

Vote on Tuesday, November 7th

Anchor Bay School District has an important issue on the November 7th ballot. Residents will vote on a Non-Homestead millage renewal. **This is not a tax increase.** It has no effect on primary homeowners. It maintains the current tax levy collected on nonhomestead properties through 2034. Please review the following frequently asked questions to be sure you are an informed voter on Tuesday, November 7th.



Frequently Asked Questions

Will the millage renewal cost the homeowner?

No, there is no additional cost to primary homeowners. This 18-mill request ensures that the district can continue to levy the previously approved 18 mills, only on non-homestead properties.

Why does the ballot language indicate that the millage is being renewed by 18.9687 mills?

By law the District may only levy 18 mills for the Non-Homestead Millage. The additional .9687 mills will be held back as a hedge against future Headlee rollbacks.

Will this increase taxes on Non-Homestead properties?

Non-homestead properties will continue to pay the same 18 mills they paid in 2023, and the district will receive full funding from the State.

What are non-homestead properties?

Non-homestead properties include second homes, local businesses and industrial, commercial or rental properties.

Why do school districts have to hold elections for non-homestead properties?

As a result of Michigan's school funding structure detailed in Proposal A, districts are required to collect 18 mills on nonhomestead properties locally for the district to receive its full per-pupil foundation amount from the State. The law requires voters to approve the collection of the 18 mills.

Who can vote in this election?

All residents in the Anchor Bay School District who will be 18 years of age or older on Election Day and are registered to vote.

When is the election?

The election will be held on Tuesday, November 7th. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Ballot Language Anchor Bay School District Operating Millage Proposal

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its full revenue per pupil foundation allowance and restores millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Anchor Bay School District, Macomb and St. Clair Counties, Michigan, be renewed by 18.9687 mills (\$18.9687 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2025 to 2034, inclusive, and also be increased by .5 mill (\$0.50 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2025 to 2034, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 18 mills are levied in 2025 is approximately \$5,940,000 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2024 levy and a restoration of millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the "Headlee" amendment to the Michigan Constitution of 1963)?