

Albion Central School District

Budget Statement May 2025

Dear Purple Eagle families:

It is my pleasure, on behalf of the Albion Central School District Board of Education, to present to you the proposed budget for the 2025-26 academic year. This budget is more than just numbers – it reflects our priorities and commitment to delivering a high-quality education for every student which includes but is not limited to: maintaining small class sizes, enhancing student support services, upgrading technology, and ensuring our facilities are safe and functional.

Maintaining our precedent of conservative financial planning, we are once again proposing a tax levy with a zero percent increase. While we, like so many, continue to face challenges regarding rising operational costs and potential changes to federal funding, we continue to believe that the District can be fiscally responsible while remaining firmly committed to the future of our students and community.

Please take your time as you review the District's 2025-26 proposed budget. Additionally, please note, this year's budget hearing will be on Tuesday, May 13 at 6 p.m. in the High School LGI. We welcome any questions or concerns you may have and, as always, encourage your feedback and engagement in the budget process. The budget vote itself will be held on Tuesday, May 20 from noon until 8 p.m. at the Hoag Library.

Your awareness and participation are key to our success. Together, we can ensure our schools remain places where students thrive and our community grows stronger.

Sincerely,

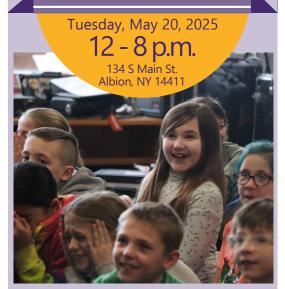
Wayne Wadhams

Board of Education President



BUDGET VOTE

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What's on the ballot?

Residents will vote on the following six propositions:

PROPOSITION NUMBER 1 (2025-2026 BUDGET)

RESOLVED, that the budget for the Albion Central School District, Orleans County and Genesee County, New York (the "District") for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026 as presented by the Board of Education, is hereby approved and adopted and the required funds therefor are hereby appropriated and the necessary real property taxes required shall be raised by a tax on the taxable property in said District to be levied and collected as required by law.

PROPOSITION NUMBER 3 (LOCAL LIBRARY APPROPRIATION)

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Albion Central School District of Orleans and Genesee Counties, New York, pursuant to provisions of Section 259 of the Education Law of the State of New York, be authorized and empowered to raise an annual sum of six hundred fifty-seven thousand, five hundred sixty dollars (\$657,560) during the 2025/2026 for library purposes; that this amount be raised by tax levy during the school year for support of the maintenance and operations of the Hoag Library of the Swan Library Association; and that this sum be in addition to the funds raised to meet the estimated expenditures of the school district, in the form commonly known as the School District budget.

PROPOSITION NUMBER 5 (ESTABLISHMENT OF A TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT RESERVE FUND)

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Albion Central School District, Orleans and Genesee Counties, New York (the "District") is hereby authorized to establish a new 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 "Technology Equipment Reserve Fund, 2025;" that the Fund shall be established for the purpose of financing, in whole or in part (A) the District's acquisition, installation, improvement, expansion or upgrading of technology-related equipment, machinery, systems, or apparatus (collectively, "Technology Assets"), (B) the cost of renovating, reconstructing, altering, upgrading, furnishing and equipping various District buildings, facilities, and sites to better accommodate the use of and/or instruction in such Technology Assets and (C) any related work required in connection with the foregoing; that the ultimate amount of such Fund shall be not greater than \$3,000,000 (plus interest earned thereon); that the probable term of such Fund shall be not longer than ten (10) 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 as directed by the Board; (C) State aid received as reimbursement for expenditures by the District in connection with District technology-related initiatives (whether or not such expenditures 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) one or more other reserve funds of the District; and/or (F) 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.

PROPOSITION NUMBER 2 (PURCHASE OF BUSES)

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education be authorized to appropriate an amount of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) from the Albion Central School Bus Purchase Reserve Fund to purchase buses for the 2026-2027 school year.

