As we enter the 2018-2019 Budget process, Sayville School District has new challenges to face. The loss of over $400,000 in Building Aid on the revenue side of the budget will be significant. This loss in aid is the result of “older prior year capital projects” being completely aided within the last school year.

Yet, due to the District’s well-managed resources and good fiscal position, we will be able to use available one-time revenue, coupled with applying additional Fund Balance, to compensate for the Building Aid loss. Therefore, the 2018-2019 Budget draft being presented to your Board for review is a fiscally responsible budget that continues to promote sustainability of our existing programs and builds on the wonderful instructional opportunities offered to our students.

The initial draft of the 2018-2019 Proposed Budget that is being presented to the Board is $93,146,690 and represents a $2,551,937 increase or 2.82% spending increase and presents a projected tax-rate increase of only 1.97%—which is under the Calculated Tax Cap—before STAR exemptions.

While this is good news, we encourage our community residents to come out to the Budget Development meetings to become better informed about how a school budget is developed. To serve residents who cannot attend the meetings, all our Budget Presentations will be posted on the District website under the Business Office tab. Different sections of the 2018-2019 Budget will be presented at each of the Board meetings through May 2018 and leading up to the vote, so keep checking the website.

Should you have any questions on the budget or the process, please don’t hesitate to call the Business Office at 631-244-6530.

Sincerely,
John Belmonte,
Assistant Superintendent for Business
**STUDENTS RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR AMAZING CONTRIBUTIONS IN SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH:**

- **(left)** S.T.E.M. Tech students received NYIT Creativity Award for their Athletic Protection Technology project: Christopher D’Amour, James Cummings, Christopher Hichborn (not present Kristin Dietrich).

- **(right)** NYIT STEM Integration: 4th Place for Advanced Prosthetics, Project: Benjamin Scapellati (not present Keira Mizzi).

**AP SCHOLARS WITH HONORS** • received scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams: (alphabetical) Meghan Caraher, Christopher Castelli, Colleen McGrath, Keira Mizzi, Annabelle Rosenzweig, Sohum Sheth, James Velazquez, Kaitlin Weber, John Wilkens.

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**AP NATIONAL SCHOLAR** • received an average score of 4 on AP exams taken, and 4 or higher on eight or more exams: Philip Rinaldi.

**AP NATIONAL MUSICIANS** • Dea Ahlgrim, James Velazquez, not present Olivia Anderson.

**AP SCHOLARS** • received an average score of 3.25 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams: (alphabetical) Meghan Caraher, Christopher Castelli, Colleen McGrath, Keira Mizzi, Annabelle Rosenzweig, Sohum Sheth, James Velazquez, Kaitlin Weber, John Wilkens.

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NOVEMBER 8, 2017 BOE MEETING (continued) Science Research students recognized for outstanding work.

DECEMBER 7, 2017 BOE MEETING

MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY GOLD-SERVICE AWARDS FOR 2016-2017

Presented by Middle School Principal Thomas Murray, Assistant Principal Brian Decker, BOE Trustees Thomas Cooley, Norm deVenau:

GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING
- Meghan Caraher (Green’s Creek, Sayville Microbiome of Gammarus collaboration), Bettina Bonfiglio (Comparative Analysis of Preterm Birth Rates), Harrison Bench (Microhabitat Analysis of the Green Point Tidal, also Intel IFAI Honorable Mention), Sohum Sheth (Highest Honors at LI Science Congress and Honorable Mention at the Molloy College Competition), Ava McNevin (Barcoding Techniques on Lepidoptera Samples).

RECIPIENTS (alphabetical)
- Hannah Blaskiewicz, Sarah Blaskiewicz, Elizabeth Bossert, Jillian Burchard, Emma Clark, Michelle Covais, Daniel Donlan, Caterina Harris, Sarah Hinteman, Chloe Jeffares, Kayla Kane, Brenna Mattia, Kaitlyn Menze, Riley Mercorrell, Anna Meserve, Giana Morrone, Ava Catherine Niggemeier, Abigail Noack, Evan Powers, Sara Probyean, Sarah Ramsundar, Michaela Re, Angelina Sagninato, Taylor Schmittzeh, Mia Santana, Swati Sheth, Mallory Teplitz, Grace Urmaza, Paige Weber, Morgan Zane, Christopher Zender, Katherine Zender, Matthew Zender.

