CONESTOGA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Preliminary Budget Notice Act 1 Referendum Notice

NOTICE is given that the Proposed Preliminary Budget for the General Fund of Conestoga Valley School District for the 2010-2011 fiscal year is available for public inspection at the school district offices, 2110 Horseshoe Road, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and will be presented for adoption as a Preliminary Budget Proposal at a school board meeting to be held in the Lloyd S. Greiner Board room of the District Office, 2110 Horseshoe Road, Lancaster, Pennsylvania at 7:00 p.m. on February 8, 2010. The Preliminary Budget Proposal may be amended before adoption.

Pursuant to Act 1, the Pennsylvania Department of Education publishes an index % applicable to the School District. The school district real estate tax increase for the next fiscal year is limited to the index % unless the proposed tax rate is approved by voters pursuant to a referendum or the School District qualifies for an Act 1 exception. As a result of special circumstances covered by an Act 1 referendum exception, a tax rate % increase above the index might be required to balance the School District budget for the next fiscal year. The tax to be levied is required to provide a quality education program as reflected in the School District Preliminary Budget.

The School District intends to seek approval from the Pennsylvania Department of Education or to the County Court as required by an Act 1 for an exception allowing increase of the real estate tax as reflected in the School District Preliminary Budget. The Preliminary Budget is available for public inspection at the School District Offices, 2110 Horseshoe Road, Lancaster, Pennsylvania. On written request by any School District resident or taxpayer, the School District will provide a copy of the referendum exception application.

Rosalind F. Bacon, Secretary