PROPOSITION NUMBER 4 (ESTABLISHMENT OF A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS RESERVE FUND, 2025)

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Albion Central School District, Orleans and Genesee Counties, New York (the "District") is hereby authorized to establish a capital improvements 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 "Capital Improvements Reserve Fund, 2025" of the District; that the Fund shall be established for the purpose of financing, in whole or in part, 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") of which the District is (or may become) a component district, including, in all cases, the acquisition of necessary furnishings, equipment, machinery, and apparatus; that the ultimate amount of the Fund shall be not greater than \$10,000,000 (plus interest earned thereon); that the probable term of the Fund shall be not longer than ten (10) years; and that the permissible sources from which the Board is authorized to appropriate monies to the Fund from time to time shall be (A) amounts applied thereto from budgetary appropriations of the District; (B) unappropriated fund balance of the District as directed by the Board; (C) State aid received as reimbursement for expenditures by the District in connection with District capital improvements (whether or not such expenditures 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) one or more other reserve funds of the District; and/or (F) 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.

PROPOSITION NUMBER 6 (APPROVAL OF A MULTI-YEAR TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT)

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Albion Central School District, Orleans and Genesee Counties, New York (the "District") be, and it hereby is, authorized to enter into a contract for the transportation of District pupils with Student Transportation of America (the "Company"), which contract shall have a duration of four years, subject to the further terms set forth in the Company's bid opened July 30th, 2024, a copy of which is on file with the District Clerk.

Overall Budget Proposal	Budget Adopted for the 2024-25 School Year	Budget Proposed for the 2025-26 School Year	Contingency Budget for the 2025-26 School Year
Total Budgeted Amount, Not Including Separate Propositions	\$42,320,666	\$44,750,485	\$44,750,485
Increase/ Decrease for the 2024-25 School Year		\$2,429,819	\$2,429,819
Percentage Increase/ Decrease in Proposed Budget		5.74%	5.74%
Change in the Consumer Price Index		2.95%	
A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount	\$8,449,039	\$8,449,039	
B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable			
C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Available **			
D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Yr. Levy			
E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A+B+C-D)	\$8,449,039	\$8,449,039	\$8,449,039
F. Total Permissable Exclusions			
G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions	\$8,772,476	\$8,767,624	
H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/ or Permissible Exclusions (E-B-F+D)	\$8,449,039	\$8,449,039	
I. Difference: (G-H); (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval - See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions)**	\$323,436	\$318,585	
Administrative Component	\$3,708,041	\$3,859,791	\$3,859,791
Program Component	\$34,847,314	\$37,086,518	\$37,086,518
Capital Component	\$3,765,311	\$3,804,176	\$3,804,176

^{*} Provide a statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2025-26 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law.

The capital component of the budget includes a capital outlay project of \$100,000. The building aid is anticipated to be received as revenue in the following year. This is a \$100,000 project that is paid out of our General Fund Budget (A) and then reimbursed at our current building aid ratio the following year by the State. For the 2025-26 school year, we are proposing a project at our Elementary School that will be largely focused on interior and exterior door/hardware replacements.

** 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 requirement.

Description	Amount
Bus purchase from reserve funds	\$1,000,000
Establishment of a Capital Improvements Reserve Fund	\$10,000,000
Establishment of a Technology Reserve Fund	\$3,000,000

	Under the Budget Proposed for the 2025-26 School Year
Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings ¹	\$367.00

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

STAR Exemption

The School Tax Relief (STAR) program provides eligible homeowners in New York State with relief on their property taxes. Whether you receive the STAR exemption or the credit, there are two types of STAR benefits:

Basic STAR

- Available for owner-occupied, primary residences;
- The income limit for the Basic STAR credit is \$500,000 (the income limit for the Basic STAR exemption is \$250,000);
- Based on the first \$30,000 of the full value of a home

Enhanced STAR

- Provides an increased benefit for the primary residences of senior citizens (age 65 and older) with qualifying incomes: \$107,300 or less for the 2025-2026 school year
- Based on the first \$86,100 of the full value of a home for the 2025-2026 school year.

For more information about the STAR exemptions and credits, go to: https://www.tax.ny.gov/pit/property/star/types.htm

Where does the money come from?

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REVENUE SUMMARY		
Revenue Sources	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 Proposed Budget
Appropriated Fund Balance Tax Levy/ STAR Payments PILOT Agreement Sale of Equipment, Material and Other. Tuition and Fees Interest Earnings State Aid	\$8,449,039 \$17,706 \$24,500 \$8,250 \$591,111	\$8,449,039 \$500 \$98,900 \$8,000 \$793,153
Total	\$42,320,666	\$44,750,485

