

OPERATING MILLAGE REPLACEMENT

Replace - Restore - Extend



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

REMEMBER TO VOTE Tuesday, November 5

WARREN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS

Q: What is requested in the school ballot on November 5, 2024?

A: This proposal would restore and maintain the authority of the Warren Consolidated Schools (WCS) to levy mills for general school district operating purposes.

Q: Will this increase the property tax rate on my home?

A: No. For WCS homeowners, this millage restoration will extend the current authority for homeowners and will not increase tax rates over the current authorization.

Q: What are the revenues used for?

A: The revenues raised by this millage are used for general operating expenses of the school district. These include salaries, classroom materials, transportation, building maintenance, and other services that support the district's daily operations.

Q: How will this ballot proposal impact WCS homeowners?

A: Under existing law, WCS would levy on principal residence property only that portion of the mills (currently 3.2798 mills) necessary to allow the school district to receive the full revenue per pupil foundation allowance permitted by the State.

Q: What are the details of the Operating Millage Replacement proposal for the WCS homeowners? (commercial, industrial, and rental properties)

A: The proposal includes restoring the millage rate to protect against any reductions caused by the Headlee Amendment rollbacks. For homeowners, the millage rate is capped at up to 8.5241 mills, of which the district is only levying 3.2798 mills. The operating millage proposal reduces this cap to 6 mills for homeowners. This rate allows the district to maintain necessary funding levels without imposing any new tax increase on primary residences.



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Q: How does this millage allow WCS to maintain the 18 mills on non-homestead property (commercial, industrial, and rental properties)?

A: By restoring the millage, the district will be able to levy the full 18 mills on non-homestead properties, which include commercial, industrial, and rental residential properties. The district is currently only able to levy 17.5045 mills due to the rollback under the Headlee Amendment. The district must levy 18 mills in order to receive its full per pupil foundation allowance.

Q: What is the maximum levy amount in this operating millage for business owners?

A: For business owners and other non-homestead property owners, the maximum levy amount is 18 mills. This includes commercial, industrial, and rental residential properties. Commercial personal property is exempt from 12 of the current 18 mills.

Q: Who is eligible to vote for the election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024?

A: Any registered voter residing within the boundaries of Warren Consolidated Schools is eligible to vote in this election.

Q: When is Election Day and where do I vote?

A: Election Day is Tuesday, November 5th. Polls are open from 7 AM to 8 PM. You can find your voting location through the Secretary of State website: www.michigan.gov/sos

Q: Where can I find more information if I have questions?

A: Visit the district's website: www.wcskids.net for more information.



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