,500
Employee Benefits	\$29,050,144	\$30,080,444
Transfer to Special Aid Fund	\$230,000	\$230,000
Total Program Budget	\$96,473,060	\$97,879,101

### Part II: Administrative Budget

The administrative budget (11.23%) provides for the majority of the instructional support services. These expenditures include central administration, curriculum development, public information, school building administration, and BOCES administrative costs.

	2017-18	2018-19
Board of Ed	\$88,567	\$76,608
Central Administrative Support	\$1,581,151	\$1,560,409
Legal Services	\$150,000	\$150,000
Other Special Items (including BOCES admin.)	\$3,818,651	\$4,014,321
Instructional Administrative Support	\$4,944,326	\$4,855,559
Employee Benefits	\$3,759,671	\$3,834,517
Total Administrative Budget	\$14,342,366	\$14,491,414

### Part III: Capital Budget

This portion (12.90%) of the budget includes expenditures associated with the operation and maintenance of eight schools and four buildings, as well as the upkeep of 380 acres.

	2017-18	2018-19
Operation and Maintenance	\$6,285,706	\$6,361,634
Refunds of Real Property Taxes	\$23,000	\$23,000
Bus Purchases	\$1,264,873	\$1,286,744
Employee Benefits	\$1,824,017	\$1,961,675
Transfer to Debt Service Fund	\$6,723,945	\$6,912,345
Transfer to Capital Fund - BH HVAC improvements*	\$100,000	\$100,000
Total Capital Budget	\$16,221,541	\$16,645,398

(\*) The transfer to the Capital Fund in the amount of \$100,000 will be used to make repairs at Brooks Hill Elementary School, for improvements to the HVAC system that serves the Library.



Budget Summary	2017-18	2018-19	\$ Change	% Change
Program	\$96,473,060	\$97,879,101	\$1,406,041	1.46%
Administrative	\$14,342,366	\$14,491,414	\$149,048	1.04%
Capital	\$16,221,541	\$16,645,398	\$423,857	2.61%
Total	\$127,036,967	\$129,015,913	\$1,978,946	1.56%

### 2018-19 Budget Plan

### **Projected Revenue** — Where tax dollars come from

Revenue	2017-18	2018 - 19	\$ Change	% Change
Foundation Aid	\$22,999,207	\$23,448,385	\$449,178	1.95%
Categorical Aids	\$17,063,391	\$17,195,456	\$132,065	0.77%
Total State Aid Revenue (1)	\$40,062,598	\$40,643,841	\$581,243	1.45%
Property Tax Levy	\$73,039,017	\$75,383,424	\$2,344,407	3.21%
Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) (2)	\$693,718	\$637,104	\$(56,614)	-8.16%
Total Property Tax Items	\$73,732,735	\$76,020,528	\$2,287,793	3.10%
Other Revenue (3)	\$6,532,720	\$6,637,960	\$105,240	1.61%
Transfer from Debt Service Fund	\$395,330	\$400,000	\$4,670	1.18%
Federal Medicaid	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$0	0.00%
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ <b>75,000</b> \$ <b>4,418,584</b>	<b>\$75,000</b> <b>\$3,918,584</b>	\$ <b>0</b> \$(500,000)	-11.32%
Appropriated Fund Balance				
Appropriated Fund Balance Appropriated Reserves	\$4,418,584	\$3,918,584		-11.32%
Appropriated Fund Balance Appropriated Reserves Tax Certiorari Reserve	\$4,418,584 \$20,000	\$3,918,584 \$ 20,000		-11.32% 0.00%
Appropriated Fund Balance  Appropriated Reserves  Tax Certiorari Reserve  Unemployment Insurance Reserve	\$4,418,584 \$20,000 \$60,000	\$3,918,584 \$ 20,000 \$ 60,000	\$(500,000) - -	-11.32% 0.00% 0.00%

- (1) State Aid estimates are based on the approved New York State budget.
- (2) Payments received from businesses that have agreements with an Industrial Development Agency to make specific agreed upon payments in lieu of Property Tax payments.
- (3) Includes county sales tax, interest earnings on investments, admission fees, tuitions, and insurance recoveries.
- (4) Unexpended funds from the previous year's budget, and reserve funds used to fund General Fund operations.