Where does t	he money go	?
EXPENSE SUMMARY		
Budget Category	2024-25 Adopted Budget	2025-26 Proposed Budget
Administrative Components Board of Education District Administration Business Office Auditing Legal Insurance BOCES Administrative Charges. Data Processing. Personnel & Public Information Central Printing & Mailing Curriculum Development & Supervis School Supervision Instruction Employee Benefits	\$108,554 \$249,326 \$325,571 \$46,250 \$158,335 \$187,338 \$223,788 \$343,909 \$102,950 \$102,950 \$18,450 \$873,699 \$873,699	\$255,162 \$333,618 \$51,500 \$151,555 \$206,495 \$239,903 \$361,955 \$147,892 \$133,948 \$18,600 \$927,726
Administrative Budget	\$3,708,041	\$3,859,791
Capital Components Maintenance/ Custodial Energy/ Utilities Major Maintenance Employee Benefits Capital Outlay Project	\$766,534	\$838,815 \$458,491 \$682,416 \$100,000
Capital Budget	\$3,765,311	\$3,804,176

Program Components

Instruction	\$12,814,979	\$13,460,716
Special Needs Program	\$6,290,982	\$6,694,814
Library & Computer Assisted Instruction	\$1,301,213	\$1,381,351
Pupil Services	\$1,360,307	\$1,379,933
Co-Curricular/ Interscholastic Athletics	\$843,944	\$830,169
Community Service	\$166,921	\$143,628
District Transportation Fuel & Supplies	\$409,859	\$394,174
Garage Building	\$48,639	\$48,304
Contract Transportation	,	
Employee Benefits		
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Program Budget \$34,847,314 \$37,086,518 \$42,320,666 \$44,750,485 Total Budget

2025-26 **BUDGET GOALS**

Your support of our Purple Eagles paves the way for their success, both within the District and beyond. With your continued investment, our aim extends beyond shaping good students – we strive to develop responsible, productive citizens prepared for life after graduation.

These pages showcase our unwavering commitment to our students, our staff, and the greater Albion community. In this edition of the Annual Budget Newsletter, you'll find the impact of your support for the Albion Central School District and our dedication to:

- Prioritizing each student and addressing their unique needs
- Acting with kindness and compassion
- Upholding integrity
- Pursuing continuous growth and improvement
- Collaborating with all stakeholders



Three-Part Budget Summary

New York State requires school districts to present their budgets divided into three expenditure categories

– Administrative, Program and Capital.

Total Budget: \$44,750,485

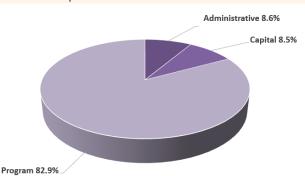
Administrative 2024-25 2025-26
Amount \$3,708,041 \$3,859,791
Percent of Budget 8.8% 8.6%
Provides overall general support and management services including employee benefits for administrative and clerical support staff, costs for administration and supervision of each of the three schools, staff development, business operations and central administration.

<u>Capital</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>
Amount	\$3,765,311	\$3,804,176
Percent of Budget	8.9%	8.5%

Provides maintenance and custodial services for four bus garage buildings, the surrounding property, utility services, debt service payments and benefits for maintenance and custodial staff.

2024-25	2025-26	Difference
Budget P	Proposed Budget	Difference

TOTALS: \$42,320,666 \$44,750,485 5.74%



<u>Program</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	2025-26
Amount	\$34,847,314	\$37,086,518
Percent of Budget	82.3%	82.9%

Provides instruction and educational support services for the District's students. This includes the transportation costs, special education services and benefits for the instructional and non-instructional program staff.



The <u>FACTS</u> about your <u>TAX</u>

The District's allowable tax levy limit is **3.77%** for a simple majority vote. Due to our strong fiscal planning, increase in foundation aid and our fully funded reserves, **Albion is proposing a 0% tax levy increase.**

What is an "allowable tax levy limit?"

The "tax levy limit" is the highest allowable tax levy (before exemptions) that a district can propose without requiring 60% of voters to pass it. According to NYS law, under the current tax cap calculation, Albion CSD is able to increase the tax levy by \$318,585 (3.77%).

Why is this significant?

It has been our long-term goal to keep the tax levy increases as minimal as possible, if not neutral. We are proud to say that for the 2025-26 school year we have achieved this goal yet again. This will save our taxpayers a total of \$318,585 in the 2025-26 school year!

Tax Collection Method

Once again, the Orleans County Treasurer's Office will be assisting Albion CSD by processing our school tax collection. All payments must be made with the Orleans County Treasurer and can no longer be made at or with the school. Orleans County will accept tax payments in person or by US mail; cash payments may be made in-person only.

