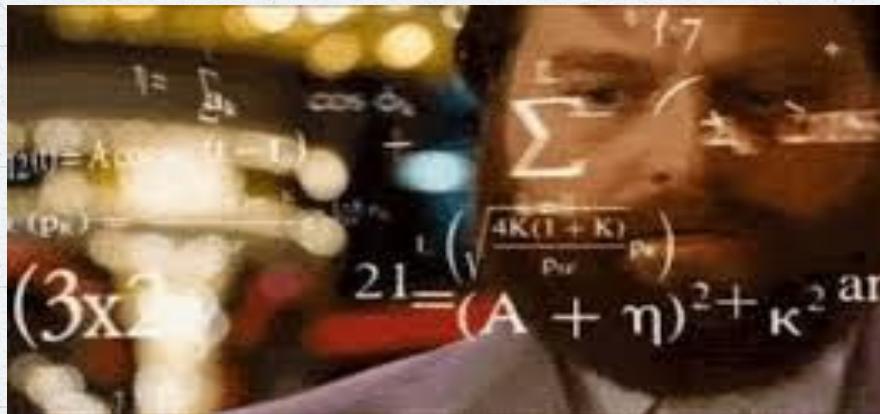


# 2026-27 TAX CAP & GOVERNOR'S BUDGET PROPOSAL

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WEBSTER CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

