



# PINE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## VOTE

**Tuesday, May 21, 2019  
12:00 noon to 9:00 pm**

**Jr./Sr. High School  
New Gym Foyer**

(Facing the high school, please enter doors on the end far right. Handicapped accessibility available through the entrance between the main front doors and the far right doors by new gym.)

### School Board Election



#### WHO CAN VOTE?

- > You are entitled to vote if you are a U.S. citizen, 18 years or older and have been a district resident for at least 30 days prior to the vote. No pre-registration is required.

#### OPTICAL SCAN VOTING SYSTEM

- > We use the Optical Scan Voting System utilizing the services of the Chautauqua County Board of Elections.

#### ABSENTEE VOTING

- > You may vote by absentee ballot if you are unable to appear at the polling place on May 21. To receive an absentee ballot, voters must obtain an application from the district office. The application must be returned to the district office at least seven days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or at least one day before the election if the ballot is to be picked up personally by the voter at the district office from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm. Absentee ballots will be counted only if they are returned no later than 5:00 pm on election day. For more information, call Debbie Hooker, District Clerk, at 988-3293 ext. 3307.

## A Message from Superintendent Scott Payne

The Pine Valley School District is pleased to offer a budget that represents three year's hard work in creating long-term financial stability and sustainability. Every line item has been examined to ensure that it is responsibly funded and student focused. To that end, the budget presented to voters will not increase the tax levy. For the second year in a row, there is no increase to school taxes. Our Board of Education and administrators have prepared a budget that improves our instructional program with supplemental reading materials, enhances school safety by adding a School Resource Officer and security cameras to oversee our elementary playgrounds, purchases two new buses and establishes reserves for teacher retirement and worker's compensation. The fact that these additions to the budget can be included with no increase in taxes is a testament to the Board's hard work and responsible planning. I invite you to vote on May 21st. The following activities have also been planned for May 21st:

- **School Health Fair** - 2-5 pm — Jr./Sr. High School New Gym
- **Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser** – National Honor Society  
5-7 pm - Jr./Sr. High School Cafeteria – Eat in or Take Out  
Adults \$10 Students \$7
- **Free Dessert and Community Conversation**  
5:15-6:45 pm - Jr./Sr. High School Old Gym
- Kate Ebersole from the Chautauqua County Health Network will be facilitating a discussion on health and wellness in our community.
- **Spring Band Concert** (Grades 5-12) - 7 pm – Jr./Sr. High School Auditorium

### **Proposition #1 – Basic Budget \$17,140,656**

Shall the budget for the year 2019-2020 as approved by the Board of Education be adopted and the required funds therefore be raised by a tax on the taxable property of the school district? (Includes \$100,000 Capital Outlay Project)

### **Proposition #2 – Student Representative (non-voting)**

Shall a student be selected pursuant to Section 1804(12) of the New York Education Law as an ex officio member of the Board of Education of the Pine Valley Central School District, and that such ex officio member shall be entitled to a) sit with the board members at all public meetings of the board, and b) participate in all board hearings and meetings, but shall not a) have a vote, b) be allowed to attend executive session, or c) be entitled to receive compensation of any form for participating at board meetings, and shall be subject to the further terms and conditions of Section 1804(12) of the Education Law.

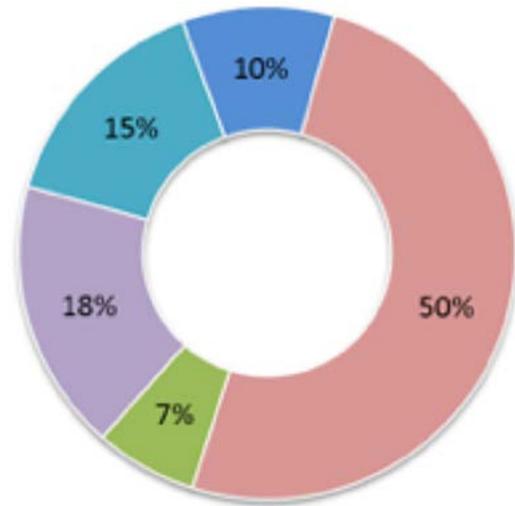
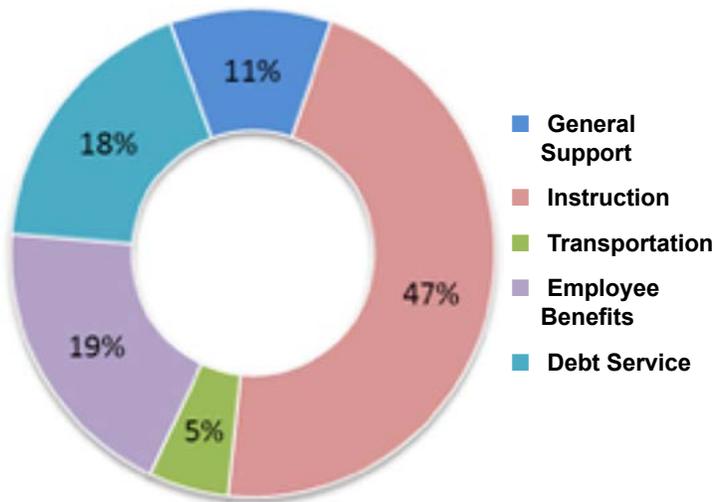
### **Which of eight (8) candidates should be elected to five (5) seats on the Board of Education?**