## Impact — What the tax data is for residents How do I estimate my school taxes for 2018-19?

The amount of taxes\* collected by the District will change by 3.21 %. The calculation below utilizes 2017-18 total assessed value in estimating the tax rate. If the Town's total assessed value increases, then the tax rate will be lower than projected here. To determine your school taxes for 2018-19, simply follow the formula below by substituting the example assessment (\$200,000) for your assessment. Please note that if you are receiving the STAR payment directly from New York State, do not deduct the STAR amount from the calculation below.

### Formula:

Assessed Value ÷ 1,000 x Tax Rate – STAR = School Tax

**Example:** \$200,000 ÷ 1,000 x \$23.77 – \$705 = \$4,049

Tax Data	2017-18	2018-19
School Tax Rate Per \$1,000 Full Valuation	\$23.03	\$23.77

\*The tax levy is just one factor, along with assessments and equalization rates, utilized to determine the tax rate. The projected tax rate, which is used to calculate how much each property owner will pay in school taxes, will be different if there is a change in the tax assessment base. Provided there is a growth in the tax assessment base, the tax rate increase is typically lower than the tax levy percent increase.

## **Strategic Planning Update**

The Fairport Central School District's strategic planning process is nearing completion, in which a long term strategic plan expected this summer will articulate expectations around Educational Programming, Fiscal Sustainability and Facilities Planning.

The District Advisory Council's recommendations, in the form of strategic initiatives, were adopted by Board of Education at the end of April. Moving forward, the District plans to finalize the strategic plan at the end of the 2017-18 school year, with the plan in place during the summer. For more information about the Strategic Planning process, visit: <code>fairport.org/futureplanning</code>.



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### **Budget Notice - As required by New York State Law**

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2017-18 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2018-19 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2018-19 School Year *
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$127,036,967	\$129,015,913	\$126,671,506
Increase/Decrease for the 2018-19 School Year		\$1,978,946	\$(365,461)
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		1.56%	- 0.29%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		2.13%	
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$72,652,229	\$74,992,736	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	\$386,788	\$390,688	
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)	\$73,039,017	\$75,383,424	\$73,039,017
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$1,788,961	\$1,900,331	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$71,250,056	\$73,483,093	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	\$70,863,268	\$73,092,405	
I. Difference: (G – H); (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval – See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$386,788	\$390,688	
Administrative Component	\$14,342,366	\$14,491,414	\$14,202,424
Program Component	\$96,473,060	\$97,879,101	\$95,927,184
Capital Component	\$16,221,541	\$16,645,398	\$16,541,898

<sup>\*</sup> Contingency Budget - Should the proposed budget be defeated, a contingency budget may be adopted. If a contingency budget is adopted, there will be reductions in staff, reductions in programs and activities for students, reductions in equipment, and an increase in class sizes. The actual appropriation under a contingency budget would be determined by the Board of Education should this become necessary.

<sup>\*\*</sup> List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval requirements)

Expenditure from Technology Capital Reserve Fund to purchase technology equipment (no impact on levy)	\$736,000
Establishment of Capital Building Reserve Fund 2018	

## Basic STAR Exemption Impact Under the Budget Proposed for the 2018-19 School Year

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings (1)

\$705

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

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2018-19 by the qualified voters of the Fairport Central School district, Monroe County, New York, will be held at Johanna Perrin Middle School in said district on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., prevailing time in the Johanna Perrin Middle School, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

### 2018 Fall Sports Season

The Monroe County Public School Athletic Conference has set its starting dates for the 2018-19 fall sports season. For your planning purposes, please be aware that tryouts for the fall sports teams will begin on the following dates:

JV & Varsity Sports: August 13

Modified A Football: August 20

Modified B Football: August 22

All other Modified A Sports: August 29

All other Modified B Sports: September 4

Coaches will hold informational meetings in May and/or June and more specific information on locations and times will be announced over the summer and posted on the District website at <a href="www.fairport.org">www.fairport.org</a>.





