



### PROPOSITION NO. 1 - BUDGET

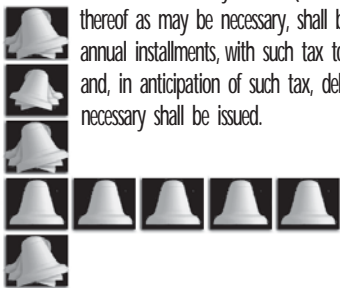
RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of Shenendehowa Central School District is hereby authorized to expend the total amount of One Hundred Twenty-seven Million Nine Hundred Thirty-two Thousand Forty-seven Dollars (\$127,932,047) during the 2006-07 school year and to levy the necessary tax therefor.

### PROPOSITION NO. 2 - BUS PURCHASES

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Shenendehowa Central School District, Saratoga County, New York, is hereby authorized and directed to purchase sixteen (16) sixty-six passenger buses and one (1) twenty passenger bus, and expend a sum not to exceed the total maximum estimated cost of One Million Three Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$1,320,000) and that such sum or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments with such tax to be partially offset by state aid available therefor; and, in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary not to exceed such estimated maximum aggregate cost shall be issued.

### PROPOSITION NO. 3 - CAPITAL PROJECT

RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the Shenendehowa Central School District is hereby authorized to expend additional amounts determined by the Board of Education to be necessary to undertake the capital improvements previously approved by the voters of the school district on January 20, 2004, consisting of the addition of an elementary school to the existing Arongen Elementary School, various site improvements and the acquisition of certain original furnishings, equipment, and apparatus and other incidental improvements required in connection therewith for such construction and school use, at an estimated maximum aggregate additional cost of Three Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,800,000), for a revised total project cost of Nineteen Million Forty-three Thousand One Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$19,043,120); and that such additional costs, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments, with such tax to be partially offset by state aid available therefor; and, in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary shall be issued.



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# Shenendehowa

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Voting Specifics...

When/where is the vote?

Tuesday, May 16, 2006

7 a.m to 9 p.m.

The gymnasium in Gowana Middle School on the main campus, Rt. 146

Who can vote?

You are entitled to vote if you are a U.S. citizen, 18 years or older and have been a district resident for at least 30 days prior to the vote. No preregistration is required. Personal identification is required.

Can't get to the polls?

Absentee ballots can be used by any resident who will not be available to come to the campus to vote. They are available at the district office, 5 Chelsea Place, Clifton Park. For information, call the district clerk at 881-0623.

Directions to the Polls

Gowana Middle School is located on Shenendehowa's main campus. Enter the campus using the Route 146 entrance, bear left. Gowana is on the right.

Want more details?

The complete budget complies with the regulations set by the New York State Education Department requiring school districts to include salary information as well as student achievement. Copies are available in the main office of each school and at the district office located at 5 Chelsea Place, Clifton Park. If you have questions, please call the superintendent's office at 881-0611.

# 2006-07 BUDGET VOTE

# Shenendehowa

# News

MAY 16, 2006



Two additional propositions carry a total tax impact of less than one quarter of one percent (0.23%)

Elementary school proposition...

Seeks authorization to borrow up to \$3.8 million, however, the goal is to avoid doing so.

The elementary school bids came in over what was originally estimated two years ago.

"We are in the process of looking at cost-saving measures as well as other funding sources to avoid borrowing the full \$3.8 million," said Dr. L. Oliver Robinson,

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Budget maintains current programs, advances student learning, improves accountability

**\$127.9 million budget carries 2.6% tax increase**

On May 16, residents will vote on the 2006-07 budget that carries a projected 2.6% tax increase—compared to last year's budget that carried a 4.3% tax increase.

Preparing a school budget is always a balancing act. Every year, dozens of requests come from staff for dollars to fund new programs, services, equipment, etc., and only a handful can be included in the budget recognizing the need to minimize the tax increase.

The goal this year was to maintain



The high school math department held the first Pi Day Festival with activities scheduled throughout the day designed to stimulate student's interest in Math.

current programs and services, move forward with the district goals to improve student learning and enhance the district's ability to be much more accountable for the performance of students and staff.

