

SALES SURTAX RENEWAL

Important information on the November 3rd ballot!

HALF-CENT SALES SURTAX EXTENSION 2021-2026 Projected Work: Facilities, Technology, and Security



FACILITY RENEWAL

Over \$66 million in funding is needed for critical roof repairs. A surtax extension will address these needs, in addition to repairing aging classrooms. The average age of a BPS classroom is 45 years.



EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

Electronic devices, modernizing outdated classrooms, and vital equipment upgrades would be addressed through a surtax extension.



SECURITY UPGRADES

Secure learning environments are essential to student productivity and success. Needed upgrades to classroom safety and building security would be funded.



WHAT HAPPENS AT MY SCHOOL?

To see a list of specific projects planned for your school, visit:

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The half-cent sales surtax approved by voters in 2014 is up for an extension on the November 3rd ballot. This is not an additional tax, but a continuation of the current half-cent sales surtax collected on taxable items in Brevard.

PROGRESS MADE

The surtax has helped repair critically failing facilities and improve learning environments for students across Brevard County. Critical school needs remain including more than \$66 million in roof renewals, \$32 million for plumbing and electrical systems and \$36 million for expansion of school security upgrades.



ICOC

Independent Citizens Oversight Committee

INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT

An Independent Oversight Committee (ICOC) meets bi-monthly to ensure funds are spent appropriately, in addition to bi-annual audits. So far, nine of out nine perfect audits have been achieved.

FUNDS STAY LOCAL

Surtax funding may only be used for facility, educational technology and security needs. So far, \$200 million has returned to the local economy through construction projects.



VISITOR FUNDING

When tourists or visitors spend money in Brevard, they help fund the half-cent surtax. In 2014, it was projected that 25% of the surtax would be funded by visitors.

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