

# LEARNING TOGETHER

2010-2011 Budget Newsletter

## Board of Education Message

With spring well under way and the end of another school year fast approaching, this newsletter offers our community a glimpse into some of the highlights and accomplishments of the past year in each of our schools.

By the time you receive this newsletter, the Board of Education and School District Administration will have hosted a special event to recognize and honor the many volunteers from throughout our community who selflessly devote their time and efforts towards enriching the school experience for all of our students. This year, we also take the opportunity to pay tribute to the scores of individuals and organizations who literally came to the rescue during the hostage emergency of November 10, 2009.

As I arrived on the scene, joining other parents anxiously waiting near the middle/high school early that morning, the campus and surrounding area were already teeming with both volunteer and professional first responders, officials and community members who, along with local businesses, gave their very best to contribute to the positive outcome of that day. Truly, words alone cannot express our gratitude – we cannot thank them enough.

The cooperation displayed throughout that day by the community, parents, teachers and administrators continues to be a great source of pride to us all. The experience underscored the importance of community support. And it is that support of our schools which helps to sustain District programs so essential to our students' education, safety, and well-being.

The 2010-2011 budget adopted by the Board of Education has been designed to cost-effectively support and preserve these all-important programs. Please remember to vote on May 18th!

*Helene McQuade*

President, Board of Education



### BUDGET VOTE BUS PURCHASE BOARD MEMBER ELECTION

**May 18, 2010  
7:00 am - 9:00 pm**

Candidates for Election  
of 3 Board of Education  
Members

- 1) JoAnn Wolfe
- 2) Heather L. Boucher

#### 2010-2011 PROPOSED BUDGET INCREASE

**1.676%**

#### 2010-2011 ESTIMATED TAX LEVY INCREASE

**7.86%**

Under the proposed budget of \$26,869,411 the projected True Value Tax Rate for 2010-2011 is \$10.52 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

Using 2009 assessment data, a district taxpayer with a \$100,000 home would expect to pay \$1052.53 in school taxes for 2010-2011.

ABOVE CALCULATIONS USE 2009 ASSESSMENT DATA AND DISTRICT-WIDE FULL VALUE TAX RATE.

### Did You Know?

#### 85% OF TAX LEVY INCREASE NEEDED TO OFFSET STATE AID CUTS

*A proposed 16% state aid cut for Pine Plains totals nearly \$1.2 million. The adopted budget includes spending reductions of more than \$700,000 to lessen the impact to the tax levy. These spending reductions, along with a \$1 million contribution from reserves, keep Pine Plains' "new revenue" increase to less than \$230,000.*



# COLD SPRING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## SCHOOL YEAR HIGHLIGHTS:

- “Blue Ribbon School” nominee
- Respectful Discipline training
- Experimental Science labs
- Character Education: “We are Like a Box of Crayons” project
- “Hats Off to Volunteers” at Stanford Community Day
- Native American Customs and Traditions
- NYS Core Curriculum in key academic areas
- Fire Safety Program
- Good Dog Program supports students in reading skills
- CS ParentLink newsletter
- Cards to Veterans at Albany VA Medical Center
- Character Education: Diversity in the Workplace
- Cold Spring Chronicle Magazine

## JOINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL YEAR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Elementary Configuration Planning
  - FAQ Newsletters*
  - Parent Information Sessions*
  - Joint Building Leadership Team*
  - Joint Activities – SADD’s “Elementary Beach Party”*
- Arts in Education Programs
- Fire Safety Programs
- Respectful Discipline Training
- Foundations® Phonics Program
- Measures of Educational Progress Assessment Program
- Girl Scouts/Boy Scouts
- Migrant Education Program
- AUSSIE Balanced Literacy Program
- Fundraising for Local Charities and Haiti Relief

## District Congratulates Cold Spring School on “Blue Ribbon” Nomination

This fall, Cold Spring Elementary School was nominated by the United States Department of Education to be considered for designation as a Blue Ribbon School for student performance in the top ten percent on the New York State assessments. The awards will be announced in September 2010. If Cold Spring receives an award, it will be honored at a ceremony in Washington, DC, where each school will receive a plaque and flag signifying their status.

The parents, staff, faculty and administrators on the building-level planning team (BLT) support children’s academic, social and emotional achievement while in school and beyond through projects to improve student attendance, student readiness for academic success as lifelong learners, and to use data to improve performance in English language arts and mathematics.

