



Port Jefferson

School District

Tradition, Excellence, Pride



Board of Education

2026-2027 School Year Budget – Second Draft

March 10, 2026



- ❑ Preservation- Maintain the full complement of our educational opportunities while repairing necessary infrastructure.
- ❑ Optimization- Examine enrollment, staffing and systems to maximize efficiencies and identify areas for improvement.
- ❑ Discipline- Approach new expenditures with precision and careful planning.



Fiscal Points of Pride

- ❑ Port Jefferson UFSD has one of the lowest school tax rates in the Town of Brookhaven.
- ❑ Port Jefferson UFSD has \$0 in capital debt.
- ❑ Port Jefferson UFSD has received audits without findings in successive years.
- ❑ Port Jefferson UFSD had modernized its technology, equipment, and vehicle fleet by utilizing a annual cycle of replacement while remaining within the NYS tax cap.
- ❑ Port Jefferson UFSD utilized \$5,100,000 of Reserves for CVA Settlement.
- ❑ Port Jefferson UFSD generated new sources of revenue through rental of classroom space to Eastern Suffolk BOCES.
- ❑ Port Jefferson UFSD received a high credit rating from Moody's which impacts borrowing rates.



Assessed Value Glide Path

Town of Brookhaven/LIPA Settlement

Reduction in Plant Assessed Value for Port Jefferson School District

| | | |
|---------------------|---|--------|
| 2019/2020 (3% + 3%) | 1 | 6.00% |
| 2020/2021 | 3 | 3.50% |
| 2021/2022 | 4 | 3.50% |
| 2022/2023 | 5 | 5.50% |
| 2023/2024 | 6 | 7.50% |
| 2024/2025 | 7 | 7.50% |
| 2025/2026 | 8 | 8.25% |
| 2026/2027 | 9 | 8.25% |
| | | 50.00% |

The Settlement (Town and LIPA)

LIPA and the Town of Brookhaven settled the tax grievance

Their settlement was a reduction on payments for LIPA of 50% over 9 years

This will be accomplished with a legal settlement to annually reach certain financial milestones with LIPA

Impact on Port Jefferson School District

There will be a 50% reduction of assessed value of the Port Jefferson plant over 8 years starting in 2019/2020



Draft #2 Budget

| | | |
|---|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 2025-26 Budget | \$ 49,406,575 | |
| 2026-27 Draft 2 Budget | \$ 51,272,781 | |
| Budget Increase | \$ 1,866,206 | |
| | 3.38% | (Budget to Budget) |
| 2025-26 Tax Levy | \$ 40,538,285 | |
| 2026-27 Estimated Levy | \$ 41,343,171 | |
| Levy Increase | \$ 804,886 | |
| Levy Increase | 1.99% | |
| 2026-2027 Estimated Revenue Budget | \$ 50,687,781 | |
| Budget Shortfall | \$ 585,000 | |



Revenue

Second Draft

Summary of Estimated Revenues 2026-27 Budget

| ITEM | Budget | Proposed Budget | Difference | |
|--|---------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 2025-26 | 2026-27 | \$ | % |
| Proposed Budget (A) | 49,406,575 | 50,687,781 | 1,281,206 | 2.59% |
| State Aid Projection (B) | 4,011,156 | 4,212,995 | 201,839 | 5.03% |
| Other Revenue | | | | |
| Deficit | 0 | | 0 | n/a |
| Tuition | 150,000 | 150,000 | 0 | 0.00% |
| Interest Income | 650,000 | 550,000 | (100,000) | -15.38% |
| Rentals (Spring Street Lease expires June, 2027) | 525,000 | 572,000 | 47,000 | 8.95% |
| Rentals - Elementary | 271,000 | 250,000 | (21,000) | -7.75% |
| Rentals - Other | 5,000 | 0 | (5,000) | -100.00% |
| Pilot LIPA - Peaker Plant - 2027/2028 | 1,759,512 | 1,872,048 | 112,536 | 6.40% |
| Pilot Shipyard - 2031/2032 | 26,115 | 26,637 | 522 | 2.00% |
| Pilot Cappys - 2030/2031 | 78,909 | 80,487 | 1,578 | 2.00% |
| Pilot Overbay - 2034/2035 | 43,953 | 49,804 | 5,851 | 13.31% |
| Pilot Lobsterhouse 2035/2036 | 29,645 | 34,558 | 4,913 | 16.57% |
| Miscellaneous | 268,000 | 260,701 | (7,299) | -2.72% |
| Use of Debt Service Reserve | 0 | 85,380 | 85,380 | n/a |
| Use of ERS Reserve | 200,000 | 200,000 | 0 | 0.00% |
| Use of Compensated Absence Reserve | 300,000 | 300,000 | 0 | 0.00% |
| Use of Undesignated 4% Reserve | 500,000 | 650,000 | 150,000 | 30.00% |
| Use of Workers Comp Reserve | 50,000 | 50,000 | 0 | 0.00% |
| Total Other Revenues (C) | 4,857,134 | 5,131,615 | 274,481 | 5.65% |
| Total Non Tax Levy Revenues (B + C) | 8,868,290 | 9,344,610 | 476,320 | 5.37% |
| Tax Levy Revenues Required (A-B-C) | 40,538,285 | 41,343,171 | 804,886 | 1.99% |
| Total Assessed Valuation | 18,845,386 | 17,955,703 | (889,683) | -4.72% |
| Projected Tax Rate | 215.11 | 230.25 | 15.14 | 7.04% |

