REFERENDUM INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS



HOSTED BY

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Election Day: Nov. 8, 2022



Types of Referendums



CAPITAL PROJECTS

When a district plans a major project that requires borrowing money through promissory notes, voter approval is needed. This is often for new buildings, remodels, etc.

02

RECURRING OPERATIONAL

A district seeks to exceed the state-controlled revenue limit. Recurring means the limit is raised and becomes the new, permanent base revenue.

03

NON-RECURRING OPERATIONAL

A district seeks to exceed the state-controlled revenue limit. Non-recurring means the limit is raised for a predetermined period, and is then removed when the referendum expires.

Referendum History

At Three Lakes School District, our community has supported operational referendum since Spring 2004. On Nov. 8, residents will be asked to approve a non-recurring operational referendum for \$4,250,000 per year for five years.



Fall 2003 \$588,000 Recurring



Spring 2004

\$633,000 Non-Recurring, 3 years



Fall 2006

\$964,066 Non-Recurring, 3 years



Spring 2010

\$1,517,429 Non-Recurring, 3 years



Spring 2013

\$2,345,123 Non-Recurring, 5 years

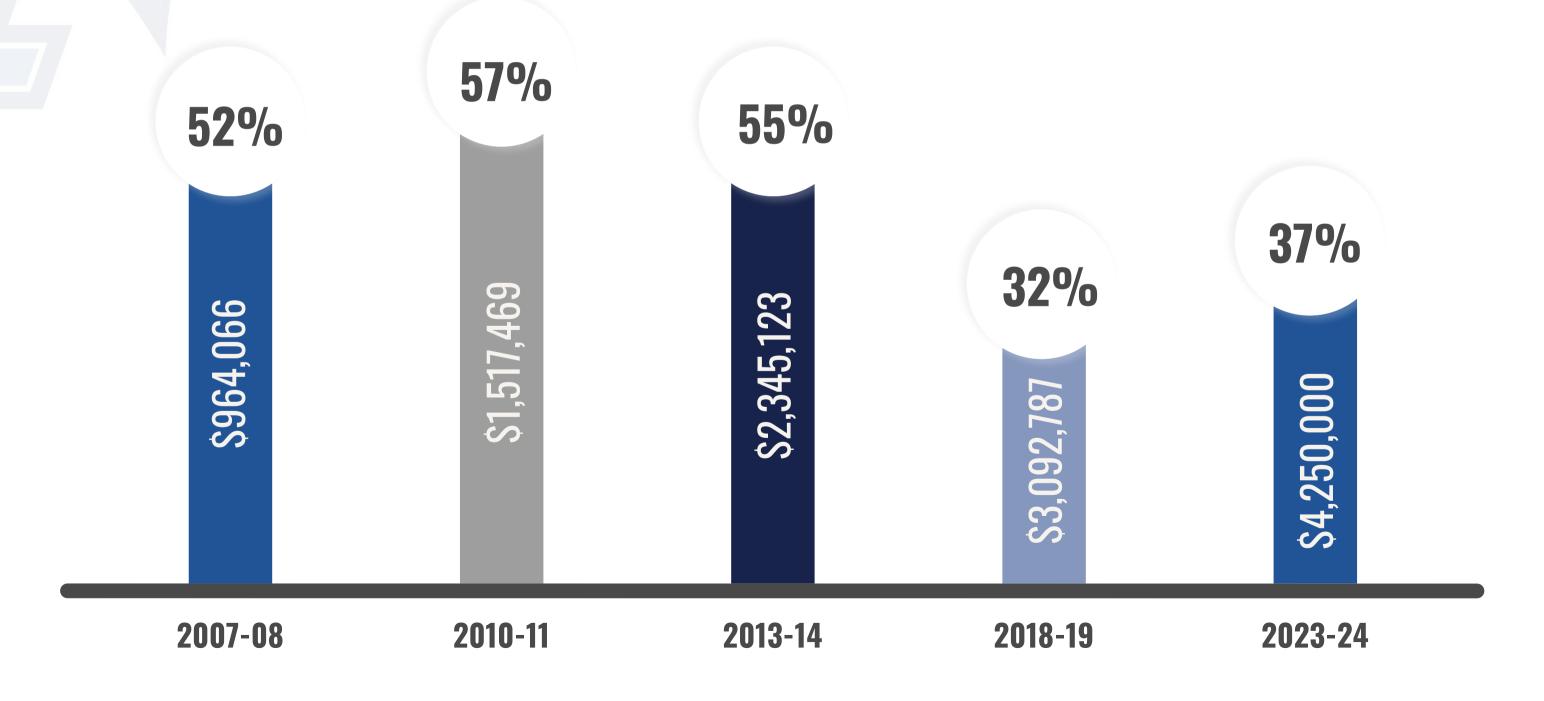


Fall 2017

\$3,092,787 Non-Recurring, 5 years

Referendum Comparison

Percent Increase v. Expiring Referendum





Exact Referendum Question

Question: Shall the School District of Three Lakes, Oneida and Forest Counties, Wisconsin be authorized to exceed the revenue limited specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$4,250,000 per year beginning with the 2023–24 school year and ending with the 2027–2028 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of operational expenses?





Why \$4.25 Million Over 5 Years?

Projections done using R.W. Baird's Budget Model Forecast in conjunction with one of their school business specialists.

Past Financial Data

- Expenditures
- Revenue

02 Assumptions About District's Future

- Salary/benefit increases
- Transportation increases
- Membership and open enrollment
- Utilities costs
- Future projects





Projection without Referendum

| No Referendum - 16.25% 202 | | | Base | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Historical | Historical | Current Year | | Series Series | Forecast | | |
| | 2020-2021 | 2021-2022 | 2022-2023 | 2023-2024 | 2024-2025 | 2025-2026 | 2026-2027 | 2027-2028 |
| Sept Membership (FTE) | 506 | 495 | 500 | 496 | 496 | 496 | 496 | 496 |
