



Enlarged City School District



Budget 2024-2025

Cortland Enlarged City School District
January 23, 2024

Kristopher Williamson, Business Administrator



Barry Primary



Smith Intermediate



Randall Middle



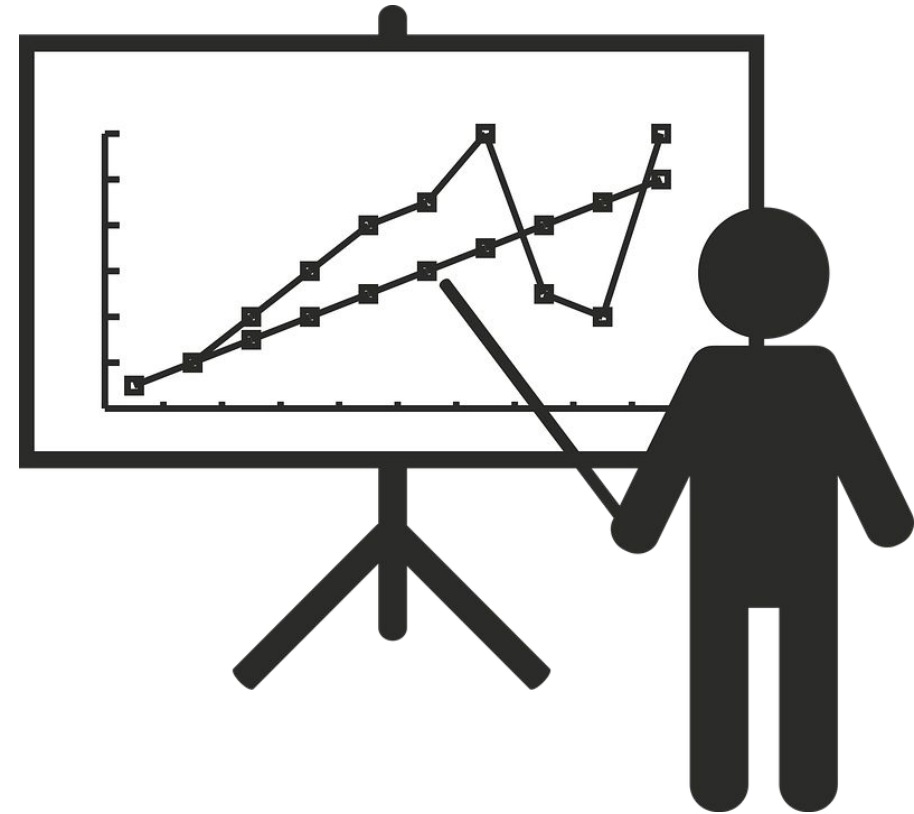
Junior High School



Cortland High School

Budget Presentation #5

- ❖ Payroll Projections
- ❖ Benefits Projections
 - Retirement Contributions
 - Health Insurance
 - Other Benefits
- ❖ Governor's Executive Budget
- ❖ Initial Revenue Projections
- ❖ Initial Expense Projections



Where are we in the budget process?

❖ Expense Projections

- All projected expenses and budget requests have been entered into the master budget spreadsheet

❖ Revenue Projections

- Initial Tax-Cap Calculations
- Initial State-Aid Calculations
- Miscellaneous Revenue - Increasing
- Reserves - None at this point

❖ Balance Expenses and Revenues until they match

- Review budget requests
- Review State-Aid projections
- Review Tax-Cap calculations

Payroll Projections

	2023-24	2024-25	Increase
❖ Contractual Salaries	\$19,997,680	\$20,982,140	\$984,460
❖ Subs/OT	\$587,900	\$619,100	\$31,200
❖ Other	<u>\$649,110</u>	<u>\$792,290</u>	<u>\$143,180</u>
TOTALS:	\$21,234,690	\$22,393,530	\$1,158,840

Note: This represents a 5.46% increase in payroll.

Retirement Projections

	2023-24	2024-25	Increase
❖ ERS ➤	13.1% of Payroll \$792,819	15.2% of Payroll \$962,111	\$169,292
❖ TRS ➤	9.76% of Payroll <u>\$1,823,335</u>	9.75-10.25% of Payroll <u>\$2,013,774</u>	<u>\$190,439</u>
TOTALS:	\$2,616,154	\$2,975,885	\$359,731

Note: This represents a 13.75% increase in retirement contributions.

Note: ERS Rate is increasing more than 2%, which allows the district to add to the tax levy formula for exclusions.

