

Budget Vote • Tuesday, May 16, 2023

A Message from our Board President & Superintendent

Dear Akron Central School Community:

On behalf of the Board of Education and our faculty and staff, we thank you for your ongoing support of our students and the mission of our school district. We value the close partnership with families and the entire Akron school community.

The 2023-24 proposed school budget supports the educational services, programs, and experiences planned for students using a budget process that was guided by these goals:

- Budgeting conservatively while maintaining instructional programs, staff levels, upkeep of facilities, and an acceptable level of fund balance
- Minimizing tax increases
- Supporting the implementation of our Strategic Plan
- Planning for the elimination of temporary federal funding at the end of the 2023-2024 school year
- Collaboration with stakeholders and communicating budgetary needs to the public (Budget updates made to the Board of Education can be found on our website at www.akronschools.org/YouTube.)

We are presenting voters a budget with a 1% tax levy increase which falls well below the District's tax cap. Emphasis was placed on maintaining educational excellence while exercising fiscally responsible decision-making. This budget supports programs that are responsive to the NYS learning standards, performance data, student interests, and emerging issues.

It includes funding for a new elementary teacher at the primary level and a student support teacher and teaching assistant to be shared between the Middle and High schools. We intend to continue to support social-emotional learning and mental health through professional development, dedicated staffing, and the use of contracted service providers.

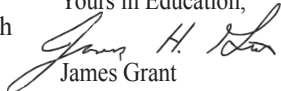
Highlights include a computer lab upgrade at the High School, new science equipment at the Middle School, replacement of obsolete musical instruments, and ongoing professional development designed to increase student engagement, achievement, and enjoyment of the school experience.

Our bus replacement plan proposes the purchase of two 66-passenger buses, a wheelchair van, and a smaller-capacity bus. The plan has been very effective in maintaining a safe bus fleet while avoiding the higher cost of replacing large numbers of buses at the same time.

Voters are reminded of the Board of Education's separate proposition for a Capital Improvement Project which was described in detail in a separate mailing last month. More information can be found at www.akronschools.org/capitalproject.

The Budget Hearing is Tuesday, May 9th at 7:00 p.m. in the Edward Allen Auditorium and can be live-streamed via YouTube from our website link. The annual Budget Vote will be held on May 16th from 12:00-9:00 p.m. in Gym 3. Applications for absentee ballots may be acquired by contacting the District Office at (716)542-5006 or by emailing the District Clerk at districtclerk@akronk12.org. Please see our website for more information including deadlines for absentee ballot applications and ballot returns.

Yours in Education,


James Grant
President, Board of Education


Patrick D. McCabe
Superintendent of Schools



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AKRON CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

