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Levy FAQ

Are the Madison Schools seeking a renewal levy in November?

- Yes. On November 6 the Madison Local Schools will be Issue 4 on the ballot for renewal of a permanent improvement levy to provide safe and secure transportation and buildings for our kids.

Will this levy increase my taxes?

- This levy is **not a tax increase**. This is a renewal of an existing levy from 1989. Cost per month is \$1.17 per \$100,000 in home market value.
- Cost **per year** is approximately \$14 per \$100,000 in home market value.

What are the funds used for?

- This is a permanent improvement levy. Funds are used for the purchase of school buses and parts, maintenance and repair of building and grounds, and technology and infrastructure, and safety measures for kids.
- These funds **may not be used** for operational expenses, including salaries. They pay for things, not people.

Why is the levy needed?

- Each year buses reach end-of-life and need to be replaced.
- District buildings require regular upkeep and repair.
- Equipment, infrastructure, and security equipment need to be modernized or replaced periodically.

Do we need to pass this levy now?

- Yes. **Issue 4 is not a tax increase**. It is a renewal of existing funds. If the district were to lose these funds, permanent improvements would not be made, or would be paid for from the general fund. This would cut deeply into instruction and learning.

How much revenue will the levy generate annually?

- \$188,301
- This is the equivalent of the cost of one bus and one section of roofing for a building.

Where can I find my home value for tax purposes?

To find market value used by the county to calculate your taxes, you can use the property tax search tool on the Lake County Auditor's website or by calling 440-350-2532.

When is the election?

- The election is November 6, 2018.

Where can I find voting information, including timelines, registration information, absentee ballot information, etc.?

- Voter registration information for Lake County can be found at <http://www.lakecountyohio.gov/lakeelections/VoterRegistrationInformation.aspx> or call 440-350-2700.

Where can I get more information?

- Contact the Madison Local School District Central Office at 440-428-2166.