At Cold Spring, children learn that by learning to help others, they learn about, and—ultimately help—themselves. Children “pitch in” to wrap gifts, count change, and chart funds collected, but also compare and contrast our societal and educational cultures with the children from another part of the world.

For the past four years, both Seymour Smith and Cold Spring teachers have worked with outside consultants to expand and implement a guided-reading model. K-2 teachers are piloting a new phonics program that was chosen after research and study.

In its “experimental approach” to science instruction, Cold Spring students are taught the roles of observer, recorder and interpreter of scientific data. Teachers provide extensive student writing opportunities within the area of social studies instruction. When the third-grade curriculum addresses specific geographic and cultural regions, for example, our art and music teachers, librarian, and even the



physical education teacher provide activities that relate to and support the understanding of that culture.

A technology team meets regularly to plan ways to integrate technology into all teaching and learning opportunities. Cold Spring’s K-2 writing lab includes a number of Linux-based computers. Students in this setting work together to learn, practice and review new literacy skills, and then individually access free software to further their reading and writing abilities.

“I often receive positive feedback from elementary parents on the programs we offer at both of our elementary schools,” noted Superintendent Linda Kaumeyer. “I applaud Cold Spring’s Blue Ribbon School nomination and the teamwork that continues to create a positive learning environment for students.”

## Did You Know?

### CUTS IN BUDGET = NO CUTS TO PROGRAM

Pine Plains’ budget increase of 1.67% includes over \$700,000 in expenditure reductions in all budget areas while still providing **all academic programs, all extracurricular activities and a full athletics program.** Elementary configuration and employee retirements contributed to savings.

# SEYMOUR SMITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## SCHOOL YEAR HIGHLIGHTS:

- 3rd grade Rainforest project ends with trip to Carnegie Hall
- Respectful Discipline training
- Chess Club and group chess instruction
- 2nd grade Star Gazing
- Annual Appreciation Breakfast for Transportation and Highway departments
- "Kids on the Block" gender equity program by Dutchess County Mental Health Association
- Life Touch photo registration project with National Center for Missing and Exploited Children
- High School Athletes visit 5th grade Physical Education classes
- PTA Art Show

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS UPCOMING EVENTS:

- May 13 - Combined Elementary Spring Concert at Seymour Smith
- Seymour Smith EXPO Day
- Seymour Smith Field Days
- Cold Spring Field Days
- May 2010 - NYS Testing Grades 3-5

## Elementary Drama Club Grows Fourfold Since 2004

When the Seymour Smith Drama Club began in 2004, Advisor Connie Lopez, who also serves as the school's registered professional nurse during the school day, had no idea what to expect regarding active student participation. The club's premier production was *If the Shoe Fits*, a take on the classic fairy tale *Cinderella*. To complete the casting requirements needed for this show, she assigned her fourteen actors to play more than one character and she played a small cameo role herself to round out the cast.

There was a marked increase in the number of participants for the 2005-2006 production of *The Spell of Sleeping Beauty*. With 24 active students, the club was no longer struggling to find actors to fill all of the roles.

As more students took an interest in the program for 2006-2007, Lopez decided to include third-graders along with the fourth and fifth-graders, tackling Disney's musical, *The Jungle Book*. Three additional elementary teachers volunteered to help, and a student took on the duties of stage manager. The 32 participating students had to learn to sing and dance in both solo and ensemble numbers donning "animal" masks made by teachers and parent volunteers. The Drama Club presented Disney's *101 Dalmatians* in 2008 and *Alice In Wonderland, Jr.* in 2009.

Lopez sees the elementary program working hand-in-hand with the other parts of the PPCSD drama program. "The growing numbers in our club continues to demonstrate how important this is for students as an outlet for all their creative energies," Lopez said. "It also demonstrates that to

develop a community interested in the performing arts, the performing arts must have a visible and active presence within the schools."

This year's *Willy Wonka Kids*, another Disney production, boasts 54 students participating in the production, almost four times what the group started with six years ago. The show will feature a stage full of Oompa Loopas, squirrels, grandparents and exploding blueberries. The performance will take place at the high school because it affords more room on the stage and in the wings to accommodate the extended cast. When asked about this year's participants, Lopez said, "Most importantly we have a varied group of children, all working collaboratively towards a common artistic goal. I am humbled to see what they can do with just a little focus, energy and guidance."