"We have set strategic goals to improve learning for all students, from those with special needs to those who are extremely gifted and the many students in between. We are truly focused on

all students," said Dr. L. Oliver Robinson, superintendent.

"This budget supports these goals and provides the resources to measure our success while still being cognizant of the need to minimize the financial burden on the community."

Most of the new items in the budget are specifically targeted to improve the learning environment for all students.

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Propositions at a glance

Total Tax Impact of All Resolutions	2.8%
<b>Resolution 1: 2006-07 Budget</b>	\$127,932,047
Projected tax rate increase:	2.6%
<b>Resolution 2: Replace aging buses</b>	\$1,325,000
Projected tax rate increase: (one tenth of one percent)	0.12%
Term: 5 years (tax increase does not take effect until 2007-08)	
<b>Resolution 3: Additional funds for new elementary school</b>	\$3,800,000
Projected tax rate increase: (one tenth of one percent)	0.11%
Term: 30 years	



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### Measures to improve student learning

- Addresses overcrowding at Tesago until the new school opens by providing additional support staff. Currently, Tesago has approximately 200 more students than the other same-size campus elementary schools. This puts an additional strain on the support services (i.e, nurse, librarian, etc.) at that school.
- Addresses consistency in textbooks at the elementary level for English language arts and social studies, with all schools using the same series.
- Provides more academic intervention services (AIS) and remedial support to a significantly greater number of middle school students.
- Begins to address class size issues at the middle and high school levels.
- Allows high school students to take more than one foreign language.
- Provides remote access to the Shenendehowa network for students, staff and parents. This includes access to the district's programs including the Microsoft Office suite.

### Improving accountability measures

- Provides funding for a new student information system to improve the district's ability to access and report accurate student data information such as N.Y.S. test scores, contact information, medical information, etc. It also provides period-by-period attendance capabilities (now mandated), and an electronic gradebook for teachers.
- Promotes accountability and consistency among all levels, grades and buildings through enhanced administrative capacity.

### Addressing operational needs

- Replacement of old and damaged classroom furniture and equipment.
- Provides funding to begin planning for the new facilities to open in September 2007. This includes a principal for the new school, a pool safety plan (mandated by the state) and costs associated with redistricting.

## Projected tax impact on the average homeowner

The following chart illustrates the approximate tax impact on the "average" homeowner in each town. These figures are based on estimated assessment values and the prior year's equalization rates\* which are subject to change. The final data is not available to the district until July/August, prior to setting the tax levy and printing the tax bills.

Town	Assessment	Average 2005-06 Tax Bill	ANNUAL TAX BILL INCREASE		
			2006-07 Budget	Bus Replacement	\$3.8M Elementary School
Clifton Park	\$143,919	\$3,625	\$93	\$4.65	\$4.42
Halfmoon	\$145,567	\$3,642	\$93	\$4.68	\$4.53
Malta	\$125,585	\$2,294	\$58	\$2.95	\$2.55
Waterford	\$50,014	\$2,284	\$58	\$2.92	\$3.06
Ballston	\$103,724	\$2,105	\$54	\$2.71	\$2.55
Stillwater	\$43,377	\$1,132	\$29	\$1.45	\$1.04

\*Equalization rates are established by the state and used to determine the percentage of the total tax levy each town must pay.



Koda students enjoy music played by their peers during the annual Jazz Lunch.



Acadia held a Dance Marathon to support the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The theme was "A Night In Hollywood" complete with a Red Carpet.



## State-required School District Budget Notice

State law requires school districts to distribute this state-designed budget notice to district residents after the public hearing, but no later than six days prior to the school budget vote.