# LET'S REVIEW THE FORMULA



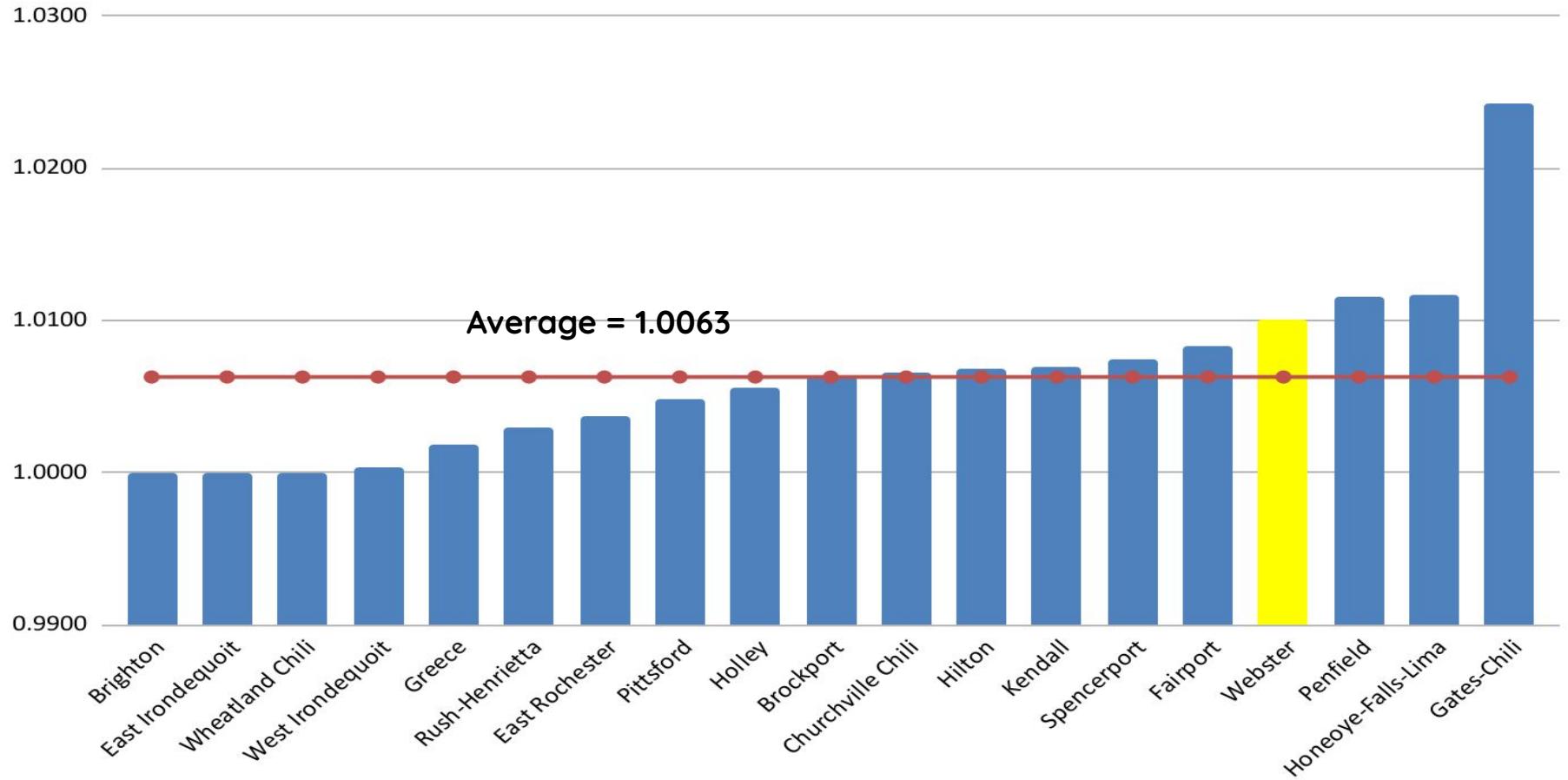
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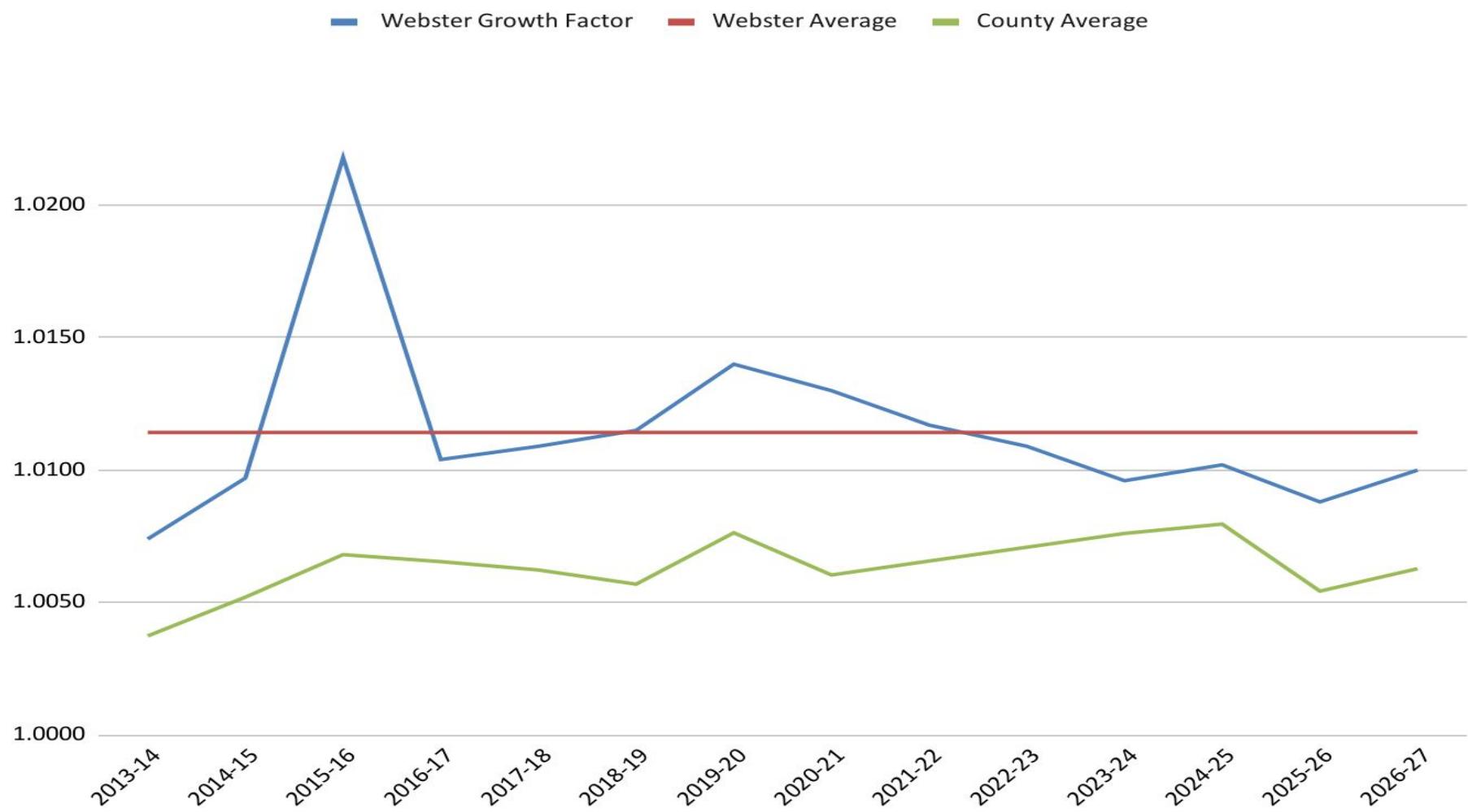
- **Tax Base Growth Factor**
    - Comes from NYS Tax & Finance
    - Changes in taxable property in a district
  - **PILOTS**
    - Payments in Lieu of Taxes
    - Balance out unless there is a change year to year (budgeted number)
  - **Consumer Price Index - “The Cap”**
    - Based on inflation, 2% or lower
    - Inflation has ranged from 0.12%-8.0%
    - Currently trending at 3.1%
  - **Pension Exclusions**
    - The pension change must exceed an increase of 2% for the exclusion to kick in
    - No exclusion for this year

