

Our Schools. Our Community. Our Future.

On November 5, 2019, Alexandria School District residents will vote on a request to increase school funding to bridge the district's budget gap and help maintain its academic programs, student support services and class sizes.

The majority of Minnesota school districts rely on locally approved operating levies to help fund their schools.

The levy would be phased-in over time, as would the tax impact. This allows the district to only ask for what it needs, when it needs it.

Alexandria is one of the few school districts in the area without a voter-approved operating levy. The last levy request was 15 years ago.

SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION

Approval of New School District Referendum Revenue Authorization

The board of Independent School District No. 206 (Alexandria), Minnesota has proposed to increase the School District's general education revenue

by the following amounts for taxes payable in the years specified:

- \$375 per pupil for taxes payable in 2020
- \$485 per pupil for taxes payable in 2021
- \$595 per pupil for taxes payable in 2022 through 2029

The proposed new referendum revenue authorization would be applicable for ten (10) years unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law.

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YES NO Shall the increase in the general education revenue proposed by the board of Independent School District No. 206 (Alexandria), Minnesota be approved?

BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A

PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

Funds would help maintain the district's academic programs, student support services and class sizes.

The estimated tax impact on the average homeowner (\$220,000 value home) is less than \$10 per month in year one with a smaller increase of less than \$3 per month in year two and again in year three.

VOTING INFORMATION

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on November 5, 2019. Your polling location may be different than the last time you voted. Visit mnvotes.org or call 320-762-2141 ext. 4213 if you have questions about where to vote.

Absentee and early voting begins September 20, 2019; you no longer need a special reason to vote absentee or to take advantage of early voting.

VOTE EARLY IN PERSON

Starting September 20, you can vote early in person at the Woodland Elementary Building/District Office 1410 S McKay Ave.

Hours:

Monday-Friday, 7:30am-4:30pm, September 20-November 4. Extended early voting hours at the Woodland Elementary Building/ District Office will also be available on the following days:

Saturday, Sept 21 and 28, 9:00am-2:00pm Tuesday, Oct 29, 7:30am-7:00pm Thursday, Oct 31, 7:30am-7:00pm Monday, Nov 4, 7:30am-7:00pm

VOTE EARLY BY MAIL

Request an absentee ballot by calling 320-762-2141 ext. 4213 or download an application at alexschools.org/referendum. Once you have completed the application, return it to the address noted on the back. Once the application is received, an absentee ballot will be mailed to you with instructions. Mail your ballot back in the pre-paid, pre-addressed envelope that was provided with your ballot materials. Ballots must be received by Nov. 4.

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