** To reach Proposed Budget, a \$585,000 reduction in Expenses or an increase in Revenues is needed.**

Reduction in Assessed Value based upon LIPA Reduction

To reach Proposed Budget, a reduction in expenses or an increase in revenue is needed.



2026-2027 Budget Assumptions

KNOWN

- Medical Insurance - 10% Increase - July-December -As set by NYSHIP
- District Liability Insurance - 14% Increase
- Teachers Retirement System -8.24% - As set by TRS
- Utilities - 3% Increase - As set by Market
- BOCES Transportation - 2.5% Increase - As set by Suffolk BOCES
- BOCES Services - 2.5% Increase - As set by Suffolk BOCES
- Dental Insurance 0% - As set by JJ Stanis
- Supplies/Contractual- 0%
- CVA BAN costs are not additions to the tax cap. These BAN and bond costs do not impact the tax rate.

UNKNOWN

- Final State Aid- Current estimate using the Governor's proposed budget figures.
- Final Tax Cap - Current estimate 1.99%
- Transportation -12% Increase is estimated while contract is out for Request for Proposals (RFP)
- Medical Insurance - January - June 2026 - As set by NYSHIP
- Total Staff Retirements & Recalls- To date - 5 teachers and 1 paraprofessional
- Long Term Future of LIPA Main Plant and LIPA Peaker Plant
- When Maryhaven development will be added to the tax roles



Capital Projects

2022-2023

Use of Capital Reserve

- Middle School Retaining Walls & Drainage - \$2,335,000 - Complete

General Fund Appropriation

- High School Football Bleachers- \$561,000 - Complete
- Elementary School Pool Repair- \$553,612 - Complete
- High School Roofing - \$105,387 - Complete



2023-2024

General Fund Appropriation

- Elementary School APR ADA Bathroom (Infrastructure) \$350,000 - Complete
- Elementary School Rear Boundary Fence (Health and Safety) \$80,000 - Complete
- High School /Middle School Stop Arm Booth (Health and Safety) \$375,000 - Canceled
- High School/Middle School Family and Consumer Science Classroom Remodel (Instructional) \$375,000 - Complete
- High School Phase I Window Replacement (Infrastructure) \$190,000 - Complete

2024-2025

General Fund Appropriation

- Demo of HS Portable - \$158,000 - Complete
- HS Orchestra Room - \$140,000 - Complete
- Marble Dusting/Drain/Underwater Light of ES Pool - \$339,176 - Complete
- Roofing Tech Ed/Spring Street/Elementary - \$362,824 - Complete



Capital Projects Cont...

2025-2026

- 1. ES Electrical Upgrade (est \$785,000)
- 2. Phase II of Lockdown Technology (\$150,000) Complete
- 3. Operation and Maintenance Building repair (\$65,000)

2025 - 2026 Capital Reserve Use:

- 1. HS HVAC Phase I - \$3,173,600 (second and third floor)



2026-2027 Considerations - Budget of \$1,080,000

- 1. HS HVAC First Floor - \$1,000,000
- 2. Boiler replacement at Scraggy Hill O&M Building - \$150,000
- 3. Security Enhancements - \$150,000



District Reserves

PORT JEFFERSON SCHOOLS

District Reserves

| Account | Description | 6/30/2025 Balance | 2025-2026 Use | Projected 6/30/2026 Balance | 2026-2027 Use | Projected 6/30/2027 Balance |
|---------|---|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| A 814 | WORKERS'COMPENSATION RESERVE | \$ 4,223,490.65 | \$ (50,000.00) | \$ 4,173,490.65 | \$ (50,000.00) | \$ 4,123,490.65 |
| A 827 | RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION RESERVE FUND | \$ 3,385,374.84 | \$ (200,000.00) | \$ 3,185,374.84 | \$ (200,000.00) | \$ 2,985,374.84 |
| A 828 | Reserve for Teachers' Retirement System Contributions | \$ 88,938.13 | | \$ 88,938.13 | | \$ 88,938.13 |
| A 867 | RESERVE FOR COMPENSATED ABSENCES | \$ 3,865,992.03 | \$ (300,000.00) | \$ 3,565,992.03 | \$ (300,000.00) | \$ 3,265,992.03 |
| A 878A | CAPITAL RESERVE 2021 | \$ 4,161,104.04 | \$ (3,173,600.00) | \$ 987,504.04 | | \$ 987,504.04 |
| A 882U | RESERVE FOR UNEMPLOYMENT | \$ 2,336,220.43 | | \$ 2,336,220.43 | | \$ 2,336,220.43 |
| A 909 | FUND BALANCE, UNRESERVED | \$ 2,475,260.21 | \$ (500,000.00) | \$ 2,475,260.21 | \$ * (650,000.00) | \$ 1,825,260.21 |
| | | \$ 20,536,380.33 | \$ (4,223,600.00) | \$ 16,812,780.33 | \$ (1,200,000.00) | \$ 15,612,780.33 |