Overall budget proposal	Budget adopted for the 2005-06 school year	Budget proposed for the 2006-07 school year	Contingency budget for the 2006-07 school year*
Total budgeted amount	\$119,810,911	\$127,932,047	\$125,526,134
Increase/decrease for the 2006-07 school year		\$8,121,136	\$5,715,223
Percentage increase/decrease in each proposed budget		6.78%	4.77%
Change in the consumer price index		3.4%	
Resulting estimated property tax levy for 2006-07		\$85,750,042	\$83,344,129
Administrative component	\$10,045,735	\$10,968,988	\$10,525,366
Program component	\$92,546,901	\$97,819,174	\$95,965,265
Capital component	\$17,218,275	\$19,143,885	\$19,035,503

\* A contingency budget is limited by law to a growth cap of 120% of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) or 4%, whichever is less, excluding certain budget categories. In addition to this limitation, the administrative component of a contingency budget may not comprise a greater percentage of the contingency budget than the lesser of the administrative component percentage in the prior year's budget or the administrative component percentage in the last defeated budget presented for the upcoming year. Statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget for the 2006-07 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated: the contingent budget includes reductions in noncontingent equipment, staff to address class size, SAVE funding, summer academy, summer school, arts-in-education programs, staff development, interscholastic athletics, extracurricular units, and other staff to be identified.

### Basic STAR Exemption Impact

Estimated Basic STAR Exemption savings based on a hypothetical home within the school district with a full value assessment\* of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), based on the full value tax rates.

	Budget adopted for the 2005-06 school year	Budget proposed for the 2006-07 school year
Basic STAR assessment reduction	\$30,000	\$30,000
School tax increase/decrease	<\$113>	\$47
Net basic STAR tax savings	\$550	\$515

\* Calculations are based on a hypothetical home's full value assessment, which equalizes assessment values across townships within district boundaries, but may not be the same as a home's assessed value used in generating the tax bill.

The annual budget vote for the fiscal year 2006-07 by the qualified voters of the Shenendehowa Central School District, Saratoga County, New York, will be held in the gymnasium at Gowana Middle School in said district on Tuesday, May 16, 2006, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., prevailing time, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

## Never voted in a district election?

It is easy to vote in a school district election. No pre-registration is required. The vote is held on the main campus located off of Route 146 at the gymnasium located in Gowana Middle School. Election inspectors are on site to help answer any questions you may have about the voting process. In the past, residents have expressed concern that parking has been difficult. The district is in the process of

looking at procedures to help residents get in and out of the polls as quickly and efficiently as possible. If you are going to be out of town or you are not able to go to the voting place, you can get an absentee ballot by calling the district clerk's office at 881-0623. By law, absentee ballots are mailed to any resident who is disabled. If you are disabled and did not receive one, please call the district clerk's office.



## Where are the increases... and why?

### Maintaining current programs/services: Base

#### Contractual increases ..... \$3,093,929

This includes contractual salary increases for approximately 1,600 employees and other annual increases in contractual services.

#### Instructional & Accountability Initiatives ..... \$191,630

Addition of two academic administrators for curriculum at the elementary level and replacement of academic administrators teaching assignments.

#### Accommodate Student Enrollment ..... \$274,882

An increase of 5.4 positions to accommodate enrollment growth at the elementary, middle and high school levels.

#### Special Education ..... \$618,934

This represents an increase in students attending BOCES programs, private placements, OT/PT costs and aide hours.

#### BOCES Svs. (other than Special Ed.) ..... \$96,778

An increase in administrative costs, students in Young Scholars program, costs for gr. 3-8 testing, and data warehousing costs for No Child Left Behind (NCLB).

#### Non-public Student Costs ..... \$50,025

The cost for health services contracts for students in non-public schools and tutoring costs for out-of-district placements.

#### Other benefit costs ..... \$699,673

This includes added costs for the district's contribution to employee retirement systems.

#### Interscholastic Sports ..... \$33,000

Reconditioning of equipment and increased costs for service, entry fees, repair fees and transportation.

#### Insurance costs ..... \$872,693

This includes an increase in costs for liability insurance and health, prescription and dental insurance premiums.

#### Facilities and Operations ..... \$349,937

This includes an increase in costs for utilities, wood floor refinishing, field maintenance and vehicle repairs.

#### Transportation ..... \$177,055

Increase in gasoline costs.

#### Transfers ..... \$1,420,000

This includes transfers to debt service for principal and interest payments for new elementary school, middle school classrooms, pool and transportation facility.

