



BLUE MOUNTAIN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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REVISED FY2027 BUDGET SNAPSHOT

Operating Budget

↑ **\$12,756,291**
5.83% from FY26
in expenditures

⊖ **\$858,185**
in revenues

weighted pupils ÷ **749.67**
physical pupils **weighted pupils**

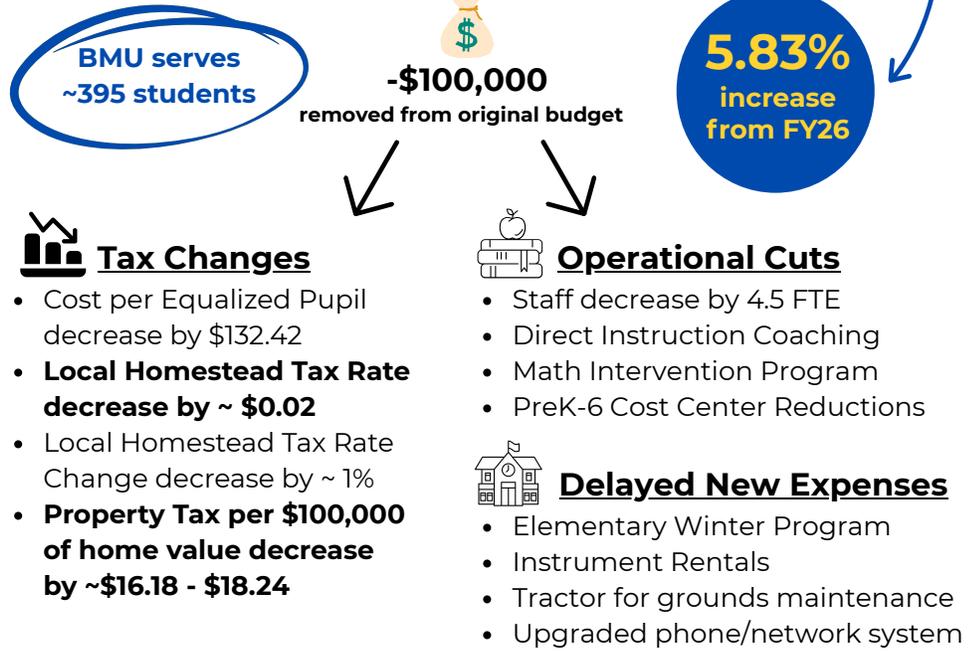
↑ **\$15,871.12**
19.06% from FY26
WARNED ON THE BALLOT
= **cost per weighted pupil**

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Decreases in equalized pupils and our towns' Common Level of Appraisals (CLA) significantly impacted our local homestead tax rates. If both had remained at FY26 levels, our tax rate would only increase by 6.8%

Original Budget Revisions

\$12,856,291 - \$100,000 = \$12,756,291
original expenditures - reduced amount = revised expenditures



Estimated Tax Values

*Please note this is an estimate based on the most current data available and does not include the Vermont Property Tax Credit or the proposed property tax buy-down

| | | FY2026 Tax | FY2027 Estimated Tax* | \$ Tax Change* | % Tax Change* |
|--------------------|------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|----------------|---------------|
| RYEGATE | Homestead Tax Rate | \$1.5203 | \$1.9388* | \$0.4184* | 27.52%* |
| | Tax per \$100,000 Home Value | \$1,520.34 | \$1,938.76* | \$418.42* | |
| WELLS RIVER | Homestead Tax Rate | \$1.6389 | \$2.1873* | \$0.5483* | 33.46%* |
| | Tax per \$100,000 Home Value | \$1,638.92 | \$2,187.26* | \$548.33* | |
| GROTON | Homestead Tax Rate | \$1.7497 | \$2.1111* | \$0.3614* | 20.65%* |
| | Tax per \$100,000 Home Value | \$1,749.69 | \$2,111.05* | \$361.36* | |

Voting Information



Informational Meeting
Monday, March 23, 2026
6:00pm - School Library
or join us virtually via ZOOM



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REVISED FY2027 BUDGET TAX IMPACTS

Income Sensitivity Information - How does it work?

