



2018-19 Budget Highlights

1. Carries a tax levy increase of 3.75%, but **most residents will see a decrease in their overall school tax bill** due to reassessment. See <http://www.skanschools.org/districtpage.cfm?pageid=1202>) for additional information.
2. **Major cost drivers include** increases in debt service, special education costs, bus replacement plan, employee salaries and benefits, and professional learning for faculty and staff to address changes to learning standards, assessments, and student behavior.
3. **Maintains the current program** including the planned expansion of world languages, driver education, elementary STEM program including coding, music technology courses, and career and technical opportunities, and **does not require any staffing cuts** to instructional or instructional support staff.
4. Includes a \$60,000 allocation to be utilized for **improved school safety and security**. A community advisory committee is being established to guide the board and administration in determining what improvements are necessary (for additional information, please see the “School Safety and Security Action Item at <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1JmpTPDLxsQ5ATgXITr8IXCcCTwjFdTmt>)
5. Continues to **maximize state aid wherever possible to keep our overall costs down**. Utilizing BOCES for a variety of services, continuing our bus replacement plan, and continuing our annual building maintenance project are but a few examples.



For more information, please see

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