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## Upcoming events:

### April 2011

**April 27:**  
**ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTIONS - Vote!**  
1/2 Day Session.  
12:41PM Dismissal.  
Parent/Teacher Conferences:  
1:30-3:00PM and 7:00-9:00PM

### May 2011

**May 30:**  
Memorial Day. School Closed.

### June 2011

**June 7:**  
1/2 Day Session  
12:41PM Dismissal. Primary Election Day.

**June 17 & 20:**  
1/2 Day Session.  
12:41PM Dismissal.

**June 21:**  
1/2 Day Session

**D**ear Rochelle Park Taxpayers:

We continue to see the expectation for high student achievement of rigorous academic standards at the state and now national level on a daily basis. High expectations coupled with extreme fiscal constraint and accountability, education still has extraordinary challenges to face and overcome. In order to successfully accomplish this task, the Board of Education, administration, faculty and staff have worked hard to present a comprehensive, fiscally prudent budget for the 2011-2012 school year.

Although we expect a partial restoration of state aid for public education next year, we are still far below the levels of aid in the 2009-2010 school year. With additional reductions from the defeated 2010-2011 budget of \$140,000.00, the district continues to struggle to maintain all program offerings. The 2011-2012 school budget calls for a 2% increase on the tax levy, which amounts to an increase of \$76.00 per year or \$6.33 per month or \$0.21 per day on the average assessed home.



**“THE RESEARCH IS ABUNDANTLY CLEAR: NOTHING MOTIVATES A CHILD MORE THAN WHEN LEARNING IS VALUED BY SCHOOLS AND FAMILIES/COMMUNITY WORKING TOGETHER IN PARTNERSHIP.... THESE FORMS OF [PARENT] INVOLVEMENT DO NOT HAPPEN BY ACCIDENT OR EVEN BY INVITATION. THEY HAPPEN BY EXPLICIT STRATEGIC INTERVENTION.”**

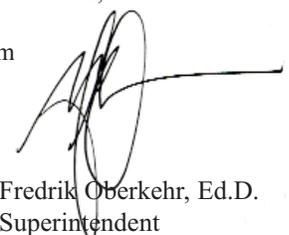
*- MICHAEL FULLAN (1997)*

In 2011-2012, the district will expand the Kindergarten and PreK+ programs to full day. We will continue to seek opportunities for shared services to reduce costs. And, we will make every effort to evaluate programs for effectiveness in meeting the needs of all learners. However, due to a declining enrollment, some programs will be reduced such as ESL and Media Services. Athletic programs will be reduced as will some extracurricular activities. The district will also reduce the number of cafeteria support personnel.

Although the 2011-2012 budget does call for an increase in the tax levy, the budget proposed for 2011-2012 reflects a decrease from the 2010-2011 budget which is less in total than the 2009-2010 budget.

You can refer to the district's website at <http://www.rp.bergen.org> to see the user friendly budget document as well as the presentation given at the Public Hearing on March 28, 2011.

Please be sure to exercise your right and vote on April 27, 2011 from 1:30pm – 9:00pm in the multipurpose room at Midland School # 1.

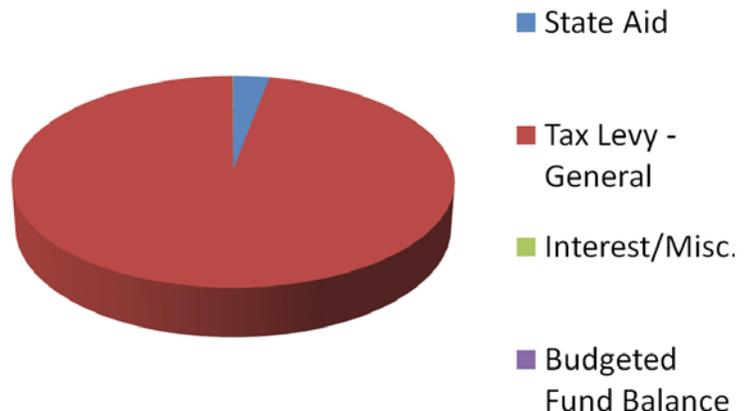


Fredrik Oberkehr, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

# Revenues

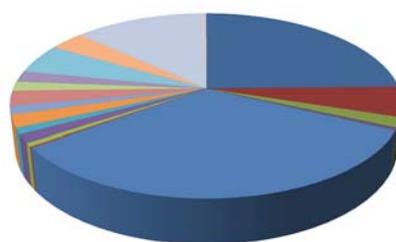
BUDGET CATEGORY	2009-2010 Audited	2010-2011 Current	2011-2012 Proposed	Change
Budgeted Fund Balance - Fund 10	\$0	\$95,192	\$0	-\$95,192
Capital Reserve Withdrawal	\$0	\$30,000	\$0	-\$30,000
Local Tax Levy - For Voter Approval	\$8,699,726	\$9,257,385	\$9,442,533	\$185,148
Interest Earned Capital Reserve	\$0	\$0	\$100	\$100
Other Restricted Miscellaneous Revenue	\$13,338	\$0	\$0	\$0
Unrestricted Miscellaneous Revenue	\$0	\$25,000	\$5,000	-\$20,000
Transportation Aid	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Special Education Aid	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
School Choice Aid	\$0	\$32,154	\$0	-\$32,154
Extraordinary Aid	\$135,596	\$0	\$0	-\$0
Consolidated Aid	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Additional Formula Aid	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Categorical Special Education Aid	\$217,036	\$187,770	\$286,833	\$99,063
Categorical Security Aid	\$30,180	\$0	\$0	\$0
Adjustment Aid	\$112,278	\$0	\$0	\$0
Categorical Transportation Aid	\$90,658	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other State Aid	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$9,298,812</b>	<b>\$9,627,501</b>	<b>\$9,734,466</b>	<b>\$106,965</b>
<b>GRANTS and ENTITLEMENTS</b>				
TITLE I	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
I.D.E.A. Part B (Handicapped)	\$128,737	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$0
Other	\$81,244	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL GRANTS and ENTITLEMENTS</b>	<b>\$209,981</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>				
Budgeted Fund Balance - Fund 40	\$2,185	\$511	\$0	-\$511
Local Tax Levy	\$276,706	\$274,262	\$276,698	\$2,436
Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE FUND</b>	<b>\$278,891</b>	<b>\$274,773</b>	<b>\$276,698</b>	<b>\$1,925</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUE/ALL SOURCES</b>	<b>\$9,787,684</b>	<b>\$9,982,274</b>	<b>\$10,091,164</b>	<b>\$108,890</b>

