

VALLEY STREAM UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT THIRTY

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Dear Valley Stream 30 School Community,

Budget

The proposed 2010-11 budget with a 2.7% budget-to-budget increase and a 1.36% levy to levy increase represents the lowest budget and levy increase in the past five years. At the most current tax assessment values, the cost of the budget to the average homeowner in Valley Stream is approximately an additional three dollars a month or \$35.00 for the year. We are fortunate that, even with the lowest budget-to-budget increase in the past five years, the proposed 2010-11 budget maintains all programs, with no program cuts for students and no additions to class size.

Ed Cullen, Assistant Superintendent for Business, and I will be at the following PTA meetings to go over the budget in more detail and to answer questions and provide information. Please join us!

Clear Stream	April 15 th , 7:30 p.m.
Shaw Avenue	May 12 th , 7:30 p.m.
Forest Road	April 28 th , 7:00 p.m.

There is also a budget hearing meeting on *May 10th at 7:00 p.m.* at the Shaw Avenue Library where information regarding the Valley Stream 30 and High School District Budget will be presented.

Reminder that the **budget vote** date is **May 18th from 6 a.m. until 9:00 p.m.** at your districted elementary school building.

In order to vote on the School Budget, a qualified voter must be at least 18 years of age on the date of election, a Valley Stream 30 resident for at least 30 days and a U.S. citizen. If you are already registered with Nassau County Board of Elections, you are also registered to vote in the Valley Stream 30 school budget vote.

Anyone qualified to vote who is not currently a registered voter may register to vote on any school day between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at any elementary school office or at the District Office. On May 11th, voter registration will, additionally, take place from 4:00 -9:00 p.m. in the elementary school offices. Voter registration will also be available at the April Work Session and Board meetings, as well as at the May 10th budget hearing.

Board of Education Work Session

The next work session, for the public, will take place on Tuesday, April 20th at 8:00 p.m. in the Shaw Avenue Library. Reminder that Board of Education Work Sessions, like Board Business meetings are also open to the public. They are informative sessions where much of the information voted on at the Business Board Meeting is first presented and discussed. Members of the public, as always, are invited and encouraged to attend Board of Education Work Sessions, as well as, Board of Education Business meetings. We also often feature study sessions on various curriculum topics of interest. The next Superintendent Newsletter will provide a calendar of these topics and events. Look forward to seeing you at these meetings!

I wish everyone a good weekend! Please email (ekanas@vs30.org) or call me (285-9881, ext. 222) with any suggestions, comments, questions, etc.

Sincerely,

Elaine Kanas

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