MAY 2023

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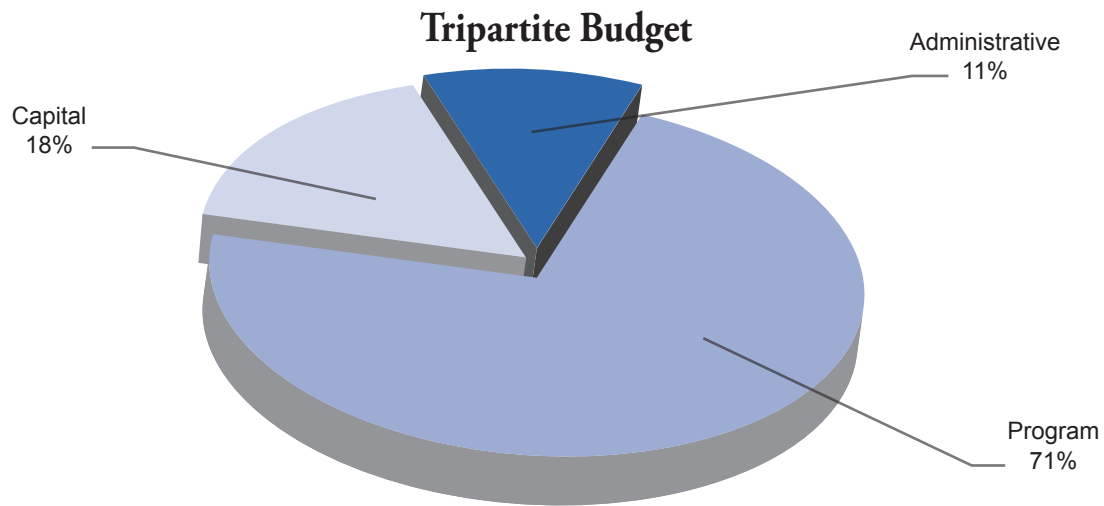
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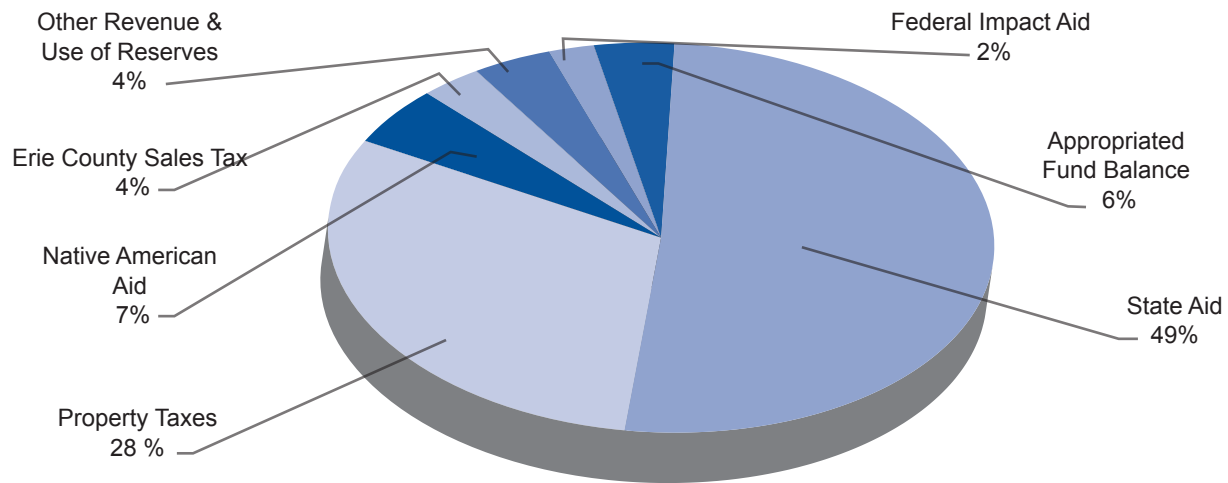
2023-2024 General Fund Appropriations



	Adopted 2022-23	Proposed 2023-24	\$	Change
Administrative Component				
Board of Education/District Clerk	\$ 44,100	\$ 42,400	\$	(1,700)
Central Office/District Services	\$ 1,465,434	\$ 1,531,252	\$	65,818
Legal & Personnel	\$ 198,250	\$ 215,410	\$	17,160
Instructional Administration	\$ 1,353,282	\$ 1,395,918	\$	42,636
Allocated Employee Benefits	\$ 800,580	\$ 878,485	\$	77,905
	\$ 3,861,646	\$ 4,063,465	\$	201,819
Program Component				
Instruction	\$ 11,034,578	\$ 11,081,077	\$	46,499
Exceptional Education	\$ 5,510,746	\$ 5,694,487	\$	183,741
Co-Curricular & Athletics	\$ 934,479	\$ 795,074	\$	(139,405)
Transportation	\$ 1,465,234	\$ 1,692,132	\$	226,898
Allocated Employee Benefits	\$ 6,003,664	\$ 6,255,140	\$	251,476
	\$ 24,948,701	\$ 25,517,910	\$	569,209
Capital Component				
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 2,227,725	\$ 2,515,299	\$	287,574
Transfer to Debt Service Fund	\$ 3,141,269	\$ 3,503,092	\$	361,823
Transfer to Capital Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-
Allocated Employee Benefits	\$ 551,309	\$ 622,100	\$	70,791
	\$ 5,920,303	\$ 6,640,491	\$	720,188
Total Expenditures	\$ 34,730,650	\$ 36,221,866	\$	1,491,216



