2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR BUDGET INFORMATION

- Total District Operating Budget $38,886,430
- State Aid = $10,119,471;
- Tax Levy (locally collected taxes) Calculation – $20,646,591 x 2% = $412,931
- $412,931 + $238,536 (State Allowed Health Care Adjustment) = $651,468
- 2017-18 Total Allowable Tax Levy Increase = $651,468
- Total Tax Levy = $21,298,059
- Contractual obligations and Healthcare benefits increased more than $1,000,000.

BALANCING THE BUDGET

- We reduced spending for textbooks, supplies, field trips, technology, athletics, furniture
- We replaced one of two Health and Physical Education positions.
- We reduced one faculty position from full-time to part-time without impacting programs.
- Administrative restructuring saved $35,000.

SEPARATE PROPOSAL

The Warren Hills Regional School District has exercised its right, under New Jersey State Law, to submit a Separate proposal for specific items outside of the budget. These items may only be reinstated if the community votes to approve them in the November 7th General election. The items below were cut from the budget to ensure we provided our students with a “Thorough & Efficient” (T&E) education per New Jersey laws.

SEPARATE PROPOSAL ITEMS

- A Full-Time Athletic Secretary
- Departmental and District Supported Field Trips
- 3 Middle School “B” level sports – Field Hockey and Boys & Girls Soccer
- Boys & Girls Freshman Soccer
- Freshman Field Hockey
- Boys & Girls Freshman Basketball
- Freshman Baseball
- Freshman Softball
- Boys & Girls Freshman Lacrosse
- Technology Infrastructure and Two Software Programs

IMPACT OF APPROVAL OF SEPARATE PROPOSAL

- A permanent tax levy increase of $176,521.

ITEMS IMPACTING THE PERMANENT TAX LEVY INCREASES

- A Full-Time Athletic Secretary
- 3 Middle School “B” Level Sports – Field Hockey and Boys & Girls Soccer
- Boys & Girls Freshman Soccer
- Freshman Field Hockey
- Boys & Girls Freshman Basketball
- Freshman Baseball
- Freshman Softball
- Boys & Girls Freshman Lacrosse

ITEMS IMPACTING THE BUDGET YEAR ONLY INCREASE FOR 2017-2018

- Technology Infrastructure and Two Software Programs.
TAX INFORMATION

Estimated 2017-18 school tax rates per $100k assessed value, compared to 2016-17:

Franklin Twp. + $76.00
Mansfield Twp. + $36.00
Washington Boro + $104.00
Washington Twp. - ($51.00)

Estimated 2017-18 Separate Proposal tax rates per $100k assessed value:

Franklin Twp. + $33.89
Mansfield Twp. + $32.82
Washington Boro + $40.61
Washington Twp. + $36.84

 Estimated 2017-18 NET school tax rates including Separate Proposal, per $100k assessed value:

Franklin Twp. + $109.89
Mansfield Twp. + $68.82
Washington Boro + $144.61
Washington Twp. - ($14.16)

WEBSITE

The complete, approved budget and a breakdown of tax rates based on assessed values of households can be found on the district webpage under the “Board of Education” tab and then select “District Budget Highlights.”

The web page can be found at: www.warrenhills.org

The Warren Hills Regional School District Office is located at 89 Bowerstown Road, Washington, New Jersey 07882.

Warren Hills Regional High School is located at 41 Jackson Valley Road, Washington, New Jersey 07882.

The General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2017.