

# Wayne School District

## Capital Local Levy Proposal



## The Need

The school district received the results of the facility needs assessment that was completed in the spring of 2015. The assessment identified needs such as:

- Accessibility and security issues, (i.e., offices located in the middle of buildings)
- Stress on building systems not designed to support additions made over the years
- Old mechanical systems and low levels of fresh air
- A general lack of power outlets and an inadequate electrical infrastructure for required upgrades
- Failing exteriors such as roofs

As a result of the assessment, the school board and administration are working to develop a five-to-fifteen year facility plan. After much discussion with the architect providing the needs assessment, it was determined that a key part of the plan will be to replace, rather than remodel most facilities. Strategically replacing and upgrading facilities will require the board to begin careful planning and immediate preparation.



# The Solution

*“A man without education is like a building without foundation.”  
-Anonymous*

## The Capital Local Levy:

- A Capital Local Levy is a state-supported program which would provide additional funds for the capital efforts of the school district.
- Funds can only be used for facility construction, improvements, and large equipment.

## What will the district use the money for?

We currently receive approximately \$139,000 per year in local property taxes under our Capital Local Levy. We also receive \$100,000 per year from a state guarantee program. The proposed tax increase would raise an additional \$217,893 per year.

We can save a considerable amount on the construction of new buildings by generating and saving what we can before we begin the construction process. Our current plan is to spend only enough each year to keep the buildings functional, safe, and operational for the near future and save the rest for future construction. We estimate the increase will allow us to set aside over \$300,000 per year toward this goal.

## The Tax Impact



The Capital Local Levy rate increase proposed by the school board is .000748, for a total rate of .001142, well below the state average of .003817.

### CALCULATE THE IMPACT TO ME

For a primary residence the property valuation is reduced by 45%. So your calculation is: Assessed property value x .55 x .000748 = approx increase in tax.

For a business or secondary residence your calculation is: Assessed property value x .000748 = approx increase in tax.

On a \$150,000 fair value primary residence the approximate increase would be \$61.71 per year. For a business or secondary residence of the same value the approximate increase would be \$112.20 per year.

The school district anticipates raising an additional \$217,893 in local tax revenue.