# MAJOR POINTS OF CALCULATION

- Capital Exclusions (Capital Expenses - State Aid)
    - Total Budget Capital Expenses
      - Principal and Interest for Construction and Buses
      - Transfers to Capital Fund
      - Energy Performance Contracts
      - Capital Leases
      - BOCES expenses for rent and capital expenditures
    - Total Aid
      - Building Aid (some exemptions)
      - Transportation Aid
      - BOCES Aid for Rent and Capital

## Monroe County Growth Factors



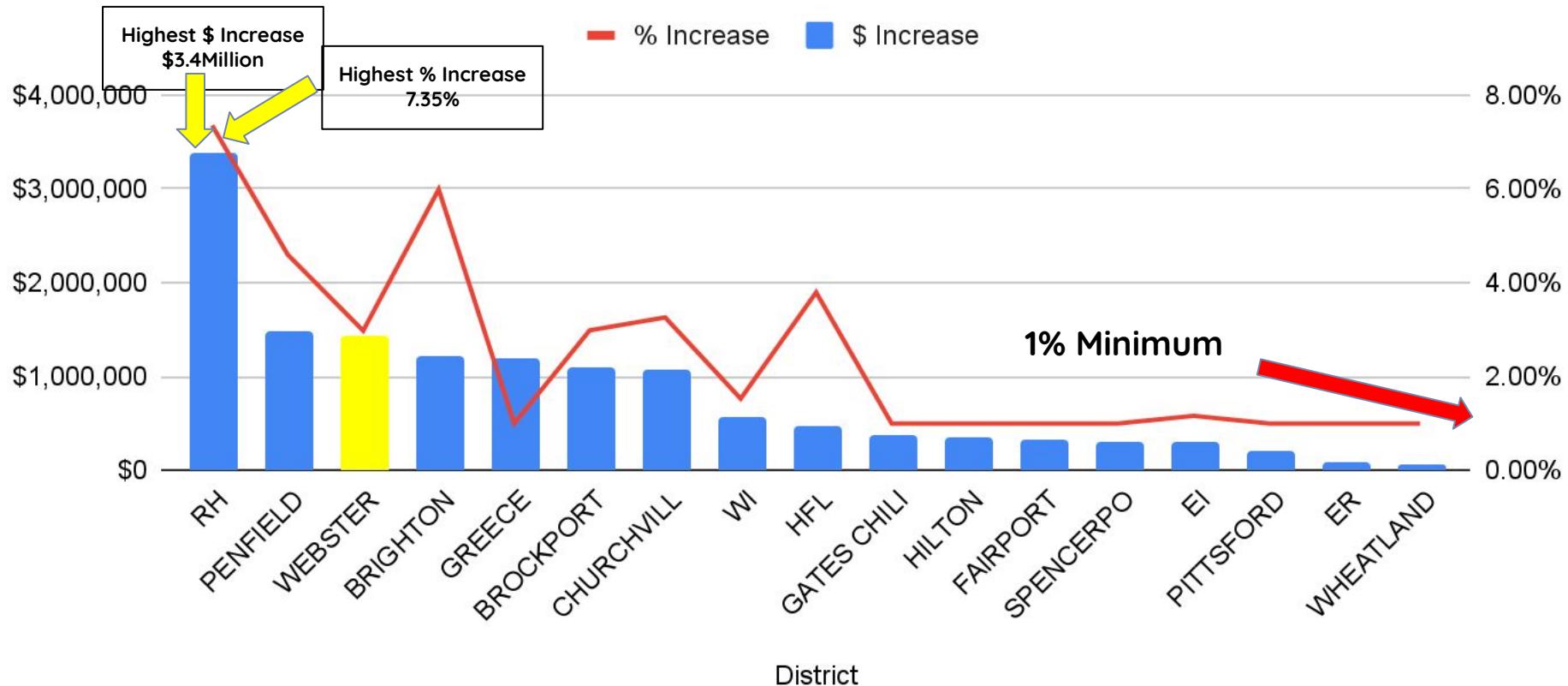


