

The background of the slide is a green chalkboard. In the lower-left quadrant, two pieces of pink chalk are lying on the surface. One piece is standing upright, while the other is lying horizontally. There are several faint, white chalk markings scattered across the board, including a large 'V' shape and some curved lines. The overall lighting is soft, creating a slight shadow for the chalk pieces.

FY 2021 Proposed Budget

Champlain Islands Unified Union School District

March 3, 2020



The goals of the CIUUSD

The ACT 46 Study Committee identified

“Expanding student opportunities while reorganizing into more financially sustainable governance structure(s) underscored the Committee's focus.” in the Executive Summary of the ACT 46 Report

Budget Highlights

- Maintained opportunities for students which were added in FY 20 including:
 - *Continued funding for after school program*
 - *French at all three campuses*
 - *Clinician*
 - *Instructional coach*
- Reduction of total expenditures by more than \$76,000 (.9%) from the FY 20 budget
- Decrease of equalized pupils
- Common Level of appraisal is significantly lower in each of the towns which causes town education tax rates to increase

Opportunities for Taxpayers

ACT 46 provided incentives for voluntary mergers. In the second year that incentive is a 6 cent reduction of the newly merged districts combined tax rate.



Budget Financial Highlights

FY 2021 CIUUSD

	2021 Budget	2020 Budget	Increase or (Decrease)	% Change
Operational	\$4,860,700	\$5,000,534	(\$139,834)	(2.8%)
Tuition	\$2,796,565	\$2,773,123	\$23,442	.08%
Special Ed/EEE/Title 1 (net)	\$677,909	\$637,568	\$40,341	6.3%
Total Revenues	(\$843,663)	(\$848,151)	(\$4,488)	(.05%)
NET EDUCATION SPENDING	\$7,491,512	\$7,563,074	(\$71,562)	(.09%)
NET COST PER PUPIL	\$18,248	\$17,314	\$934	5.4%
Total Expenses	\$8,335,174	\$8,411,225	(\$76,051)	(.09%)

EQUALIZED PUPILS

Not to be confused with the number of students attending or the number of students in the school district, the Equalized Pupil count is the weighted average number of pupils. This number is determined by the state. It is the number used for the Homestead Tax rate calculation.

FY2021	FY2020	FY2019
410.54	419.06	435.19

COMMON LEVEL OF APPRAISAL (CLA)

This is the ratio applied by the state to equalize local grand lists to reflect market conditions for property value. It is established annually by the Vermont Department of Taxes. This is necessary because we start with a statewide tax rate and that rate is modified to reflect the local housing market. A value of less than 100 indicates that on average properties are being sold for more than the local assessment. A reduction in the CLA results in an increase in the actual tax rate.

TOWN	2019	2018	CHANGE
GRAND ISLE	99.36%	105.66%	(6.30%)
ISLE LA MOTTE	100.73%	101.95%	(1.21%)
NORTH HERO	94.99%	97.65%	(2.65%)

How Do We Compare?

- To previous years' tax rates?

Grand Isle Tax Rates			
	FY2021 *Estimated	FY2020	FY2019
Homestead	1.627	1.511	1.539
Non Homestead	1.654	1.509	1.498

PROJECTED TAX RATE REDUCTION INCREASE TAX LIABILITY BY \$231 ON A \$200,000 PROPERTY ASSESSMENT

How Do We Compare?

- To previous years' tax rates?

Isle La Motte Tax Rates			
	FY2021 *Estimated	FY2020	FY2019
Homestead	1.605	1.560	1.383
Non Homestead	1.654	1.564	1.443

PROJECTED TAX RATE REDUCTION INCREASES TAX LIABILITY BY \$89 ON A \$200,000 PROPERTY ASSESSMENT

How Do We Compare?

- To previous years' tax rates?

North Hero Tax Rates			
	FY2021 *Estimated	FY2020	FY2019
Homestead	1.705	1.635	1.561
Non Homestead	1.654	1.632	1.604

PROJECTED TAX RATE REDUCTION INCREASES TAX LIABILITY BY \$138 ON A \$200,000 PROPERTY ASSESSMENT

The Property Tax Formula

EXPENDITURES **\$8,335,174**

Expenditures are the total dollars a school district intends to spend.