2023-2024 Proposed General Fund Revenues



	Adopted 2022-23	Proposed 2023-2024	\$ Change
State Aid:			
Foundation Aid/General Aid	\$ 10,867,360	\$ 11,343,161	\$ 475,801
Excess Cost Aid	\$ 592,559	\$ 643,696	\$ 51,137
BOCES	\$ 1,627,429	\$ 1,405,271	\$ (222,158)
Hardware and Technology	\$ 21,700	\$ 22,236	\$ 536
Textbook, Software, Library	\$ 101,336	\$ 102,761	\$ 1,425
Transportation	\$ 1,336,611	\$ 1,427,218	\$ 90,607
Building	\$ 2,894,697	\$ 2,915,748	\$ 21,051
NYS Pandemic Adjustment	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Federal CARES Restoration	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Estimated Mid Year NYS Cuts	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	\$ 17,441,692	\$ 17,860,091	\$ 418,399
Other Revenue:			
Native American Aid	\$ 2,274,000	\$ 2,474,000	\$ 200,000
Erie County Sales Tax	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 1,300,000	\$ 100,000
Federal Impact Aid	\$ 550,000	\$ 650,000	\$ 100,000
Other Revenues	\$ 480,400	\$ 617,705	\$ 137,305
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 2,016,172	\$ 2,100,000	\$ 83,828
Use of Reserves/Transfers In	\$ 600,000	\$ 950,000	\$ 350,000
	\$ 7,120,572	\$ 8,091,705	\$ 971,133
Real Property Tax Levy:	\$ 10,168,386	\$ 10,270,070	\$ 101,684
Total Revenues:	\$ 34,730,650	\$ 36,221,866	\$ 1,491,216

Contingent Budget Spending

Contingency budget estimates are based on Section 2023 of the Education Law. A contingent budget for Akron CSD for 2023-24 is anticipated to result in a decrease of approximately \$581,326 from the original budget of \$36,221,866.

Under a contingency budget, state law allows a school district to operate the regular instructional program, preserve the health and safety of students and staff, and protect the district's property. Districts are prohibited from spending money on items such as new equipment or nonessential maintenance projects. In addition, a district would be required to charge for public use of their facilities, except when there is no cost to the district.

STAR Program Information

The New York State School Tax Relief Program (STAR) provides New York homeowners with partial exemptions from school property taxes. For information on how the relief program works or how calculations are made, please contact the Town of Newstead Assessor's Office, 5 Clarence Center Road, P.O. Box 227, Akron, NY 14001 or call (716) 542-5473 Option 4 or visit www.tax.ny.gov/star.

Akron Central School District Budget Notice

OVERALL BUDGET PROPOSAL	Budget Adopted for the 2022-23 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2023-24 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2023-24 School Year *								
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$34,730,650	\$36,221,866	\$35,640,540								
Increase/Decrease for the 2023-24 School Year		\$1,491,216	\$909,890								
Percentage Increase/Decrease in Proposed Budget		4.29 %	2.62%								
Change in the Consumer Price Index		8.0%									
A. Proposed Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$10,168,386	\$10,270,070									
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)	\$10,168,386	\$10,270,070	\$10,168,386								
F. Total Permissible Exclusions	\$82,275	\$395,718									
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$10,316,655	\$11,417,634									
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E – B – F + D)	\$10,085,661	\$9,874,352									
I. Difference: G – H (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval – See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) **	\$230,994	\$1,543,282									
Administrative Component	\$3,861,646	\$4,063,465	\$3,931,940								
Program Component	\$24,948,701	\$25,517,910	\$25,410,893								
Capital Component	\$5,920,303	\$6,640,491	\$6,297,707								
* Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2023-24 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law. A contingent budget for 2023-24 is anticipated to result in a decrease of \$348,117 in contingent equipment expenditures. Other non-contingent expenditure lines that total \$233,209 will also be reduced if necessary. Final contingent budget decisions will be made by the Board of Education in late June if required.											
** 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)											
		<table><tr><th>Description</th><th>Amount</th></tr><tr><td>Purchase and Financing of School Buses</td><td>\$507,000</td></tr><tr><td>Capital Improvement Project 2023</td><td>\$29,829,634</td></tr><tr><td>Establishment Of Capital Reserve</td><td>\$0</td></tr></table>	Description	Amount	Purchase and Financing of School Buses	\$507,000	Capital Improvement Project 2023	\$29,829,634	Establishment Of Capital Reserve	\$0	
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***NOTE TO SCHOOL DISTRICT BUSINESS OFFICIALS:**