## Facts and Figures about Fairport Central School District

## Enrollment: 5,802 Average class size

- K-2: 18
- 3-5: 22
- 6-8: 24
- 9-12: 24

#### Staff

- 1,183 total staff district-wide (615 professional staff and 568 support staff)
- Median 16 years teacher experience

### Costs

- 2017-18 budget: \$127,036,967
- 2017-18 per pupil cost: \$21,895
- 2017-18 True Tax rate: \$23.03

### **Educational Programs**

Academic competitions; Advanced Placement - AP (American history, biology, calculus, chemistry, computer science, English language, English literature, French, German, Spanish, U.S., European and World history, physics and statistics); Alternative High School; Career & Technical Education Diploma Credentials; Field Trips; Foreign Exchange Programs; Full Day Universal Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten; Gifted and Talented Grades K-5/Enrichment; High School Co-Ops; Instrumental music in grades 4-12, band in 5-12, orchestra in 4-12 and chorus in 3-12; Languages (French, German and Spanish); School-college partnerships; SUPA - Syracuse University Project Advance (Economics, Sociology, Forensic Science and Psychology); Urban-Suburban Program

### Interscholastic Sports

Alpine and Nordic skiing, baseball, basketball, bowling, cheerleading, cross country, field hockey, football, golf, gymnastics, ice hockey, indoor track, lacrosse, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, track & field, volleyball, wrestling and unified basketball

### **Community Involvement**

Alumni Wall of Fame; Asset-Building Initiative; Booster clubs (sports and music); Dollars for Scholars; Co-curricular and extra- curricular opportunities at every school; Education Wall of Distinction; Fairport-Perinton Chemical Prevention Advisory Council; Grandparent/Grandfriend Days; Parenting programs; PTA/PTSA at all schools; Senior BASH; Strong Behavioral Health; Volunteers at every school

\*This data was obtained from the Monroe County School Boards Association (MCSBA) 2018 Facts & Figures publication.

## What will the 2018-19 School Budget achieve?

The 2018-19 school budget focuses on the whole child as the District continues to define student success by meeting individual needs, finding students' gifts and nurturing those talents. The budget includes similar opportunities for students that it has in the past. While class sizes will be adjusted slightly in the proposed budget, they remain comparable to Monroe County schools and are credible for learning to occur.

### Some of the 2018-19 School Budget achievements will include:

- The District has been very purposeful in managing programs and services to contain costs.
   All areas of the budget are examined for efficiencies, including: cooperative bidding;
   continuing comprehensive energy management planning; joint fueling; refinancing debt
   service at a lower cost; and participating in a cooperative health care consortium and
   workers' compensation consortium.
  - The 2018-19 budget does include reductions in staffing, utilities, and building level supplies and contractual budgets. Given the District's declining enrollment and policy deployment, natural efficiencies will be realized. Staffing reductions total the equivalent
    - of 28.25 full time teaching positions and approximately 25 additional positions including paraprofessionals, clerical and athletics. Some of these positions will be through attrition and some opportunities may be available through recall.
  - The District is currently organizing a plan for 2018-19 to reorganize technology and media literacy education for students as a result of the reduction in the computer lab teaching assistant positions. This program will continue, but will be in a different format.
  - Fairport is aligning its resources to focus on the behavioral, social-emotional, and mental health needs of its students and staff.



- The District has decreased its reliance on fund balance and reserves (savings from the prior
  year), specifically \$1 million for 2018-19. Decreasing the reliance on fund balance and reserves
  is part of long-term fiscal planning that extends the life and availability of such reserves for
  budgeting purposes.
- The District is reorganizing its leadership roles among administration staff to align its focus on the evolving needs of students and staff.

## Universal Pre-Kindergarten 2018-19 registration due by July 13

Fairport Central School District is proud of its Universal PreK programming. Enrollment is now open for the next school year. The program will continue to be offered at a Generations Child Care, Inc., a local child care center located at 2815 Baird Road in Fairport. This program is dependent on NYS grant funding, as Fairport was among those awarded funding to offer the program.

