

# WHAT DOES THE EDUCATION ENHANCEMENT MILLAGE MEAN TO HURON SCHOOL DISTRICT?



If the Countywide Enhancement Millage passes, Huron School District will receive over \$996,000 on an annual basis.\*

(\*based on per-pupil distribution formula versus tax valuation)

Below are some of the things Huron School District plans to accomplish with the new millage for its students:

- Intensify the use of technology for student engagement, learning and achievement
- Providing a rigorous and engaging curriculum so that all students will reach their full potential
- Invest in great teachers that build relationships and deliver quality, research based instruction
- Provide services and staff to meet the academic, social, emotional and behavioral needs of students


REMEMBER, THE EDUCATION ENHANCEMENT MILLAGE IS FOUND AT THE END OF BOTH YOUR ABSENTEE BALLOT, OR THE BALLOT YOU RECEIVE ON ELECTION DAY



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# VOTER INFORMATION ABOUT THE WAYNE COUNTY EDUCATION ENHANCEMENT MILLAGE

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 <b>REPUBLICAN PARTY SECTION</b>	 <b>DEMOCRATIC PARTY SECTION</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT</b>
<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>WAYNE COUNTY REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY REGIONAL ENHANCEMENT MILLAGE PROPOSAL</b>  Pursuant to state law, the revenue raised by the proposed enhancement millage will be collected by the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency and distributed to local public school districts within the boundaries of the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency based on pupil membership count.  Shall the limitation on the amount of ad valorem taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency, Michigan, be increased by 2.00 mills (\$2 per thousand dollars of taxable value) for a period of six (6) years, 2014 to 2019, inclusive, as new additional millage to provide operating funds to enhance other state and local funding for local school district operating purposes? It is estimated that 2 mills would raise approximately \$80,000,000 when first levied in 2014.  The revenue from this millage will be disbursed to the following school districts:  Allen Park Public Schools, Crestwood School District, Dearborn City School District, Dearborn Heights School District #7, School District of the City of Detroit, Ecorse Public School District, Flat Rock Community Schools, School District of the City of Garden City, Gibraltar School District, Grosse Ile Township Schools, The Grosse Pointe Public School System, Hamtramck Public Schools, City of Harper Woods Schools, School District of the City of Highland Park, Huron School District, School District of the City of Lincoln Park, Livonia Public Schools, Melvindale - Northern Allen Park Schools, Northville Public Schools, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Redford Union School District, River Rouge School District, Riverview Community School District, Romulus Community Schools, Southgate Community School District, South Redford School District, Taylor School District, Trenton Public Schools, Van Buren Public Schools, Wayne-Westland Community School District, Westwood Community Schools, Woodhaven-Brownstown School District, Wyandotte City School District.
<b>COUNTY COMMISSIONER 13th DISTRICT</b> Vote for not more than 1	<b>COUNTY COMMISSIONER 13th DISTRICT</b> Vote for not more than 1	
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## Frequently Asked Questions:

**Q: What is being asked for voters to consider on the August 5, 2014 ballot?**

A: Voters are being asked to approve a county-wide, two-mill, six year education enhancement millage.

**Q: Why do the school districts in Wayne County need this money?**

A: The per pupil foundation grant allocated to each district has been greatly reduced over the past several years for every district. Despite substantial reductions in expenses, school districts are still struggling to balance budgets without cutting programs which are designed to produce college or career-ready graduates.

**Q: What will the money be used for by school districts?**

A: How the money will be spent is up to each school district, but some of the options include: **reducing class size, increased instructional time, technology upgrades, facility repairs and upgrades**, among others.

**Q: What is an “enhancement millage?”**

A: It is a millage that if approved by voters, is assessed to all taxpayers in the county. **It will be distributed on a per student basis to each public school district in Wayne County.** It is the only additional millage state law allows to generate additional operating funds for school districts under Proposal A.

**Q: How would the enhancement millage impact my taxes?**

A: For every \$50,000 of market value property owners would pay approximately \$50.00 per year. This equates to less than \$4.17 a month and approximately 96 cents a week.

**Q: What is Wayne Regional Educational Service Agency (WRESA) and why are they involved?**

A: WRESA is the Intermediate School District for Wayne County and by state law is the organization that must place the millage proposal on the ballot. **WRESA will not retain any of these funds and is required by law to distribute all of the tax revenues to the K-12 school districts in Wayne County.**