Please submit an electronic version (Word or PDF) of this completed form to:
emscmgts@nysed.gov

	Under the Budget Proposed for the 2023-24 School Year
Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings ¹	\$355

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2023-24 by the qualified voters of the AKRON CENTRAL school district, ERIE County, New York, will be held at the High School in said district on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 between the hours of 12:00PM and 9:00pm, prevailing time at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

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

SAMPLE BALLOTS

PROPOSITION NO. 1 2023-2024 Budget

Shall the following resolution be adopted?

RESOLVED, that the budget for the Akron Central School District (the "District") for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024, as presented by the Board of Education, is hereby approved and adopted, and the required funds therefore are hereby appropriated, and the necessary real property taxes required shall be raised by a tax on the taxable property in the District to be levied and collected as required by law.

☐ YES ☐ NO

PROPOSITION NO. 2 Acquisition of School Buses (and Related Equipment)

Shall the following resolutions be adopted?

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Akron Central School District, Erie, Genesee and Niagara Counties, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to purchase school buses and similar vehicles (and related equipment) for use in the transportation program of the District, including two (2) sixty-six (66)-passenger buses, at an estimated maximum cost of \$151,000 each, one (1) van-type bus, at an estimated maximum cost of \$90,000, and one (1) wheelchair van-type bus, at an estimated maximum cost of \$115,000, (with such estimated maximum cost reflecting the value of any trade-ins), and to expend therefor an aggregate sum not to exceed \$507,000; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$507,000 (which may include certain up-front financing costs), plus an amount for interest thereon, shall be funded by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the District and collected in annual installments as provided by Section 416 of the Education Law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in anticipation of such tax, bonds or other obligations (including, without limitation, obligations arising under leases, lease/purchase contracts or installment purchase contracts having a term of not more than five years) of the District shall be issued or entered into in accordance with applicable provisions of New York State law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that New York State Transportation Aid funds expected to be received by the District are anticipated to offset a substantial part of such costs, and such funds, to the extent received, shall be applied to offset and reduce the amount of taxes herein authorized to be levied.

☐ YES ☐ NO

PROPOSITION NO. 3 – Establishment of a new 2023 Capital Improvements and Transportation Reserve Fund

Shall the following resolution be adopted?

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Akron Central School District, Erie, Genesee and Niagara Counties, New York (the "District") is hereby authorized to establish a capital reserve fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law of the State of New York (the "Fund"); that the Fund shall be known as the "2023 Capital Improvements and Transportation Reserve Fund" of the District; that the Fund shall be established for the purposes of financing, in whole or in part, (a) the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, expansion, renovation, alteration and improvement of buildings, facilities, sites and real property by the District, or the District's share of the cost of any capital improvements project undertaken by a Board of Cooperative Educational Services ("BOCES"), or any other BOCES of which the District may become a component district, including, in all cases, the acquisition of original furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required in connection therewith and (b) the acquisition of various school buses, school bus-type vans/minivans/suburbans, and similar vehicles (and related equipment) for use in the transportation program of the District; that the ultimate amount of such Fund shall be not greater than \$10,000,000 (plus interest earned thereon); that the probable term of such Fund shall be not longer than twenty (20) years; and that the permissible sources from which the Board is authorized to appropriate monies to such Fund from time to time shall be (a) amounts applied thereto from budgetary appropriations of the District; (b) unappropriated fund balance of the District; (c) State aid received as reimbursement for expenditures by the District in connection with District capital improvements or transportation-related purchases (whether or not such improvements or purchases were financed in whole or in part from the Fund); (d) the proceeds from the sale of unneeded real or personal property owned by the District, if permitted by law and if so directed by the Board; (e) such other sources as the Board or the voters of the District may direct from time to time, all as may be permitted by law.