## Pine Plains Adopted Budget LESS THAN 2% ABOVE CONTINGENCY

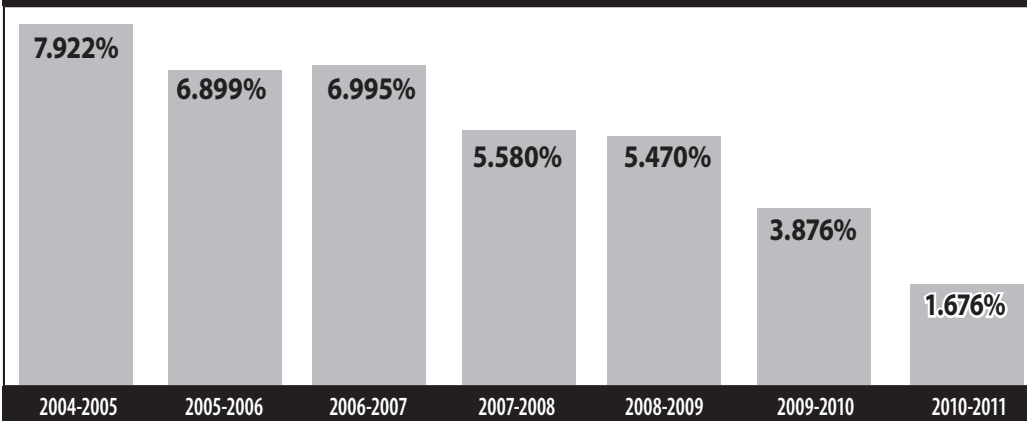
	PROPOSED BUDGET	CONTINGENCY BUDGET
Budget Increase .....	1.676%	0.00%
Tax Levy Increase .....	7.86%	6.52%

### WHAT WOULD A CONTINGENCY BUDGET MEAN TO THE DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY?

- No free public use of District buildings and facilities
- Cutback in field trips District-wide
- Reductions in athletics program
- Elimination of most equipment purchases
- Reductions in extra curricular activities and "late bus" transportation
- Reductions in elementary library and art programs
- Restrictions on purchases of student supplies
- No transfer to capital fund for state-aidable projects

## LOWEST PROPOSED BUDGET INCREASE IN SEVEN YEARS

Proposed 2010-2011 budget is less than 2% above contingency budget



# STISSING MOUNTAIN MIDDLE SCHOOL

## *Middle School Guidance Office Responds to Many Student Needs*



Stissing Mountain Middle School Guidance Counselor Tim Mahon works with students on the many issues and questions facing young adolescents as they adjust to life in secondary school, helping them to understand their choices and to make good decisions. Mahon provides this added dimension of attention and support in addition to his academic advisement responsibilities.

Mahon spends much of his day interacting with students, beginning during the two-part orientation in the sixth grade. Mahon's availability pays dividends as he

gets to know the entire student population and watches them interact with each other.

Mahon works with teacher Gail Sweeney in the "CHOICES" class to present Career Exploration and Planning, a unit designed to help students begin thinking about future courses and career paths. Students complete a survey that assesses their interests and suggests career paths and necessary educational requirements. The course touches on many other life skills including finance, health and listening skills.

Mahon also presents "Character Education" jointly with English teacher Dennis Malloy. This program focuses on social skills and adjustments. Weekly lessons concentrate on identifying different behavioral situations that students may encounter during middle school and how to respond appropriately. Malloy, who also serves as the middle school dean of students, values his close working relationship with Mahon. "Guidance is all about helping our students adjust and prepare for the future," Malloy said. "We aim to put them on the road to success."

## *Middle and High School Staff and Students Learn How to Create "Schools of Belonging"*

For the past year, the District has invited David A. Levine, a teacher and consultant who has worked with many Hudson Valley schools, to help the middle and high schools create "an emotionally-safe learning community, free from bullying, harassment, bias, racism and prejudice. When students feel important and part of the learning process, they have a better opportunity to focus on their education, creativity and expression. Levine stresses that "empathy, in its simplest form, takes place when a person's emotional response translates into a caring action."

Pine Plains faculty and staff have provided empathy education in the elementary grades for many years through the Responsive Classroom® and

Respectful Discipline programs. Levine's "School of Belonging" program now extends this training to the middle and high school. "Mr. Levine's entertaining and thoughtful programs have engaged both students and faculty," reported Assistant Superintendent Catherine Parsons.

