

# THE SOMERSET HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## 2018-2019 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

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# Highlights of the Budget

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The primary objective of the 2018- 2019 budget is to enhance Curriculum & Instruction through implementation of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards and to provide professional development to support implementation of those initiatives.

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- ❑ Drug and Alcohol Prevention programs K-12
  - ❑ Implementation of Project Lead the Way, a technology program for BHS in partnership with Rowan University
  - ❑ Implementation of Authentic Vocabulary Program at BMS and BHS
  - ❑ New Digital Citizenship Course at BMS
  - ❑ New Coding Club at BES and BMS
  - ❑ Enhancing the curriculum in K-12 Arts, PE, and Health
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Other highlights include:

- ❑ Updated subscription for online teacher and student resources for Math in Focus K-5
  - ❑ On-going professional services from Teacher College Reading and Writing Program K-8
  - ❑ Summer Curriculum Projects to meet new QSAC guidelines
  - ❑ An additional full time Psychologist at the Middle School
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# Capital Projects

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The budget includes funds to:

- Provide student access to Bernardsville Shopping Center
  - Pave the parking lot between BMS and BES and other paving repairs
  - Waterproof exterior walls at BHS
  - Install new recess area at BMS
  - Replace interior doors at BMS
  - Replace Ceiling Grid and Tile at BMS
  - Replace Sink Cabinets at BES
  - Library Carpet & Copy Room Tile Replacement at BES
  - District security upgrades
  - Fund the Capital Reserve account for future projects
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# Budget Summary

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	<u>Budget 2017-2018</u>	<u>Proposed Budget 2018-2019</u>	<u>Dollar Change</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Current Expense	\$37,264,076	\$38,772,076	\$1,508,000	4.0%
Capital Outlay	<u>\$663,567</u>	<u>\$877,028</u>	<u>\$213,461</u>	32.2%
Total General Fund	\$37,927,643	\$39,649,104	\$1,721,461	4.5%
Special Revenue Fund (Grants)	\$845,207	\$845,207	\$0	0.0%
Debt Service Fund	\$3,293,350	\$3,603,739	\$310,389	9.4%
Total Expense	\$42,066,200	\$44,098,050	\$2,031,850	4.8%

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# Local Tax Levy

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	<u>2017-2018</u>	<u>2018-2019</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>	<u>% Change</u>
<b>General Fund</b>	\$30,742,912	\$31,357,770	\$614,858	2.0%
<b>Debt Service Fund</b>	\$3,054,087	\$3,403,663	\$349,576	11.4%
<b>Total Taxes</b>	\$33,796,999	\$34,761,433	\$964,434	2.9%

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# Projected Enrollment

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	<b>2017-18 Current (as of 3/21)</b>	<b>2018-19 Estimate</b>
Bedwell	583	580
Bernardsville Middle School	525	522
Bernards High School	858	869
Out of District Schools	39	33
Total District	2005	2004

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# Tax Levy By Town

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**(CALENDAR YEAR)**

**Bernardsville                      \$ 25,734,431**

**Far Hills                              \$ 1,988,770**

**Peapack-Gladstone \$ 6,556,016**

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# Estimated Tax Rate for 2018

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<b>BOROUGH</b>	<b>MEDIAN HOME VALUE</b>	<b>TAX RATE PER \$100</b>	<b>ESTIMATED SCHOOL TAX</b>
Bernardsville	\$622,000	1.147	\$7,134
Far Hills	\$959,300	0.454	\$4,355
Peapack-Gladstone	\$659,600	0.897	\$5,917

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# Tax Levy By Student

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	Calendar Year Levy	Enrollment		Levy Per Student
Bernardsville	\$25,734,430	1283		\$20,058
Far Hills	\$1,988,770	93		\$21,384
Peapack/Gladstone	\$6,556,016	320		\$20,476
	\$ 34,279,217	1696	AVG	\$20,488

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# Budget Components

