



WAPPINGERS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2019-2020 TAX RATES

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The mission of the Wappingers Central School District is to empower all of our students with the competencies and confidence to challenge themselves, to pursue their passions and to realize their potential while growing as responsible members of their community.

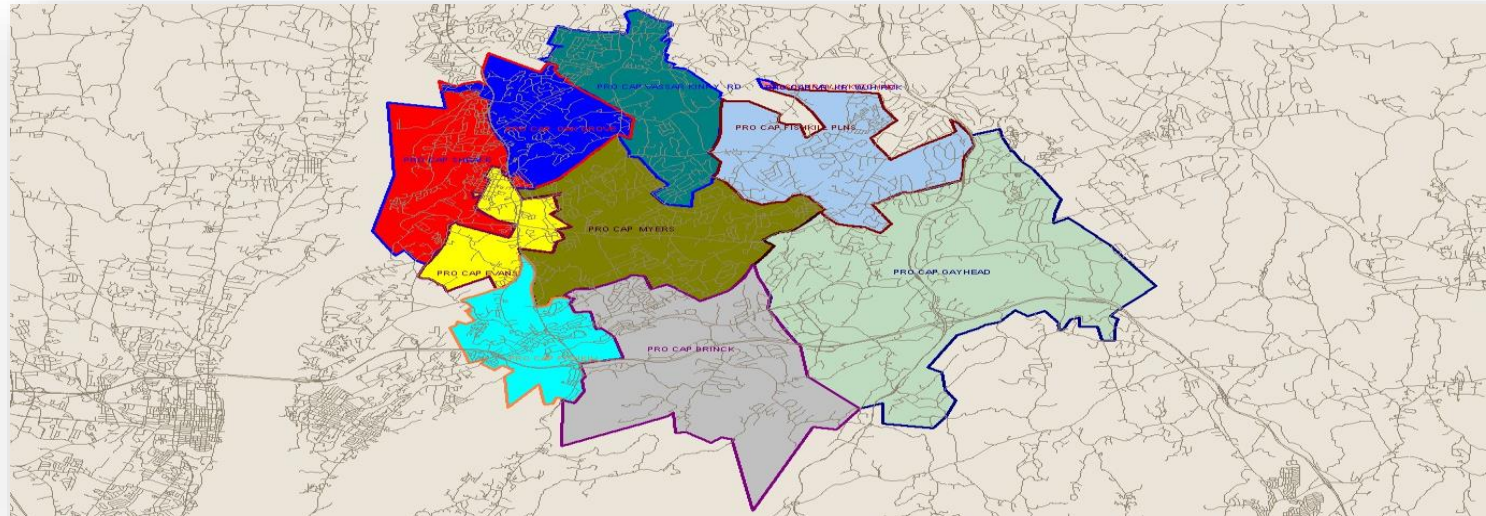
WE BELIEVE...

- ...the collaboration needed for meaningful change is built on honesty, trust and respect.*
- ...embracing diversity in all its forms enriches the human experience.*
- ...health and quality of a community are dependent on the responsible contributions of all its members.*
- ...that active and continuous learning is essential for individuals and communities to flourish.*
- ...everyone can realize their potential and when they do, both they and the community thrive.*

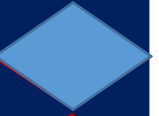


GAINING A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF SCHOOL TAX RATES

- *Assessments* are the valuation of real property including exempt properties and whether such property is subject to valuation by each Town's assessor.
- *Equalization Rates* are the percentage of full values set by NYS at which the taxable real property for a municipality is assessed.
- The *Tax Levy* is the amount received in property taxes.



