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Forsyth County Voters Approve ESPLOST Renewal

FORSYTH COUNTY, GA. — Forsyth County voters have approved* the renewal of the Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST), with 62.19 percent voting in favor of extending the one-penny sales tax for five additional years. The measure will continue the community’s long-standing investment in safe campuses, technology and innovation, and modern learning environments across Forsyth County Schools.

“We are incredibly grateful to the citizens of Forsyth County for their continued trust and partnership,” said Forsyth County Schools Superintendent Mitch Young. “The overwhelming support you continue to provide and the level of trust you place in our school system was reaffirmed yesterday. The ESPLOST referendum was passed with almost two thirds of the voters supporting to extend the penny sales tax for another five years. Voter approval of this measure demonstrates our collective commitment to ensure a safe, connected, and thriving community for our students and families.”

ESPLOST funds are used for capital projects and technology, including new schools, facility improvements, safety upgrades, school buses, and more. The renewal allows the district to continue managing enrollment growth, maintaining existing buildings, and ensuring students and staff have safe and future-ready learning environments, without raising the property tax millage rate for debt service.

“Every dollar that comes into the school system from the ESPLOST allows us to build and maintain safe campuses, support technology and innovation, and continue creating learning environments where students can grow, belong, and succeed,” Young said. “Forsyth County Schools has a long tradition of wise financial stewardship. That, coupled with our focus on providing the highest quality educational experiences, will continue to drive our leadership focus into the next decade.”

The district extends its appreciation to Forsyth County voters for supporting students, staff, and schools. “I am truly grateful to live and serve in a place where people rally around the schools and put children first,” Young added. “Thank you for your trust, your partnership, and your belief in our shared mission.”

For project details and updates on ESPLOST, please visit the Forsyth County Schools website.

**Pending voting certification on November 10, 2025.*

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Forsyth County Schools is a premier school district in metro Atlanta, serving 55,300+ students representing 129 countries and 69 languages. FCS envisions a safe, connected, and thriving community for all and is dedicated to providing an unparalleled education for all to succeed.

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