☐ YES ☐ NO

PROPOSITION NO. 4 – 2023 Capital Improvements Project

Shall the following resolution be adopted and approved?

RESOLVED, that (a) the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Akron Central School District, Erie, Genesee and Niagara Counties, New York (the "District") is hereby authorized to undertake a "Capital Improvements Project, 2023" (the "Project") consisting of the reconstruction, rehabilitation and renovation, in part, and the construction of improvements, upgrades and additions to various District buildings and facilities (and the sites thereof) to implement various health, safety, accessibility and Code compliance measures and various other measures that are included and generally described in (but are not to be limited by) the Project Plan that was referred to in the public notice of the vote on this Proposition, and to expend therefor an amount not to exceed \$29,829,634; (b) the Board is authorized to expend or apply toward the Project the entire remaining balance (which stands at approximately \$5,080,355), plus any additional interest earned, from the District's Capital Improvements Reserve Fund that was established in May of 2017, with such fund then to be terminated; (c) a tax is hereby voted in an amount not to exceed \$24,749,279 to finance the balance of the estimated maximum cost of the Project, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by the Board; (d) in anticipation of such tax, obligations of the District are hereby authorized to be issued in an aggregate principal amount that shall not exceed \$24,749,279, and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on such obligations as the same shall become due and payable; and (e) New York State Building Aid funds (as well as Native American Building Aid funds) expected to be received by the District are anticipated to offset a substantial part of such costs, and such funds, to the extent received, shall be applied to offset and reduce the amount of taxes herein authorized to be levied.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an Environmental Assessment Form has been completed for all of the anticipated work involved in the Project, which constitutes a Type I action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), a thorough review of the Project's potential environmental impacts has been undertaken, it has been found that the Project will not result in a significant adverse impact on the environment, and a reasoned elaboration of the SEQRA review and findings has been provided in a Negative Declaration.

☐ YES ☐ NO

Board of Education Members – Two (2) Seats Vacant

Three Year Terms – 7/1/23-6/30/26 • Vote For Any Two

☐ Melissa Siska ☐ Diane Snyder ☐ David Miller ☐ Joseph Cena
☐ Paul Vohwinkel ☐ Stephanie Coffa ☐ Joshua Blasko

Here are just some of our District's achievements for the year!

Our school is proud of all that we have accomplished in 2022-23. Our students light up our hallways and shine both inside and out of the classroom. Our teachers and staff go above and beyond to create engaging instruction to make learning come alive!

District

- The Superintendent's Conference Day at the start of the new year featured Don Shomette, a safety expert known for treating people holistically, who gave his "Safe and Loved" presentation to ACS faculty and staff.
- Representatives of the Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 187 Buffalo, New York, presented a Purple Heart Plaque and flag to the Akron Central School Board of Education and Superintendent in January. Purple Heart recipient, Mr. Russell Ward, designed the plaque that describes the sacrifice of life and blood so that all Americans could live in freedom.
- Superintendent Patrick D. McCabe re-opened a new student art exhibit for 2023 in the hallway near the District Office and in his office, holding two receptions for students from all grade levels whose works were chosen by ACS Art teachers. The students were commended for their artistic efforts, treated to refreshments, and encouraged to enjoy the artwork on display of all the students.
- Akron Schools was featured on an Erie-Niagara School Superintendents Association Buzzsprout podcast where the discussion about Real World and Authentic Learning focused on the District's Business class relationship with Akron Market on Main.