The program is available at no cost to families who reside within the District. Children who will be four years old before December 1, 2018 are eligible to participate for the 2018-19 school year. The program runs six hours a day, five days per week throughout the school year and will follow the District's school day calendar. Wrap around care is available to families who require that service (contact the center for more information about this option).

All families are welcome to apply for the UPK program. However, the program will continue to prioritize services to children with the highest need. Enrollment will be awarded and given priority based on several criteria including: those whose families are of low income, are English Language Learners, or have identified special needs.

In order to be considered, registration forms must be submitted as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, July 13, 2018 for fall enrollment. If the District receives more applications than available slots, a lottery will be held in early August.

For more information or to register, contact Generations Child Care, Inc. Director Kristin Pitoni at (585) 673-3142.

## Students shine at Fairport Central School District

Fairport Central School District is proud of its many accomplishments in student achievement. Here are some of the most recent highlights from 2016-17 unless otherwise noted.

#### Recognition:

- Fairport High School is nominated for the 2018 National Blue Ribbon Schools Program. This program recognizes public and private elementary, middle, and high schools based on their overall academic excellence or their progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups.
- Two Fairport schools were highly ranked in the USA Today's New York State Quality Index school ranking:
  - Minerva DeLand ranks #1 among Monroe County high schools.
  - o FHS ranks #8 among Monroe County high schools.
- Fairport High School was rated as a top high school in New York State by Newsweek.
- The 2018 National Merit Scholarship Program includes 14 students who were named 'Commended Students'.
- Five students were awarded 2017 National Merit Scholarship Competition Semi-Finalists.
- Since its inception in 1998, more than 4,770 students at Minerva DeLand and Fairport High School have been trained in developing leadership skills through the Leadership Asset Training.
- Both middle schools are recognized as "Middle Schools to Watch". The program is a prestigious national accreditation that has been granted to less than 5% of schools across the nation.
- Athletic achievements include one National, one State and seven team Sectional Championships, and additional individual titles. Fairport's varsity athletic teams earned Scholar Athlete recognition, which requires a team GPA of 90% or higher; 100% of fall teams, 78% of winter teams and 100% of spring teams achieved this status.
- Hundreds of students were selected to perform in honor ensembles, including All-County, Area All-State, All State, All-Eastern and All-National Ensembles.
- Students participate in a wide variety of extracurricular activities beyond the classroom.
- Students excel in the District's art offerings, including opportunities to have their work displayed at area exhibits and competitions.

#### Class of 2017:

- Fairport's graduation Rate: 98%.
- College bound students: 90%.
  - o Students will attend 94 different colleges.
- Fairport students continue to excel in the College Board's Advanced Placement (AP) course exams. In 2017, 500 students took 829 AP exams with 83% of students scoring 3 or higher.
- Fairport's average on the SAT of 1174 (400-1600 range) exceeds both the state and national average in critical reading, math, and writing.
- Fairport's composite of 25.0 on the ACT exceeds the New York State composite of 24.2 and the national composite of 21.0.

## Safety & security is the top priority

The health and safety of students and staff is the top priority at Fairport Central School District. The District continually reviews its plans to ensure that it is providing safe and secure environments. The District is also committed to ensuring the right environment for learning by focusing on the behavioral, social-emotional, and mental health needs of its students and staff.

### Here are some highlights:

- The District utilizes the Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) initiative, which focuses on preventive strategies for defining, teaching, and supporting appropriate behavior within the school setting.
  - PBIS is recognized as an evidenced-based best practice. It is a multi-tiered, systematic approach to social, emotional and behavior support.
- Fairport now has a Behavior Intervention Team, which is the first Threat Assessment Team of its kind in Monroe County. By reporting information seen in social media or heard through students, staff and community members, the District can engage the student/family early in the process, gain more immediate access to community resources, and mitigate any imminent threat with support from law enforcement.