Other Benefits Projections

	2023-24	2024-25	Increase
❖ Social Security	\$1,855,100	\$1,964,100	\$109,000
❖ Worker's Comp	\$260,000	\$210,000	-\$50,000
❖ Unemployment	\$160,000	\$75,000	-\$85,000
❖ Health - Active	\$4,777,717	\$5,215,671	\$437,954
❖ Health - Retirees	\$4,169,966	\$4,520,164	\$350,198
❖ Other Benefits	<u>\$708,875</u>	<u>\$700,000</u>	<u>-\$8,875</u>
TOTALS:	\$11,931,658	\$12,684,935	\$753,277

Note: This represents a 6.31% increase in other benefits.

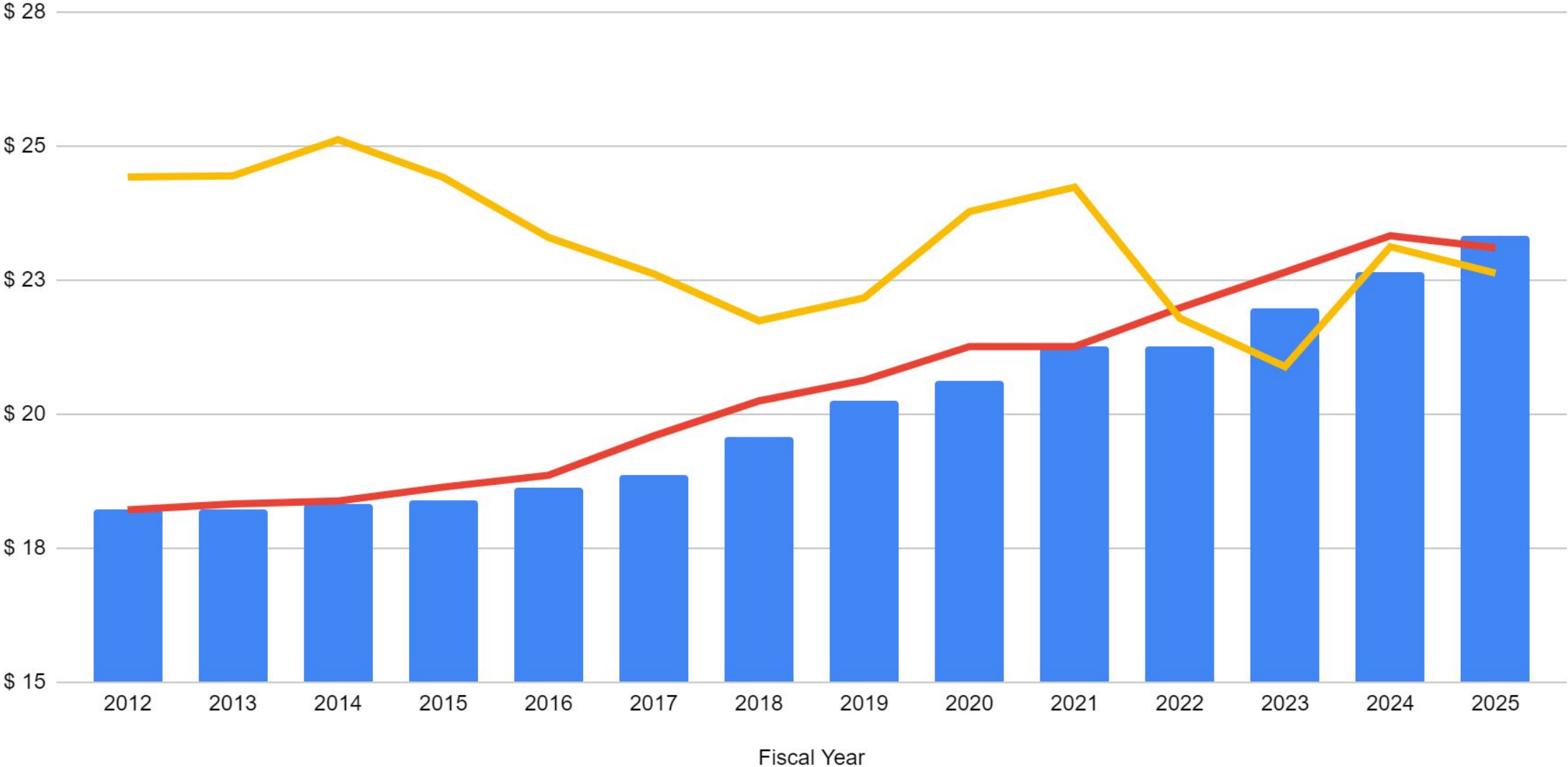
Total Payroll/Benefits Projections

	2023-24	2024-25	Increase
❖ Payroll	\$21,234,690	\$22,393,530	\$1,158,840
❖ ERS/TRS/SS	\$4,471,254	\$4,939,985	\$468,731
❖ Health Insurance	\$8,947,683	\$9,735,835	\$788,152
❖ <u>Other Benefits</u>	<u>\$1,128,875</u>	<u>\$985,000</u>	<u>-\$143,875</u>
TOTALS:	\$35,782,502	\$38,054,350	\$2,271,848

Note: This represents a 6.35% increase in total payroll and benefits.

Foundation Aid (in millions)

■ Formula Base ■ Paid ■ Full Phase-In Level



Governor's Executive Budget

	2023-24	2024-25	Increase
❖ Foundation Aid	\$23,328,075	\$23,102,363	-\$225,712
❖ Building Aid	\$3,687,703	\$4,403,340*	\$715,637
❖ Transportation Aid	\$1,571,309	\$1,643,365	\$72,056
❖ BOCES Aid	\$2,176,557	\$2,487,393	\$310,836
❖ Excess Cost Aid	\$888,599	\$844,907	-\$43,692
❖ IMA	\$206,427	\$201,578	-\$4,849
❖ <u>Other Aid</u>	<u>\$167,040</u>	<u>\$115,613</u>	<u>-\$51,427</u>
TOTALS:	\$32,025,710	\$32,798,559	\$772,849
❖ UPK Aid (F-Fund)	\$508,644	\$830,521	\$321,877

Note: Governor's Building Aid projection is \$3,687,703, which does not include aid on projects awaiting processing.

Initial Revenue Projections

	2023-24	2024-25	Increase
❖ Taxes	\$18,573,269	\$19,389,180	\$815,911
❖ PILOTs	\$165,730	\$90,682	-\$75,048
❖ State Aid	\$32,090,698	\$32,200,000	\$109,302
❖ Miscellaneous	\$935,150	\$1,077,000	\$141,850
❖ Fund Balance	\$740,000	\$500,000	-\$240,000