MINUS LOCAL REVENUES **\$846,663**

Local revenues are money the district has or is owed (e.g., federal dollars, state aid for special education, transportation, tuitions, surplus, interest).

EDUCATION SPENDING **\$7,491,51**

Education spending is the amount that needs to be raised by education property taxes, augmented by the Education Fund.

DIVIDED BY EQUALIZED PUPILS **410.54**

Equalized pupils is a two-year weighted average.

ED SPENDING PER EQUALIZED PUPIL **\$18,248**

Ed spending divided by equalized pupils.

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PROPERTY TAX YIELD PER \$1 OF TAX RATE

\$10,883

Formerly referred to as the Base Amount, which is set by the state and used to compare to a district's education spending per equalized pupil.

EQUALIZED TAX RATE TO BE PRORATED

1.678

Ed spending per equalized pupil divided by property tax yield

COMMON LEVEL OF APPRAISAL

Grand Isle

99.36%

Isle La Motte

100.73%

North Hero

94.99%

CLA is the ratio of the town's listed property values versus the state's estimated values. The state's value is set by actual sales averaged over three years.

ACTUAL HOMESTEAD TAX RATE

Grand Isle

\$1.6268

Isle La Motte

\$1.6046

North Hero

\$1.7052

Equalized tax rate divided by the CLA. This is multiplied by the assessed value of your home and divided by 100. The resulting education tax is added to the municipal tax to calculate your total property tax due.

Other situations...

INCOME SENSITIVITY

- **Taxes based on income instead of property value.**
 - Tax liability can be based on taxable income for household income up to \$138,250 for 2020.
- **You **must apply** for a property tax adjustment.**
 - Download forms at:
<http://tax.vermont.gov/property-owners/property-tax-adjustment-claim>.

ACTUAL NON-HOMESTEAD TAX RATE

Grand Isle	1.6647
Isle La Motte	1.6420
North Hero	1.7412

Non homestead base rate divided by CLA. The resulting non-homestead rate is multiplied by the assessed value, divided by 100, and added to the municipal tax to determine your non-homestead property tax.

FY 2020 CIUUSD Proposed School Budget Detail

	2021 Budget	2020 Budget	Increase or (Decrease)	Notes
Instructional	\$4,588,987	\$4,932,815	(\$343,828)	
Title 1	\$18,253	\$17,496	\$757	
Pre K	\$160,875	\$143,869	\$17,006	Increase in PK tuition
Special Education	\$498,781	\$434,038	\$64,742	Increased student needs
EEE	\$42,165	\$0	(42,165)	
Student Body Activities	\$80,769	\$54,456	(\$26,313)	
Summer School	\$1,650	\$5,863	(\$4,213)	
Guidance	\$80,128	\$77,955	2,173	.
Health Services	\$187,110	\$179,436	\$7,675	
Library & Technology	\$140,467	\$142,646	(\$2,179)	
Board of Education	\$38,801	\$44,830	(\$6,030)	
Administration from SU	\$636,987	\$589,142	\$47,845	
Principal Services	\$429,383	\$417,780	\$11,603	Health insurance increase
Spec. Ed Coordination from SU	\$657,428	\$584,501	\$72,927	Increased student needs

More...

	2021 Budget	2020 Budget	Increase or (Decrease)	Notes
Short Term Loans	\$7,500	0	(\$7,500)	
Operations/Maintenance	\$517,557	\$441,240	\$76,317	
Transportation	\$284,312	\$229,179	\$55,133	New bus contract
Food Service Transfers	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$0	Food Service Loss Subsidy
Other Outlays	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Expenses	\$8,335,174	\$8,411,225	(\$76,051)	See above explanations
Total Revenues	\$843,663	\$848,151	(\$4,478)	
NET EDUCATION SPENDING	\$7,491,512	\$7,563,074	(\$71,562)	Down .0095%
Ed Spending per Pupil	\$18,248	\$17,314	\$934	Up 5.39%

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Budget Adjustment

A review of the budget discovered that local revenues were understated by \$83,300. A correction will be made with the result being approximately a one percent decrease of CIUUSD base tax rate.



PLEASE VOTE TUES. MARCH 3

Grand Isle Town Offices 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Isle La Motte Town Offices 9 a.m.-7p.m.

North Hero Town Offices 7 a.m.-7p.m.