(names are in the order they will appear on ballot)

Lawrence Zollinger	Joshua Howard	Terry Howe	James Fisher
Angelo Graziano	Patricia Krenzer	Rose Kruszka	Gerald Clapp

## 2018-2019 Approved Budget

## 2019-2020 Proposed Budget



	2018-2019 Approved Budget	2019-2020 Proposed Budget	Dollar Change	Percent Change
<b><u>General Support</u></b>	<b>1,709,430</b>	<b>1,704,634</b>	<b>(4,796)</b>	<b>-0.28%</b>
The General Support section of the budget covers managerial functions for the entire District including funding for the Board of Education, School Superintendent and financial operations of the district; operations and maintenance of school buildings and grounds, fire and liability insurance coverage, personnel management, legal expenses, public information expenses including related BOCES administrative charges.				
<b><u>Instruction</u></b>	<b>7,344,731</b>	<b>8,653,370</b>	<b>1,308,639</b>	<b>17.82%</b>
Instruction is the core area of the school budget generally covering salaries for administrators, teachers, aides, clerical staff, school nurses, psychologists, guidance counselors, library media specialist and other essential staff members. This section also covers all materials, supplies and equipment necessary to support the educational needs of our students. Co-curricular and interscholastic athletic activities are also included in the Instruction section of the budget.				
<b><u>Transportation</u></b>	<b>845,401</b>	<b>1,141,786</b>	<b>296,385</b>	<b>35.06%</b>
The district utilizes its own employees to provide transportation services to students for regular transportation within and outside of District boundaries for instructional purposes, co-curricular and interscholastic athletic activities.				
<b><u>Employee Benefits</u></b>	<b>3,055,607</b>	<b>3,051,022</b>	<b>(4,585)</b>	<b>-0.15%</b>
This category consists of a variety of employee benefits including required contributions to the New York State Teachers' Retirement System and Employee Retirement System, Social Security, Workers' Compensation, Unemployment Insurance and Health Insurance benefits.				
<b><u>Debt Service</u></b>	<b>2,878,475</b>	<b>2,589,844</b>	<b>(288,631)</b>	<b>-10.03%</b>
This category contains District-wide costs associated with serial bonds for school construction including costs related to the current water project and debt for school bus purchases.				
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>15,833,644</b>	<b>17,140,656</b>	<b>1,307,012</b>	<b>8.25%</b>

### **Capital Outlay Project**

- The proposed budget includes \$100,000 for a capital outlay project.
- The project includes flooring modifications in various elementary classrooms.
- New York State will reimburse 93% of the project costs in the following year.
- This is part of our ongoing facilities improvement plan which continues to focus on and improve the educational environment for our children.
- Work will be scheduled in the summer of 2020.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATES *(names are in the order they will appear on the ballot)*

Electing FIVE at-large positions on the Board of Education:

- ✓ Three (3) candidates will be elected to three-year terms (2019-2022) commencing on July 1, 2019 (three highest vote getters).
- ✓ Two (2) candidates will be elected to two-year terms (2019-2021) commencing immediately to fill the vacancies created by the resignations of Shawn Howard and Justin Smith (4th & 5th highest vote getters).



### Lawrence Zollinger

Larry is a life-long resident of the district and graduated from Pine Valley Central School. He and his wife Melanie reside in South Dayton and are the parents of Colette, Erika, Jason and Ehrich. They have four granddaughters and two great grandchildren. He is a retired lab technician of Buffalo Color Corp. and currently is a part-time bus driver for CARTS. In his spare time, he raises free range turkeys and enjoys reading and playing trivia. He currently serves as a PV board member and has done so in years past and is a former village board member and mayor of South Dayton. He is a life member of the South Dayton Fire Department.



### Joshua Howard

A life-long district resident, Josh is a 2005 graduate of Pine Valley. He received an Associate's degree in Hospitality Management and a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Jamestown Business College and a Master's degree in Organizational Leadership from Medaille College. He is a Human Resources Training Specialist with Seneca Allegany Resort & Casino and participated in Leadership Buffalo Rising Leaders Class of 2019. Josh and his wife Victoria live in South Dayton with their sons Jakobe and Jasper. He is a lifetime member of the VFW and is currently serving on the board for a vacant seat.



### Terry Howe

A life-long resident and Pine Valley graduate, Terry and his wife Penny live in Cherry Creek. They are the parents of Rebecca and Frankie. Terry is self employed and is a member of the Cherry Creek Fire Department. He attends the Cherry Creek First Baptist Church.



