

What if the Referendum Passes?

If passed, the operating referendum will NOT increase the district's tax rate the first year. The increase for the second year could be as much as \$53 per \$100,000 of property value if no additional state funds are put into public education. (See Chart Below) That is about \$1 per week.

The tax rate for next year will remain the same as this year if the referendum passes.

Estimated Maximum Tax Rate Increase		
Property Value	2023-2024	2024-2025
\$100,000	\$0	\$53
\$150,000	\$0	\$79.50
\$200,000	\$0	\$106

We Are Not Alone

Since 2016, over 70% of Wisconsin's 421 School Districts have gone to referendum to meet the operational needs of their districts.

Have We Done This Before?

Auburndale passed a 5-year non-recurring operational referendum in 2008 (\$2 million over 5 years), and a 3-year non-recurring referendum in 2016 (\$900,000 over 3 years).

QUESTIONS?

Call the District Office
715-652-2117

Email the Superintendent
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Preparing Students for What Comes Next!

April 4, 2023

Spring Election

School District of Auburndale
Operational Referendum

On January 11, 2023 the Board of Education approved language for a referendum that will appear on the April 4, 2023 election ballot

Why Now?

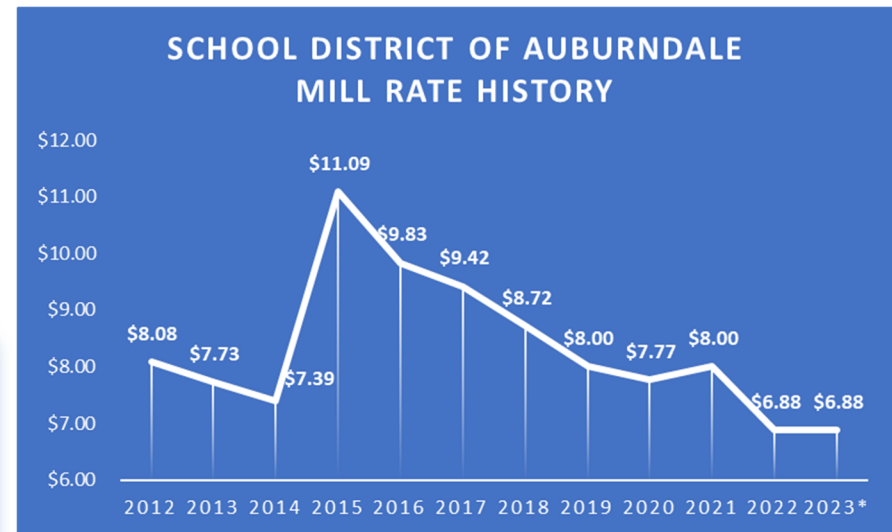
Assuming the state formula for funding education remains the same as it has been since 1994, the expenses the District has for the 2023-2024 school year will exceed the revenues provided by the state, federal, and local tax payers by approximately \$550,000.

Why Only 2 Years?

The state budget that funds education is a 2-year budget that begins July 1, 2023 and concludes June 30, 2025. Knowing that the funding formula does not adequately provide enough money causes most districts to pursue “Operational Referendum” questions to keep programs and services available for students.

Auburndale spends \$13,006 per student on their education which is the lowest of all our neighbors. We have the ability with this referendum to increase the amount spent on our students by approximately \$800 per student without increasing our mill rate for the 2023-2024 school year.

District	Mill Rate per \$100,000 Property Value	\$\$ Spent per Student in District
Auburndale	\$68.80	\$13,006
Pittsville	\$65.50	\$14,126
Marshfield	\$77.90	\$13,325
Spencer	\$84.70	\$14,001
Stratford	\$75.00	\$13,763
Stevens Point	\$67.40	\$13,828



*If referendum passes

What's on the Ballot?

Shall the following resolution be approved?

Resolution to Increase Revenue Limits

Be it resolved by the School Board of the School District of Auburndale, Wood, Marathon and Portage

Counties, Wisconsin, that the school district be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section

121.91, Wisconsin Statutes by \$600,000 per year for each of the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years, for

the non-recurring purpose of providing for the operational needs of the school district.