

97.6% Passage Rate for School Budgets

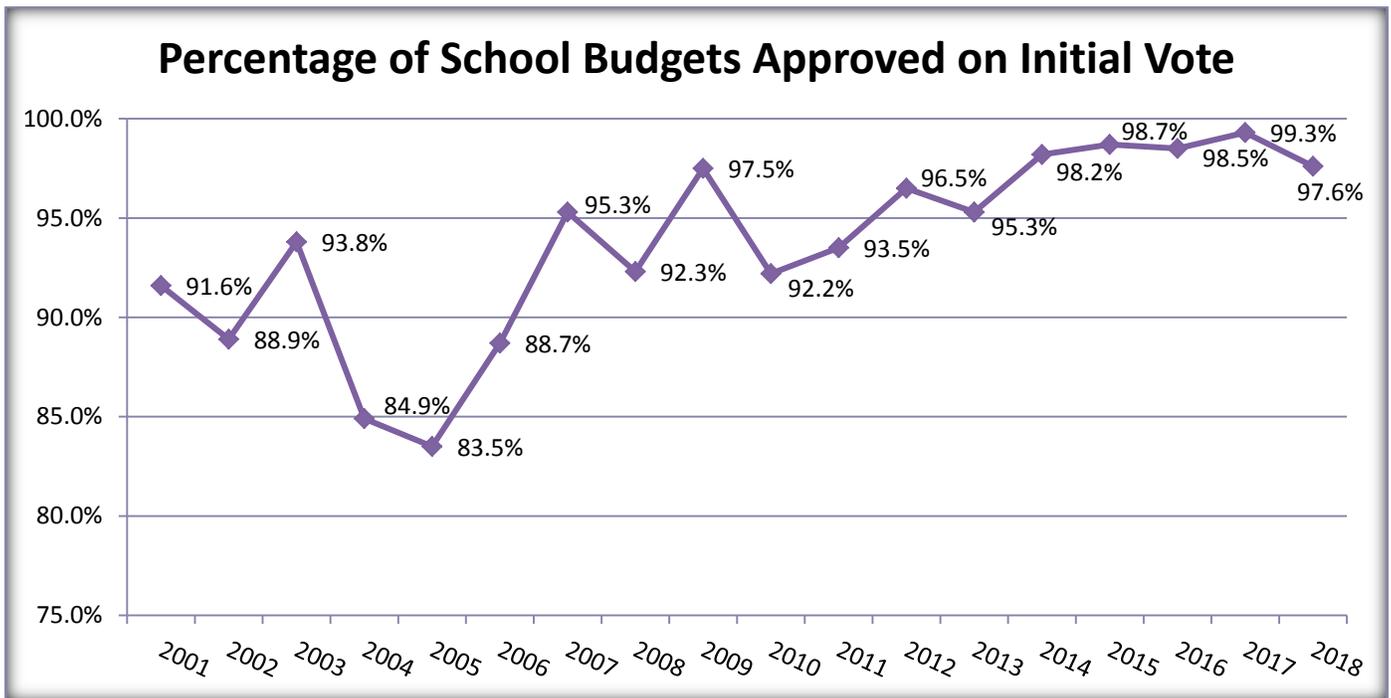


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On May 15th, voters across the state approved 659 school budgets and defeated sixteen – a 97.6 percent passage rate, slightly below last year’s record passage rate of 99.3%. Of the sixteen districts that experienced a budget defeat, seven were attempting to pierce their Tax Levy Limit and therefore needed a super-majority (60 percent) for approval.

Districts with a defeated budget may resubmit the same budget to the voters, resubmit a revised budget to the voters, or adopt a contingency budget. If a school district chooses to have a budget revote, it must take place on June 19th – the third Tuesday in June. If a second budget proposal is defeated, the district must adopt a contingency budget. Districts that adopt a contingency budget may not increase the tax levy above the previous year's levy—a 0 percent cap.



The following page provides a listing of those districts that had their budget defeated.

2018 Budget Defeats (by County)

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
BREWSTER CSD	Putnam
CLYMER CSD*	Chautauqua
EAST RAMAPO CSD	Rockland
EDEN CSD*	Erie
FORT EDWARD UFSD	Washington
GOWANDA CSD	Cattaraugus
JOHNSTOWN CITY SD*	Fulton
NEW ROCHELLE CITY SD*	Westchester
NORTH BELLMORE UFSD*	Nassau
RIPLEY CSD	Chautauqua
STAMFORD CSD*	Delaware
UNIONDALE UFSD	Nassau
VALLEY CSD	Orange
WEST VALLEY CSD	Cattaraugus
WESTFIELD CSD	Chautauqua
WESTPORT CSD*	Essex

** District needed a super-majority 60% for approval.*