



MONROE COUNTY EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY RENEWAL

**TUESDAY
MAY 5
2026**

FACTUAL INFORMATION FOR VOTERS REGARDING THE MAY 5, 2026 ELECTION

WHO IS CONDUCTING THE MILLAGE RENEWAL ELECTION?

As required by state law, the Boards of Education for nine public school districts, the Monroe County ISD, and two charter schools in Monroe County have requested that the Monroe County Intermediate School District Board of Education conduct an election to seek renewal of the county-wide millage for educational technology supporting K-12 curriculum goals.



The official proposition language that will appear on the ballot on Tuesday, May 5, 2026.

REGIONAL ENHANCEMENT MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the intermediate school district to continue to levy regional enhancement millage that will expire with the 2026 levy. Pursuant to state law, the revenue raised by the proposed millage will be collected by the intermediate school district and distributed to the constituent districts of the intermediate school district based on pupil membership count.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Monroe County Intermediate School District, Michigan, be renewed by .9866 mill (\$.9866 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 5 years, 2027 to 2031, inclusive, to provide operating funds to enhance other state and local funding for constituent district technology purposes and related expenses; the estimate of the revenue the intermediate school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2027 is approximately \$7,636,841, which funds are expected to be disbursed as required by statute to Airport Community Schools, Bedford Public Schools, Dundee Community Schools, Ida Public Schools, Jefferson Schools, Mason Consolidated Schools, Monroe Public Schools, Summerfield Schools, Whiteford Agricultural School District, Horizon Science Academy New Bedford, Triumph Academy, and Monroe County Intermediate School District (this is a renewal of millage which will expire with the 2026 levy)?

HOW ARE THE FUNDS DISTRIBUTED?

If approved, millage revenue will be distributed to local school districts based on each district's K-12 student population. Participating districts include Airport Community Schools, Bedford Public Schools, Dundee Community Schools, Ida Public Schools, Jefferson Schools, Mason Consolidated Schools, Monroe Public Schools, Summerfield Schools, Whiteford Agricultural School District, Horizon Science Academy New Bedford, Triumph Academy, and the Monroe County Intermediate School District.



WHY IS THIS A COUNTY-WIDE ELECTION?

State law permits only intermediate school districts to place regional enhancement millages on the ballot. Since 1997, local school districts have not been permitted to seek these millages at the district level; therefore, this proposal must be presented as a county-wide election.

WHEN IS THE ELECTION? WHO CAN VOTE?

The election is Tuesday, May 5, 2026, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Registered voters age 18+ in residing in Monroe County school districts may vote. Absentee ballots begin 40 days before Election Day; early in-person voting may be available by municipality.

IS THIS A NEW TAX? WHAT IS THE AMOUNT?

This is not a new tax; it is a renewal request, so local property taxes will not increase. The proposal renews a .9866 mill levy for five years, equal to .9866 cents per \$1,000 of taxable home value. For example, a home with a taxable value of \$100,000 would contribute \$98.66 per year. The requested amount is slightly less than 1 mill.



HOW WILL THE MILLAGE MONEY BE USED IN OUR SCHOOLS?

Millage funds may be used only for educational technology, related staffing, and services and cannot be used for other expenses. Technology investments are selected for defined instructional purposes, support teaching and learning across all grade levels. Millage funds function as an instructional support system that includes devices, digital resources, infrastructure, and services. Investments are planned to be sustainable and adaptable to meet changing instructional and technology needs.



DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS INFORMATION?

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