In this newsletter you will find information on the annual district vote. On May 17, residents are asked to vote on three items:

• the 2016-17 district budget,
• one proposition,
• two candidates for the Board of Education.

Our polling place is different this year. We are voting at the St. Paul Blvd. Fire Department, just across the street from the high school.

Proposed 2016-17 District Budget: $71,181,074

Budget objectives:

• Maintain programs restored in the 2015-16 budget without breaking the tax levy cap,
• Add required personnel for full-day kindergarten, as approved by the May 2014 Promise Project vote, without breaking the tax levy cap,
• Maintain a sustainable three to five-year financial plan with the above parameters in mind.

The proposed budget continues to support the comprehensive educational program and tradition of excellence for which West Irondequoit CSD is known. In 2015 our graduation rate was 97%, the highest in Monroe County along with Pittsford CSD and Honeoye Falls-Lima CSD. During their high school career, 94% of our 2015 graduates took courses that could earn them college credit. By adding the required staff for full-day kindergarten, maintaining our programs and continuing our implementation of Response to Intervention in all classrooms, we are continuing to enhance our program of instruction.

We are mindful of our community’s financial situation. The proposed tax levy increase is 0.73%, which is our allowable tax levy cap. Because the proposed budget falls under our tax levy cap, it requires a simple majority for passage.

Our district has been supported by advocacy efforts by the Board of Education and community members to end the Gap Elimination Adjustment. Thanks to these efforts, the state has restored $737,890 in funding for next year.

Proposition

Voters are asked to reauthorize the 2004 Capital Reserve Fund which will allow us to pay for future capital projects without impacting the tax levy. See page 3 for further details.

Finally, the budget includes $100,000 to replace lockers and stair treads at Rogers Middle School. Pending State Education Department approval, the work would be done this summer.

Information regarding the vote is also available on the district Web site at www.westirondequoit.org or by calling 585-336-3067. You can also follow us on Facebook and Twitter. We’re West Irondequoit CSD.

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### Revenue

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<td>Curriculum and Supervision</td>
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<td>Instruction and Student Programs</td>
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### Proposed Tax Levy Increase: .73%
- $ per $1,000 Assessed Valuation: 0.21
- $ per $100,000 Assessed Home: $21
  (Before STAR exemptions)

### What if the budget is not approved by voters?

A simple majority vote is required for the proposed budget to be approved, as the proposal meets the acceptable tax levy threshold for West Irondequoit with a .73% tax levy increase. The Board of Education could propose one more budget for voter approval, or it could elect to adopt a contingency budget. A contingency budget cannot contain a tax levy that is greater than the levy of the previous year.
Proposed Expenditures

TOTAL BUDGET = $71,181,074

Administrative Component
$8,169,921  =  11.5% of Budget
Provides general support and management for the District
• Board of Education and superintendent’s office
• Finance, Personnel and Public Information
• Technology infrastructure
• Legal services and liability insurance
• Auditing services
• Curriculum development
• Supervision of the schools by principals and assistant principals

Capital Component
$12,220,220  =  17.2% of Budget
Maintaining the infrastructure and facilities for the District
• Upkeep of 134 acres of District property
• Maintenance of 10 schools and 6 additional buildings
• Utility bills (natural gas, electric, fuel, telephone)
• Refund of property tax claims
• Principal and interest payments on District debt for previous capital improvements

Program Component
$50,790,933  =  71.3% of Budget
Provides instruction and support services to schools
• General education faculty and staff
• Special education faculty and staff
• Co-curricular and extra-curricular programs
• Transportation
• Health services
• Guidance counselors, social workers, psychologists
• School supplies, textbooks, library books, software, instructional computers

BUDGET DETAILS
Budget figures in greater detail are available at the District Office, 321 List Avenue, at each school building and at the Irondequoit Public Library, 1290 Titus Avenue. Budget information is also available on the district’s Web site, www.westrondequoit.org.

