

# This is your 2024/2025 School Tax Bill

Dear Taxpayer,

We are hoping you and yours are doing well and had a wonderful summer! Your 2024/2025 School Tax bill is enclosed.

**Tax bills can be paid in the following ways:**

- Online at [www.townofossining.com](http://www.townofossining.com) by e-check for a cost of \$1.50 OR via credit card with an additional 3.0% charged by Xpress-Pay (service provider).
- At the dedicated mail slot in the Ossining Post Office Lobby. A stamp must be placed on the envelope. It will be postmarked by 5pm that day, after 5pm all envelopes will be postmarked the next day.
- Any USPS mailbox –Payment envelope must be postmarked on or before the **Due Date of MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 (1<sup>ST</sup> Half)**. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Half is due by **FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2025**.
- At the Ossining Municipal Building located at 16 Croton Ave. – 8:30am to 4:30pm.

**Please keep in mind the following:**

- **PLEASE INCLUDE**-Phone number on your check
- **NO PAPER REMINDER IS SENT FOR THE 2<sup>ND</sup> HALF DUE BY JANUARY 31, 2025**- To receive a reminder via e-mail, please sign up for Tax Reminders & Alerts at [www.townofossining.com/cms/departments-receiver-of-taxes](http://www.townofossining.com/cms/departments-receiver-of-taxes)
- **TO AVOID PENALTIES**- (1) If payment is mailed at the end of the month the tax is due, PLEASE be sure there is a timely official USPS postmark on the envelope. (2) If payment is made using Bank Bill Pay, please note Banks do not use USPS postmarks and do not mail immediately upon your request – so we do not recommend using this payment method. (3) By law, postage meters (i.e. Pitney Bowes) and foreign postmarks are not acceptable. When an envelope containing payment of taxes contains no USPS postmark, payment of such taxes is deemed to have been made on the date the payment is received (Real Property Tax Law §922).
- **TO RECEIVE A RECEIPT**-Please present your ENTIRE BILL, a receipt will be provided or mailed to you via USPS.
- **CHECKS PAYABLE TO-TOWN OF OSSINING**
- **POST DATED CHECKS**- When received by mail or in person, please include a written note asking that we hold the post dated check until the last day to pay without penalty.

## **SCHEDULE OF PENALTIES**

New York State Law provides that the Tax Receiver cannot waive penalties on real estate taxes after the due date for any reason. (Real Property Tax Law §920.)

A property owner is not relieved of the responsibility for payment of taxes/penalties prescribed by law despite the failure to receive a notice of such taxes due. (Real Property Tax Law §922.)

| <u>Month</u>                                                          | <u>First Half</u> | <u>Second Half</u> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| September                                                             | None              | None               |
| October                                                               | 2%                | None               |
| November                                                              | 5%                | None               |
| Dec.-Jan.                                                             | 7%                | None               |
| Feb.-Mar.                                                             | 10%               | 10%                |
| April                                                                 | 12%               | 12%                |
| May 1 to Date of Foreclosure: Additional 1% per month (12% per Annum) |                   |                    |

**PROPERTIES WITH TAXES REMAINING UNPAID AFTER TWENTY-ONE (21) MONTHS  
WILL GO INTO IN REM FORECLOSURE.**

**A TAXPAYER PAYING DELINQUENT TAXES, MUST PAY THE MOST RECENTLY DUE TAX & PENALTY FIRST.**

**THE TAX OFFICE IS OPEN WEEKDAYS 8:30am - 4:30pm for telephone inquires and to accept payments.**

**Holly Perlowitz, Receiver of Taxes**

**Town of Ossining  
16 Croton Avenue  
Ossining, NY 10562**

**Phone: (914) 762-8790**

**Fax: (914) 762-0635**

**e-mail: [hperlowitz@townofossining.com](mailto:hperlowitz@townofossining.com)**

**PLEASE SIGN UP FOR TAX REMINDERS & ALERTS AT  
[www.townofossining.com/cms/departments/receiver-of-taxes](http://www.townofossining.com/cms/departments/receiver-of-taxes) ON THE TAX RECEIVER'S PAGE**

**TOWN OF OSSINING SCHOOL TAX RATES**

FISCAL YEAR : July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

New York State Taxation and School Code

**TAXING DISTRICT****471****061****GROSS BUDGET:**

General Support  
Instruction  
Transportation  
Undistributed

**Ossining Union  
Free School  
District**

\$ 13,290,724  
93,095,414  
11,164,388  
62,715,291

**Ossining  
Public  
Library**

\$ 4,977,070

**Briarcliff Manor  
Union Free  
School District**

\$ 8,984,423  
30,636,817  
2,821,031  
16,851,515

**TOTAL BUDGET:**

\$ 180,265,817

\$ 4,977,070

\$ 59,293,786

Appropriated Fund Balance

\$ 5,000,000

\$ 2,052,278

Reserves

\$ 11,691,528

Estimated State Aid

51,747,577

4,986,337

Estimated Revenues other than Real Property Taxes

5,667,333

465,487

6,565,717

**TOTAL RECEIPTS**

\$ 74,106,438

\$ 465,487

\$ 13,604,332

**AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES:**

\$ 106,159,379

\$ 4,511,583

\$ 45,689,454

Taxable Assessed Value as of 6/1/2023

4,707,832,615

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1,698,254,379

Percent of Total Budget Paid by Town of Ossining

88.095%

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70.775%

Tax Levy for Town of Ossining Portion

\$ 93,521,177

\$ 3,974,482

\$ 32,336,874

Prior Year Tax Levy

\$ 90,867,046

\$ 3,897,887

\$ 31,819,029

Percent increase/decrease from Prior Year's Levy

2.92%

1.97%

1.63%

**Tax Rate per \$1000 assessed valuation**

\$ 19.86502

\$ 0.84423

\$ 19.04124

Prior Year Tax Rate per \$1000 assessed valuation

\$ 21.26860

\$ 0.91235

\$ 20.31557

Percent increase/decrease from Prior Year's Tax Rate

-6.60%

-7.47%

-6.27%

**Total School District Tax Rate per \$1000 assessed valuation**

\$ 20.70925

\$ 19.04124

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Towns in Westchester County are fiscal agents for the collection of School Taxes. Budgets are prepared and adopted by public referendum and are not the function of Town Government. Therefore, all inquiries concerning budget matters or expenditures should be directed to your School District.

- Ossining Union Free School District, 400 Executive Blvd., Ossining, NY 10562  
914-941-7700 ext.338
- Briarcliff Manor Union Free School District, Ingham Rd., Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510  
914-941-8880

If you do not have a STAR EXEMPTION or are not receiving a STAR CREDIT, and this is your Primary Residence, contact the New York State Comptroller's Office to determine eligibility at 518-457-2036 for information on how to apply.

If you are a Senior Citizen, Veteran or a Person with a Physical Disability, you may be entitled to a partial exemption from property taxes. For more information, contact the Assessor's Office at 914-762-8274. You must apply by May 1<sup>st</sup> for the subsequent year's taxes.

A publication is available from the Assessor's Office that explains how to file a complaint on your Assessed Value. Assessment Grievance Day is the third Tuesday in June each year.

**SCAN  
HERE  
TO  
PAY  
TAXES!**