They are located at: 156 South Main Street Albion, NY 14411

The tax collection period will end on October 31. We do accept US postmark for the deadline. Any questions regarding these payments may be made by contacting the Orleans County Treasurer at (585) 589-5353. Tax information prior to 2022 is available online through Systems East, Inc. at: http://totalcollectionsolution.com/site/login

Username: albion Password: albion (all lowercase)

This past fall, the District dedicated the newly renovated Sports Complex to Richard C. Diminuco, former Purple Eagles Athletic Director and Varsity

CAPITAL PROJECT CLOSEOUT

The District's Capital Project has reflected a shared commitment to enhancing student educational opportunities and creating spaces where our Purple Eagles can thrive, both academically and athletically. Every improvement stands testament to the community's continued dedication, ensuring that future generations of Purple Eagles have the tools and environment they need to S.O.A.R.

The District extends its heartfelt gratitude for the continued support that makes these advancements possible — together, we're building a brighter future.







The District updated all of the scoreboards both in the Athletic Complex and in the newly renovated gymnasiums.



ALBION ELEMENTARY STUDENTS

HANDS ON LEARNING

This past fall, our first graders were learning about the human body. Complete with scrubs, students took part in interactive lessons and stations, focusing on healthy eating habits and identifying parts of the body.





ALBION MIDDLE SCHOOL HOSTS LITERACY NIGHT

The Albion Middle hosted another successful Literacy Night this spring. Held the same night as parent-teacher conferences, there were a variety of activities available with art, poetry, visiting with SRO Prawel and the Orleans Co. Sheriffs, relaxing at the meditation station, and bowling (just to name a few)!



ALBION HIGH SCHOOL

CLUB CATCH UP





There are so many diverse clubs students can take part in at ACS. This year, our students in Japanese Club practiced writing kanji, a Chinese-based character, choosing words/phrases like "good luck," "peace," or "health," during their first meeting of 2025. In Masterminds, an academic quiz team, students are able to test their knowledge in fast-paced competitions that span everything from history to pop culture. It's perfect for trivia buffs and critical thinkers who love a challenge. Learn more about ACS clubs on www.albionk12.org.

AHS STUDENTS COMPETE ON UNIFIED BOWLING TEAM

This was the first year the District had student-athletes compete in Unified Bowling. With 18 students on the roster, the team held a record of 5 wins 1 loss and placed 2nd in the end of season tournament. The team closed the season by celebrating their seniors - we are so proud of all you accomplished this season, Purple Eagles!



AMS STUDENTS BRING

HEADSTONE HOME

Two of our Purple Eagles, Kendall and Mary, were recognized at a spring Board of Education meeting by the Livingston County Veterans Services Agency for bringing a headstone home to honor a soldier's previously unmarked grave. The ceremony is tentatively schedule for Memorial Day weekend.



LOCAL AUTHOR VISITS AES FOR READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK



This year, the Elementary School invited author Rafe Martin to come talk to students in third, fourth, and fifth grades as part of Read Across America Week. Mr. Martin spoke about the power of imagination and emphasized the importance of storytelling as a lost form of entertainment and record keeping.

MIDDLE SCHOOL DRAMA
DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

THE LITTLE MERMAID

Our Middle School students brought us "under the sea" in their spring performance of "The Little Mermaid." The musical is based on the 1989 film by Walt Disney Animation Studios and the fairy tale by Hans Christian Andersen featuring some familar characters and music.





PURPLE EAGLES SOAR INTO

SPRING HONOR SOCIETIES

We are proud to celebrate the accomplishments of our students recognized by the National Honor Society (NHS) and National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) this spring. These prestigious organizations honor students who demonstrate excellence in scholarship, leadership, service, and character.



This fall, we were especially excited to recognize our newest National Technical Honor Soceity (NTHS) inductees, who represent the highest achievements in career and technical education. Their dedication sets a strong example for peers and reflects the values we strive to instill in all learners. Great work, Purple Eagles!

ACS ALUMNI BRING COLLEGE ADVICE TO AHS STUDENTS

This fall, a few of our recently graduated Purple Eagles stopped by for a visit. Popping into our English IV classes, our alumni imparted some advice to the Class of 2025 as they prepare to cross the stage this June.



HIGH SCHOOL DRAMA DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

CINDERELLA



The AHS Drama Club dazzled audiences with their spring performance of Cinderella. Featuring stunning costumes, charming choreography, and a talented cast that brought new life to the beloved fairytale, students were able to showcase their hard work and creativity for a lovely night.