Tax Levy
The amount of money needed to balance the budget between expenditures and all other revenue. It is the total amount of revenue raised through property taxes.

Proposition: Capital Reserve Reauthorization

• The 2004 Capital Reserve can no longer be funded as it has exceeded its 10-year authorization.
  - It allowed the District to fund projects like: the Promise Project and windows replacements without raising taxes

• The new reserve will be identical to the 2004 Capital Reserve
  - It can be funded for up to 10 years to a maximum of $10 million and will start with remaining money in the 2004 Capital Reserve.
  - A separate vote is needed to use any of the money in it.
  - It can only be used for facility improvements and repairs.
  - As with the Promise Project, a Capital Reserve will allow us to pay for future projects without impacting the tax levy.
  - Identified projects: Roofs at IHS, HVAC replacement across the District
Board of Education Candidates

Three candidates are running for two seats on the Board of Education. The seven member board is made up of community volunteers who serve three-year terms.

Brian M. Charles
52 Oakridge Drive
585-507-2993
optoeng70@gmail.com
Age: 46

Family:
Wife – Nicole Charles
Son – Nicholas Charles, WICSD Grad 2015, Southlawn, Rogers;
Son – Nathan Charles, WICSD Grad 2016, Southlawn, Rogers;
Stepdaughter – Nora VanDerMeid, Iroquois School, grade 5

Occupation:
Sr. Laboratory Engineer, University of Rochester

Education:
BS Physics, SUNY Fredonia; MA Secondary Science Ed., Teachers College Columbia University; MS Technical Entrepreneurship and Management, University of Rochester 2016

Community Involvement:
Irondequoit Soccer Club
Rochester District Youth Soccer League
Southlawn Sports/Field Day
Listwood Sports/Field Day
Parent volunteer for Rogers Outdoor Education

Candidate Statement:
I view being a member of the school board as a position of service that will allow me to utilize my strengths and give back to our community. My sons were on the receiving end of many beneficial programs led by wonderful teachers. I would like to do my best to help facilitate similar opportunities for current and future students. With only one child of school age I would have more time to give and would be honored if selected. As our district and state go through many challenges and changes, I hope to be able to provide clear critical thinking and analysis of data to make informed sound and caring decisions that will keep our district effective and strong for years to come.

Amanda R. Insalaco
700 Van Voorhis Ave.
585-330-3302
amanda.r.bowman@gmail.com
Age: 35

Family:
My husband and I are officially outnumbered, trying to raise 4 respectful, responsible and driven boys here in West Irondequoit. My oldest son is currently a junior at IHS. The next two are at Seneca School, currently in kindergarten and 2nd grade. My youngest will attend St. Kateri for preschool in the fall, but will be joining the Seneca family before we know it. We also our proud owners of our first family dog, Zoe, an energetic vizsla who can be spotted running the streets of West Irondequoit with my husband.

Occupation:
Attorney

Education:
BA, Sociology, Ithaca College (2002); J.D., University at Buffalo School of Law (2007)

Community Involvement:
Member, Monroe County Bar Association, 2008 to present
Member, Asian Pacific-Islander American Association of Greater Rochester, 2010 to present
Mentor, UB Law Student Mentor/Mentee Program 2015

Candidate Statement:
My husband is a teacher. I now have four students in my home, each of whom will graduate from IHS. I, too, graduated from IHS in 1998. Undoubtedly, this school and its reputation are very dear to me. I was a member of the Board of Education in WI from 2008 to 2011. During that time, I learned what it means to sit as an effective school board member in our community. I want this opportunity because I have the ability to bring more to the board than the average individual; I understand the importance of working collaboratively and respectfully, even when discussing differences of opinion. Being a board member provides an opportunity to educate the community - but, more than that, it’s understanding that being effective requires a balancing between being responsive to the needs of individuals/groups and understanding how that fits into our schools as a whole. I understand the importance of public education, not only in West Irondequoit, but to the success of future generations and to the sustainability of our society. We need to work together so we can ensure the educational foundation is set for future generations.
Carolyn Iman Stahl
83 Hermitage Rd.
585-244-3484
ciman@rochester.rr.com
Age: 39

