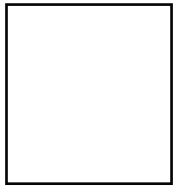




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WHY IS AN OPERATING REFERENDUM NEEDED?

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in additional operating expenses and financial priorities within our school district. A referendum is required for a school district to exceed state imposed spending limits.

WHAT WILL BE ON THE BALLOT ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD?

This operational referendum is a non-recurring operational referendum, for the amount of \$2,127,502. A non-recurring operational referendum is for a specific period of time, five years in this case.



WHAT ARE EXAMPLES OF COVID-19 RESPONSE EXPENDITURES?

- Staff & student technology
- New staffing needs, like contact tracers
- Cleaning / sanitizing equipment & supplies
- Additional teaching positions
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Capital maintenance projects to improve the HVAC & plumbing systems
- Student meals

2020-2021 PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY*

FUNDS	GENERAL FUND	24,210,291.00
	REFERENDUM DEBT SERVICE FUND	9,521,947.00
	NON-REFERENDUM DEBT SERVICE FUND	0.00
	CAPITAL EXPANSION FUND	509,296.00
	COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND	450,091.00
TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY		\$34,691,625.00

IF THE REFERENDUM IS APPROVED

GENERAL FUND	26,337,793.00
REFERENDUM DEBT SERVICE FUND	7,394,445.00
NON-REFERENDUM DEBT SERVICE FUND	0.00
CAPITAL EXPANSION FUND	509,296.00
COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND	450,091.00
TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY 2020/21	\$34,691,625.00

IF THE REFERENDUM IS NOT APPROVED

GENERAL FUND	24,210,291.00
REFERENDUM DEBT SERVICE FUND	9,521,947.00
NON-REFERENDUM DEBT SERVICE FUND	0.00
CAPITAL EXPANSION FUND	509,296.00
COMMUNITY SERVICE FUND	450,091.00
TOTAL SCHOOL LEVY 2020/21	\$34,691,625.00

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THE PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY REMAINS THE SAME UNDER BOTH OPTIONS.

* The Board of Education is required by law to modify the proposed tax levy on October 26, 2020 to reflect the September 2020 student counts and the October 15th final state equalization aid from the Department of Public Instruction (DPI).

WILL THIS OPERATIONAL REFERENDUM CHANGE THE PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR 2020-21?

This operational referendum **DOES NOT** change the grand total of the property tax levy for the 2020-2021 school year.

WHY IS THERE NO IMPACT ON THE TAX LEVY?

The Waunakee Community School District (WCSD) established a financial strategy in the 2019-2020 school year to stabilize the mill rate and use \$2.1 million to pay down debt. An operational referendum is required to reallocate the \$2.1 million levied for Fund 39 (debt service) to our general fund (Fund 10) to pay for the COVID-19 relief expenses.