Levine rotates among classes for a week at a time, spreading the message of empathy through interactive lessons with the students. In addition to full staff professional development sessions, Levine worked intensively with all eighth and ninth-grade students. Plans are underway to extend his in-class workshops to include the seventh-, tenth-, eleventh- and twelfth-grades.

The "School of Belonging" program builds on



Ja Ra Consulting's 2007-08 diversity training and the October 2009 Rachel's Challenge assembly and training program to create a permanent, positive culture within the District through kindness and compassion. The core values of the two programs are virtually the same: to increase empathy and respect for everyone, regardless of our differences.

## **SCHOOL YEAR HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Middle School Guidance Newsletters
- Celebration of Engineers Week sponsored by IBM
- AUSSIE Writers' Workshop
- Accelerated 7th Grade Math/Science program
- District creates laptop lab with computers donated by IBM
- "Essential Elements of Successful Middle Schools" – parents, teachers form Schools to Watch Committee
- Virtual Dissection Option in Science classes
- 6th Grade Science Projects emphasize original research
- "Hoops for Heart" fundraising
- Middle School students help plan for Teen Center at HOPP
- Middle School students participate in All-County Music Festival

## **SELECTED FIELD TRIPS:**

- King Tut museum in NYC
- Cirque de Soleil

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- May 10 – 8th Grade Field Trip – NYC King Tut Exhibit
- May 12-14 – NYS Field Tests ELA / Math
- May 14 - DWI Mock Car Crash program
- May 18 – 6th Grade Spring Concert and Art Show
- May 20 – 7th and 8th Grade Spring Concert and Art Show
- May 24-27 – 8th Grade NYS Science Test – Performance
- May 26 – Middle School Awards Night
- June 7 – 8th Grade NYS Science Test – Written



# STISSING MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL

## *Pine Plains Mock Trial Team "Arguably" the Best in Dutchess County*

The Stissing Mountain High School Mock Trial Team is no stranger to success. Under advisor and social studies teacher John Schoonmaker, the team has reached the Dutchess County finals in Poughkeepsie for the last six years, winning the title of County Champions three times, including this year's first place award.

Any high school student is welcome to join the team. Preparation requires meeting two or three times per week after school, going through the stacks of legal documents and developing legal strategies to be ready for the competition in the spring. In addition to their school advisor, students also received valuable coaching from two retired attorneys, local residents Sarah Jones and Richard Sinrod. Both volunteers brought a wealth of knowledge and experience and joined the students in their meetings several times a week.

Janna Whearty, Executive Director of the Dutchess County Bar Association, spoke about the difficulty of this year's case. "The case this year was particularly challenging. Not only did students need to understand the concept of a ponzi scheme, but they also needed to learn SEC regulations. I give the Pine Plains students tremendous credit for tackling it the way they did."

Family Court Judge Honorable Peter Forman was equally impressed with the team's efforts. "The Stissing Mountain Mock Trial Team did a superb job in winning the Dutchess County Mock Trial Competition this year," he said. "The students were fully prepared and showed a lot of poise in the courtroom."



Photo Credit: Dutchess County Bar Association

Their hard work this year qualifies them to move ahead to the regional competition that takes place in May. Students will go head-to-head against the best of six other counties for the chance to represent Pine Plains in the state championships in Albany later this year.

Student Robert Zayas, who played the role of investigator on this year's championship team, described his first experience as a participant. "At first it was overwhelming," he said, "but the actual trials were a lot of fun. It was great meeting students from other schools while you competed against them." Student Julia Mizutani earned the Ben Allen Breslow award as the most outstanding lawyer-advocate during this year's competition. For the fourth year in a row a student from Pine Plains has won this award and scholarship.