\$5,100,000 of Reserves were used in 2024-2025 for CVA settlement .

* For BAN interest payment

Separate proposition needed for use of Capital Reserve



District PILOTS

Payments in Lieu of Taxes

| PILOTS (Payment In Lieu of Taxes) | Port Jefferson Pilot Program Payment Schedule | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|
| | | | 26/27 | 27/28 | |
| LIPA | 2027/2028 | TOB | \$ 1,872,047.52 | \$ 1,904,808.35 | Estimated |
| Shipyards/Tritech | 2031/2032 | Suffolk | \$ 26,636.93 | \$ 235,873.58 | Estimated |
| Overbay | 2034/2035 | TOB | \$ 49,803.60 | \$ 55,654.20 | Estimated |
| Brooks Brothers/Cappys | 2030/2031 | TOB | \$ 80,487.23 | \$ 93,825.38 | Estimated |
| Port Development/Lobster House | 2035/2036 | TOB | \$ 34,557.60 | \$ 39,654.83 | Estimated |
| | | | \$ 2,063,532.87 | \$ 2,329,816.32 | |



District Rentals - 2026 - 2027

Spring Street - Eastern Suffolk BOCES - Entire Building -
Special Education Services - Full Year - \$572,000

Edna Louise Spear Elementary - Eastern Suffolk BOCES - 5 Classrooms /
2 Offices - Special Education Services - Full Year - \$220,000

Edna Louise Spear Elementary - Long Island Foundation for Education -
All Purpose Room Before/After Care Program - School Year - \$30,000



Enrollment

| Actual | | | | | | BOCES Study 2021-2022 Update | | | | | |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| GRADE | 21-22 | 22-23 | 23-24 | 24-25 | 25-26 | GRADE | 21-22 | 22-23 | 23-24 | 24-25 | 25-26 |
| PRK | 28 | 38 | 35 | 50 | 39 | PRK | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 | 36 |
| K | 45 | 38 | 51 | 45 | 64 | K | 55 | 67 | 66 | 55 | 52 |
| 1 | 51 | 51 | 42 | 53 | 46 | 1 | 41 | 53 | 64 | 63 | 53 |
| 2 | 56 | 56 | 50 | 47 | 61 | 2 | 55 | 44 | 57 | 69 | 68 |
| 3 | 63 | 56 | 54 | 53 | 53 | 3 | 58 | 55 | 44 | 58 | 70 |
| 4 | 60 | 66 | 57 | 59 | 52 | 4 | 63 | 59 | 56 | 44 | 59 |
| 5 | 66 | 60 | 69 | 61 | 59 | 5 | 61 | 64 | 60 | 57 | 45 |
| ES | 369 | 365 | 358 | 368 | 374 | ES | 369 | 378 | 383 | 382 | 383 |
| 6 | 74 | 71 | 66 | 76 | 69 | 6 | 67 | 62 | 65 | 61 | 58 |
| 7 | 76 | 70 | 69 | 79 | 74 | 7 | 75 | 68 | 63 | 66 | 62 |
| 8 | 79 | 76 | 68 | 73 | 74 | 8 | 77 | 76 | 69 | 64 | 67 |
| MS | 229 | 217 | 203 | 228 | 217 | MS | 219 | 206 | 197 | 191 | 187 |
| 9 | 85 | 79 | 72 | 75 | 73 | 9 | 80 | 78 | 77 | 69 | 64 |
| 10 | 90 | 84 | 86 | 78 | 80 | 10 | 84 | 79 | 77 | 76 | 68 |
| 11 | 75 | 87 | 81 | 84 | 79 | 11 | 89 | 83 | 78 | 76 | 75 |
| 12 | 79 | 71 | 88 | 78 | 83 | 12 | 76 | 90 | 84 | 79 | 77 |
| HS | 329 | 321 | 327 | 315 | 315 | HS | 329 | 330 | 316 | 300 | 284 |
| | | | | | | UG | 10 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 9 |
| Total | 927 | 903 | 888 | 911 | 906 | | 927 | 924 | 905 | 882 | 863 |



Questions?

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