# TAX LEVY LIMIT

# 2026-27 STATE BUDGET PROPOSAL

- ✗ The executive budget proposes an increase in aid for districts that totals just over \$779 million more than 2025-26 (excluding UPK)
    - ✗ 2.96% increase
  - ✗ **Foundation Aid Changes**
    - ✗ Rockefeller Institute Recommendations
      - ✗ No further updates based on the report recommendations
      - ✗ 1% minimum increase for all districts
      - ✗ Any other changes are based on enrollment and other data points
  - ✗ **Expense Based Aids**
    - ✗ Fully funds all formula aids (BOCES, Transportation, Building, etc.)

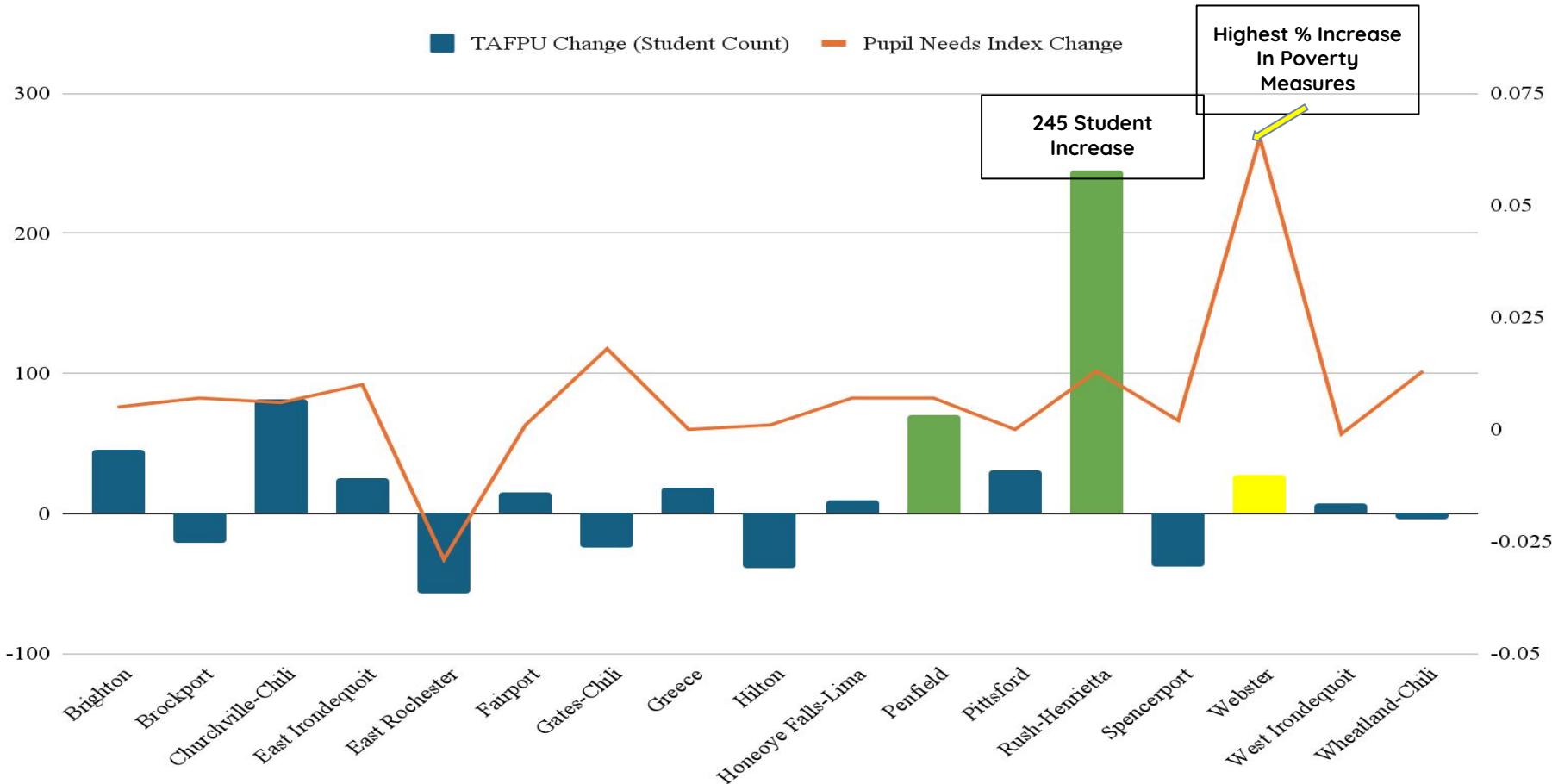
# 2026-27 County Foundation Aid Comparison