### *Did You Know?*

**Nearly 65% of Pine Plains Central School District employees are residents of the District.**

### **2010 - 2011 BUDGET PRESERVES IMPORTANT ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

- Music and Art – K-12
- Academic Intervention Services K-12
- Drama Program and Annual Musical Production
- Computer and Technology 6-12
- Advanced Foreign Language Courses
- Electives in Science, Math, Agriculture, Social Studies, Video Media
- Robotics Program – Elementary, Middle and High School Enrichment
- Interscholastic Athletics including Modified Sports and Intramurals
- Drama Program and Annual Musical Production
- Field Trips
- Monday through Thursday Late Bus
- Assemblies and other Enrichment Activities
- Implementation of District class size policy
- Teacher training and staff development
- Transfers to capital fund for voter-approved projects
- Bus replacement schedule - transportation proposition
- Necessary equipment purchases

### **SCHOOL YEAR HIGHLIGHTS:**

- FFA Livestock Judging team wins bronze at National Convention
- Dutchess County Mock Trial Competition First Place
- Math Department earns Wise Financial Literacy Certification
- Robotics in Programming Curriculum
- HS Student Artwork exhibited at Columbia-Greene CC, Maplebrook School, Northern Dutchess Hospital
- Students and Teachers Opposed to Prejudice (STOP) invite Dutchess County Human Rights Division to speak on "Human Rights in Dutchess County"
- Positive Student Referral Forms
- Character Education: Project Wisdom
- Drug Awareness Parent Night
- Pupil Assessment Team: working to keep students in school
- "First Friday" theme days
- October 27 Bullying and Harassment Awareness presentation to parents and community
- Internet Safety – Parent Awareness Night
- Stissing Theatre Guild production – Oliver!
- FFA Regional Competition at PPCSD
- Friends of Rachel activities to combat bullying and harassment
- Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD): "Tree of Life"
- Math Online Workstation for 24 hour Student Enrichment
- English 9 "Survival" based on book, *Lord of the Flies*
- Netbook computer lab available for classroom use
- Search Institute Asset Survey administered through Dutchess County Council on Addiction Prevention and Education
- SADD Mock Car Crash program
- Model UN at Vassar College
- STOP-"Day of Silence" against the pain of discrimination

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- May 10 and 11 – Ft. Ticonderoga encampment
- May 11 – Blood Drive
- May 11 – Band and Chorus Spring Concert
- May 11 and 13 – Teen Driving Program
- May 15 – Junior Prom
- May 21 – Honors Awards
- June 1 – Senior Awards Night
- June 4 – FFA Banquet
- June 5 – Stissing Loft Dance Performance
- June 26 – Class of 2010 Graduation



# ATHLETIC HIGHLIGHTS

## JOINT HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL YEAR HIGHLIGHTS:

- Ag Day and FFA Fall Festival
- 1st Annual Faculty Follies
- "The School of Belonging" Empathy Education to combat bullying and harassment and foster respect for all
- H1N1 Flu Vaccine Clinic sponsored by Dutchess County Health Department
- Empire Blue Cross/Blue Shield "Health Fair Bus" visits PPCSD
- Updated Emergency Response Plans
- "Rachel's Challenge" presentation
- Response to Intervention teacher training
- "Day of the Dead" interdisciplinary exploration of Mexican culture
- Fundraising for local charities and Haiti relief
- "Mr. Pine Plains" event for Stissing Theatre Guild
- Study Skills Survey to strengthen student study habits
- Dutchess County Sheriff's Crime Prevention Team activities
- FFA Career Development events
- Astor Services School Mental Health Collaborative

## Fall Sports

Fall teams finished a successful season with 282 athletes participating in the following sports:

- Football (Varsity and Modified)
- Field Hockey (Varsity, JV and Modified)
- Volleyball (Varsity, JV and Modified)
- Girls Soccer (Varsity and Modified)
- Boys Soccer (Varsity and Modified)
- Cross Country
- Boys Golf
- Cheerleading



## Winter Sports

Winter teams finished a successful season with 132 athletes participating in the following sports:

- Boys Basketball (Varsity, JV and Modified)
- Girls Basketball (Varsity, JV and Modified)
- Winter Track
- Cheerleading

## Spring Sports

Spring teams are working on completing a successful season with 177 athletes participating in the following sports:

- Baseball (Varsity, JV and Modified)
- Softball (Varsity, JV and Modified)
- Track
- Girls Golf
- Boys Tennis

## Fall and Winter Season Accomplishments

- Varsity Field Hockey - Section IX Class C Champions
- Varsity Volleyball - Division First Place, Second Place in Class C sectionals
- Boys Varsity Basketball - Tied for First Place in Division, 2010 Sportsmanship Award, nominated by winter basketball referees for outstanding sportsmanship.
- Winter Indoor Track - A senior track athlete participated in the NYS Indoor Track Championships in the Pole Vaulting event; Boys Indoor Track won the OCIAA Division Championship.