Elementary

- Our Elementary building has made a major shift towards the Science of Reading, evidence-based reading instruction that meets the needs of all learners. We have also made changes to our literacy curriculum, training many of our teachers in Orton-Gillingham. The data is very evident – we are showing tremendous reading gains in our students with the changes!
- We welcomed members of the Akron and Newstead Fire Companies for Fire Prevention Week, where students received varied instruction in fire safety from our dedicated local volunteers. We also celebrated Mr. Kenneth "Kenny" Pagels' 50th year of Fire Safety Education programs in area schools.
- Weeklong celebrations focused on social-emotional awareness included No-Name Calling Week, Sandy Hook Start with Hello program to spread positivity, and Red Ribbon/Ready Freddy Week. Disability Awareness Week provided an opportunity for students to learn what it may be like to have a disability, and our Career Week featured many local guests providing a "show and share" about their interesting careers with small groups of students.
- Afterschool enrichment programs included intramural sports, PTA-sponsored Lego Club, Tae Kwon Do, Girls on the Run, and Native American Seneca Language program for grades 4-6. Additionally, our teachers offer afterschool academic tutoring opportunities for students in all grade levels. New this year, students in grades 4 and 5 participated in March Madness Math Club, an afterschool program that combined learning math skills with basketball games and activities.
- Service Learning and Character Education has always been an important part of our school culture. We're amazed at the continued high-level of participation, including:
 - Over 1,000 items collected for our Food Drive
 - The most ever – Akron collected \$6,775 for the American Heart Association's Jump Rope for Heart! Top fundraisers enthusiastically "color bombed" Mr. Westmiller and Mrs. Schukraft!
 - Santa Paws, an initiative to donate pet supplies in lieu of a classroom gift exchange, netted more than 400 items for donation to the Genesee Animal Shelter and Open Arms Rescue of WNY. Classes were treated to a visit with rescue animals.
 - Collaborating with the High School's National Honor Society for "Operation Toothbrush," elementary students collected nearly 1,000 personal hygiene items for donation to those in need.
- Akron Elementary continues to partner with the Akron-Newstead Rotary Club to sponsor "Blessings in a Backpack," a program which sends food home on Fridays with over 40 elementary children.



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Middle School

- Akron Middle School implemented the character education program “Character Counts” to promote and reward positive student behaviors. The six pillars of “Character Counts” are trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship. Each month we focus on one specific pillar and reward students when they demonstrate the desired behavior.
- 2022 NYS Math and ELA scores are in and Akron Middle performed well!
Grade 6 ELA earned the 5th highest achievement ranking in all public middle schools in E1B.
Grade 7 ELA earned the 6th highest achievement ranking in all public middle schools in E1B.
Grade 8 ELA earned the 2nd highest achievement ranking in all public middle schools in E1B.
Grade 6 Math earned the 6th highest achievement ranking in all public middle schools in E1B.
Grade 7 Math earned the 5th highest achievement ranking in all public middle schools in E1B.
Grade 8 Math earned the highest achievement ranking (#1) in all public middle schools in E1B.
- After a rigorous screening process, Middle School Math teacher, Miss Danielle Dembrow, was selected to the New York State Master Teacher Program, Western Region. She joins colleagues Mrs. Christina O’Malley, Mrs. Karen Muscarella, and Mrs. Danielle Class, as well as Mr. Robert Meek from the High School, all Master Teacher Emeriti, in this professional network of passionate public school teachers inspiring the next generation of STEM leaders.
- Spirit Week featured the return of the Cardboard Boat Race for eager middle school students. Teams of participants are charged with using their math, science, and creative design and engineering skills, to build boats from only cardboard and duct tape. Two team members board their boat then paddle down the pool and back in a riotous timed competition, hoping to stay afloat. Nearly 100 students joined the contest, cheered on by the entire student body.
- The performance gymnasium was the stage for our Native American students to showcase part of their culture with a demonstration of their social dancing during National Native American Heritage Month in November. Classmates from the audience were encouraged to join them.

