

# Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School District

**2021-2022**

**Proposed Budget During  
COVID-19 Pandemic**



# Our Budget Development Focus

## Our Mission

At Gilbertsville-Mount Upton Central School, we use a trauma-sensitive approach to cultivate confident individuals with the desire to take risks, experience new opportunities, and recognize the potential within themselves.

**We are a student-centered learning community that values:**

- **A Growth Mindset**
- **Essential Skills for Career Readiness**
- **Social-Emotional Wellness**
- **Resilience**
- **Critical Thinking**
- **High Expectations**
- **Meaningful Relationships**

## Our Vision

We strive to provide an inclusive learning community that fosters life-long personal and academic growth.

# Our District Goals

## Goal 1

### **Students will show academic growth**

We want students to develop academic independence and confidence.

## Goal 2

### **Students will demonstrate personal growth**

We want students to develop social, emotional, and physical health, as well as self-awareness.

## Goal 3

### **Develop/enhance a professional collaborative culture**

We will enhance professional practices to improve student outcomes by providing training and support to ensure the effectiveness of all GMU employees.



# We Are Connecting With Our Kids





# Remember Back: District Priorities and Solutions

- Literacy:
  - \* Reduction in literacy consultant time in district
- Mathematics:
  - \* Collaboration with BOCES specialists-grades K-6 consistency
  - \* Reduction in MS/HS Math Teachers by 1 FTE
- Special Education Costs and Increased Enrollment/Needs:
  - \* Collaboration with local districts / LRE
  - \* Eliminate CSE Director and add responsibilities to Principal
- RTI (Response To Intervention) Development:
  - \* Utilize a universal screener for grades K-8
- Career Exposure for Students:
  - \* Adjust business program to include career visits & internships

# Remember Back: District Priorities and Solutions

- Decrease in Student Enrollment for Sports:
  - \* Collaboration with Unadilla Valley CSD
- Safety:
  - \* Regularly updating our security plan
  - \* Working with local law enforcement for staff & student training
- Student Healthcare/Mental Health Needs:
  - \* School-Based Health Center and System of Care Grant support
- Poverty:
  - \* Postpone application for CEP (Community Eligibility Provision) to provide free breakfast and lunch for all students
- Main Office Renovation:
  - \* Cancel use of Small Capital Project Funds to build permanent walls

# Remember Back: District Priorities and Solutions

## ➤ No Hire:

- \* Spanish Teacher
- \* PE/Health Teacher
- \* Pre-K Teacher

## ➤ Need for Additional Savings:

- \* Front Desk Employee from 12 months to 10 months
- \* Retirement of 1 FTE teacher without replacement
- \* Reduce .5 Science Teacher
- \* Reduce .5 Art Teacher
- \* No salary increase for non-represented employees (Superintendent, District Treasurer/Business Manager, Deputy Treasurer, Secretary to the Superintendent, Principal, Head Bus Driver/Supervisor, Bus Mechanic, Building and Grounds Supervisor, Food Service Manager, Speech Pathologist, Occupational Therapist, Director of Technology)



# We Are Proud To Be Raiders!





# Important Budget Considerations ...

- Look to the future ... sustainability over time (strategic planning)
- Reduce the use of Reserves and Fund Balance allocations in budget
- Employee Contractual Obligations
- Ever-changing costs for Special Education, Health Insurance, TRS & ERS
- Loss of revenue from BOCES classroom (\$12,000)
- State Aid: 3.0% (\$142,347)
- Poverty Rate of 64.84%
- \$26,000 adds 1% to the Tax Levy
- We need to address individual student learning needs

# Needs for 2021-2022 School Year

Utilize our resources post-pandemic, to continue to reimagine learning to be better than ever!

- English Teacher (in-person)
- Pre-K Teacher
- PE/Health Teacher
- Spanish Teacher
- 3 Elementary Teachers (2 Retirements and 1 due to enrollment)
- Reduction .5 Music Teacher
- 1 Cleaner (Anticipated Retirement)
- 1 Lawn Tractor (11 year replacement)
- Small Capital Outlay Project (flooring and scoreboards)



# 2021-2022 Budget Proposal

Based on Legislative Proposal

- 2020-21 Budget \$10,195,655
- 2021-22 Budget (post COVID-19) \$10,300,655

- Budget-to-Budget Increase 1.03%

- 2020-21 Tax Levy \$2,538,050
- 2021-22 Tax Levy \$2,595,150

- Tax Levy 2.25%  
(2.80%-Tax Cap)



# Historical Review

District Budget	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	Projected 2021-22
Voter Approved Budget	\$8,858,730	\$8,858,730	\$8,995,610	\$9,205,500	\$9,305,500	\$9,855,000	\$9,990,305	\$10,195,655	\$10,300,655
Budget to Budget Increase	1.16%	0.00%	1.55%	2.33%	1.09%	6.23%	1.07%	2.06%	1.03%
Tax Levy	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Actual Tax Levy	\$2,296,015	\$2,318,615	\$2,318,615	\$2,355,365	\$2,380,115	\$2,427,365	\$2,476,030	\$2,538,050	\$2,595,150
Tax Levy Increase	1.99% (2.48-cap)	.98% (2.04-cap)	.0% (2.97-cap)	.99% (1.87 cap)	1.64% (2.35 cap)	1.99% (3.11 cap)	2.00% (3.11 cap)	2.50% (3.56 cap)	2.25% (2.80 cap)



# Where does the money come from?

(Revenue Breakdown)

	2020-21	2021-22	Change
<b>FOUNDATION AID</b>	<b>\$4,744,915</b>	<b>\$4,887,262</b>	<b>\$142,347</b>
<b>EXPENSE-DRIVEN AIDS</b>			
Transportation Aid	\$639,323	\$708,328	\$69,005
Textbook/Computer/Software/Library Aid	\$32,374	\$30,953	-\$1,421
BOCES Aid	\$548,211	\$588,552	\$40,341
Excess Cost Aid	\$71,962	\$65,001	-\$6,961
Building Aid	\$1,107,320	\$1,021,909	-\$85,411
<b>OTHER REVENUES</b>			
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	\$13,500	\$13,500	0
Interest on Investments	\$1,000	\$1,000	0
Rental of Real Property	\$12,000	\$0	-\$12,000
Sale of Transportation Equipment	\$12,500	\$12,500	0
Refund of Prior Year's Expense	\$55,000	\$55,000	0
Other Unclassified Revenues	\$23,500	\$40,000	\$16,500
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$17,500	\$17,500	0
Appropriated Reserves/Fund Balance	\$378,500	\$264,000	-\$114,500
Property Tax Levy	\$2,538,050	\$2,595,150	\$57,100
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$10,195,655</b>	<b>\$10,300,655</b>	<b>\$105,000</b>



# Gilbertsville-Mount Upton CSD

- Where the **Quality** of the journey counts!
- Vote: At GMU School or Absentee Ballot
- When: May 18, 2021, 12-8 p.m.

