



# SPRING LAKE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## MILLAGE FACTS – ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022

The November 8 ballot will contain a proposal to allow the District to continue levying 18 mills on Non-Homestead properties including all commercial, business, rental, vacant land and second homes. In order for the District to receive the full funding guaranteed by the State for operating purposes, it must levy the entire 18 mills annually.

### WHY DOES THE 18-MILL BALLOT PROPOSAL COME AROUND SO OFTEN?

In order for the District to receive the full funding guaranteed by the State, it is expected to levy 18 mills on non-homestead properties every year. **This millage is constitutionally capped at 18 mills** but can be reduced if property values grow faster than the rate of inflation. Because of this, districts approach voters periodically to ensure they will receive their full funding. The full 18-mill levy is estimated to generate \$3,866,000 for the upcoming school year.

### HOW IS THE MONEY USED?

The money the district receives from the Non-Homestead millage supports the annual operational budget, or the day-to-day operations of the school district including classroom supplies, textbooks, equipment, utilities, transportation, staff, and more.

### WILL THIS INCREASE MY PROPERTY TAXES?

No. *If you are a homeowner, this millage renewal would not affect your property taxes.* This tax only applies to Non-Homestead property owners, such as commercial, business, rental, vacant land and second-home properties.

### I OWN A BUSINESS IN THE SPRING LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT. HOW WILL THIS AFFECT ME?

The passage of this millage would result in a continuation of the current 18 mills tax rate levied in 2022.

## QUESTIONS?

If you have questions regarding the November 8 Non-Homestead millage renewal proposal, please contact Superintendent Dennis Furton at 616-847-7919 or by email to [dfurton@springlakeschools.org](mailto:dfurton@springlakeschools.org).

Thank you.