



Understanding the Hayden School District Mill Levy Override Ballot Measure



What the measure would support—and what the district may need to consider without additional reliable revenue:

3

MILLS

What does 3 mills mean for my taxes & why aren't increasing property values enough?

Three mills = an increase of \$3 per \$1,000 of assessed value to your property taxes

Assessed value is not the same as market value—check your property tax assessment for your value.

Rising property values don't automatically increase school funding; they primarily shift more of the funding responsibility from the state to local taxpayers—it does not increase per pupil funding.

A Mill Levy Override is different because it provides reliable, voter-approved funding for local schools that is not subject to changes in state funding formulas.

WHAT WILL THE MILL LEVY OVERRIDE FUND?

1

Continue growth in student achievement

Sustain the instruction, interventions, progress monitoring, and staff capacity behind recent gains in academic growth and school + district performance.

2

Strengthen career & college preparation

Continue to expand career and technical education, college credit opportunities, work-based learning, capstone experiences, & pathways to employment, training, college, or military service.

3

Recruit & retain high-quality educators and staff

Expand on Hayden's success in competing for & retaining skilled teachers and support staff, providing professional learning, our ability to address specific student needs, and offering reasonable class sizes.

4

Maintain & expand student programming

Support current programs and staffing while building capacity for added opportunities for students in academics, experiential learning, athletics, and the arts.

THE DECISION IN PLAIN LANGUAGE

IF THE MEASURE PASSES

The resulting 3-mill increase in assessed taxes will generate reliable, recurring local revenue supporting core services and responsible program growth.

IF THE MEASURE DOES NOT PASS

The Board may be forced to consider staffing or service reductions, program expansion delays, not filling vacancies, and/or tapping into reserves.

ACCOUNTABILITY: Public Board meetings * Annual budget * Financial reporting * Independent audit * Performance Frameworks * DAC

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