

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

A YES VOTE TYPICALLY MEANS THAT A VOTER SUPPORTS BALLOT PROPOSAL. **IS THAT THE CASE IN THIS ELECTION?**

The **YES**, non-homestead operating millage generates approximately \$32.7 million annually, and the hold harmless generates approximately \$9.8 million annually. Together they generate approximately \$42.5 million annually. This is 22% of the school district's operating budget.

TAXES **WILL NOT** INCREASE FOR RESIDENTS

DO I NEED TO REGISTER TO VOTE OR GET AN **ABSENTEE BALLOT AND WHO CAN VOTE?**

You need to update your voter registration if you have changed your name or address since the last time you voted. You can do this at any Secretary of State Office or local clerk's office. All voters have the option to vote absentee. Request an absentee ballot or find out more information online by visiting the Michigan Voter Information website <https://mvic.sos.state.mi.us> or find information at your local clerk's office.

Residents of the Troy School District who will be 18 years of age or older on Election Day, and are registered to vote, can vote in this election.



WHAT TYPE OF PROPERTY IS THE **NON-HOMESTEAD OPERATING MILLAGE LEVIED ON?**

The operating millage is not levied on primary residences (the home in which a homeowner lives); it only applies to businesses, second homes, vacant land, and rental property. All school districts in Michigan **MUST** levy 18 mills on non-homestead property to receive their full share of state aid (i.e., foundation allowance).

WHAT TYPE OF PROPERTY IS THE **HOLD HARMLESS MILLAGE LEVIED ON?**

The hold harmless millage is levied on primary residences, qualified agricultural property, qualified forest property, supportive housing property, public school academy property, industrial personal property, and commercial personal property.