Presented by Athletic Director Dennis Maloney and team coaches with BOE President Keith Kolar, Vice President John Verdone, Trustee Carl Cangelosi:

JANUARY 12, 2018 BOE MEETING

PAL Football Sayville Team Holahan & Coaches for their outstanding sportsmanship: Daniel Lahmann, Francis Curry, Daniel Holahan, Dominic Franzese, Zachary Watson, Thomas Eichele, John Bivona, Lian Dowling, Travis Behm, Noah Jabour, Christopher Yonkers, Nathan Wyatt, Logan Lessing, James Erickson, Andrew Faraci.

GOLF
- Suffolk County Champions; 1st Place Finish in League V; League Tournament Champions, Overall Record 10-0 (front row, l-r) Eric Foster, Will Sukow, Nolan May, Will Neuschwender (back row, l-r) Coach Sean McLaughlin, Dean Gennosa, Matt Danielson, Sean Haselton, Brendan Smith (see page 8 for individual accomplishments).

(left) PAL Football Sayville Team Holahan & Coaches for their outstanding sportsmanship: Daniel Lahmann, Francis Curry, Daniel Holahan, Dominic Franzese, Zachary Watson, Thomas Eichele, John Bivona, Lian Dowling, Travis Behm, Noah Jabour, Christopher Yonkers, Nathan Wyatt, Logan Lessing, James Erickson, Andrew Faraci.

(right) CROSS COUNTRY: Jenna Newman • NYS Qualifier, 2nd Year All-League, All-Division, All-County (Coach Duffy).

(right) GIRLS SWIMMING & DIVING
- Megan Donnelly • All-State 200m Freestyle & 100 Butterfly, NYS Qualifier in 5 events; Kathryn Brady & Kathryn Kolar • (both) NYS Qualifier, All County; Coach Mendez-Chicas.

FENCING
- Qualified for the Fencing Junior Olympics in Memphis, TN in February 2018 Keira Mizzi, Madelyn Wagner, Justin Doucet, John Dunn (Coaches Brown and Rabinowitz).
In Our Town, Wilder’s humanistic theme to appreciate the ordinary—the here and now—is perhaps a simple idea, but the depth of understanding to play the roles convincingly and with maturity is not typical for high school students. However, the Sayville Players accomplished this feat with extraordinary heart. Director Doug Shaw had high praise for the abilities the students brought to the production. “They were awesome,” he said.
Taking a Chance with the Middle School Musical

Maybe it was a little dicey to expect Middle School students to take on a production of *Guys and Dolls*—a musical comedy about tough guys, gamblers, showgirls, and a group of missionaries appealing for reform in the 1940s. How would twenty-first century tweens be able to act in roles from an era that seriously predates them in history, language, and culture?

Quite well, apparently. Sayville Middle School’s *Guys and Dolls* was a high-energy presentation that showcased tongue-in-cheek humor, delightful character portrayals, and overall entertaining musical numbers that amazed audiences and proved that Middle School students could have enormous fun with a story about a bygone era.

The main performers along with the supporting cast of ensemble singers and dancers ensured that the favorite show tunes—*Guys and Dolls*, *If I Were a Bell*, *Take Back Your Mink*, *Havana*, *Luck Be a Lady*, *Sue Me*, *Marry the Man Today*, and especially *Sit Down You’re Rocking the Boat* (Dylan Schneider energized the dance routine with his leaps and cartwheel)—hit all the right notes.

Special thanks go to Stage Director/Choreographer Kim DuFrenoy, Musical Director Fred Diekmann, Producer/Lighting Ari Kramer, Sound Supervisor Joseph Albanese, Set Construction Pete Carbocci, parent volunteers, production managers, staff, and all the guys and dolls in the Middle School ensemble and crew. Taking a chance on this Middle School Musical production certainly paid off!
For a third time within the last eight years, Sayville School District has been placed on the College Board’s Annual AP® District Honor Roll for Significant Gains in Student Access and Success.

Sayville is one of 447 school districts in the U.S. and Canada honored this year by the College Board with placement on the 8th Annual AP® District Honor Roll. Advanced Placement is a program created and administered by the College Board which offers—within a high-school setting—standardized college-level curricula and examinations to high school students aspiring to attend college. AP courses and exams are a nationally recognized standard for many colleges and universities considering candidates for admission and are used to measure student achievement. Students who receive a score of 3 or higher on an AP® exam—demonstrating measured mastery of college-level work—can typically earn college credit and/or placement into advanced college courses.

This is Sayville’s third time on the AP Honor Roll (previously in 2011 and 2012); It is a testament to the District’s commitment to academic excellence and to the dedication of our High School students, staff, and our supportive community.

Giving all students “equity and opportunity” for a quality education has been the primary goal at Sayville High School. Participating in the nationally recognized AP program is one of several opportunities available at the High School to enhance student achievement in a competitive environment. Today, the High School continues to see growth in AP enrollments due to its expanded AP course offerings, including AP Capstone Program (available 2016) that is encouraging students with unique interests to hone their college-ready skills.