### New Items

#### Mandated Services ..... \$122,265

This includes costs for fiscal accountability legislation (claims auditor and internal audit), actuarial services required to determine post retirement benefits (GASB) and an addition of a special education academic administrator to address new IDEA regulations and NYS graduation requirements.

#### Instructional & Accountability Initiatives ..... \$652,957

This includes money to begin addressing class sizes at the middle and high school level, additional support for elementary students, additional money for textbooks at all levels and an increase in funding for classroom furniture and equipment.

#### Student Information System ..... \$199,500

This includes software for a new student information system that provides period by period attendance, electronic gradebook and remote access to the Shen network for students, parents and staff.

#### New Facilities ..... \$161,606

This includes costs associated with redistricting elementary students, hiring of new elementary principal in January 2007 and costs for developing a pool plan required by the state.

#### Facility Maintenance ..... \$51,447

This includes costs for an additional maintenance staff member. This brings the total of the maintenance staff to 5 people for 1.1 million square feet of space.

## Where are the savings... and why? \$1,422,333

#### BOCES Svs. (other than Special Ed.) ..... <-\$252,282>

A decrease in student enrollment.

#### Transportation ..... <-\$126,139>

A decrease in supplies, materials, repair parts, tires, tools, equipment.

#### Retirements ..... <-\$849,968>

Savings in teacher salaries due to retirements.

#### Supplies and materials ..... <-\$31,750>

A decrease in supplies, materials and contracted services

#### Facilities and Operations ..... <-\$50,000>

#### Other reductions ..... <-\$112,194>



## Continued from page 1 ..... Two propositions on ballot

superintendent. "The primary goal is to start the construction as soon as possible so that the elementary school (Shatekon) can open in September 2007 because our student population is continuing to grow."

The original referendum to build a new elementary school was approved in January 2004. At the time, the project's budget was based on \$200 per square foot. The recent bids came in at \$225 per square foot.

State aid will fund 67.7% of the proposition and the local balance would carry a tax increase of one tenth of one percent (0.11%). It will be bonded over 20 years.

This increase in cost is thought to be a result of the recent natural disasters and the steel and concrete shortage due to high international demand.

The elementary school was originally proposed to:

- Accommodate an increase of more than 500 elementary students since 2000-01.
- Address enrollment imbalances between schools. Enrollments have grown more rapidly in some schools than in others. Because of this, some schools have art, technology and music on a cart and smaller library and media centers.

The state legislature has proposed something called EXCEL school construction aid. For Shenendehowa, this could potentially be used to offset the amount the district would need to borrow. However, at the same time this issue went to print, there were many questions to be answered about how the program will operate and how funds will be disbursed.

### Bus Replacement Proposition...

*Seeks authorization to borrow up to \$1.3 million to replace aging buses.*

In an on-going effort to keep the bus fleet in safe working order and decrease maintenance costs, authorization is being sought to purchase sixteen 66-passenger buses and one 20-passenger bus. The bus proposition would cost \$1,325,000 of which 64.4% would be reimbursed from state aid. It would be bonded over 5 years. It carries a one tenth of one percent (0.12%) tax increase. This increase would not take effect until 2007-08. The board approved the purchase of 16 buses rather than 12 buses to take advantage of significantly lower cost per bus with the current prices being \$11,000 less than next year's model.

## Five candidates vie for three seats on school board

Three of the seven seats on the Shenendehowa Board of Education are up for election. The two candidates receiving the highest number of votes will each serve a three-year term commencing July 1, 2006. The candidate with the third highest number of votes will serve a two-year term commencing immediately following the election. Board members serve without pay.



Sharon B. Bowles, of Clifton Park, is seeking her first full term on the school board (she currently serves in the seat vacated by Erika Reibel). She is a labor and employment attorney for the N.Y.S. Office of Court Administration and formerly worked as an attorney for the state education department. She holds a bachelor's degree in politics from Princeton University and a juris doctorate degree from Columbia University School of Law. She and her husband, Richard, have two children; one attends Skano and one attends Acadia.



