

# LEARN ABOUT OUR LEVY

**ELECTION DAY FEBRUARY 13, 2024**



## **Not a new tax**

This Educational Programs & Operations (EP&O) levy replaces a four-year levy that expires after December 2024.



## **Bridges a funding gap**

Local levy dollars make up over 16% of the School District budget, bridging the ongoing gap between what the state funds and what it actually costs to deliver on our commitment to offer each student a quality education, safe environments for learning, and resources for well-being.



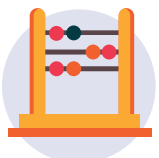
## **What will the levy pay for?**

This levy helps to pay for staffing and operations that are unfunded – or underfunded – by the state, including most of our sports funding, most safety and security personnel, and dozens of other staffing such as teaching, nursing, and counseling.



## **How do property values affect the levy?**

For levies, voters approve a set total dollar amount that can be collected for the year. So if your property values increase, the rate is adjusted to ensure the district collects what was approved by voters for that year.



## **What will this levy cost?**

The estimated rate is \$1.42 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. Voters last approved this levy in 2020 at a rate of \$1.57 per \$1,000 of assessed property value during the first year of collection in 2021. The cost of the levy for an owner of a \$500,000 home would be about \$59 per month.

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