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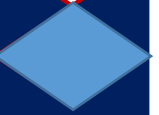
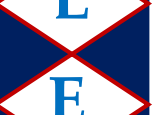
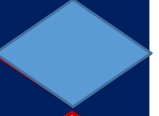




2019-2020 SCHOOL TAX RATES

- The “tax cap” applies to the tax levy – not to tax rates by town or a taxpayer’s bill
- The legislation caps the tax levy limit at 2.0% for 2019-2020
 - Exclusions for 2019-2020 – Capital Levy only
- WCS D met the requirements for STAR refunds through government efficiency plans
- WCS D participated in the County Executive’s Shared Services Panel
- Superintendent/Municipality meetings – convened quarterly
- School Budget & Tax documents available on website

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2019-2020 BOARD ADOPTED BUDGET

\$234,950,988

WITHIN THE TAX CAP



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TAX LEVY		BUDGET	
2018-2019 Approved Tax Levy	\$165,627,869	2018-2019 Approved Budget	\$231,312,631
2019-2020 Proposed Tax Levy	\$169,171,293	2019-2020 Proposed Budget	\$234,950,988
Levy to Levy in Dollar Amount	\$3,543,424	Budget to Budget in Dollar Amount	\$3,638,357
Levy to Levy in Percentage Amount	2.14%	Budget to Budget in Percentage Amount	1.57%

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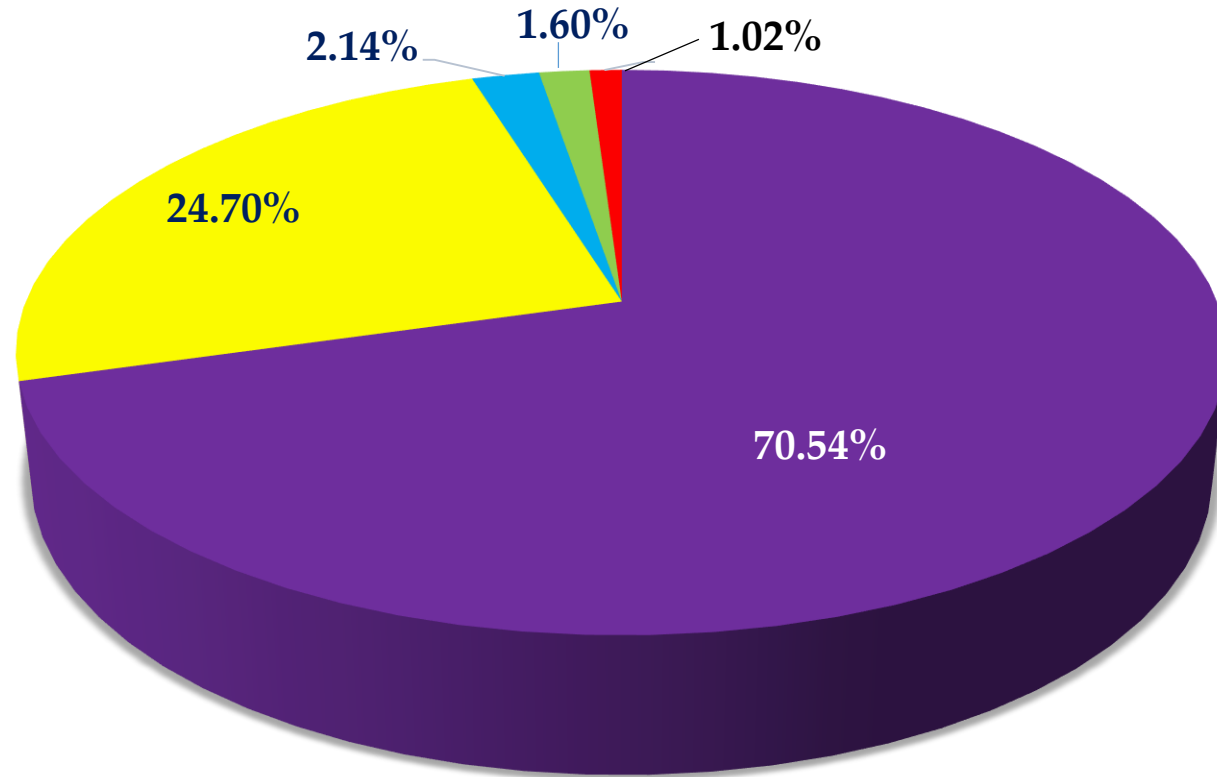
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2019-2020 REVENUE SOURCES

Board Adopted Budget
\$234,950,988



■ Tax Levy ■ State Aid ■ 2019-2020 Tax ■ Fund Balance ■ Other Revenue

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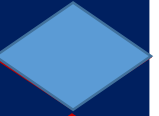
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HOW ARE SCHOOL TAXES CALCULATED?

