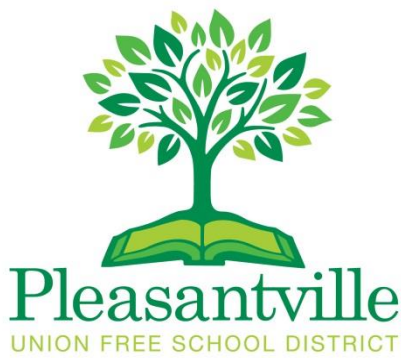




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**Pleasantville Union Free School District's
2026-27 Budget, Capital Project and Board Election Results**

PLEASANTVILLE, NY, May 19, 2026 — The Pleasantville Union Free School District announced today the results of the annual school budget vote, Capital Project propositions, and Board of Education election.

Voters **APPROVED** the 2026–27 budget by a vote of 1669 YES to 477 NO. The budget totals **\$65,114,168** and includes a proposed tax levy increase of **2.96%**, which is within the allowable tax cap.

Interim Superintendent, Dr. Eric Lutinski, expressed his appreciation for the community's support of the school district's budget and their continued partnership as the district works to ensure all students have the tools and opportunities needed to learn, lead, and thrive in our school and beyond.

"The annual vote is an important opportunity for our community to come together and have a voice in the future of our schools," said Dr. Lutinski. "We are grateful to everyone who took the time to stay informed and participate in this process."

Voters also considered two Capital Project propositions:

- **Capital Project Proposition I — APPROVED** (1585 YES / 515 NO), which includes critical safety and infrastructure upgrades, replacement of the main and small turf fields and track, and security enhancements at Bedford Road School.
- **Capital Project Proposition II — APPROVED** (1254 YES / 867 NO), which includes upgrades to learning spaces and STEAM facilities, improvements to the BRS outdoor space, and enhancements to the main field area, including restrooms, concessions, and field lighting.

NOTE: Results remain unofficial until all votes are verified.

On behalf of the PUFSD Board of Education, Board President Mike Busch shared, “This project reflects nearly two years of collaboration between the district and the community. We are grateful to everyone who participated, asked questions, and helped shape this work. This outcome reflects a shared commitment to maintaining and improving our schools for current and future students.”

Incumbents **Lucas Cascardo** and **John Vamosy** ran unopposed and will begin their second terms as Board of Education trustees from July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2029.

The district extends its thanks to all residents who participated in this year’s vote and to the many community members who engaged throughout the budget development process.