

2018 STAR EXEMPTION PROGRAM GUIDELINES FOR SCHUYLER RESIDENTS

- **ALL** Exemptions for the upcoming year will be due in the Assessor's Office by **March 1, 2018**.
- If you currently receive an exemption, you will receive a form around January 1st — **except for BASIC STAR, for which NO renewal is needed.**

ENHANCED STAR EXEMPTION

- To qualify, one of the owners must be **65 years of age by December 31, 2018** and your **2016 Federal Adjusted Income** (Form 1040, shown on line 37, minus line 15b) **must be less than \$86,000.**
- Complete the form and return it with a copy of **Page 1 of your 2016 Federal Income Tax**, to the Assessor's office at the Town of Schuyler.

SENIOR EXEMPTION

- This exemption gives tax relief for School, Town, and County Taxes **for those 65 years of age and over by March 1, 2018.**
- The net amount of income for this exemption is **\$15,000**, and the amount **must include income for all owners.**
- The income figure must include all **Social Security benefits, pensions** and all income from **stocks, bonds, bank interest** and the **W-2 income for the Year 2017.**
- Complete the form and send it along with copies of **ALL income statements (Form 1099's)** to the Assessor's office.

BASIC STAR

- This exemption is available to **all occupied residences.**
- The income limit is as follows: **your annual income must be less than \$500,000.**
- Any resident who has purchased their residence **after 2016** can only apply for this exemption **with the NYS Tax Dept.**
 - ➔ Contact the NYS Tax Dept. on line at **www.tax.ny.gov/star/** or ...
 - ➔ Property owners without access to a computer can **register by phone** weekdays from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. **The number to call is: (518) 457-2036.**
- STAR Applications may be obtained and/or filled out during the week between the hours of **10:00 AM and 3:00 PM at the Office of the Town Clerk**, located at 2090 State Route 5 in the Town of Schuyler.

— George Haskell, Town Assessor