State Aid	\$286,833
Tax Levy - General	\$9,442,533
Interest/Misc.	\$5,100
Budgeted Fund Balance	\$0



## Expenditures

BUDGET CATEGORY	2009-2010 Audited	2010-2011 Current	2011-2012 Proposed	Change
Regular Programs - Instruction	\$2,745,308	\$2,412,281	\$2,400,269	-\$12,012
Special Education - Instruction	\$454,088	\$445,832	\$514,142	\$68,310
Basic Skills/Remedial - Instruction	\$163,387	\$166,328	\$170,042	\$3,714
Bilingual Education - Instruction	\$61,654	\$61,827	\$35,905	-\$25,922
Co-curricular Activities - Instruction	\$22,861	\$19,439	\$15,790	-\$3,649
School Sponsored Athletics	\$15,435	\$16,880	\$2,960	-\$13,920
Tuition - Regular and Special Ed.	\$2,703,222	\$2,997,390	\$3,183,237	\$185,847
Attendance and Social Work Services	\$19,690	\$20,616	\$19,885	-\$731
Health Services	\$57,764	\$58,708	\$59,745	\$1,037
Support Services Related/Extraordinary	\$237,864	\$158,737	\$141,079	-\$17,658
Guidance Services	\$109,666	\$104,203	\$101,297	-\$2,907
Child Study Team Services	\$230,766	\$221,953	\$217,144	-\$4,809
Educational Media/Library Services	\$166,679	\$154,301	\$139,369	-\$14,932
Services - General Administration	\$276,574	\$278,363	\$258,475	-\$19,888
Services - School Administration	\$160,766	\$158,907	\$162,012	\$3,105
Central Services	\$209,796	\$189,423	\$186,843	-\$2,580
Operation & Maintenance Plant Services	\$538,987	\$529,473	\$505,702	-\$23,771
Student Transportation Services	\$409,039	\$386,658	\$338,015	-\$48,643
Personnel Services - Employee Benefits	\$1,139,785	\$1,166,965	\$1,227,700	\$60,735
Food Service	\$30,296	\$16,800	\$8,568	-\$8,232
Capital Outlay	\$48,513	\$30,040	\$9,661	\$20,379
Transfer to Charter School	\$47,050	\$32,377	\$36,626	\$4,249
<b>TOTAL GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$9,849,190</b>	<b>\$9,627,501</b>	<b>\$9,734,466</b>	<b>\$106,965</b>
<b>State Grants</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Federal Grants</b>	<b>\$226,141</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>TOTAL GRANTS</b>	<b>\$226,141</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Debt Service	\$278,891	\$274,773	\$276,698	\$1,925
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$10,354,222</b>	<b>\$9,982,274</b>	<b>\$10,091,164</b>	<b>\$108,890</b>

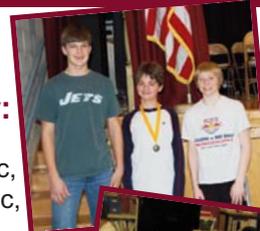


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◆ **Redefining Our Mission** ◆

Here at Midland School #1 we provide our students with an educational foundation that prepares them for successful endeavors in their futures. Here are some highlights of our 2010-2011 school year:

- ◆ All students become knowledgeable in arts and technology by participating in art, music, and computer classes. A TAG (Talented and Gifted) program is offered in art and music, both band and choral, for students who exhibit fine skills in those areas.
- ◆ Senator Weinberg visited Midland School #1 to discuss the process of how a bill becomes a law.
- ◆ The Midland School Band and Chorus performed at the Senior Center and Bristol Manor nursing home.
- ◆ To welcome the new year, students in grades 4-8 participated in two special events: the Midland School Spelling Bee and the Midland School Geography Bee.
- ◆ 7th and 8th grade students were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society.
- ◆ Midland School celebrated Youth Art Month (YAM) in March. Students' art work was displayed at the IKEA Art Show and the YAM State Art Show in Trenton, NJ.
- ◆ Midland School and the Rochelle Park Police Department work collaboratively on creating a successful DARE program for our students. Our 5th grade students were honored at our DARE Graduation for their hard work and lessons learned to live a safe and healthy lifestyle.
- ◆ Students have the opportunity to participate in a variety of sports, such as volleyball, indoor soccer, gymnastics, softball, and baseball.
- ◆ Extra curricular programs present students an excellent chance to develop skills and talents. Our diverse extra-curricular program consists of clubs such as Computer Club, Student Tutors, and Yearbook.



*Cara L. Hurd*  
Cara L. Hurd, Principal

**ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTIONS**

**April 27, 2011 1:30 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.**



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