## Did You Know?

Pine Plains Proposed Budget for 2010-2011 preserves all current academic and extracurricular programs with the lowest budget increase in more than 7 years!

## PINE PLAINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET NOTICE

	<i>Budget Adopted for 2009-2010</i>	<i>Budget Proposed for the 2010-2011 School Year</i>	<i>Contingency Budget for the 2010-2011 School Year*</i>
<b>Total Budgeted Amount</b>	<b>\$26,426,400</b>	<b>\$26,869,411</b>	<b>\$26,426,400</b>
<b>Increase for 2010-2011 School Year</b>		<b>\$443,011</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>% Increase in each Proposed Budget</b>		<b>1.676%</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Change in the Consumer Price Index</b>		<b>-.04%</b>	
<b>Resulting Estimated Property Tax Levy for the 2010-2011 School Year</b>		<b>\$19,573,382</b>	<b>\$19,330,371</b>
<b>BUDGET COMPONENTS</b>			
<b>Administrative</b>	<b>\$3,031,474</b>	<b>\$3,105,143</b>	<b>\$3,041,343</b>
<b>Program</b>	<b>\$20,946,315</b>	<b>\$21,267,669</b>	<b>\$21,018,458</b>
<b>Capital</b>	<b>\$2,448,611</b>	<b>\$2,496,599</b>	<b>\$2,366,599</b>

\* Statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2010-2011 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated: Elimination of free public use of school buildings. Cutback in field trips District-wide. Elimination of most equipment purchases including equipment for academic and athletics programs as well as maintenance and custodial equipment. Reductions in athletics program. Reductions in extra curricular activities and "late bus" transportation. Reduction in elementary library and art programs. Limitations on purchases of student supplies. No transfer to capital fund for state-aidable projects.

### Basic STAR Exemption Impact

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings Based on a Hypothetical Home within the Pine Plains Central School District with a Full Value of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000).

	Budget Proposed for the 2010-2011 School Year
<b>Basic STAR Tax Savings</b>	<b>\$239</b>

# VOTE

## May 18, 2010



# BUS PROPOSITION - NO TAX IMPACT FOR 2010-2011

On May 18, 2010, voters will also have the opportunity to approve the purchase of several new vehicles as part of the District's ongoing vehicle replacement program. If passed, Proposition 2 will authorize the District to borrow funds to purchase two 72-passenger buses and three 22-passenger buses, which will replace vehicles being taken out of service due to age and mileage, as well as a passenger van which will enable the District to more efficiently transport smaller groups of students. Through borrowing, the cost of these vehicles will be spread over five years, beginning with the 2011-2012 budget year.

## BUS PURCHASE FINANCING



<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>\$ 374,000</b>
Less Estimated State Aid	- \$ 83,776
Plus Cost of Borrowing	\$ 16,860
<b>ESTIMATED NET LOCAL SHARE</b>	<b>\$ 307,084</b>

### Estimated Taxpayer Impact\*

Year 1 ..... Cost offset by state aid

Years 2 - 5 ..... 4.3¢ per \$1,000 of Assessed Value  
**Impact on taxpayer with \$100,000 home = \$4.30 per year**

\* Assumes town assessed at full value

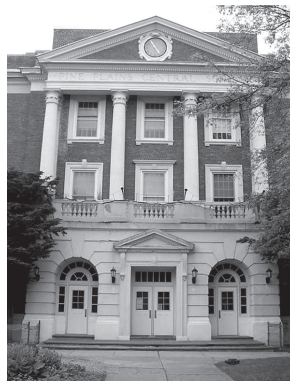
## SEYMOUR SMITH MASONRY PROJECT MOVES FORWARD

During the past several months, our pre-construction team, architects *Mosaic Associates*, structural engineers *Ryan-Biggs Associates* and construction managers *The Palombo Group*, along with District personnel, have met monthly to review and develop plans and specs for submittal to the State Education Department (SED) Office of Facilities Planning. In addition to SED approval, the historic nature of Seymour Smith Elementary required additional approval from the NYS Office of Historic Preservation. Approval for the project was received in early April.