Family:
Son - Joshua, Colebrook grade 2
Daughter - Amelia, Colebrook incoming kindergarten 2016

Occupation:
English Teacher

Education:
B.A. Nazareth College; M.A. SUNY Brockport

Community Involvement:
Summerville Nursery School Board Member
WICPTSA building rep
Irondequoit Blogger for Democrat and Chronicle

Candidate Statement:
I love this town. I have lived here for most of my 39 years; I graduated from IHS in 1995, and I have no plans of ever leaving. When my son started preschool in 2011, I became a member of his preschool Board. I really enjoyed taking such an active role in his educational experience, and I have yet to stop. Since then, I have been actively involved in both my children’s schools, as a Board member, PTSA member and building rep. Becoming a member of the WICSD school Board is just another way I can help be a part of making this town great for all our children.

As a veteran teacher with over 15 years of experience, I see the struggles facing schools everyday. I want to be a part of the collective conversation about the direction of public schools not just as a parent but as a professional as well.

I spent a little over a year writing a blog for the Democrat and Chronicle about my Irondequoit pride. I loved getting to know all the people who were/are working hard every single day to keep this town great.

They have inspired me to action.

Vote Date, Location and Parking
Tuesday, May 17, 2016, from 6 a.m. – 9 p.m.
St. Paul Blvd. Fire Department
433 Cooper Road

The new location will provide residents with convenient and extensive parking. The firehouse is universally accessible. If you require handicapped parking or any form of assistance, please speak to one of our security workers.

Also new this year: The Board of Elections no longer provides mechanical voting machines. We will use paper ballots and the new optical scanners you have used for other government elections.

The chicken barbecue will be held in its traditional location in front of Dake Junior High School. We invite you to stop by and support our junior and senior class parties.

NEW LOCATION!
West Irondequoit Schools Are Community Schools!

The Library at Irondequoit High School
is open to the community Monday-Thursday, 4-8 p.m., whenever school is in session. Stop by and use the computers, do research, borrow a book!

The Fitness Center at Irondequoit High School
is open to West Irondequoit residents
Spring Hours:
Monday, Wednesday, Friday / 5:15-6:15 a.m.
Monday / 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Thursday / 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Equipment includes: free weights, treadmills, ellipticals, stationary bikes, step machines, and additional upper and lower body strengthening equipment

There is no charge for current IHS students w/ID.
All other adults - $3 per visit. Visitors may also preregister and purchase a 15-visit pass for $38.

The facility will be supervised at all times, but personal training services are not available. The center is located on the first floor of Irondequoit High School and is most easily accessed from entrance #3 at the north end of the building.

Hours may vary by season, check http://bit.ly/244z4PG or call 336-3014.

WICSD Senior Citizen Gold Card Program
West Irondequoit residents who are 62 years old or better are invited to join our Gold Card Program. The card is free of charge and entitles holders to:
- Discounted fees for select Community Education courses
- The opportunity to participate in the Senior Lap Swim Program at a discounted rate
- A special invitation and free admission to select student theater performances
- A special invitation to our Senior Citizen Dinner Theater
- A special invitation and free tickets for Senior Citizen Fun Night, sponsored by the Irondequoit High School Student Council
- Free admission to regular season home sports events

Please call the Public Information Office at 336-3067 with questions about school events or the Community Education office at 336-3014 with questions concerning adult classes and opportunities.

Student Achievement Data
Information regarding the New York State Report Card containing Profile, Assessment, and Accountability Data is available at http://bit.ly/1SUqaw5

A link to this document is provided on our Web site at www.westirondequoit.org. Click on District, then on NYS Report Card. A hard copy of the report is available from the District Office at 321 List Avenue, 336-3067.