Assessments

- Each town assessor determines the valuation of real property including exempt properties and whether such property is subject to valuation
- Clergy and firefighter exemptions remain in existence in 2019-2020
- Tax grievance day is in May for each town
- Final assessments received from each town in mid-August and broken down by Homestead & Non-Homestead



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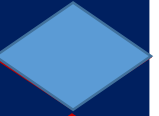


HOW ARE SCHOOL TAXES CALCULATED?

Equalization Rates

- Percentage of full values at which the taxable real property for a municipality is assessed
- Used to create uniform assessments and rates among municipalities (ie: market value = selling price)
- Finalized by the Office of Real Property Tax Services in mid-August
- All towns have rate of 100% (fully equalized) with the exception of Philipstown at 45.85% and Kent at 95.85%

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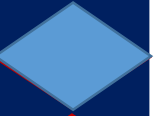


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Tax Levy

- Total amount of money to be raised by the school district after all other sources of revenue are identified
- The portion of the budget funded by property taxes
- The tax cap legislation has changed the budget process with the tax levy at the forefront of the conversations and planning
- District decision to remain within the tax cap (simple majority) or to exceed the tax cap (super majority)

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2018-2019 & 2019-2020 TAX LEVY

DUTCHESS COUNTY

2019-2020 Avg Homestead tax rate per \$1,000
\$ 16.33

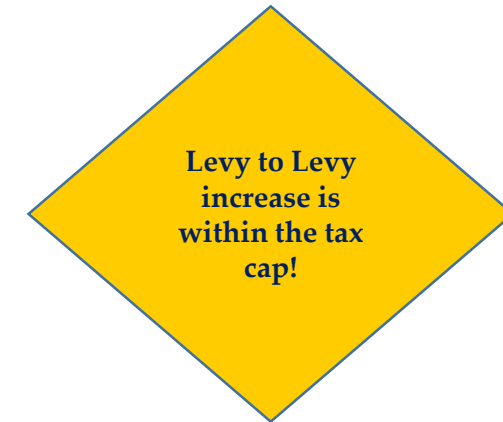
\$.31 decrease from 2018-2019

2019-2020 Avg Non-Homestead tax rate per \$1,000
\$ 22.20

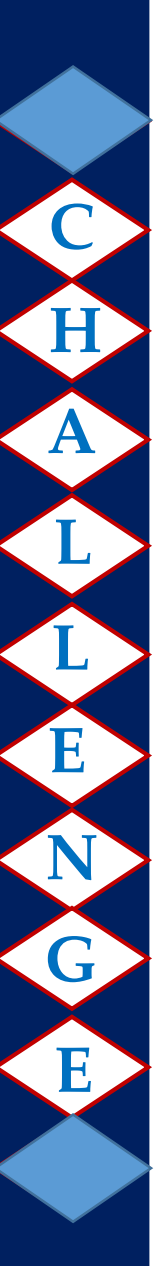
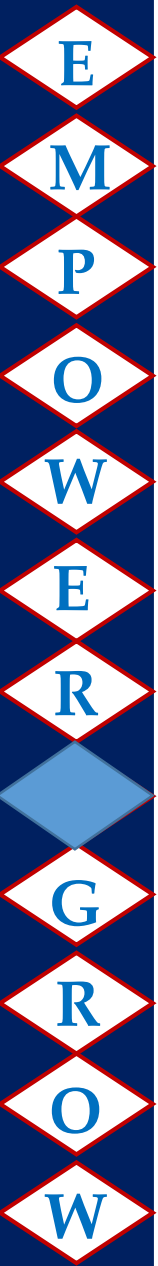
\$.53 decrease from 2018-2019

2018-2019 Approved Tax Levy	2019-2020 Approved Tax Levy
\$165,627,869	\$169,171,293
2018-2019 to 2019-2020 \$ Increase	2018-2019 to 2019-2020 % Increase
\$3,543,424	2.14%

	Levy Amount
2016-2017	\$159,426,539
2017-2018	\$160,936,353
2018-2019	\$165,627,869
2019-2020	\$169,171,293



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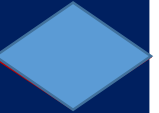


SCHOOL TAX RATES 2019-2020

- Comparison of the taxable assessed values and tax rates over recent years reflect a minimal change for homestead taxpayers (Dutchess County & inclusive of clergy and firefighter exemption) and show **stability** and **small growth**.