- o This approach is based upon research and recommendations by the US Departments of Education, Secret Service, Justice, NAAG, IACLEA, NASPA, MHEC, and practitioners across the nation. The goal is to make sure a schoolwide crisis similar to those across the U.S. never occurs in Fairport.
- Fairport is staffed with 14 psychologists, 10 social workers, 15 counselors, two behavioral specialists and one part-time Equity and Access Liaison/Title I coordinator to address student and family needs.
- The District is continuing its partnership with UR Medicine Pediatric Behavioral Health & Wellness with the outpatient clinic at Minerva DeLand School.
  - This is UR Medicine's first school-based outpatient mental health services clinic
    of its kind that serves children and families by offering a variety of effective
    therapies and programs that support emotional and behavioral wellness, and
    address family life challenges.
- Elementary buildings all have a Calming Zone Room that is intended for the purpose
  of identifying feelings and physical symptoms associated with those feelings and
  then learning and applying strategies and tools to regulate their emotions.
  - In the secondary schools, a calming zone approach of emotional regulation is supported within the counselor's office or other supervised quiet location.
- Each year, Fairport prioritizes a Safety Week where students and staff participate in
  a variety of emergency drills mandated by the NYS Education Department. These
  drills consist of Shelter-in-Place, Hold-in-Place, Evacuate, Lockout, and Lockdown.
  Each individual scenario determines the appropriate response that
  is practiced throughout the year.
- The District's emergency response and district-wide safety teams meet regularly
  to continually evaluate and update safety plans, procedures and policies, and to
  identify and plan for training to all staff on safety and security.
- The District partners with the Fairport Village Police Department and the Monroe County Sheriff's Office to serve as a positive and proactive presence as they strive to build connections throughout the school community.
  - Local law enforcement provides expertise and insight into how the District can best support a safe environment for students and staff.

Looking ahead, Fairport is implementing new technology that provides faster identification of risk and timely and targeted communication. Also, the District will conduct a safety and security audit and create an action plan to reaffirm its safety and security practices. More information regarding this process will be communicated with the school community as the process develops.

## Fairport Board of Education Candidates

The Fairport Central School District Board of Education is composed of seven members elected by residents of the District. Members are elected for a term of three years and serve without pay. There are two candidates running for two open positions. The incumbents are Peter Forsgren and Judy O'Leary-Sargeant. The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes will be elected to three-year terms beginning July 1, 2018. Candidates are listed in the order they will appear on the ballot.



### **Peter Forsgren**

Family: Wife Jocelyn and five children, including Brendon, 23, Dana Kyle, 21, Dallin, 17, Emma, 12, and Liam, 11. All children graduated from or are currently attending Fairport schools.

**Education:** Master of Public Administration from Syracuse University; and Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education from Brigham Young University.

**Occupation:** Co-founder and chief operating officer for three+one advisors

## What motivates you to run for the FCSD Board of Education?

"Education is one of the key foundational responsibilities of government. Its value to society is difficult to measure yet can be seen every day. Education opens the door to opportunity, is the key to understanding differences and elevates the mind and human experience. The challenges we face are not unique to Fairport, however Fairport Central School District is unique. Maintaining the positive aspects of our culture, while adapting and adopting, when appropriate to the quick pace of modern society and technology, will be central to our continued success in educating every child."



## Judy O'Leary-Sargeant

Family: Husband Trevor; and three children, including Seamus and Maeve, both Fairport High School graduates and current college students, and a 12th grader at Fairport High School, Sinead.

**Education:** Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from Long Island University; Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Iona College.

**Occupation:** Clinical Psychologist

## What motivates you to run for the FCSD Board of Education?

"I am running for the Fairport school board because I believe in Fairport education, and want to be a part of future planning. I am a clinical psychologist, and believe that my experience as a mental health provider as well as historically a college professor, gives me a different perspective on our educational system. With my husband Trevor, I have raised three children in Fairport. They have had very positive educational experiences, which has given me insight into the strengths of our district as well as areas to be addressed in future planning. I believe strongly in research and evidence based practices as a guiding principle."

### 2018-19 Fairport Public Library Budget Proposal

## 2018-19 Proposed Library Budget

The school system and the public library function independently of each other; however, both receive tax support from school district residents. Qualified voters of the school district will vote on this proposed budget of the Fairport Public Library.

