

# GCSD 2025-26 PROPOSED BUDGET INFORMATION

## What are the Basic Financial Facts of the Budget Proposal?

Voters will be asked to decide on the Greece Central School District's 2025-26 proposed budget on May 20. Here's a look at the basic financial facts of the budget proposal.



### THE 2025-26 BUDGET TOTALS \$318,529,556

The 2025-26 budget totals \$318,529,556 and represents a budget-to-budget increase of 3.49%. This is, in part, because the district is expected to receive more than \$9 million in additional state aid next year.

### 75% OF BUDGET FUNDING GOES TO THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Supporting the educational growth of students and professional growth of staff is our number one priority and it's where we direct the majority of our tax dollars. About 75% of our budget dollars are used to support the instructional program component of the budget. This money is used for teachers, support staff, learning materials, curriculum development, supervision, support services, and professional learning.

### THE BUDGET REMAINS WITHIN THE NYS TAX LEVY CAP

For the 15th consecutive year, the budget Greece Central is proposing remains within the maximum allowable tax levy provided by New York State. That means over the last 15 years, Greece leaders have presented a budget that limits the annual growth of property taxes in compliance with the tax cap calculation. This year the estimated tax levy increase is 2.06% and again remains within the cap.

### THE TAX LEVY WILL BE USED TO DETERMINE THE TAX RATE

Due to fluctuations in property values and equalization rates, the district cannot accurately predict the tax rate or average tax bill before the school budget vote. Greece voters are being asked to approve a tax levy of \$128,072,028. The levy will be distributed among all properties in the Town of Greece with each \$1,000 of property valuation receiving an equal share of the levy. Once approved, the school tax levy cannot be increased, not even by a single dollar.

### THE PROPOSITIONS WON'T AFFECT THE TAX RATE

In addition to the budget proposal, residents will be asked to consider two propositions that continue the district's long-term vision for maintaining our bus fleet and facilities and stabilizing taxpayer costs. The first proposition seeks voter authorization to purchase 35 replacement gas or diesel buses for student transportation at an estimated aggregate cost of \$5,647,419. The second seeks authorization to create a Capital Reserve Fund, capped at \$50 million, to support future construction and renovation projects. Approval of these propositions would not affect the tax levy or tax rate.



**Please mark your calendar and vote on May 20.**

Registered voters can come to the Transportation and Support Services Facility, located at 1790 Latta Road, between 6 a.m. and 9 p.m. to cast their ballots. For more information on the 2025-26 budget, go to [greececsd.org](https://greececsd.org). Your support helps schools succeed!