



Lucas Local Schools  
Forecast Assumptions for Nov 2022  
**Revenues**

- 1.010 General Property Taxes for FY2023 will see a slight decrease this year. Tax Year 2023 is the Reappraisal Year for Richland County but higher than normal delinquencies are expected due to economic conditions. The increased property values should help to offset the higher than normal delinquencies. The Emergency Levy of \$961,000 for the purpose of avoiding an operating deficit will expire in tax year 2025. FY2026 will see decrease of 43% of \$480,500 which is equal to \$206,615, and FY2027 a decrease of 43% of \$961,000 (full renewal value) which is equal to \$413,230 and placed in line 11.02 for renewal.
- 1.020 This line reflects only public utility personal property. The past has shown significant increases as a result of major improvements to public utilities. The Emergency Levy in the amount of \$961,000 will expire in tax year 2025 resulting in a decrease of 57% of the generated levy for public utilities. The results are a decrease of the following amounts, FY2026 \$273,885 and FY2027 \$547,770. These amounts are placed in line 11.02 respectively for FY2026 & FY2027 for renewal.
- 1.030 N/A
- 1.035 This line is the State Foundation Payments.  
Final Foundation dollars are subject to many factors all of which are open to deliberations and approval of the Ohio General Assembly. October 2022 seen a decrease in funding due to enrollment decline. FY23 has us put on the Guarantee. This ensures that the district will not receive less than what was received in FY2020. Casino revenues are included in this line which have been slightly increasing.
- 1.040 Receipts in this line include funding for Gifted, Economically Disadvantaged, and Student Wellness Funds. Student Wellness Funds were previously received as grants and are now part of the General Fund.
- 1.045 N/A
- 1.050 Homestead Roll-back and Property Tax allocation projected with minimal change with the exception of the anticipated increase in property delinquencies causing fewer collections. This projection is based upon two payments during each fiscal year.
- 1.060 FY2023 is seeing interest rates on investment continuing to rise. This trend is forecasted to continue through FY25. Current investments that are maturing, are being reinvested up to two years out. This line includes tuition from other districts and student fees.

**Expenses**

- 3.010 Forecast reflects negotiated agreement through FY2023. No increases are forecasted except for step increases for FY2024 and beyond. There is not a classified bargaining unit. FY2025 and there after will see an increase in salaries due to the COVID19 grant funds (ARP ESSERS) ending and being moved to general fund.
- 3.020 Estimates in this line are based on fringe for projected salaries in each fiscal year for STRS (14%), SERS (14%), Medicare (1.45%), and Worker's Comp Forecasting a 5% increase in healthcare premiums for FY2024 and beyond due to rising medical and prescription cost. An increase in this line is seen in FY2023, due to picking up 80% of staffs health care premiums and the annual increase of 7% to the Medical Plan premium through Stark COG.
- 3.030 Increases of 1.5% per year after FY2023 were used for this line.  
FY23 seen an increase in purchased services. One factor was the managed internet broadband service cost had increased due to the need to monitor and upgrade equipment. Other areas such as utilities and liability insurance also seen price increases this year. The district add the new copier lease program in FY23. Other increases are forecasted due to legal fees associated with the preparation and planning required for the potential New Building project that had been placed on the ballot twice.
- 3.040 FY2023 seen an increase over FY22 of 72%. This is due to economic conditions along with supply chain shortages has seen a large increase in supply cost. Included in this line are fuels, paper supplies, textbooks, workbooks and cleaning supplies. Another factor is the previous two years seen a decline in supply spending due to the Pandemic restrictions.
- 3.050 FY2023 has forecasted two bus purchases due to the National Supply Chain shortage and the vendor not being able to fulfill new bus request in a timely manner. FY2024 is forecasted to purchase a new special needs van. FY2025 & FY2027 has forecasted new bus purchases. FY2026 is forecasted to purchase a new Suburban.
- 4.050 The Energy Conservation Note will pay off in FY2026
- 4.300 An increase in this line is due to election cost and an increase in Auditor/Treasurer Fees. Other fees associated with this line include Professional dues, and financial audit fees. FY2023 seen the biannual audit of FY20 and FY21. State Auditors were delayed in performing audit due to staffing issues.
- 5.010 Operating Transfers out for FY23, forecast \$64,677 to be transferred out due to one premium insurance Holiday granted to the district from Stark COG