Town	2017-2018 Total Taxable Assessed	2018-2019 Total Taxable Assessed	2019-2020 Total Taxable Assessed	2016-2017 to 2017-2018 % Difference	2017-2018 to 2018-2019 % Difference
East Fishkill	\$2,694,537,125	\$2,754,204,782	\$2,953,902,317	2.21%	7.25%
Fishkill	\$1,154,212,083	\$1,196,483,828	\$1,238,196,430	3.66%	3.49%
LaGrange	\$98,340,915	\$99,429,990	\$101,125,207	1.11%	1.70%
Poughkeepsie	\$818,104,600	\$836,040,533	\$916,372,552	2.19%	9.61%
Wappinger	\$1,789,185,207	\$1,895,748,349	\$1,967,645,556	5.96%	3.79%

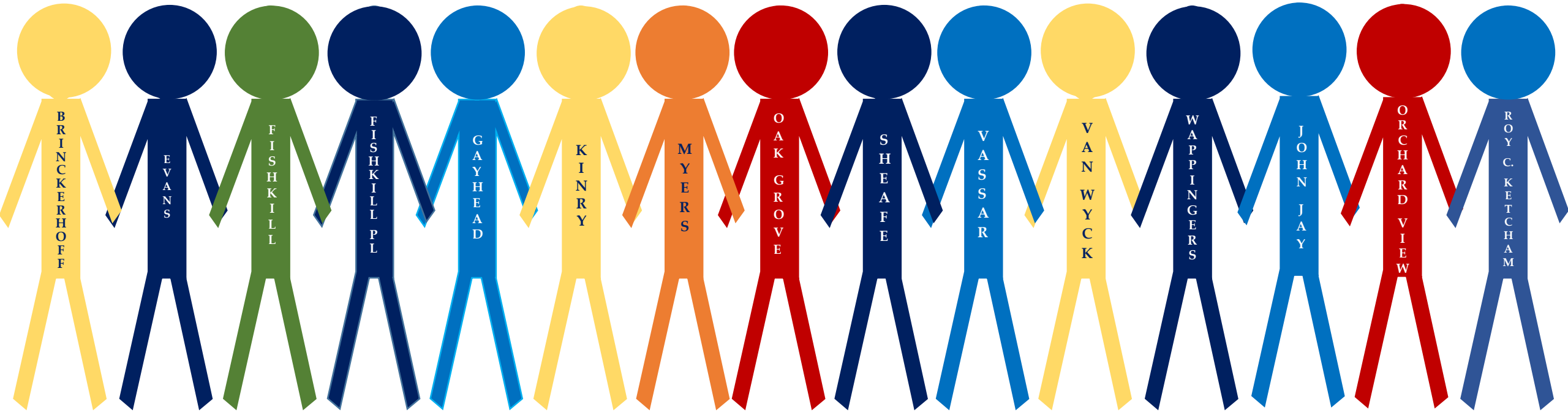
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*Working Together
for our Entire Learning Community*

Brinckerhoff • Evans • Fishkill • Fishkill Plains
• Gayhead • Kinry • Oak Grove • Myers • Sheafe • Vassar



Van Wyck • Wappingers • John Jay • Orchard View • Roy C. Ketcham



In working together as an Entire Learning Community WCSD has...

- Fiscally responsible balanced budgets consistently prepared and approved by the local community
- Solid property values by the Towns & Villages
- Consistent NYS Equalization Rates
- Minimal increases in tax levys

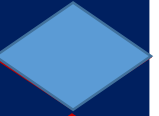
Result in.....

Stability in tax rates from year-to-year

and

the sustainability and enhancement of student programs and District infrastructure

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HISTORICAL DATA ON WCS D SCHOOL TAXES

Past School Tax Rate presentations can be viewed at:

[2018-2019 Tax Rates](#)

[2017-2018 Tax Rates](#)

[2016-2017 Tax Rates](#)

[2015-2016 Tax Rates](#)