Households with 2025 tax year income of \$115,400 or less can be eligible for a tax rebate to help lower their tax burden for the year. The rebate is seen by the household on their state tax return and is the difference between the calculated household income rate and the property tax bill that they received from the town. The household tax credit will be calculated as follows:

HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Ⓢ \$47,000 or less

These households will only pay the base income rate, 2%, of their combined income on property taxes as long as their property's assessed value is \$400,000 or less

Ⓢ Between \$47,001 and \$90,000

These households will pay the income sensitivity rate, currently estimated at 2.61%, of their combined income on property taxes as long as their property's assessed value is \$400,000 or less

Ⓢ Between \$90,001 and \$115,400

These households will pay the lower of either 1) the income sensitivity rate, currently estimated at 2.61%, of their combined income on property taxes plus the local homestead tax rate on any property value over \$225,000 OR 2) the local homestead tax rate on the entire property value

Ⓢ \$115,401 or more

These households do not qualify for this rebate and will pay the local homestead tax rate on the entire property value

| GROTON | HOUSEHOLD INCOME | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|
| | 2% | | 2.61% | | \$2.1111 | |
| HOMESTEAD VALUE | \$35,000 | \$47,000 | \$60,000 | \$89,999 | \$110,000 | \$115,401+ |
| \$200,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$2,871 | \$4,222 |
| \$225,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$2,871 | \$4,750 |
| \$250,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$3,399 | \$5,278 |
| \$300,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$4,454 | \$6,333 |
| \$350,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$5,510 | \$7,389 |
| \$400,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$6,565 | \$8,444 |
| \$450,000 | \$1,756 | \$1,996 | \$2,256 | \$2,856 | \$7,621 | \$9,500 |
| \$500,000 | \$2,811 | \$3,051 | \$3,311 | \$3,911 | \$8,677 | \$10,556 |

| RYEGATE | HOUSEHOLD INCOME | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|
| | 2% | | 2.61% | | \$1.9388 | |
| HOMESTEAD VALUE | \$35,000 | \$47,000 | \$60,000 | \$89,999 | \$110,000 | \$115,401+ |
| \$200,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$2,871 | \$3,878 |
| \$225,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$2,871 | \$4,362 |
| \$250,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$3,356 | \$4,847 |
| \$300,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$4,325 | \$5,816 |
| \$350,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$5,295 | \$6,786 |
| \$400,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$6,264 | \$7,755 |
| \$450,000 | \$1,669 | \$1,909 | \$2,169 | \$2,769 | \$7,233 | \$8,725 |
| \$500,000 | \$2,639 | \$2,879 | \$3,139 | \$3,739 | \$8,203 | \$9,694 |

| WELLS RIVER | HOUSEHOLD INCOME | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|
| | 2% | | 2.61% | | \$2.1873 | |
| HOMESTEAD VALUE | \$35,000 | \$47,000 | \$60,000 | \$89,999 | \$110,000 | \$115,401+ |
| \$200,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$2,871 | \$4,375 |
| \$225,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$2,871 | \$4,921 |
| \$250,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$3,418 | \$5,468 |
| \$300,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$4,511 | \$6,562 |
| \$350,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$5,605 | \$7,656 |
| \$400,000 | \$700 | \$940 | \$1,566 | \$2,349 | \$6,699 | \$8,749 |
| \$450,000 | \$1,794 | \$2,034 | \$2,294 | \$2,894 | \$7,792 | \$9,843 |
| \$500,000 | \$2,887 | \$3,127 | \$3,387 | \$3,987 | \$8,886 | \$10,937 |

*These charts are for illustrative purposes only. For a customized tax projection, please consult the property tax calculator on the VT Department of Taxes website.

- More info at <https://tax.vermont.gov/property/property-tax-credit>
- **Must** file **Form HS-122**, Homestead Declaration and Property Tax Credit Claim and Schedule **HI-144**, Household Income
- Deadline for a full qualified credit is **April 15**
- **Over 50% of our voters are eligible for a tax credit**



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