

WESTFIELD ACADEMY AND CENTRAL SCHOOL TAX COLLECTION **PHONE# 716-326-3211 OPTION 4 or**
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I, Jill M. Fredd will receive school taxes at the Town Office Window, 23 Elm Street, Westfield, NY 14787 from September 3, 2024, thru November 5, 2024, between the hours of

8:00 am – 1:00 pm Monday – Friday, excluding legal holidays

Forms of payment: Cash or Check, include phone number on your check.

- AFTER 1:00 pm PLEASE USE THE TOWN DROP BOX
- THE TOWN DROPBOX IS LOCATED AT THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE OF THE FRONT DOOR TO THE BUILDING. THERE IS A SIGN IN THE WINDOWPANE (EASON HALL, 23 ELM STREET WESTFIELD, NY 14787)
- **NO CASH PAYMENTS IN DROP BOX!**
- PAID RECEIPTS WILL BE MAILED THE DAY THE PAYMENT IS PROCESSED
- PAYMENT WILL BE RETURNED IF CHECK IS NOT WRITTEN FOR THE EXACT AMOUNT DUE AND OR PAYALBE TO WESTFIELD ACADEMY AND CENTRAL SCHOOL
- IF TAXES ARE RECEIVED AFTER DUE DATE, AND DO NOT BEAR AN OFFICIAL POSTMARK DATE, A PENALTY MUST BE ADDED AND COLLECTED AND NO TOWN EMPLOYEE OR OFFICAL CAN WAIVE THE PENALTY, (OP, STATE COMPT.68-626)
- UNDER NEW YORK STATE REAL PROPERTY LAW 922 – YOU ARE STILL RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT OF YOUR TAXES EVEN IF YOU DID NOT RECEIVE A BILL.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Westfield Academy and Central School

MAIL TO: Westfield Academy and Central School, Tax Collector, 23 Elm Street, Westfield, NY 14787

IMPORTANT: If this property has been sold or otherwise disposed of you are required to forward this Tax Bill to The new owner or return it to the Tax Collector.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The penalties are as follows:

- September 3, 2024 thru October 4, 2024 – penalty free
- October 5, 2024 thru November 5, 2024 – 2% penalty
- Taxes paid November 6, thru November 22, 2024 – Pay to Chautauqua County
After November 5, 2024, the unpaid taxes will be returned to the Chautauqua County Taxation Department for collection or relevy and cannot be received by the School Tax Collector. See below for details

NOVEMBER 22 IS THE LAST DATE TO MAKE PAYMENT OF THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL TAX TO THE COUNTY

At the conclusion of the collection period all taxes unpaid will be returned to the Chautauqua County Real Property Tax Office, 3 N Erie Street, Gerace Office Building, Mayville, NY 14757-1007, Payments including fees will be accepted until November 22, 2024 at which time no further collections will be accepted. Any school taxes remaining unpaid at the conclusion of Business on November 22, 2024 will be relevid onto the 2025 County-Town Tax bill with an additional 7% relevy fee added.

IF YOU ARE A SENIOR CITIZEN, A PERSON WITH A PHYSICAL DISABILTY AND/OR A VETERAN, YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO A PARTIAL EXEMPTION FROM PROPERTY TAXES. Eligible homeowners have until March 1, to apply for such exemptions. For further information please write or call the assessor's office in the town you live in.

Town of Westfield Assessor's address 23 Elm Street, Westfield, NY 14787 & phone number (716) 326-4401

Town of Portland Assessor's address 87 W Main Street, Brocton, NY 14716 & phone number (716) 792-9614 Ext 3

Town of Ripley Assessor's address 14 North Street, Ripley, NY 14775 & phone number (716) 413-8010 press 9

THIRD PARTY NOTIFICATION – SENIOR CITIZENS AND DISABLED PERSONS

New York State law now provides that if you are age 65 or over, or disabled, and you own 1,2, or 3 family residential property, you can designate an adult third party to receive duplicates of your tax bill and all required notices deriving therefrom. You and the person you designate must both sign the application. You may obtain an application (RO-923) at the office of the Tax Receiver/Collector or at the office of the County Director of Real Property Tax Services.

If you wish to receive an application by mail, please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request to either the Tax Receiver/Collector or the Director of Real Property Tax Services, 3 North Erie Street, Mayville, NY 14757-1007.

You must file your application prior to July 16th to be effective for the ensuring year. Once the application is approved and filed a duplicate of your subsequent Tax Bill and all required notices of unpaid taxes will be mailed to the adult third party until you notify the Tax Receiver/Collector or the County Director or Real Property Tax Services to cancel your authorization.