High School

- In September, student leaders from Cardinal O’Hara High School visited ACS to learn more about Native American culture. Our Native American staff members made a tremendous educational presentation about the Haudensaunee people of New York and their culture, as well as the meaning behind “Every Child Matters” Day. Students made their own wampum necklaces and sampled some authentic Native American cuisine.
- Akron High School was represented by two seniors at the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Leadership Retreat held at Beaver Hollow. A student panel took center stage for “Listen Up Leaders” where students shared their experiences related to DEI, opening up important conversation about making schools a safe space for all students.
- Bank on Buffalo, a division of CNB Bank, made Akron High School its first school in New York State to bring their Financial Reality Fair. The Fair exposes junior and seniors to the financial decisions they will face as they move into adulthood, providing a realistic experience for budgeting and managing their money around a career of interest. Traveling from station to station, they calculate net pay then determine expenses for housing, food, insurance, personal care, pets, communication, college, and entertainment. It was an exciting opportunity that was well received by students.
- Akron High School hosted a site visit for financial literacy advocates that included managers from the Office of the NYS Comptroller, a representative from SUNY Erie, local business leaders, students, and school leadership. They sat in the class of Personal Finance teacher and event organizer, Mrs. Karen Sacli, and her students, and then stayed for an informational advocacy session with a leader from Next Gen Personal Finance. Next Gen is a non-profit with a mission to ensure every high school

student in America takes a finance course – a requirement to graduate from ACS – and which has designated Akron a Gold Standard School. The event allowed our school to promote the program, describe our collaboration with local businesses, and highlight student experiences in Personal Finance or Work-Based Learning programs. Those in attendance heartily agreed that ACS is a model for other NYS schools for demonstrating the positive impact financial literacy has on students and families.

- The Akron Chapter of National Honor Society proudly inducted 15 students in 2023. The top 25% ranked juniors and seniors with a cumulative unweighted GPA of 90% or better are eligible for consideration and selection is made by the Faculty Council based on outstanding scholarship, character, leadership and service.
- The Erie 1 BOCES Chapter of National Technical Honor Society inducted eight Akron HS seniors who are enrolled in various programs at the Harkness, Ken-Ton, or Potter Career and Technical Centers.
- Sophomores attended a “Reverse Career Day.” Local businesses hosted students, providing them with exposure to various manufacturing and work environments.

Arts

- ACS is named a Best Communities for Music Education by NAMM for the 11th time!
- Twenty-nine students in Grades 4-9 auditioned for and were selected to participate in ensembles for music festivals of the ECMEA and five students were selected for the Junior High NYSSMA Music Festival.
- The musical production of family favorite, *The Wizard of Oz*, was presented by Akron Middle and High School students. They brought many beloved characters to life on our stage.
- Several High School artists submitted works for a virtual art show at the annual convention of the New York State School Boards Association. Another artist submitted her artwork for the 2023 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Fine Arts and Essay Exhibit for online viewing and several others had their photos in the Storr’s All-High Show at the Kenan Center.

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High School Gymnasium #3 (Orange Gym)

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Athletics

- In Spring of 2022, five teams were named Scholar Athlete Team, three seniors were named All-WNY Scholar Athlete Winners, and 18 were named Honorable Mention. The Lacrosse team really shined! They were Class D, Section VI, and Regional Champs before heading to the NYSPHSAA State Championship Final Four. They earned the Niagara Frontier Officials Sportsmanship Award and their coach, Gary Sundown, shared US Lacrosse Head Coach of the Year. Also, the
- Tennis team became Niagara-Orleans Champs for the fourth consecutive year.
- Eight teams were named Scholar Athlete Team in Fall 2022. Four seniors became All-WNY Scholar Athlete Winners and 24 were named Honorable Mention. The Golf team was a three-peat as Niagara Orleans League Champs and League Tournament Champs, Field Hockey was N-O League and Section VI Class C Champs and Volleyball was also N-O League Champs!
- During the 2022-23 winter season, the Boys Basketball team was able to donate to the Jimmy V Foundation and Hearts & Hands following the annual Silvernail Memorial Tournament. The Swim teams earned nine first place patches in League or Class competition and the girl's breaststroke record was broken again! Four teams were named Scholar Athlete Team, one senior is Winner for All-WNY Scholar-Athlete and nine are Honorable Mention.

