



# **2018-2019 Budgetary Considerations**

**Huntington Union Free School District  
Board of Education Meeting  
January 8, 2018**

# Factors Potentially Impacting Tax Levy Limit ...

- **Average annual increase in CPI-U expected at or near 2.0%**
- **1.0060 tax base growth factor for HUFSD (1.0000 = no growth)**
- **Carry-over from 2017-18**
- **Payments in lieu of taxes (PILOTs)**
- **Other allowable exemptions (not anticipated)**

# **Significant Budgetary Considerations ...**

- **New Federal tax code**
- **State budget revenue shortfall**
- **Contractual salary/benefit cost increases**
- **Increase in TRS contributions (from 9.8 to 10.5-11.0% of certificated salaries)**
- **Contracted service increases**
- **Interest rates**
- **Other mandated costs (e.g., Part 154)**
- **Limited or no increase in state aid anticipated**

# Long Island School District Realities ...

- **38 Long Island school districts, enrolling 45% of the region's students, fall below the state's average in terms of income and property wealth (CWR < 1.0).**
- **According to federal guidelines, over 32% of the students enrolled in Long Island school districts qualify for free or reduced-price lunch, a 77.7% increase since 2007-2008.**
- **Long Island has experienced a 29.4% increase in English language learners (ELLs) since 2007-08 and a 336% increase since 1991-1992. Approximately 13% of students on Long Island are ELLs.**
- **Since 2007, there has been an 8.8% increase in the number of students with disabilities in Long Island schools.**

# State Aid Allocations ...

- **Total state aid makes up approximately 40% of the budgeted spending for Long Island's low wealth districts. The Long Island average is 25%. In 2017-18, state aid represented approximately 13.4% of Huntington's revenue budget.**
- **State aid dollars have less purchasing power on Long Island than in any other region in the state. The purchasing power of \$1,000 in the lowest cost regions (North Country and Mohawk Valley) is the equivalent of \$702 on Long Island/NYC.**

# Foundation Aid ...

- **Foundation Aid comprises nearly 70% of all New York State school aid.**
- **If the Foundation Aid Formula had been fully funded, Long Island schools would have received an additional \$5.92 billion over the past 10 years.**
- **Long Island's Foundation Aid as a percentage of total Long Island aid is over 4.5% lower than that of the state as a whole.**
- **In 2016-17, Huntington received just short of \$8.5M; if the formula were fully funded, the district would have received \$17.8M.**

# **2018-19 Budget Development Meetings**

- **Monday, 2/5/18 – Tax Levy Limit**
- **Monday, 2/26/18 – Budget Overview/BOE/Central Admin/Transportation**
- **Monday, 3/12/18 – Employee Benefits/Debt Service/Fund Transfers/Capital**
- **Monday, 3/26/18 – Instruction & Staffing**
- **Monday, 4/9/18 – Revenues/Budget Review**
- **Tuesday, 4/16/18 – Budget Adoption**
- **Monday, 5/7/18 – Budget Hearing**
- **Tuesday, 5/15/18 – Budget Vote/BOE Election**