

Berlin CSD Revised Budget Adoption Presentation

June 2, 2026



2026-2027 Revenue Projection

Proposed Tax Levy	\$11,091,709
State Aid	\$13,227,886
Other Revenues	\$608,799
Total Projected Revenue	\$24,928,394

2026-2027 Budget

Budget	\$26,351,128
Projected Revenue	\$24,928,394
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$1,000,000
Total Reserves Needed	\$422,734

Increase over prior year = \$84,919
Less than 1%

Use of Fund Balance & Reserves

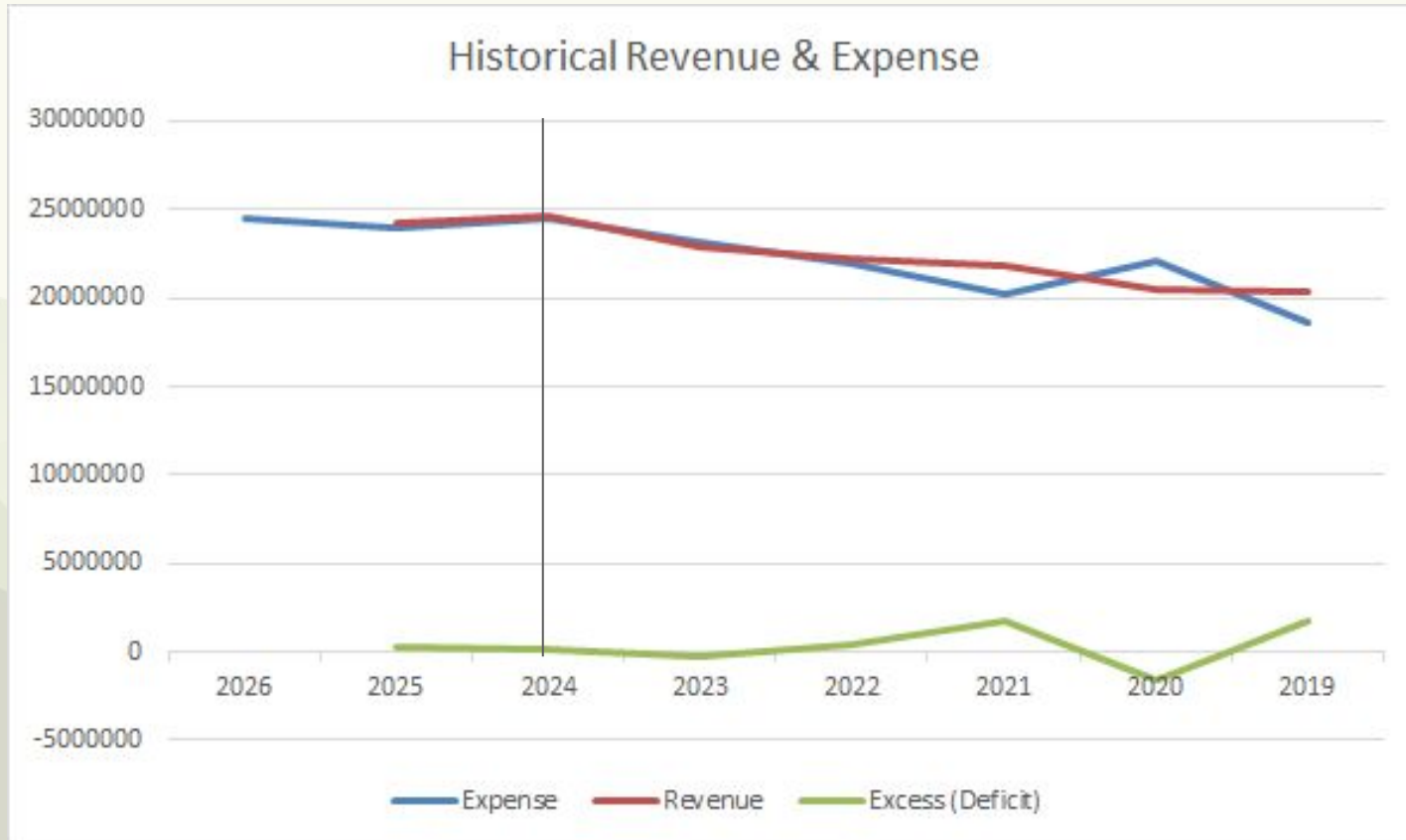
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2026-2027 Use of Reserves

