

# 2026 Bozeman High School District Election: Investing in Staff, Saving Taxpayers Money

**Goal:** Inform voters about the General Fund operating levy supporting staff retention while resulting in a net tax decrease for homeowners.

## Supporting Our Schools & Staff



### Addressing the Recruitment Crisis

Local staff pay has fallen behind the area's cost of living, creating significant challenges in hiring and keeping high-quality staff members.



### Direct Investment in Personnel

Levy funds will specifically support salary increases, improved benefits, and a dedicated cost-of-living stipend for district employees.

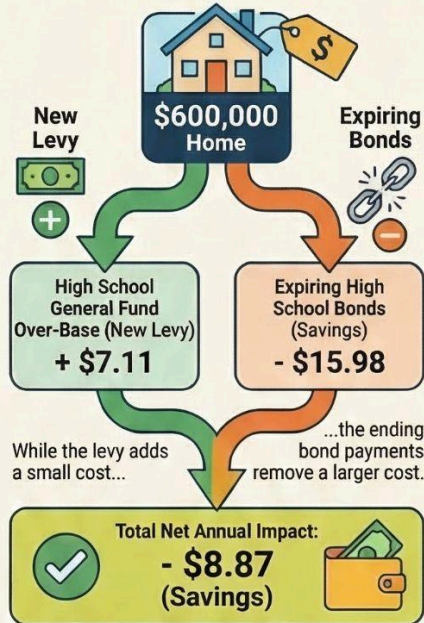


## \$600,000 Operating Levy

This is the total annual amount requested for the High School General Fund to maintain and improve programs and personnel.

## The Math: Net Savings for Homeowners

### Estimated Homeowner Impact



For a home valued at \$600,000, the combination of the new levy and the expiring debt results in an annual decrease in taxes.



### The Offset: Expiring 2006 Bonds

Debt service taxes for the 2006 Bozeman High School renovation are ending this year and cannot be used for operating costs.

**New Levy vs. Expiring Bonds:** While the levy adds a small cost, the ending bond payments remove a larger cost, resulting in a net tax reduction.

## Important Voter Dates



### April 17, 2026: Ballots Mailed

The Gallatin County Election Office will mail ballots to all registered voters on this date.



### May 5, 2026: Election Day

Ballots must be returned to the County Election Office by 8:00 PM to be counted.

Learn More: <https://www.bsd7.org/election2026>