Janet L. Grey, of Clifton Park, is seeking her second term on the school board. She is a stay-at-home mom who formerly worked as a human resource professional. She holds a bachelor's degree in psychology and sociology and a minor in women's studies from SUNY Oswego. She and her husband, Steve, have two children; one attends Skano and one attends Acadia.



Charles Huff, of Halfmoon, is seeking his third term on the school board. He is an economist with the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets. He holds a bachelor's degree in agriculture economics from Cornell University. He and his wife have two children, both attend Shenendehowa High School.



Richard A. Mincher, of Rexford, is seeking his first term on the school board. He has an AAS degree from Suny Delhi in civil technology and is the owner/president of Five Barns Poetry. He and his wife, Susan, have a child who attends Okte Elementary School.



Donna L. Mongeluzi, Ph.D., of Clifton Park, is seeking her first term on the school board. She is a postdoctoral fellow with Wadsworth Laboratory. She has a bachelor's degree in psychology and philosophy from Temple University; a Ph.D. in biopsychology, specialty: learning processes, from the University at Albany; and a postdoctoral fellow specialty: neurobiology of learning, from the University at Texas-Houston Medical School. She has two children who attend Okte.



## Q&A Questions and Answers

### What did the school board/administration do to lessen the impact on taxpayers?

The first step was to assess how we function and to ensure existing resources are being used effectively before adding new items. The impact on taxes was lowered as a result of making \$1,422,333 in reductions from the base budget and denying \$1.5 million in internal requests for additional funding. The superintendent and board members worked closely with the district's state legislators to lobby for additional funds to offset the budget impact. Those efforts paid off and the tax impact was reduced from 4.2% to 2.6%.

### What would have to be cut under a contingency budget?

A contingency budget would impact programs and services at every building level. \$2 million would have to be cut from the budget.

### Why did the elementary school bids come in over budget?

To be on budget would have meant forecasting a 39% increase in costs over the past two years. The primary reason is largely due to the escalating costs of construction resulting from factors such as:

- Cost estimates were completed almost two years ago in compliance with rules regulating school building projects.
- Increased price of steel and concrete because of the international demand for those products.
- Increased demand and strain on the construction supply industry due to hurricane Katrina and other natural disasters.

### What happens if the additional funding for the elementary school is not approved?

Regardless of whether the funding is approved or not, students will still have to be redistricted to balance enrollments. Without the new school, the district's elementary schools will become more overcrowded—more inline with Tesago that currently has 760 students. Without the additional funding, the board would have to either build a smaller building that will not accommodate the increasing number of students or choose to go out with another referendum at a later date. The latter option would mean that the new school would not open in Sept. 2007. In either case, all the schools will be overcrowded.

### Why do we need to replace buses?

The district buses travel 2.3 million miles per year with approximately 200 buses on the road each day. The safety and maintenance of the bus fleet is a top priority. In 1992, the district created an annual replacement plan to keep the bus fleet in safe working order, decrease maintenance cost, and ensure that all buses pass N.Y.S. Department of Transportation inspections.

### What does this budget support?

- Maintaining lower elementary class sizes.
- A move to lower middle/high school class sizes.
- A high school program that has increased the number of students graduating with a Regents diploma to 91%.
- Accelerated options in math for students in grades 6-8 and in science, social studies, and English for students in grades 7-8. Accelerated math instruction for students in grades 1-5.
- Changes to the Young Scholars program to better provide opportunities for gifted elementary and middle school students.
- Textbooks in most every subject area for more than 9,600 students.
- Services/programs for more than 1,200 students with special needs.
- Extended day kindergarten to support the youngest, struggling students.
- Academic intervention services at all levels to help students meet the state standards.
- A Summer Academy to help students retain what they learned during the school year.
- Summer school for students in high school.
- In-school computer access for more than 9,600 students and 800 faculty members. Provides students and staff remote access to the district's network from home.
- Transportation for all students.
- Transportation, textbooks and health services for private/parochial students as required by law.
- Interscholastic athletics for more than 1,800 students in 34 sports for boys/girls.
- Musical performing arts for more than 3,300 students in more than 60 musical groups.
- Community education program for residents, and use of facilities by community groups.
- Maintenance and upkeep of more than one million square feet of facilities and 357 acres of grounds.