Salaries		\$1,442,661
Fringes		\$686,864
Expenses (rent, materials, equipment, etc.)		\$691,124
	Total Expenditures	\$2,820,649
Taxes		\$2,542,233
Other (fines, interest, local aid, misc.)		\$278,416
	Total Revenues	\$2,820,649

### NYS Tax Levy Cap Compliance

Like other NYS public entities, Fairport Public Library is subject to the Property Tax Cap - Legislation. The Board of Trustees reports that the *tax levy necessary under our proposed budget is in full compliance with this legislation*. These tax levy cap calculations were completed with the assistance an external accounting firm and submitted as required to the Office of the State Comptroller.

Tax Data	2017-2018	2018-2019	Change
Real Property Tax Levy	\$2,517,233	\$2,542,233	1.0%
Projected tax rate	.795/1000	.803/1000*	

(\* the projected tax rate, which is used to estimate the cost of library services per homeowner, will change if the total tax assessment base changes for the next tax year. This is provided for illustration nurroses only.)

For the average home assessed at \$200,000, a year of library services is estimated to cost \$160.50.

### **Library Board of Trustees Candidates**

There is one candidate running for one open position on the Fairport Public Library Board of Trustees. Board members are elected by popular vote and serve without pay for a term of five years.



### Belinda O'Brien

Family: One adult child, Sheila, graduate of Fairport Central School District. Education: Master of Library Science from SUNY Geneseo, Bachelor of Science in Psychology/Education from The College at Brockport; and an associate's degree from Monroe Community College.

Occupation: Professor/Director of the Graduate Library Media Program at St. John Fisher College

#### Why are you running for the Library Board of Trustees?

"I look forward to continue serving the Fairport Public Library as a member of the board of trustees. The past five years have prepared me well to meet the needs of the Fairport library community. I am currently employed as the director of the graduate library media program at St. John Fisher College. I began my library career as a public librarian and branch director. I then went on to school librarianship, mainly in the Fairport Central School District. My experiences with budget, construction, programming and community service will assist me in working with the current board on their ongoing and new directives. I have been a Fairport resident since 1976 and feel strongly about our community, the library and the beautiful area we live in."



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### RESIDENT

### Fairport Central School District Annual Budget Vote & Board Election, May 15, 2018

### **Spring 2018 School Calendar**

May 28 Memorial Day – No School

June 12-22 Regents Exams

June 19 Last Day for K-5 Students

June 22 Last Day for Faculty

### Last day of school changed for K-8

For your planning purposes, if no additional emergency closure days are used for the 2017-18 school year:

- The last day of school for students in K-5 will now be Tuesday, June 19 instead of the originally scheduled Thursday, June 21
- The last day of school for students in 6-8 will now be Monday, June 18 instead of the originally scheduled Thursday, June 21
- The last day for faculty remains the same, Friday, June 22

## Next year's district calendar now available

Fairport Central School District's Board of Education recently approved the 2018-19 School Calendar. To see the calendar, please visit *fairport.org*. Under the 'Quick Links' menu, click on 'school calendar'.

### **Voter Information and Requirements**

### **Voter Eligibility**

To be eligible to vote on the school budget on May 15, a person must meet the following requirements:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Be a United States citizen
- Be a resident of the Fairport Central School District for at least 30 days preceding the vote

Voters do not have to own property in the school district. Voter registration is not required. Voters do not have to be a parent or have children in the school district.

### **Voting Procedure**

Voters must provide one proof of residency such as a driver's license, a non-driver ID card, voter registration card, or utility bill. Each voter is also required to sign his or her name and address.

### Absentee Ballots

Residents unable to vote on the school budget on May 15 because of disability, illness, or travel may request applications for absentee ballots by contacting District Clerk Arielle LaBarbera at (585) 421-2010 or via email at alabarbera@fairport.org. Application forms are online at *fairport.org*. Ballots must be returned to the District Clerk by 5 p.m. on May 15, the day of the vote.

#### Contact Information

For more information about the 2018-19 budget process, visit www.fairport.org/budget. For questions, email superintendent@fairport.org.