ACS STUDENTS COMPETE IN GAMES FOR THE PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED

We were so excited to celebrate our Purple Eagles who represented Albion CSD in the Empire Games this fall! Our participating student-athletes were recognized during a district-wide award ceremony in November to celebrate their success.







ALBION ELEMENTARY CELEBRATES

SOAR(ING) STUDENTS

This year, students and staff at Albion Elementary have been coming together to celebrate the success of the school community in SOAR(ing) Assemblies.

During the assemblies, Students of the Month from the last trimester are recognized and the newest Safety Patrol Officers are sworn in. Some of our youngest Purple Eagles run the assembly, honoring their classmates and practicing leading by example.





FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How will the 2025-26 proposed budget impact the tax levy? The proposed tax levy remains unchanged from the current year. There is no increase to the tax levy.

How is the District able to propose a budget with no tax levy increase?

Due to controlling expenses and prudent spending, the District has been able to build and fully fund reserves. The District is able to use these reserves to offset increased expenses and still maintain education programs.

Were programs or services cut to keep the tax levy unchanged?

No, programs and services offered this year are budgeted for next year, as are anticipated increases for those programs including salary and benefit increases.

What impact does the bus purchase have on my 2025-26 tax bill?

The bus purchase will have no impact on this budget or the tax levy. Voters previously created and funded the bus reserve for future needs. This vote is required in order to spend funds from this reserve.

Why is the Budget Vote happening at the Hoag Library this year?

As the budget vote occurs while school is in session, we are partnering with the Hoag Library to preserve and promote a safe learning/working environment for all our Purple Eagles.

Q Does the Board of Education give money to the Hoag Library?

The Board does not give District money to the library or participate in the development of the library budget. The District vote is merely the location of the library vote and the District, as directed by law, collects the funds library voters approve and turns those funds over to the library.

If I have questions about the Hoag Library budget, who do I ask?

You may contact the Hoag Library directly at (585) 589-4246 with questions.

What is a Capital Improvements Reserve Fund?
It is a dedicated savings account, authorized by voters, to be used for future building, repairs, and improvements of the District's campus.

How will the establishment of the capital improvements reserve fund impact the tax levy?

The purpose of creating the capital improvements reserve fund is to set aside budget savings, so there is no impact on the tax levy when the project is approved by voters.

Why is the district seeking approval of a multi-year transportation contract?

New York State requires voter approval for all multi-year transportation contracts. We are seeking approval for a five-year contract instead of renewing annually, as this approach will help reduce transportation costs in future years and result in savings for the district.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CANDIDATES

Christopher Kinter

I'm excited to announce my decision to run for re-election for the Albion School Board. Over the last five years it has been a pleasure to serve our community and gain insight into how our school system operates. I'm dedicated to open communication and ensuring that parents feel heard and valued. I have made it a priority to be available



addressing any concerns and working collaboratively to enhance our educational environment. Together we can build a strong foundation for our students and ensure their success. I humbly ask for your support again this upcoming election.

Lauren Stirk

My name is Lauren Stirk, and I am running for a seat on the Albion Central School District Board of Education. As a proud alumna, I now have children attending Albion schools. Professionally, I am a Registered Nurse, and I bring both personal and professional dedication to this role. I have a vested interest in the safety, quality of education, and opportunities available to our



students. I am passionate about supporting the continued growth and excellence of our district, and I'm committed to ensuring that every student has access to a high-quality education and the support they need to succeed.

John Kast

It has been an honor to serve the ACS community over the past five years through the challenges of the COVID pandemic, working collaboratively to hire our new superintendent, and assisting the completion of a major capital project that improved our facilities for years to come. My experience serving on other community boards, such as



Farm Bureau and Orleans County Soil and Water Conservation District, as well as being a farm owner has helped me on the School Board understand how to keep our school and community strong. I hope I have earned your trust and your vote once again.



ALBION FFA CHICKEN BBQ



When: Tuesday, May 20, 2025 Tickets: \$15 Pick Up Info: 4p.m.-7p.m. from behind the High School

You can buy tickets from any FFA member or by contacting Mr. O at soldenburg@albionk12.org.