	Year End 2025	Proposed Usage 2026-2027
Workmans Comp	\$621,565	(maximum allowable) \$55,096
Unemployment	\$580,127	(maximum allowable) \$40,000
ERS NYS Employee Retirement System	\$1,418,758	\$327,638

Total Reserves: \$422,734

Historical Financial Status



TAX LEVY

Proposed Budget Tax Levy: 2%
 NYS Allowable Cap: 2.16%

\$217,485 Total Increase
\$11,091,709

What This Means For Taxpayers Who Own A Home:

\$23.13 per \$1,000 *assessed* value
\$.35 per \$1,000 increase

\$100,000= \$2,313
\$200,000= \$4,626
\$300,000= \$6,939

HOW DOES BERLIN COMPARE?



BERLIN CSD
LOWEST TAX RATE
 AMONG NEIGHBORING DISTRICTS

2025-26 SCHOOL TAX RATE PER \$1,000 OF TAXABLE ASSESSED VALUE



BERLIN TAXPAYERS CURRENTLY HAVE THE LOWEST SCHOOL TAX RATE AMONG THE NEIGHBORING DISTRICTS SHOWN.

For every \$1,000 of taxable assessed value:

Berlin	\$10.26
Hoosick Valley	\$10.87
Mechanicville	\$11.28
Lansingburgh	\$12.43
Cambridge	\$12.47
Greenwich	\$12.80
Brunswick	\$13.41
Hoosick Falls	\$13.76

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Example: Home Assessed at \$200,000

DISTRICT	TAX RATE (Per \$1,000)	APPROXIMATE SCHOOL TAX ON \$200,000 HOME
Berlin	\$10.26	\$2,052
Hoosick Valley	\$10.87	\$2,174
Mechanicville	\$11.28	\$2,256
Hoosick Falls	\$13.76	\$2,752



The difference adds up.

For a home assessed at \$200,000, Berlin homeowners pay **\$700 LESS** than Hoosick Falls and \$122 less than Hoosick Valley.



BERLIN CSD CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN ONE OF THE REGION'S LOWEST SCHOOL TAX RATES while investing in student programs, academics, athletics, arts, and student support services.



ACADEMICS



ATHLETICS



ARTS



STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Budget Reductions: Action Items



1. Instructional Staff Projections: Tier 4 Eligible Retirements

- ❖ Continue to assess changes in student enrollment following layoffs in 2025-26.
- ❖ Projection: 12 staff members are eligible to retire in next five years

2. Berlin CSD Cost Per Pupil: Assessing The Cost to Educate Every Child

- ❖ Rensselaer County Average: \$31,179
- ❖ Berlin CSD Spending Per Pupil: \$47,433

Source: <https://www.empirecenter.org/>

- ❖ A Special Education Program Review is underway to provide data

3. Facilities: Reduce Energy & Utility Costs

- ❖ 2024-2025 Heating Oil & Electricity BES & BMSHS: **\$289,815.03**
- ❖ 2025-2026 Heating Oil & Electricity BES & BMSHS: **\$323,084 (through 6/1/26)**
- ❖ Projection: c. 30% increase for 2026-2027
- ❖ Capital Project Planning: A fully grant funded NYSERDA Flextech started to explore NYS Grant for Geothermal. Berlin CSD is on a priority list to receive grant funding.

Budget Revote Information

Berlin

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2026-2027



School Budget Revote

Voting at Berlin Middle High School

17400 Route 22 Berlin, NY 12022

June 16, 2026

12:00 - 9:00 PM

**SUPPORT THE
BNL BOOSTER CLUB**

WITH A
BUDGET REVOTE

**BBQ
DINNER**

Hosted by
Dotty Lou's BBQ

**TUESDAY
JUNE
16TH**

**BUDGET REVOTE
IN THE BMHS
PARKING LOT**

3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

**IN THE BMHS
PARKING LOT**

PRE-ORDER:

SCAN THE QR CODE
TO PRE-ORDER YOUR DINNER!

**FOR \$18,
DINNER INCLUDES:**

- HALF CHICKEN
- BAKED POTATO
- MAC N CHEESE
- COLESLAW
- ROLL

**DESSERTS AND
BEVERAGES
WILL BE SOLD
SEPARATELY**

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE
BNL BOOSTER CLUB!**

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

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