Non-discrimination Notice
The West Irondequoit Central School District does not discriminate on the basis of an individual’s actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, disability, age, sex, sexual orientation or gender identity, political affiliation, familial status, military status, veteran status, domestic violence victim status, arrest or conviction record (except as permitted by law), genetic information or any other basis prohibited by New York State and/or federal non-discrimination laws in its programs and activities. In addition, it provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated patriotic youth groups.
## Overall Budget Proposal

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<td>Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget</td>
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<td>H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E − B − F + D)</td>
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<td>I. Difference: G − H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval – See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **</td>
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* Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2016-17 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law.

The Contingent Budget is based on the proposed 2016-17 revenue sources minus any increase the tax levy, which would be held at the 2015-16 tax levy. In addition all equipment not required for health and safety will be removed.

** List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval requirements)

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**NOTE: Please submit an electronic version (Word or PDF) of this completed form to: emsclmtst@nysed.gov

**Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings**

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The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2016-2017 by the qualified voters of the West Irondequoit School District, Monroe County, New York, will be held at St. Paul Fire Hall in said district on Tuesday, May 17, 2016 between the hours of 6:00am and 9:00pm, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

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The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.

**The Quote**
West Irondequoit Schools has instituted a text messaging system that allows students and community members to report unsafe situations on our campuses to our security staff.

If you observe an activity or a condition that is unsafe, but doesn’t necessitate a call to the police, you can immediately alert our security staff by texting wisecurity to 74700 on your cell phone. You will receive a text back, asking for the location and details of your concern. A staff member will investigate and may respond with further questions.

Please remember this is not a substitute for calling 911. If the situation involves an injury or a crime in progress, please call 911.

Put this number in your address book today!
Promise Project Update

The Promise Project was authorized by voters in May 2014 and, after plan approval by the State Education Department, construction began in the summer of 2015.

Over the summer, the running track was resurfaced, new “carpet” was installed on the Gordon Allen Field and several sections of the Dake Junior High School roof were replaced. New dust collection systems were installed in the technology classrooms at both Dake Junior High and Irondequoit High School and new padding was added to the high school gym.

This fall, we broke ground on the five additions to our K-3 buildings to support full-day kindergarten. We are constructing classrooms at Briarwood, Brookview, Colebrook, Listwood and Rogers. (Fourth grade classrooms will shift into the new addition, making room for the kindergarten classroom on the Southlawn side of the building.)

Seneca School will utilize existing space for an additional kindergarten classroom; renovations will take place this summer. In addition, the foundation of Seneca School will be waterproofed. Due to the amount of work being done on the small campus, Seneca School and the playground will be closed this summer.

All classrooms will be furnished and ready for our first class of full-day kindergarten students in September!

The project is being financed using the 2004 Capital Reserve Fund and money bonded for the project. State aid will cover bond payments, resulting in no additional cost to taxpayers.

Above: All of our new classrooms will be ready when for a full-day kindergarten program in September 2016.

Left: The track and the Gordon Allen Field on central campus reopened for the 2015 fall athletic season. Residents are welcome to use the track, weather permitting, dawn to dusk, whenever it is not being used by classes and teams. Please, to preserve our new surface – no wheels or pets on the track!
Current Snapshot of West Irondequoit Schools

The Center for American Progress has released a study that “…measures the academic achievement a school district produces relative to its educational spending, while controlling for factors outside a district’s control, such as cost of living and students in poverty.”

West Irondequoit earns a top spot in Monroe County, April 2011.

