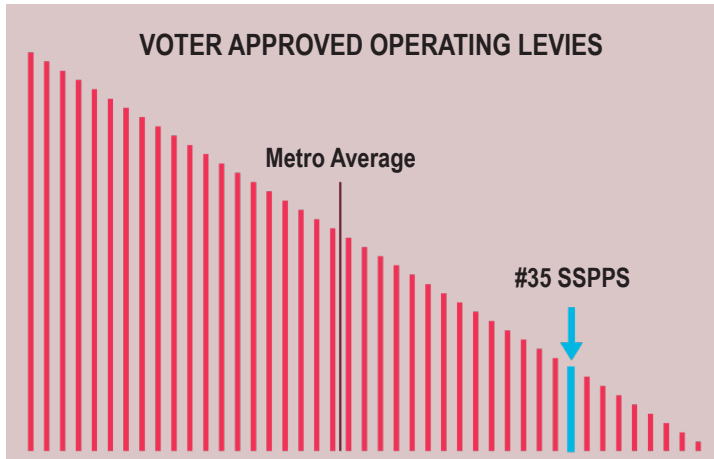


**South St. Paul Public Schools is seeking an increase to the voter approved operating levy to support the needs of our students and staff.**



South St. Paul Public Schools ranks

**#35 OUT OF 43**

Metro School Districts in terms of voter approved operating levies, putting us more than \$608 per student lower than the metro average.

## **ONGOING FUNDING GAP AND FINANCIAL CLIFF**

- Education funding continues to not keep pace with the increasing costs necessary to operate our schools creating a funding gap.
- Districts rely on voter approved funds to narrow the funding gap needed to operate our schools.
- Due to the ongoing lack of adequate funding paired with the end of one time COVID relief funds, the district is facing a devastating financial cliff.

 **General Election, November 8**

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# WHAT IS ON THE BALLOT?

South St. Paul Public Schools is asking community members to:

## QUESTION #1

Approve an increase of \$900 per student. The additional funds will enable the district to:

- Maintain small class sizes
- Avoid the potentially devastating impact of substantial budget cuts to programs and staff

## QUESTION #2

Approve an additional increase of \$250 per student that the district will use to:

- Invest in much-needed academic and mental health support for students
- Expand programming opportunities for students
- Increase career and college readiness courses and experiences

**QUESTION #1 MUST PASS IN ORDER FOR QUESTION #2 TO PASS**

BALLOT QUESTION	MONTHLY TAX IMPACT*
Question #1	\$29
Question #2	\$8
<b>Total of Q1 and Q2</b>	<b>\$37</b>

*\*This amount is based on the average SSP home (\$275,000 home value)*

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