The last day to purchase tickets is Friday, May 9, 2025

We are thrilled to share some important updates regarding technology improvements happening in our school district! Thanks to the new budget allocations, we're enhancing our IT infrastructure to support a more efficient, secure, **ECHNOLOGY UPDATE** and modern learning environment. Here's a glimpse of what's coming soon:

- Fiber Optic Upgrade to OEM4: We are upgrading our connectivity with the installation of upgrading Fiber Optic lines, boosting our speed and network capacity. This upgrade will significantly enhance internet performance throughout the school, ensuring faster access to online resources for both students and staff. The new OEM4 network will provide more reliable and high-speed connections, supporting our growing digital needs.
- Digital PA and Clock System: Our campus is now equipped with a Digital Public Address (PA) System and Digital Clocks in all key areas. The PA system will improve communication throughout the school, ensuring that important announcements are heard clearly and promptly. The new digital clocks will help maintain synchronized time across the school, promoting consistency in scheduling and ensuring that no class or event is delayed.
- Upgraded Digital Access Control Door Locks: We have enhanced the campus security with the installation of Digital Door Locks. These locks will offer more secure access management, allowing only authorized personnel to enter certain areas of the school. The new system will provide greater safety for students and staff while streamlining entry control across our facilities.
- Increased Surveillance Cameras: As part of our ongoing commitment to student and staff safety, we are increasing the number of surveillance cameras on campus. This will provide better coverage and monitoring of both indoor and outdoor spaces, ensuring a secure environment for everyone.
- Upgraded HP Windows 11 Mini PCs & Monitors: In an effort to keep our classrooms and offices equipped with the latest technology, we are upgrading all Windows-based PCs to brand-new HP Windows 11 Mini PCs, paired with 24" widescreen monitors. These upgraded systems will deliver enhanced performance, faster processing speeds, and a more efficient user experience. The larger screens will provide a better visual experience, making it easier for students and teachers to collaborate and access educational materials.

These updates are part of our ongoing efforts to provide students and staff with the best technology and learning tools available. We are excited to see how these improvements will enhance the educational experience in our district and make our school a safer, more connected place for everyone. Thank you for your continued support and partnership in our mission to build a better, more innovative learning environment.

SPRING REMINDERS:

Sunday, June 1

Baccalaureate at First Presbyterian Church at 7 p.m.

Friday, June 6

Prom at White Birch

(Red Carpet - 5:30 p.m., Dinner & Dancing 6 p.m.)

Friday, June 20

Class Night

(Dinner for students only at 5:30 p.m., Awards 7 p.m.

MS Aud)

Friday, June 27

Graduation

(Rehearsal 9 a.m. in LGI, Pictures in LGI at 5:30 p.m., Ceremony 7 p.m.)





Register your Purple Eagle Today!

Are you interested in enrolling your child in kindergarten for the 2025-26 school year?

The District's **Kindergarten Registration** Packet is available in either the Registrar's Office or in the Elementary School Main Office. If you have any questions, please contact Registrar Rachel Coolbaugh at (585) 589-2051 for more information.

Hope to see you this fall!



PROOF OF RESIDENCY

The school district requires all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law 2018-C. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card, a utility bill or voter registration card. Upon offering proof of residency, the school district also requires all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Residents unable to vote because of disabilities, illness, travel or other reasons listed as valid under election law, may obtain an application for an absentee ballot up to thirty (30) days before the election. This application can be picked up at the District Office between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. They may also be obtained by calling the District Clerk (Cindy Ishmael) at 585-589-2055. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at 324 East Avenue, Albion, New York 14411 at least seven (7) days before the election, if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter. Applications must be received on the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter.

VOTER ELIGIBILITY

Anyone who is at least 18 years old, a U.S. citizen and a resident of the Albion Central School District for at least 30 days prior to the vote on Tuesday, May 20, 2025 is eligible. You do not need to be registered to vote, but you must bring identification and proof of residency.

MILITARY VOTERS

Military voters who are qualified voters of the District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5 p.m. on April 22, 2025. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate a preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile, or electronic mail.

EARLY MAIL BALLOTS

Applications for an Early Mail Ballot may be applied for at the District Office and will be accepted beginning April 21, 2025 through May 13, 2025, if returned by regular mail, and no later than May 19, 2025, if returned in person. A list of those issued an Early Mail Ballot will be available to the public in the District Office five (5) days prior to the vote. The list will also be posted at the voting place during the election. Any qualified voter may challenge the District's acceptance of the Early Voter's Ballot of any person on the list, by making their challenge, and their reasons, known to the Inspector of Election before the close of the polls.