

## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

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Notice is hereby given to taxpayers of **MERRILLVILLE SCHOOL CORPORATION, Lake County, Indiana** that the proper officers of **Merrillville Community School Corporation** will conduct a public hearing on the year **2026** budget. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of **Merrillville Community School Corporation** not more than seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy to which taxpayers object. If a petition is filed, **Merrillville Community School Corporation** shall adopt with the budget a finding concerning the objections in the petition and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned hearing, the proper officers of **Merrillville Community School Corporation** will meet to adopt the following budget:

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| Public Hearing Date     | Tuesday, October 7, 2025                        |
| Public Hearing Time     | 6:00 PM                                         |
| Public Hearing Location | 6701 Delaware Street,<br>Merrillville, IN 46410 |

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| Adoption Meeting Date     | Tuesday, October 21, 2025                       |
| Adoption Meeting Time     | 6:00 PM                                         |
| Adoption Meeting Location | 6701 Delaware Street,<br>Merrillville, IN 46410 |

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| Est. School Operations Max Levy  | \$17,666,175 |
| Property Tax Cap Credit Estimate | \$2,957,500  |

| 1<br>Fund Name              | 2<br>Budget Estimate | 3<br>Maximum Estimated Funds<br>to be Raised (including<br>appeals and levies exempt<br>from maximum levy<br>limitations) | 4<br>Excessive Levy<br>Appeals | 5<br>Current Tax Levy | 6<br>Levy<br>Percentage<br>Difference<br>(Column 3 /<br>Column 5) |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 0061-RAINY DAY              | \$2,850,000          | \$0                                                                                                                       | \$0                            | \$0                   |                                                                   |
| 0180-DEBT SERVICE           | \$21,274,945         | \$24,813,741                                                                                                              | \$0                            | \$19,490,888          | 27.31%                                                            |
| 0186-SCHOOL PENSION<br>DEBT | \$450,800            | \$214,188                                                                                                                 | \$0                            | \$435,351             | -50.80%                                                           |
| 3101-EDUCATION              | \$55,560,317         | \$0                                                                                                                       | \$0                            | \$0                   |                                                                   |
| 3300-OPERATIONS             | \$21,870,201         | \$17,675,223                                                                                                              | \$0                            | \$16,443,429          | 7.49%                                                             |
| Totals                      | \$102,006,263        | \$42,703,152                                                                                                              | \$0                            | \$36,369,668          |                                                                   |