

GREAT SCHOOLS = GREAT COMMUNITY

PLEASE JOIN US FOR ONE OF OUR TOWN HALL MEETINGS.

Tuesday January 31, 2023 at Timberlake Middle School 5:30-7:00pm
Thursday February 9, 2023 at Lakeland High School 5:30-7:00pm

Bring any questions you may have for the team.



LAKELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT IS ASKING VOTERS TO APPROVE A 2 YEAR SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY

What will it cost the taxpayer for the supplemental levy?

For 2023, per \$100,000 in taxable property:
\$106.20/year or \$8.85/month This \$9.52
million/year supplemental levy
would be effective for two years.

Dear Patrons,

At the December 14th Board meeting, the Board approved the Long Range Planning Committee's recommendation for the Supplemental and Plant Facility Levies. On March 14, 2023 we will have two ballot measures. The first measure is the Supplemental Levy The second measure will be our Plant Facilities Levy (PFL) Our levy rate has dropped significantly over the past two years due to the increased market value of our district and the increase in population. In a nutshell, this means that each person's piece of the pie is a little bit smaller. The Committee's recommendation to the Board was intentional. We are running the two measures on the same ballot so our patrons can make the decision about the importance of each of them. Lastly, while we are asking for the same amount for each levy, this will require us to tighten our belts due to rising costs and inflation. We know our patrons are having to tighten their budgets and felt strongly that we needed to do the same. CFO Wallace has put together a levy tax calculator. This is on the District website for you to take a look at how each of these measures will impact your family. If you put your taxable value into the calculator you will see the annual cost and the monthly cost for each levy. This will allow you to compare these rates with last year.

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Supplemental Levy INFORMATION

- This will replace the levy that is currently on the books. Our current levy expires at the end of this school year.
- The Board approved the amount of \$9.52 million which is the amount we are currently collecting.
- By law, a supplemental levy can only be for a two year term.
- The supplemental levy will be used to:
 - fill the gap between what we receive from the state for compensation for staff and what we pay
 - new curriculum
 - our safety program
 - all athletics and extracurricular activities
 - fill the gap between what the state pays for transportation and what it actually costs
- A supplemental levy allows us to run the programs our patrons believe are important for Lakeland schools (i.e. because we use taxpayer dollars for curriculum materials, we have local control over what those will be).



A Message from your Board of Trustees:

The Board accepted the recommendation of the Long Range Planning Committee and the Superintendent to present to the voters a 6-year Plant Facility Levy and a 2-year Supplemental Levy. You, the voter, are now able to determine how you want to support our District!

*Our local levy supports educational opportunities
not fully funded by the state*



Your Vote Matters!



State and federal funding provide about 75% of what it takes to fund our schools.

What will it cost the taxpayer for the plant facility levy?

For 2024, per \$100,000 in taxable property: \$12.78/year or \$1.07/month This \$1.146 million/year plant facility levy would be effective for 6 years

3 EASY WAYS TO VOTE!

- Request your absentee ballot by March 3, 2023 online at Idahovotes.gov by scanning the code below with your phone camera
- Early in person voting begins February 7, 2023 to March 10, 2023 at your County Elections Office.
- Vote in person on Election Day, March 14, 2023 at your regular polling location. Polling locations open 8:00am to 8:00pm



Scan the QR Code with your phone camera to register to vote or request your absentee ballot

PLANT FACILITY LEVY (PFL)

- This levy expired at the end of the last school year.
- The state provides very little (through Lottery dollars) funding for the maintenance of our buildings.
- PFL dollars can only be used for capital projects, technology, equipment, and the purchase of vehicles. It cannot be used for compensation for staff.
- The Board approved a Plant Facility Levy of \$1.146 million for six years. This is the same amount we had on the books last year.

If you would like to have the District Administrative Team come speak to your group, please email rebekah.davis@lakeland272.org to get on the calendar schedule.

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