Voter Approval Tax Rate Election

Aprobación de los votantes de la tasa impositiva

2024 VATRE

BEAUMONT ISD

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BISD Top 10 Things to Remember about the 2024 VATRE

1. What is a VATRE: A Voter Approval Tax Rate Election or (VATRE) allows a school district to utilize additional pennies on its tax rate in order to generate additional revenue for the maintenance & operations budget.

2. Purpose of the Election: The VATRE allows the district to raise additional revenue for operational expenses such as security and facility upgrades, employee compensation, and district programs.

3. Impact on Tax Rate: The overall tax rate will decrease by 2 pennies from the previous year's rate.

4. Property Value Information: Beaumont ISD Board of Trustees sets the tax rate, but has no control over property values. Jefferson Central Appraisal District Sets Property Values.

5. Allocation of how the $13 million will be utilized:
$6.6 million for employee raises
$0.2 million security enhancements
$2.2 million facilities
$4.0 million program continuation

6. Community Impact: A VATRE can directly affect the quality of education and the local economy by determining the level of funding available for school operations, which in turn impacts teacher salaries, educational programs, and school facilities.

7. Results of Not Passing: No additional $13 million for security upgrades, salary increases, and the budget will be amended to a deficit of approximately $4 million.

8. Historical Context: The state has not increased funding for public schools since 2019. Districts are limited in gaining new money to operate schools.

9. Who Can Vote: Registered voters in Beaumont ISD, not just property owners. October 7, 2024 is the deadline to register to vote in this election.

10. Voting Information: The election date is Tuesday, November 5, 2024. Early voting starts October 21, 2024.

BALLOT LANGUAGE

Ratifying the ad valorem tax rate of $0.96491 per $100 valuation in Beaumont Independent School District for the current year, a rate that will result in an increase of 14.3 percent in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the district for the current year as compared to the preceding year, which is an additional $13,087,884.

What the ballot will not say: The Interest and Sinking tax rate was lowered and the Maintenance and Operations tax rate was increased. It will not say that the Beaumont ISD Board of Trustees adopted a lower tax rate than 2023.