This new AP Capstone program is both a Seminar and Research course. Students enrolled in this program are given the flexibility to choose a real-world thesis topic that strongly appeals to them on an individualized level. After designing, planning, and conducting a year-long mentored, research-based investigation, they write a college-level research paper, present and orally defend their research findings and methodology. Students who earn scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research will receive the AP Seminar and Research Certificate™. Those students who earn scores of 3 or higher in AP Seminar and AP Research and on four additional AP Exams will receive the AP Capstone Diploma.

“Our District continues to strive to provide access to college and career-readiness learning opportunities for every student,” Sayville High School Principal Ron Hoffer explained. “The skill set our students will refine as a result of the challenge and rigor these college-level learning opportunities present will transcend many of their future learning endeavors.”

Both the AP course work and the AP Capstone Program give Sayville students more opportunities to choose programs that best suit their interests and abilities while preparing them to build critical-thinking skills, confidence, and the essential time-management and study skills needed for college success.

In closing, Mrs. Makris shared the above quote (see article title) noting “…that is the main tenant we’ve heard this morning. Each and every one of you—all the nominees here—you’ve all helped someone in this High School or outside…. ” Immediately, Mrs. Makris requested the nominees stand at their seats for additional applause.

After, everyone enjoyed a satisfying breakfast sponsored by the Breakfast of Champions program which was served and prepared for this special occasion by the Sayville food service workers. Additional thanks went to the technology department (Mr. Vogel and Mr. Cross) for making the plaques, and Mr. Ari Kramer and his chamber students who provided the soothing musical ambiance.

Congratulations to Eric Suydam & Devin Dolan
Sayville’s 2017 Suffolk Zone Award Recipients

Eric Suydam
GPA: 89.250
PE GPA: 100
Class Rank: 96th

Athletics
Football
Basketball
Lacrosse

Clubs & Activities:
Coach of Sayville Youth Football & Lacrosse Camps

Honors
All-Division
All-Academic Football
College: Geneseo
GPA: 92.356
PE GPA: 100
Class Rank: 36th

Athletics
Field Hockey
Basketball
Track & Field

Clubs & Activities:
History Club
Interact Club
Leadership Club
National Honor Society

Honors
All-Division
All-Academic Football
College: Undecided

The award is given annually by the New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance to one male and one female student athlete from each school district in Suffolk County. The students were selected for this award based on the following areas of exceptional achievement: physical performance, scholastic ability, and leadership, as well as community service.

Sayville Athletic Fall Season (continued)

VARSITY BOYS SOCCER
• 3rd Place League VI • Overall Record 7-4-1 • Playoff Qualifier • NYS Scholar-Athlete Team*

Kolbi Maddy All-League
David Salloum All-League
Connor Owenburg All-Conference
Andrew Braverman All-Conference
Aidan McEnery All-Conference

Michael McKillop All-League
Donald Schweikert All-League
Christian Keghlian All-Division

VARSITY GIRLS SOCCER
• 5th Place Finish in League VI • Overall Record 8-7-1 • Playoff Qualifier • NYS Scholar-Athlete Team*

Chloe Argenziano All-County
Olivia Boucher All-County
Christina O’Leary All-League

VARSITY BOYS CROSS-COUNTRY
• 2nd Place in Division Meet & 4th Overall in County Meet • Overall Record 0-3 • NYS Scholar-Athlete Team*

Michael McKillop All-League
Donald Schweikert All-League
Christian Keghlian All-Division

VARSITY GIRLS CROSS-COUNTRY
• 4th Place Finish in League VI • 3rd in Suffolk County Class B Meet • Overall Record 3-3 • NYS Scholar-Athlete Team*

Jenna Newman NYS Qualifier, All-League, All-Division, All-County
Mary Vermilyea All-League, All-Division
Phoenix Reivers All-League

FOUR CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS: Girls Volleyball-League VI Champions, Boys Golf-Suffolk County Champions, Girls Swimming-League II Champions, Football-Big 4 Champions


Saying ¡Hola! To A New Districtwide Elementary Program

Sunrise Drive may have been the first Sayville elementary school in the District to participate in the weekly language-arts program being introduced this year, but each of the three elementary schools will be experiencing one trimester of this new offering to learn Spanish. While the program offering is currently for Third-grade students, Fourth- and Fifth-grade students are able to participate in the Before-School Enrichment Club.

“The World Languages Department is excited to partner with the elementary schools this year in offering—L.A.C.E.S. (Language and Culture at the Elementary Schools),” announced Stephanie Bricker, Department chairperson.

