

# YOUR VOTE MATTERS!

## CHUFSD 2022-23 BUDGET In-person Voting, MAY 17, 2022 from 6 a.m. - 9 p.m. Croton-Harmon High School

### Budget-at-a-Glance:

#### ADVANCE THE WHOLE CHILD EXPERIENCE FOR OUR STUDENTS

- Maintains all academic, athletic, and extracurricular programs
- Provides targeted learning supports to students through increasing Academic Intervention Services in English Language Arts and Math at PVC
- Increases staffing and resources to support social and emotional wellness

#### ENHANCE THE PROFESSIONAL LEARNING OF FACULTY AND STAFF MEMBERS

- Supports new part-time pedagogical coaching positions at CHHS
- Provides multi-sensory reading training for primary grade teachers at CET
- Continues participation in the RULER social-emotional learning approach at CET and PVC

#### RE-ENVISION LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

- PVC Library
- Selected instructional spaces
- Implementation of new software for interactive classroom displays
- Outdoor learning spaces

#### ENGAGE TECHNOLOGY TO SUPPORT TEACHING, LEARNING, AND INNOVATION

- Software to support enrichment and skill development in all content areas
- Supply new devices to support 1:1 initiative
- Transition from smartboard to flat-screen technologies

### Ballot:

- Proposition 1: School Budget Proposition for 2022-23 in the amount of \$52,672,111
- Proposition 2: Bus Bond Proposition: To purchase one 66-passenger electric school bus and one 20-passenger mini-bus, at an amount not to exceed \$447,800.
- Proposition 3: Capital Reserve Fund (Transportation): To enable the district to allocate excess fund balance to a new Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund in the amount of \$2 million. The creation of this reserve fund will allow the district to purchase transportation vehicles in accordance with our fleet replacement plan, and make infrastructure upgrades to our transportation department as we move toward an electric transportation fleet. This proposition will not result in additional taxes.
- Proposition 4: Repair Reserve Fund: To authorize the district to allocate up to \$100,000 from our unassigned fund balance to a Repair Reserve Fund for the purpose of funding repairs of capital improvements or equipment. This proposition will not result in additional taxes.
- Proposition 5: Croton Free Library Budget Levy in the amount of \$915,861
- Board of Education Candidate Seats: Two (2) School Board Member positions will be filled. Voters will select two trustees beginning three-year terms from July 1.

#### FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

- Proposed budget of \$52,672,111
- Balanced budget, within the Allowable Tax Levy (1.92%) and below the median proposed tax levy increase in Westchester County



#### BUDGET EFFICIENCIES:

- Reduction in contracted service providers
- Elimination of floating Nurse position
- Shifting mandated role of Chief Information Officer (CIO) from BOCES to in-district
- Reduction in special area staffing through attrition

#### POINTS OF TIGER PRIDE:

- Launching an Innovation Team of community and student representatives to ideate and plan how to further embed technology and new practices into student learning.
- Engaging faculty and staff in ongoing professional learning aligned to individual student needs and implementing a coaching model designed to innovate teaching and learning at the High School.
- Continuing the ADL's "No Place for Hate" program, along with our own, long-standing Culture of Respect Task Force.
- Prioritizing social and emotional wellness through clubs and initiatives focused on kindness, inclusion, and mental health for students at all grade levels.
- Strengthening our students' voices through an ex-officio Board of Education member, along with 26 voting



members of a Student Faculty Congress that helps inform decision making at the High School.

- Providing FLES (Foreign Language in the Elementary School) in grades K-4, with French, Spanish and Mandarin available to all students in grades 5-12.
  - Offering 19 AP classes with 44% of students enrolled in one or more; we have 86 AP scholars; 71% of our AP students earn scores of 3+.
- Engaging in an Energy Performance Contract yielding savings of more than \$1,000,000 in net revenue for school district use through the project term, and providing for the elimination of 1,100 tons of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) every year.
- Croton-Harmon High School earning the *US News & World Report* rank of 46th Best High School out of 1,266 Public High Schools in New York State in 2022.