❖ <u>Reserves</u>	<u>\$961,195</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>-\$961,195</u>
TOTALS:	\$53,466,042	\$53,256,862	-\$209,180

*Note: State Aid includes a \$715K increase in projected Building Aid, which will be offset by additional debt service payments. **Foundation Aid projected to DECREASE by around \$250K.***

Budget Work Continues...

Current Expense Budget for FY 2025

- Projected Expenses: \$57,285,805 (7.14% increase)
- Projected Revenues: \$53,256,862 (0.39% decrease)
- **Budget Gap: \$4,028,943**
 - Context: Last year at this time, the budget gap was \$4,230,243

Another Look at Foundation Aid

- Expected for 2023-24: \$23,328,075
- Executive Budget for 2024-25: \$23,102,363
 - If 3% Hold-Harmless increase continues: \$24,027,917
 - **Difference between Executive and 3% Hold-Harmless: \$925,554**

Budget Work Continues...

Factors to be considered

- **Budget Builder requests**
 - Requests for increases: \$179,686
 - Requests for decreases: -\$76,574
 - Net Increase: \$103,112
- **BOCES Final Service Requests: Due April 5**
 - Net Increase: \$1,148,544
- **Staffing Projections: January/February work**
- **Insurance Premium Increases**
- **Utility Increases**
 - Net Increase: \$188,221
- **Tax Levy Formula: Due March 1**
- **Revised State Aid Runs**

Key Take-Aways



By Frits Ahlefeldt

- ❖ Further refinement of payroll projections are needed to narrow the projections for benefits
 - Current budget gap: **\$4,028,943** (7.03% of projected expenses)
 - Budget gap will reduce with closer analysis
- ❖ ERS, TRS, Social Security contributions are a percentage of payroll
- ❖ Governor's Executive Budget shows a **reduction in Foundation Aid**
- ❖ Revenue Budget is still being finalized

Next Steps in Budget Process

- ❖ Review Budget Builder requests and projected BOCES Services
- ❖ Tax Cap Calculation (next BOE meeting)
- ❖ Continue to update projected Revenues
- ❖ Determine if a tax levy override will be requested



Questions?

