

## Readsboro School District Informational Meeting Highlights



### Annual Meeting: Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @ 6:00pm

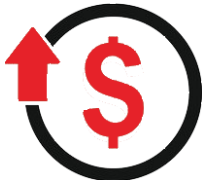
This meeting will be held at the Readsboro School Auditorium to act on Articles (VII, VIII, IX) of the 2024 Readsboro School District Annual Meeting Warning. If you are unable to attend in person, the meeting can also be accessed by the [\(GOOGLE Link\)](#) from the **Agenda** or by phone **(US) +1 267-540-8039 PIN: 471 817 716#** The meeting will then be adjourned.

### Voting Day: Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Voting on Articles (I, II, III, IV, V, VI) by Australian Ballot will take place at the Readsboro School Auditorium. For this purpose, the polls will open at 10:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.



Projected Budget Numbers	2024/2025	2023/2024
Educational Spending	\$1,702,929.00	\$1,352,128.00
Per-Pupil Cost	\$13,111.36	\$19,759.29
Equalized Tax Rate	1.342	1.277
Residential Tax Rates	1.5001	1.3206
<b>Tax Increase</b>	<b>0.1795</b>	



#### Uncontrollable items that impacted the budget and tax increases

- \* CLA % decreased from 96.66% to 89.47% causing approximately an 8% increase in taxes (which is around an \$0.11 cent increase)
- \* FY 2024/2025 Tax Rate if CLA had remained @ 96.66% = \$1.3883
- \* We lost \$60,000 in revenue from the small schools grant due to weighting calculations
- \* The SU assessment increased over \$50,000 this year
- \* Insurance premiums increased by 16.4%

### Surplus Fund Balance = \$57,354.00

There was a fund balance of \$57,354.00, which was applied in full to revenues to offset tax increases.

## **What's Going On?**

The school continues to be a warm, inviting, and happy place! This year we implemented a new reading curriculum and program under the advisement of our new curriculum director, Dr. Hart. All of our students participate in either math intervention or enrichment three days a week. With the help of our new school counselor, we are meeting the social and emotional needs of all our students.

The students and staff look forward to upcoming events such as: science night, green up day, fitness day, end of year concert and moving up ceremony.

## **A Heartfelt Thank You from the Board to all the Staff and Teachers at Readsboro**

This year we are fully staffed at Readsboro and were able to meet our students needs academically, socially, and emotionally in all areas. We are very proud of this as last year the town voiced their concerns that we were not able to do this given the prior year staffing shortages.

The Board would like to express our thanks, not only to our teachers and staff, but to our community members that continue to support the school. Thank you!!!

## **Facility Maintenance Updates**

Over the last year we have worked to maintain our school building. We have replaced faucets and soap dispensers on all restroom sinks, replaced old smoke and heat sensors throughout the building, painted hallways and restrooms, converted to all LED lighting, upgraded cameras and security, and signed a contract for a new heating system to be installed over the summer (we were awarded approximately \$100,000 grant for this purpose).

Helyn Strom-Henriksen

Cindy Florence

Jim Irace

**Readsboro School Directors**