



# Gouverneur

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## BUDGET EDITION 2026

**VOTE**  
Tuesday,  
May 19, 2026  
HS Auditorium,  
12-8 p.m.



### BUDGET AT A GLANCE:

2026-27 Proposed Budget

**\$50,483,279**

Spending Increase

**\$2,642,302/5.5%**

Tax Levy Increase

**\$144,175/2.0%**

### VOTER QUALIFICATIONS:

- US Citizen & 18 years of age
- Resident of district for at least 30 days prior to election



## Residents to vote on 2026-27 school budget, May 19, 2026

On May 19, 2026, Gouverneur residents will vote on the proposed \$50,483,279 budget for the 2026-27 school year. The proposal carries a 2.0% increase to the tax levy, which is at the levy limit.

The proposed budget supports the following long-term goals of the district:

- Bringing consistency to curriculum decisions across grade levels and providing appropriate professional development to support curriculum.
- Providing social-emotional support and academic opportunities to ensure all students are engaged and successful.
- Ensuring a continuum of special education services district-wide to support all students.

### Budget addresses district priorities

The proposed budget aligns our budgetary decisions with our vision to deliver the promise of a brighter future for our students and our community. This budget also continues to incorporate some of the positions that have been created to support our students both academically and socially. The proposed 2026-27 budget includes:

- Literacy and mathematics curriculum and professional development
- Special education programming and related support
- School psychology intern
- Increased athletic supervision
- Staffing alignment with enrollment
- Social-emotional initiatives
- Full-time tutor
- BOCES literacy coach
- Regional summer school
- BOCES college access

The proposed budget focuses on preserving strong educational programming, safe and secure environments, and extracurricular activities that our community has supported over the years.

In addition to the budget, residents will be asked to elect three members to the Board of Education. Find more information about the proposed budget and candidates online at: [www.gcsk12.org](http://www.gcsk12.org).

### ESTIMATED PROPERTY TAX RATE INCREASE = 2.0% \*

HOME VALUE:	BASIC STAR INCREASE:	ENHANCED STAR INCREASE:
\$60,000	\$6.15	\$0.00
\$100,000	\$14.35	\$2.85

\*Based on the current year's full value

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GOUVERNEUR, NEW YORK 13642

NON-PROFIT ORG.  
U.S. POSTAGE PAID  
PERMIT NO. 7  
GOUVERNEUR, NY  
13642



## Current resident

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Produced in cooperation with the Capital Region BOCES Engagement & Development Services.

## SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET NOTICE

OVERALL BUDGET PROPOSAL	Budget Adopted for the 2025-26 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2026-27 School Year	Contingent Budget for the 2026-27 School Year*
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$47,840,977	\$50,483,279	\$49,355,241
Increase/Decrease for the 2026-27 School Year		\$2,642,302	\$1,514,264
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		5.52%	3.17%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		2.63%	
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$7,208,765	\$7,352,940	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	\$0	\$0	
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable **	\$0	\$0	
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy	\$0	\$0	
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$7,208,765	\$7,352,940	\$7,208,765
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$187,548	\$151,540	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$7,021,217	\$7,201,400	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	\$7,021,217	\$7,201,400	
I. Difference: G - H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval - See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$0	\$0	
Administrative Component	\$5,764,801	\$5,508,755	\$5,478,755
Program Component	\$33,415,168	\$31,908,131	\$31,757,898
Capital Component	\$8,661,008	\$13,066,393	\$12,118,588

\* If voters do not approve the proposed 2026-27 budget within two votes, the board must adopt a contingent budget. It is anticipated that a contingent budget would include the elimination of the following expenditures: equipment and buses (\$1,106,038) and administrative expenses (\$30,000).

** List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval requirements)	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
	N/A	\$0

### Under the Budget Proposed for the 2026-27 School Year

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings <sup>1</sup>	\$360
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The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2026-27 by the qualified voters of the Gouverneur Central School District, St. Lawrence County, New York, will be held at the Gouverneur High School auditorium in said district on Tuesday, May 19, 2026, between the hours of 12 p.m. and 8 p.m., prevailing time, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

1. The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.