## Proposed 2006-07 Expenditures

### Program Budget:

76.5% of Total Budget	Budgeted 05-06	Projected 06-07
Instruction	\$57,626,707	\$60,764,301
Pupil Transportation	7,290,140	7,652,831
Central Svc & Legal Costs	2,677,293	2,676,032
In-service Training	504,371	456,244
Community Service	20,800	21,300
Transfers	165,000	185,000
Employee Benefits	24,262,590	26,063,466
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$92,546,901</b>	<b>\$97,819,174</b>

### Administrative Budget:

8.6% of Budget	Budgeted 05-06	Projected 06-07
Board of Education	\$43,600	\$40,100
Central Administration	365,325	354,555
Finance	830,430	916,867
Personnel/Records Mgmt	380,578	334,615
Central Svc & Legal Costs	1,298,545	1,314,225
Insurance	588,544	713,869
Public Information	144,925	150,994
Curriculum Development	204,862	461,384
School Supervision	4,975,754	5,316,918
Research/Evaluation/Planning	179,675	210,315
Employee Benefits	1,033,497	1,155,146
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$10,045,735</b>	<b>\$10,968,988</b>

### Capital Budget:

15% of Budget	Budgeted 05-06	Projected 06-07
Operation & Maintenance	\$7,597,836	\$8,145,453
Tax Certiorari	100,000	50,000
BOCES Administration/Facilities	720,507	756,833
Debt Service on Building/Buses	7,173,260	8,575,000
Employee Benefits	1,514,378	1,616,599
Unclassified	112,294	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$17,218,275</b>	<b>\$19,143,885</b>

### Total Expenditures:

**\$119,810,911 \$127,932,047**

## REMEMBER TO VOTE:

May 16, 2006

7 a.m. TO 9 p.m.

Gymnasium in Gowana Middle School

## Proposed 2006-07 Revenue

### State Aid:

29.1% of Total Budget	Budgeted 05-06	Projected 06-07
Operating Aid	\$21,979,491	\$23,245,467
BOCES Aid	2,039,937	2,168,953
Building Aid	4,644,633	5,609,874
Transportation Aid	5,599,524	6,242,434
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$34,263,585</b>	<b>\$37,266,728</b>

### Other Items:

1.8% of Total Budget	Budgeted 05-06	Projected 06-07
Interest Income	\$400,000	\$850,000
Tuitions & Admissions	276,500	281,000
Rentals, Sales & Refunds	299,230	132,250
Medicaid Reimbursements	100,000	100,000
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	687,433	952,027
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,763,163</b>	<b>\$2,315,277</b>

### Fund Balance:

2.0% of Total Budget	Budgeted 05-06	Projected 06-07
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$1,997,264</b>	<b>\$2,600,000</b>

### Property Taxes:

67% of Total Budget	Budgeted 05-06	Projected 06-07
<b>Property Taxes</b>	<b>\$81,786,899</b>	<b>\$85,750,042</b>

### Total Revenues:

**\$119,810,911 \$127,932,047**

## Highlights

High school student, Edward Nieh, competed at the N.Y. FBLA State Leadership Conference. He placed 2nd on the Business Calculations exam and 4th on the Programming Java exam. He is eligible to attend the FBLA National Leadership Conference in Nashville, Tennessee this June.

Shenendehowa's Varsity Color Guard placed 2nd in the Scholastic Open Class Winter Guard World Championships held in Dayton, Ohio.

Shen students won a robotic award at the UTC Regional FIRST tournament in Hartford, Connecticut. "The Rocketeers" won the Delphi-Driving Tomorrow's Technology Award for an elegant and advantageous machine.

Acadia students met with students from across the Capital District at the New York State Museum to compete at the regional level of the National History Day Contest. The following Acadia students received recognition for their excellence and qualified to compete at the state competition in Cooperstown on May 5th: Morgan Kreugler, Jaikun Cheng, Skylar Hooler, Colin Hughes, Michael Stephan, Nick Quinn, Nate Costello, Stephanie Dandaraw, Danielle Laiacona, Rachel Bridges.