



PROP C

STAFF SALARIES PROPOSAL

On April 7, 2026 the Lee’s Summit R-7 School District is asking voters to consider a full waiver of the state-mandated property tax rate rollbacks associated with Proposition C.

Approval of a full Proposition C waiver would:

- **Result** in an estimated residential property tax increase of \$23 per year for every \$100K of assessed value**
- **Align** LSR7 with 91% of Missouri districts whose communities have approved retaining the full local levy
- **Generate** approximately \$4 million annually to improve staff salaries
- **Allow** average staff salary increases to exceed the rate of inflation
- **Provide** a stable, reliable funding source to keep compensation competitive with neighboring districts
- **Have** zero residential tax bill impact on seniors receiving SB190 property tax relief

***Using current valuation and rollback*



87%

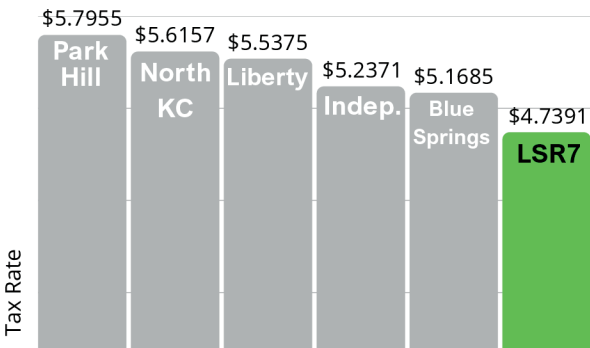
of our community identified competitive salaries and benefits for LSR7 staff (and ADA accessibility) as the top spending priorities.
-Source: Fall 2024 Creative Entourage Community Polling

Where LSR7 Stands: Taxes and Starting Salaries

LSR7’s proposal comes as the district has the **lowest tax rate** in Jackson County and ranks in the **bottom half** of KC metro starting teacher salaries.

KC Metro Starting Teacher Salaries *2025-26 data

1.	Park Hill	\$48,525
2.	KCMO	\$48,150
3.	Independence	\$47,495
4.	North Kansas City	\$46,501
5.	Hickman Mills	\$46,500
6.	Platte County	\$46,021
7.	Smithville	\$45,613
8.	Liberty	\$45,386
9.	Fort Osage	\$45,200
10.	Kearney	\$45,000
11.	Center	\$44,580
12.	Belton	\$44,300
13.	Lee’s Summit	\$44,180



VOTE: April 7, 2026

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



What is Proposition C?

Proposition C is a 1-cent statewide sales tax approved by Missouri voters in 1982. Its purpose is to provide funding for K-12 public education.

How does Proposition C impact school funding?

School districts receive the full amount of Proposition C revenue from the state on a per-pupil basis. Districts are then required to reduce their operating levy by the amount that would generate half of that revenue locally. This rollback returns half of the Proposition C funding to taxpayers through lower property tax rates.

What is a Proposition C waiver?

A Proposition C waiver allows a school district, with voter approval, to waive the requirement to reduce property tax rates in proportion to Proposition C revenue. This means the district retains the full value of the revenue generated by Prop C without reducing its local levy.

How common are Proposition C waivers?

Most school districts in Missouri (471 out of 518) have approved full Proposition C waivers. Some districts, like LSR7, also have partial waivers, which reduce but don't eliminate the revenue loss from rollbacks.

Why do some districts seek a Proposition C waiver?

Without a full waiver, districts lose significant funding due to the required rollback. For most districts, this funding is critical for operational expenses like teacher salaries, classroom resources, and student programs. LSR7 has a partial waiver of \$.20 approved in 2008. However, even after the partial waiver is applied, LSR7 "rolls off" \$3 to \$5 million dollars off its local levy each year.

What would a full Proposition C waiver mean for voters?

The estimated impact of a successful Prop C waiver to a homeowner this year would be an increase of \$23.90 per year for a home with an assessed value of \$100K.

How would a Proposition C waiver benefit schools?

A full waiver of its Proposition C rollback in April 2026 represents \$3 to 5 million dollars that LSR7 would use to increase salaries for LSR7 teachers and staff.

How is a Proposition C waiver decided?

A Proposition C waiver must be approved by a simple majority of voters in a local election.

TAXPAYER IMPACT

Current 2025 Rate

\$4.7391
per \$100 of
assessed
value

Full Prop C Waiver

\$4.8649
per \$100 of
assessed
value

Annual Tax:
\$900.43

Annual Tax:
\$924.33

**Using current valuation and rollback

2025 Tax Year Difference:
+\$23.90 per year
(for \$100K assessed value)

200K Home: \$47.80 per year

300K Home: \$71.70 per year

400K Home: \$95.60 per year

500K Home: \$119.50 per year

What are election deadlines?

Election Day: April 7, 2026

Absentee (In-Person): Feb. 24, 2026

Voter Registration Deadline: March 11, 2026

Two-Week No Excuse Voting: March 24, 2026

Visit your Election Board website for more information.