Additional pre-construction steps included:

- Development of a detailed budget for the project in preparation for acceptance of bids from contractors
- Creation of a phasing plan and initial timeline for scheduling of work
- Publication of ads, acceptance of and review of bids
- Awarding of the bid to the lowest qualified bidder

Bids for the project were opened on April 22, 2010 and on April 27 the Pine Plains Board of Education awarded the contract to *Bast Hatfield Inc.* Preliminary work on the project is expected to begin immediately. The District looks forward to the start of actual construction work once school ends in late June.



## Budget Summary

### ADMINISTRATION 2009-2010 2010-2011

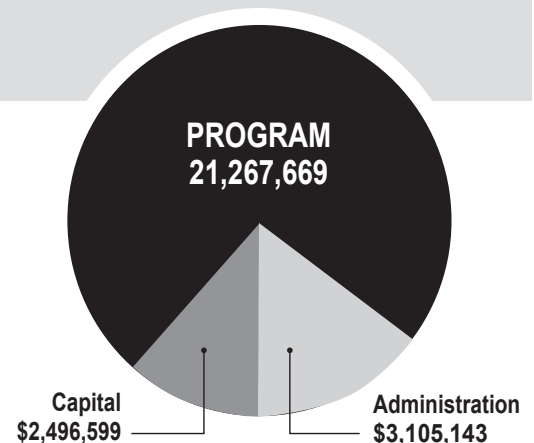
<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>\$3,031,474</b>	<b>\$3,105,143</b>
• General Support		
• Building Administration		
• Employee Benefits		

### PROGRAM 2009-2010 2010-2011

<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>\$20,946,315</b>	<b>\$21,267,669</b>
• Teaching, Regular School		
• Academic Intervention		
• Special Education		
• Occupational Education		
• Summer School		
• School Library, A/V, Computer Assisted Instruction		
• Pupil Services		
• Interscholastic Athletics and Co-curricular Activities		
• Pupil Transportation		
• Interfund Transfers		
• Employee Benefits		

### CAPITAL 2009-2010 2010-2011

<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>\$2,448,611</b>	<b>\$2,496,599</b>
• Operations and Maintenance		
• Judgments/Claims, Assessments, Tax Refunds		
• Interfund Transfers		
• Employee Benefits		



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*The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2010-2011 by the qualified voters of the Pine Plains Central School District, Dutchess and Columbia Counties, New York, will be held on Tuesday, May 18, 2010 between the hours of 7:00 am and 9:00 pm prevailing time.*

## Voters will be asked to vote on the following:

### PROPOSITION NUMBER ONE

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Pine Plains Central School District be authorized to expend the sum of \$26,869,411 for School District purposes for the 2010-2011 school year and to levy the necessary tax therefor.

### PROPOSITION NUMBER TWO - BUS PURCHASE RESOLUTION

SHALL the Board of Education of the Pine Plains Central School District, Dutchess and Columbia Counties, New York, be authorized to purchase two (2) 65-passenger or larger school buses, each at a maximum estimated cost of \$113,500 including cameras and necessary equipment, and three (3) 12-passenger or larger school buses, each at a maximum estimated cost of \$43,050, including necessary equipment, and one (1) passenger van, a maximum estimated cost of \$17,850 including necessary equipment, for an aggregate maximum estimated cost of \$374,000; and that the aggregate sum of \$374,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of said School District and collected in annual installments as provided in Section 416 of the Education Law; and in anticipation of such tax, obligations of said School District may be issued?

### ELECTION OF THREE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

The election is for three (3) members of the Board of Education: two (2) members for three-year terms commencing July 1, 2010 and ending on June 30, 2013; and one (1) member to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of a board member ending on June 30, 2011. Two candidates are running for the three seats on the Board of Education this year: JoAnn Wolfe and Heather L. Boucher. You may vote for up to three (3) candidates on May 18, 2010.

### POLLING PLACES

#### District No. 1:

All district residents of the Towns of Pine Plains, Milan, Northeast, Ancram and Gallatin (east of the Taconic State Parkway) vote at the Stissing Mountain Middle School/High School cafeteria.

#### District No. 2:

All district residents of the Towns of Stanford and Clinton vote at the Stanford Town Hall.

#### District No. 3:

All district residents of the Towns of Clermont, Livingston and Gallatin (west of the Taconic State Parkway) vote at the Elizaville Fire House.



### HAVE A QUESTION OR COMMENT?

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**May 18, 2010 • 7:00 am - 9:00 pm**

**BUDGET VOTE • BUS PURCHASE**