Introducing students to the language along with the traditions and practices from Spanish-speaking countries was the goal of this fun and innovative program taught by Señora Chirichella from the High School. Señora Chirichella said, “It was a wonderful experience having the children come in not knowing much Spanish and at the end of the program have them speaking it all the time. When Sunrise had completed their trimester, the verdict is in—¡Lo pasaron de maravilla!”

¡Hola! next to Cherry and in the final trimester to the elementary students at Lincoln Avenue!
Ten out of eleven Varsity teams participated in post season play. Ten out of eleven Varsity teams received New York State Scholar Athlete Recognition* and 64% of our 251 Varsity Fall Athletes received an individual Scholar-Athlete Award.

**VARSITY BOYS GOLF**
- Suffolk County Champions
- 1st Place in League V
- League V Tournament Champions
- Overall Record 10-0

Brendan Smith NYS Qualifier, All-League, All-Conference, All-County
Sean Haselton NYS Qualifier, All-League, All-Conference, All-County
Matt Danielson All-League, All-Conference, All-County
Will Sokow All-League
Dean Genossa All-League
Eric Foster All-League
Will Neuschwender Most Improved Player

**VARSITY FOOTBALL**
- Big 4 Champions
- Playoff Qualifier
- Overall Record 6-4

James Lyons All-County, All-Academic
Jacob Greshure All-County, All-Academic
Aidan Kolar All-Division 1st Team, All-Academic, National Football Foundation Scholar Athlete Award; NYS Coaches Association Scholar Athlete Award
Max Kolar All-County
Aidan Kaler All-County
Nate Bouland All-Division 1st Team, All-Academic
Eric Suydam All-Division 1st Team, All-Academic
Noah Divinsky All-Division 2nd Team, All-Academic
Brian Jankowski All-Division 2nd Team
Brock Murtha All-Division 2nd Team

**VARSITY BOYS VOLLEYBALL**
- Division II Champions
- Suffolk County Finalist
- Playoff Qualifier
- Overall Record 9-7
- NYS Scholar-Athlete Team*

Timothy Murphy All-Division Honorable Mention
Matthew Cutolo All-Division Honorable Mention
Steven Imbrenda All-Division Honorable Mention
Gregory DeGeorge All-Division, All-Tournament
Daniel Perun All-County, All-Tournament & All-County Academic
Max Davern All-Tournament
Brandon Haus All-Tournament

*New Scholar Athlete Qualifications: 75% of entire team must have a 90 GPA or above to qualify as a team;

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**VARSITY GIRLS SWIMMING/DIVING**
- League III Champions
- 4th Place in Suffolk County Overall Record 6-1 • NYS Scholar-Athlete Team*

Megan Donnelly All-State 200m Freestyle & 100 Butterfly, NYS Qualifier in 5 events
Meghan Garaher NYS Qualifier in 4 events, All-County
Brenna Horan NYS Qualifier in 2 events, All-County
Kathryn Brady NYS Qualifier, All-County
Katie Kolar NYS Qualifier, All-County
Megan Romano All-League
Natalie Young All-League
Madison Perez All-League

**VARSITY GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**
- League VI Champions
- Playoff Qualifier
- Overall Record 16-3 • NYS Scholar-Athlete Team*

Melanie O’Hoppe All-Conference, All-County, League VI Player of the Year
Madison Mergr All-Conference, All-County Tournament
Hanna Decker All-County Academic
Jenna Harclerode All-League
Kamryn Nickdow All-League
Megan Collins All-League
Emily Abraham All-League
Kailee Muscarello Rookie of the Year, All-League

James McLoughlin • League VI JV Coach of the Year

**VARSITY GIRLS TENNIS**
- 5th Place Finish in League III
- Overall Record 6-9
- NYS Scholar-Athlete Team*

Hannah Niggeemeier All-County, All-League
Mary Madigan All-County
Bettina Bonfiglio All-League
Victoria Trotta All-League
Brooke Dubay All-League
Jenna Guerra Team Sportsmanship

**VARSITY FIELD HOCKEY**
- 8th Division III
- Overall Record 6-8 • NFHCA High School National Academic Squad • NYS Scholar-Athlete Team*

Jillian Knopp All-County
Devon Dolan All-County Honorable Mention, Suffolk Zone Award Winner
Kelly Read All-County Honorable Mention
Brianna Baldarte All-Division
Regan Hillery All-Division
Amelia Flammenhaft Unsung Hero Award, NFHCA Scholar of Distinction
Abigail Sneddon NFHCA Scholar of Distinction

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