Iroquois Middle School named a Blue Ribbon School – U.S. Dept. of Education, 2012

Top 7 Rochester Area School Districts (of 67 area districts) - Business First magazine
97% Graduation Rate (Total 2011 West Irondequoit Cohort/Class of 2015)
   98% Regents Diplomas Awarded (5 Regents Courses/Exams)
   71% Advanced Regents Diplomas Awarded (9 Regents Courses/Exams)
94% of Class of 2015 graduates accessed college coursework during their high school career
20 Advanced Placement Courses offered
   72% Mastery 2015 (College Credit Possible)   686 AP Tests Written 2015
Top 7 Dake Junior High Academic Rating (of 99 area Middle/Jr. High Schools–Business First magazine)
3 of 8 elementary schools are in top 10 of 161 area elementary schools rated by Business First
Top 5 Monroe County Schools 2015 Mastery and Proficiency Rate ELA Exam Gr. 3, 5, 6; Math Gr. 3, 4, 6
6 Neighborhood K-3 Buildings (average student enrollment of 167)
6 Languages Other Than English ... French, German, Italian, Spanish, Latin-Level 3, 4, 5 advanced
IHS offers Japanese as the world language elective this year.
15 Art Courses Offered (Grades 9-12)
5 Project Lead The Way/Engineering Courses Offered (initiated 1997)
4 Major Dramatic Presentations per Year (Grades 7-12)
Recognized One of “Best Communities for Music Education in America” (15 of 17 Past Years)
10 Participants in International Model U.N. at The Hague (since 1990)
11 National Medalists in various DECA Business Competitions
20 Teams in Odyssey of the Mind Competition

PTSA Supportive partnerships in all 10 school buildings.
Seventh Consecutive Year - a WISE BLUE-STAR High School for Student Financial Literacy
Numerous Scholar/Athlete, Sportsmanship and Sectional Recognitions
First District Based Nature Center in Monroe County (Helmer Nature Center)
$250,000 Three-year total donation to STEM education by West Irondequoit Foundation and Farash Grants
All District Facilities Rebuilt or Renovated 1999-2009 (Fixed Rate Mortgage Thru 2018)
Full Day K Begins in September 2016 - Promise Project approved by voters in May 2014
Lowest 10 Year Average Tax Levy Increase lowest in Monroe County (1.98% 2006-07 to 2015-16)

We believe that each child … belongs to all of us.

April 2016
### West Irondequoit CSD
#### 2016-17 School Calendar

**Faculty Orientation/Prof. Dev. Day**

**First Day for Students**

**Holiday/Recess**

**Local/Regents Exams**

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**Approved by the Board of Education: 03-03-16**

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**Faculty Days: 187**  **Student Days: 183**
**Tune in to Irondequoit TV**

A video of a presentation of the proposed budget is available on our Web site and will air on ICAT at the following times:

- Monday @ 9:00 p.m.
- Tuesday @ 6:00 p.m.
- Wednesday @ 3 p.m. & 9:00 p.m.
- Thursday @ 6:00 p.m.
- Friday @ 9:00 p.m.

**Chicken Barbecue**

**VOTE DAY – May 17 – 3:30 until gone**

Central Campus – Between Dake and IHS

$13 dinner includes:
- Half chicken
- Two homemade sides
- Fresh baked cornbread

Catering provided by Sticky Lips BBQ. Proceeds benefit the Junior and Senior Class Substance Free Parties.

**VOTER QUALIFICATIONS**

You are eligible to vote if you are a U.S. citizen; you have lived in the West Irondequoit School District for at least 30 days prior to the vote; you are at least 18 years of age by the day of the vote. The West Irondequoit Board of Education requires proof of residency at the polls. Examples include a driver’s license or other documentation proving residence in West Irondequoit.

**ABSENTEE BALLOTS**

West Irondequoit residents, who qualify, can vote on the annual budget and board election by absentee ballot. Residents unable to vote in person because of disabilities, illness, travel or other valid reasons listed under election law, may request an application for an absentee ballot in person weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. from District Clerk Patricia Kelly, District Office, 321 List Avenue, Rochester, NY 14617. The application is also available on the district Web site at www.westirondequoit.org. Completed applications must be received in the district clerk’s office at least 7 days before the vote (May 10) if ballot is to be mailed, or by 4:30 p.m. the day prior to the vote (May 16) if ballot is to be delivered in person. Absentee ballots must be received by the district clerk no later than 5 p.m. on May 17.