



Germantown Central School District

NEWS CLIPPINGS

SPECIAL BUDGET EDITION ~ JUNE 2020

School Budget Vote

Tuesday, June 9, 2020

All voting will be done by absentee ballots per Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's Executive Order. Ballots must be received by the District by 5:00 p.m. on June 9, 2020.

On the Ballot:

- a. Proposition I - 2020-21 Budget
- b. Candidates for Board of Education

Voting Qualifications:

- a. A citizen of the United States
- b. 18 years of age or older
- c. A resident of the Germantown Central School District for a period of 30 days or more preceding the day of the vote
- d. Registered to vote with either the School District or the Columbia County Board of Elections

Application for an Absentee Ballot

Ballots will be mailed to qualified/registered voters. If you feel you may not receive one contact Linda Anderson, District Clerk, at 518-537-6281 ext. 2302

Budget Details are available at the District's offices and on the District's website www.germantowncso.org

What Will I Be Voting On?

PROPOSITION I

"Shall the Board of Education of the Germantown Central School District, Columbia County, New York, be authorized to expend the amount set forth in the estimated budget in the total sum of \$15,792,913 during the school year 2020-2021 and to levy the necessary tax therefore?"

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS (Vote for 2)

Ralph DePozzo	Allison Meek
Lester Olsson	Ira Sher

Adapting to COVID-19: Remote Learning



COVID-19 changed the way teachers educated and the way students learned. Germantown CSD rose to the challenge.

Class of 2020 Valedictorian and Salutatorian Named



Valedictorian, Savannah Vavrina:

Savannah is a member of the Germantown National Honor Society. She is the Vice President for the Class of 2020 as a senior and was Treasurer as a junior. Savannah competed on the Cross-Country team and was a senior captain.

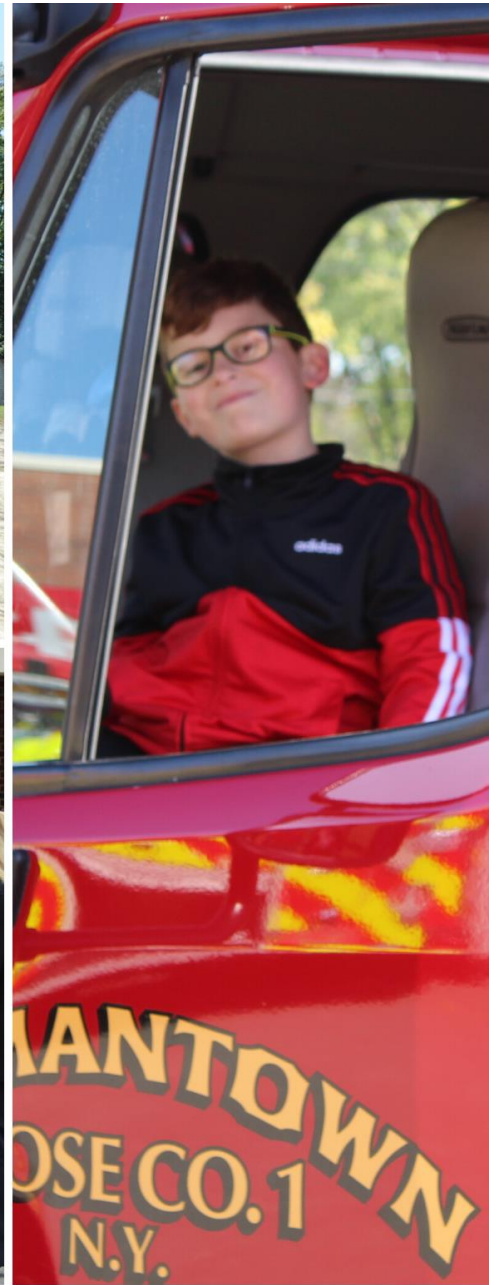
She is a member of the International Club, Drama Club, All County Jazz and the Unaccompanied Minors A Capella Group. Savannah volunteered at Sean's Run, Inaugural Germantown Library 5K, Vacation Bible School, City Missions, Relay for Life, Turkey Drop, and as a HOBY Representative. Savannah's academic achievement awards include: two-time PTSA Citizenship Award, Clarkson University Scholarship and RIT Scholarship.



Salutatorian, Kierlan Denninger:

Kierlan is a member of the Germantown National Honor Society, of which she is the Secretary. She is an active member of many Germantown extracurricular activities

including competing on the Volleyball, Basketball and Softball teams. Kierlan is a member of the Student Council, A Capella Group and Chorus. She is the Vice President of Drama Club, Vice President of Yearbook Club and Prom Queen. Kierlan is also the Secretary of the Class of 2020.



Proposed Budget Summary

Item	Description	Proposed 2020-21
General Support	Board of Education, District Central Administration, Business Administration, Finance, Legal Services, Insurance, BOCES Support	610,000
Operations	Operation of Plant, Maintenance of Plant, BOCES Support	1,339,700
Teaching-Regular School	Principals, Teachers, Support Personnel, Professional Development, Special Programs for Students (Outside of GCSD), Textbooks, Supplies, Equipment, BOCES Support	4,153,625
Special Ed., Occupational Ed., Technology, Guidance, Library, Health, Extra-Curricular	Programs/Staff for students with disabilities, BOCES Occupational Education programs, Regular Education Summer Programs, School Library, Instructional Technology, Guidance Services, Health Services, Co-Curricular Activities, Interscholastic & Athletic Programs	3,221,896
Transportation	Transportation Services for all Students who reside in the District, Fuel	926,918
Employee Benefits, Debt Service, Special Education Summer School	Retirement, Medical Insurance, Social Security, Workers' Compensation, Unemployment Insurance, Principal and Interest on Serial Bonds, District Share of Support for Special Education Summer Program	5,540,774
Total		15,792,913

Anticipated Revenues

	2020-21
Real Property Taxes (including STAR)	9,652,267
Interest & Penalties (for late payment of taxes)	20,000
Interest On Deposits	45,000
Miscellaneous Revenues	181,000
State Aid	5,049,046
Medicaid Assistance	45,000
Total Revenues and Other Sources	14,992,313

Impact on Tax Levy

Proposed 2020-21 Expenses	15,792,913
Anticipated 2020-21 Revenues	14,992,313
Use of Fund Balance	800,600
Increase in Tax Levy	3.61%
Tax Levy Increase Limit for 2020-21	3.61%



Germantown Central School District
 123 Main Street
 Germantown, N.Y. 12526

PRSR STD
 ECRWSS
 US Postage
 PAID
 EDDM Retail

Local Postal Customer

Overall Budget Proposal

	Budget Adopted 2019-20 School Year	Budget Proposed 2020-21 School Year	Contingency Budget 2020-21 School Year *
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$15,597,618	\$15,792,913	\$15,644,063
Increase/Decrease for the 2020-21 School Year		\$195,295	- \$148,850
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		1.24%	- 0.95%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		2.50%	
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$9,315,828	\$9,652,267	
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)	\$9,315,828	\$9,652,267	\$9,315,828
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$449,298	\$596,052	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$8,866,530	\$9,056,215	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E-B-F+D)	\$8,866,530	\$9,056,215	
I. Difference: G-H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval – (See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions)**	-	-	
Administrative Component	\$1,458,340	\$1,419,300	\$1,404,750
Program Component	\$12,106,500	\$12,457,763	\$12,429,463
Capital Component	\$2,032,778	\$1,915,850	\$1,809,850

* Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2020-21 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law.

**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)

Under the Budget Proposed for the 2020-21 School Year

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings \$382
 The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.