### James Fisher

A Pine Valley resident since 2001, James and his wife Danyelle reside on Dye Road in South Dayton and are the parents of Austin, Madalyn and Joshua. He received his G.E.D. and is the owner of Fisher Express.



### Angelo Graziano

A Pine Valley resident since 1992, Angelo and his wife Tina reside on Wentworth Road in Forestville and are the parents of Angelo II. A 1979 graduate of Brocton Central School, Angelo is employed by the NYS Department of Transportation as a Maintenance Assistant. He is a member of the Sons of the American Legion and Moose Club. Angelo was a PV School Board member (2014-2017) and Town of Villenova Councilman (2014-2017).



### Patricia Krenzer

Pat and her husband "Coach" Bob have been residents of the district for over 30 years. Their four sons, Gary, Daniel, Brian and Andrew are all PV graduates. Pat taught Social Studies at PV for 13 years before joining Erie 2 BOCES as a staff development specialist. She earned her Master's Degree and Admin. Cert. at SUNY Fredonia and was Middle School Principal in the Silver Creek district for eight years until her retirement eight years ago. She is a certified Master Gardener, member of the Cherry Creek Snow-goers, member of St. Joseph's Parish in Gowanda, member of the NYS School Boards Association and holds a seat on the Board of Directors of the NYS Rural Schools Association. Pat has been a board member since 2014.



### Rose Kruszka

A Pine Valley resident since 2009, Rose and her husband George live in South Dayton with their three children George, Sarah and Sadie. She is a graduate of West Seneca Central Schools and Erie Community College and is a Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant (C.O.T.A.). Rose is employed by WNYDDSO where she has worked for the past nine years as a Hab Spec 1 assisting individuals who have developmental/physical/psychiatric disabilities. Her previous job of 20 years was working in a sub-acute/long-term care setting as a C.O.T.A. She has served on the PV School Board for the past four years and is also a member of Community In Action (CIA).



### Gerald Clapp

Jerry and his wife Karen have been district residents since 1999 and reside on Rt. 83 in South Dayton. Their daughters Ellen and Emily are PV graduates. Jerry graduated from Iroquois Central School and was employed by the NYS Department of Correctional Services retiring as a Correction Sergeant. He enjoys raising beef cattle, hunting and fishing.

# Pine Valley Central School District

## Board of Education Members

Mrs. Patricia Krenzer, *President*  
 Ms. Jacquelyn Smuda, *Vice President*  
 Mr. Jeffrey Chase  
 Mrs. Sherry Gruszynski  
 Mr. Joshua Howard  
 Mrs. Rose Kruszka  
 Mrs. Christie Lokietek  
 Mrs. Darlene Silleman  
 Mr. Lawrence Zollinger

## Administration

Mr. Scott Payne, *Superintendent*  
 Mrs. Jamie Rodgers, *Business Executive*  
 Mr. Joshua Tedone, Jr./Sr. *High School Principal*  
 Ms. Carrie Davenport, *Director of Curriculum & Instructional Technology*  
 Mrs. Kelly Zimmerman, *Elementary Principal/Director of Special Education*

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### ON TUESDAY, MAY 21st, RESIDENTS WILL VOTE ON TWO PROPOSITIONS and ELECT FIVE (5) BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

OVERALL BUDGET PROPOSAL	Budget Adopted for the 2018-19 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2019-20 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2019-20 School Year*
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$15,833,644	\$17,140,656	\$16,644,338
Increase/Decrease for the 2019-20 School Year		\$1,307,012	\$810,694
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		8.25%	5.12%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		2.44%	
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$3,343,147	\$3,343,147	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable	0	0	
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable **	0	0	
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy	0	0	
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D)	\$3,343,147	\$3,343,147	
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	0	\$206,705	
G. School Tax Levy Limit, <u>Excluding</u> Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$3,343,148	\$3,504,802	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, <u>Excluding</u> Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D)	\$3,343,147	\$3,343,147	
I. Difference: G - H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval - See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$1	\$161,655	
Administrative Component	\$1,592,850	\$1,679,742	\$1,621,126
Program Component	\$10,283,284	\$11,808,374	\$11,481,628
Capital Component	\$3,957,510	\$3,652,540	\$3,541,584

\*Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2019-20 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law.

The contingent budget includes legal obligation expenditures specifically authorized by statute, and other items necessary to maintain educational programs, preserve property, and ensure the health and safety of the students and staff. The contingent budget does not include the purchase of new equipment, including the purchase of school buses, public use of school building and/or grounds, and nonessential maintenance.

\*\*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)

Description	Amount
n/a	n/a

Under the Budget Proposed for the 2019-20 School Year	
Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings <sup>1</sup>	\$500.56

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2019-2020 by the qualified voters of the Pine Valley school district, Chautauqua County, New York, will be held at Pine Valley High School in said district on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 between the hours of 12:00 noon and 9:00 pm, prevailing time in the Pine Valley school, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

<sup>1</sup> The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.