Average \$ Increase = \$820,376

Average % Increase = 2.45%

# Why-Driving Factors For The Foundation Aid Formula



# 2026-27 STATE BUDGET PROPOSAL

## UPK Changes

- ✗ Aid per pupil moves to \$10,000 per kid (\$5,400 current funding)
  - ✗ No cap on the number of kids in the program
  - ✗ Beginning in 2028-29 all slots must be full day, no half day allowed
  - ✗ Still a grant application process
    - ✗ But takes two current grant programs and reduces to one
  - ✗ State aid shows a total funding based on 2024-25 student counts
  - ✗ No longer a maximum funding amount
    - ✗ Changes as enrollment does
    - ✗ Student count is frozen on May 15th

# 2026-27 STATE BUDGET PROPOSAL

- ✗ What was not included:
    - ✗ Funding for prior year aid claims (\$800,000)
    - ✗ Zero emission bus implementation
    - ✗ Capital outlay increase
    - ✗ Purchasing through “Piggybacking” on other bids

# GOVERNOR'S NUMBERS

What Does it Mean for Webster?

# State Aid Changes-Deviations from Governor's Projections

## Excess Cost Aids (53.9% and 86.5%)

- Based on projected student counts at a snapshot in time-not final until mid way through 2026-27
- Spring release with legislature is a little more accurate
- Aid ratios went down slightly from this current year

## BOCES Aid (63.1%)

- Based on Fall projections for total expenditures, Governor's projection is always high
- Aid ratio has gone down slightly as well from this current year
- BOCES salary cap change will have an increase in aid, BOCES still working on that amount for districts

## Building Aid (73.1%)

- Based on fall projections (October 15, 2025)
- Timing of project completion for final reports (December 31, 2026 & June 30, 2027)
- Governor's projection is usually lower than projected for the final numbers because of that timing
- Impacts tax cap as well for capital exclusions as aid ratio is lower than last year by 0.8%

## Transportation Aid (67.7%)

- Based on project expenditures in the fall
- Will update in March/April with a more accurate expense projection for this year
- Projecting right now to remain the same as 2025-26 with aid ratio lower than last year by 1%

# THANK YOU!



## QUESTIONS