

George Latimer County Executive

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Westchester County Board of Legislators Michaelian Office Building 148 Martine Avenue White Plains, New York 10601

Dear Honorable Members of the Board of Legislators:

I am pleased to submit the Westchester Community College 2021-2022 operating and capital budgets for consideration by your Honorable Board. This year's budget includes a County sponsor contribution of \$24,443,000, representing an increase of \$350,000 from the prior year. The County will also provide the College with \$6,586,505 to support capital debt service, an increase of \$85,424 from the 2020-21 budget.

The College's Capital budget includes \$3,169,000 of appropriation for the 2021-2022 academic year. This includes upgrades to on campus parking facilities, roof replacement at the Knollwood Center, infrastructure upgrades to various buildings, and planning studies for continuing campus improvements.

With many uncertainties and difficult challenges ahead, we must always remember the importance of higher education here in our communities. Westchester County continues to fully support the College's mission of student success, academic excellence, workforce development, economic assistance and lifelong learning. The proposed budget provides the financial support in order to meet these goals.

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Respectfully submitted,

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TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER, NEW YORK

Your Committee on Budget and Appropriations is in receipt of a transmittal from the County

Executive of his proposed 2021-22 Westchester Community College Budget and Budget Act

making appropriations in the amounts of one hundred and fourteen million, six hundred and

eighty-six thousand, eighty dollars (\$114,686,080) for operating purposes, and three million, one

hundred and sixty-nine thousand dollars (\$3,169,000) for capital purposes for the support of the

County Community College for the fiscal year beginning September First Two Thousand

Twenty-One.

The accompanying budget proposal calls for a County Sponsor Contribution in the amount of

twenty-four million, four hundred and forty-three thousand dollars (\$24,443,000) to be

appropriated and taxed for in the 2022 Westchester General Fund Operating Budget for the

support of Community College Operations for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2021.

The Department of Budget has advised that this legislation is necessary for the operation of

Westchester Community College for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2021.

Therefore, the Committee recommends the adoption of the attached Budget Act making

appropriations for the support of the County Community College for the fiscal year beginning

September First Two Thousand Twenty-One.

Dated:

2021

White Plains, New York

COMMITTEE ON

AN ACT adopting the Westchester County Community College Budget and making appropriations for the operation of the Westchester Community College. Be it enacted by the Board of Legislators of the County of Westchester as follows:

Section 1. The accompanying Departmental Budget for the Community College in the gross amount of One Hundred and Fourteen Million, Six Hundred and Eighty-Six Thousand, Eighty Dollars (\$114,686,080) and the Capital Budget in the gross amount of Three Million, One Hundred and Sixty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$3,169,000) is hereby adopted for the Community College fiscal year September 1, 2021, through August 31, 2022.

Section 2. The several amounts specified in the above mentioned budget under the column heading "allowed 2021/2022" are hereby appropriated for such purposes under the following general classifications:

Personal Service (Code 1)	\$ 95,542,106
Purchase of Equipment (Code 2)	\$ 219,000
Materials and Supplies (Code 3)	\$ 3,699,053
Expenses (Codes 4 and 5)	\$ 15,225,921
Capital Budget (Code 9000)	\$ 3,169,000

Section 3. The President of the Community College, pursuant to regulations established by the College Board of Trustees, is hereby authorized to make transfers between sub-accounts within the general classifications of Personal Service (Code 1), Purchase of Equipment (Code 2), Materials and Supplies (Code 3), and Expenses (Codes 4 and 5).

Section 4. The Budget Director, with the approval of the County Executive and the Committee on Budget and Appropriations, after formal request and justification by the College President upon authorization by the College Board of Trustees, is hereby authorized to make transfers among the sub-accounts within the general classification of Capital (Code 9000), and between any general classifications of account.

Section 5. The total annual salaried position count, exclusive of trusts and grants, as well as island accounts, is Five Hundred and Forty-Seven (546). The President of the College may, upon authorization of the College Board of Trustees, and certification to the Budget Director of availability of funds, increase this count by no more than five percentum (5%), rounded down to the nearest whole number, in the fiscal year. Increases over five percentum (5%) require approval of the Budget Director, after request of the College President, as authorized by the College Board of Trustees. Appeal of the Budget Director's decision may be made to the County Executive, whose decision will be considered final. Annual Salaried positions may not be created in Other Than Personal Service operating accounts.

Section 6. Where personnel are employed under a trust or grant, such employment shall terminate at the expiration of the funds provided by the trust or grant.

Section 7. An amount not to exceed Twenty-Four Million, Four Hundred and Forty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$24,443,000) shall be appropriated and taxed for in the 2022 Westchester County General Fund Operating Budget as a sponsor contribution to support the 2021/2022 Westchester County Community College Budget. Appropriations for Expenditure Transfers and Reimbursements in the College's 2021/2022 budget, or such amounts as shall be sufficient and necessary to accomplish the designated purposes of this budget including but not limited to meeting the state maintenance of effort and tuition cap requirements and the net return from the 2021/2022 budget due hereunder to the general fund, may not be changed without the written approval of the County Executive and the Budget Director.

Section 8. Upon request of and justification by the President of the College, the Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized, to the extent necessary to satisfy current obligations or continue existing operations, to advance such additional funds on hand to 2021/2022 budget accounts.

Section 9. Other revenues to support the operation of the 2021/2022 Community College Departmental Budget are hereby estimated as follows:

State Aid	\$ 29,372,698
Departmental:	
Student Tuition	\$ 46,283,382
Other	\$ 1,694,000
Chargebacks to Other	
Community Colleges:	
Operating	\$ 3,695,000
Capital	\$ 410,000
Fund Balance	\$ 8,638,000
Interest on Investments	\$ 150,000

Section 10. The President of the College shall file detailed monthly statements of expenditures and revenues with the County Board of Legislators, the Budget Director, and the Commissioner of Finance, said reports to be inclusive of all College operations. An annual audit, as well as any periodic audits which may be necessary, as prescribed by law, and provided for by the Board of Trustees, shall be filed with the County Board of Legislators, the Budget Director and the Commissioner of Finance.

Section 11. This Act shall take effect immediately.

DATED: August , 2021 White Plains, New York