| Per Pupil Increase | \$179 | \$0 | \$0 | \$200 | \$200 | \$200 | \$200 | \$200 |
| Per-Pupil Categorical Aid \$ | \$742 | \$742 | \$742 | \$742 | \$742 | \$742 | \$742 | \$742 |
| TIF Out Equalized Valuation Growth | 2.71% | 8.54% | 16.25% | 3.00% | 3.00% | 3.00% | 3.00% | 3.00% |
| Fund 10 Revenues | \$10,457,271 | \$10,692,778 | \$10,789,886 | \$7,389,269 | \$7,466,898 | \$7,575,009 | \$7,672,942 | \$7,767,499 |
| Fund 10 Expenditures | \$10,142,944 | \$10,182,423 | \$10,964,449 | \$11,220,304 | \$11,521,638 | \$11,834,883 | \$12,160,624 | \$12,474,064 |
| Surplus (Deficit) | \$314,326 | \$510,355 | (\$174,563) | (\$3,831,036) | (\$4,054,741) | (\$4,259,874) | (\$4,487,682) | (\$4,706,564) |
| Fund Balance | \$4,683,603 | \$5,193,958 | \$5,019,395 | \$1,188,360 | (\$2,866,381) | (\$7,126,255) | (\$11,613,937) | (\$16,320,502) |
| Fund Balance as % of Expenditures | 46.18% | 51.01% | 45.78% | 10.59% | -24.88% | -60.21% | -95.50% | |
| Non-Recurring Referendum \$ | \$3,092,787 | \$3,092,787 | \$3,092,787 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Recurring Referendum \$ | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Referendum Debt Levy | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Energy Efficiency Exemption | \$310,837 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Total School-Based Tax Levy | \$8,722,290 | \$8,535,281 | \$8,467,867 | \$5,476,309 | \$5,545,036 | \$5,645,325 | \$5,734,313 | \$5,813,767 |
| Mill Rate (per \$1,000 EQ Value) | \$6.00 | \$5.41 | \$4.61 | \$2.90 | \$2.85 | \$2.82 | \$2.78 | \$2.73 |
| 2% Salary Increase, 6% Health Insurance In | crease, 3% Propert | y Valuation Incr | ease, 5% Transpo | rtation Increase. 4 | % Utilities Incre | ase | | |

Projection with Referendum

| \$4.25 Million Flat Non-Recur | ring - 16.25% | 6 2022 Pro | perty Valuat | ion Increase | 9 | | | Base |
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| Fund Balance as % of Expenditures | 46.18% | 51.01% | 45.78% | 48.47% | 48.90% | 47.52% | 44.29% | 39.52% |
| Non-Recurring Referendum \$ | \$3,092,787 | \$3,092,787 | \$3,092,787 | \$4,250,000 | \$4,250,000 | \$4,250,000 | \$4,250,000 | \$4,250,000 |
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The School Revenue Pie

The revenue limit formula calculates a maximum amount of revenue available from property taxes and state equalization aid.



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Major variables in the formula include:

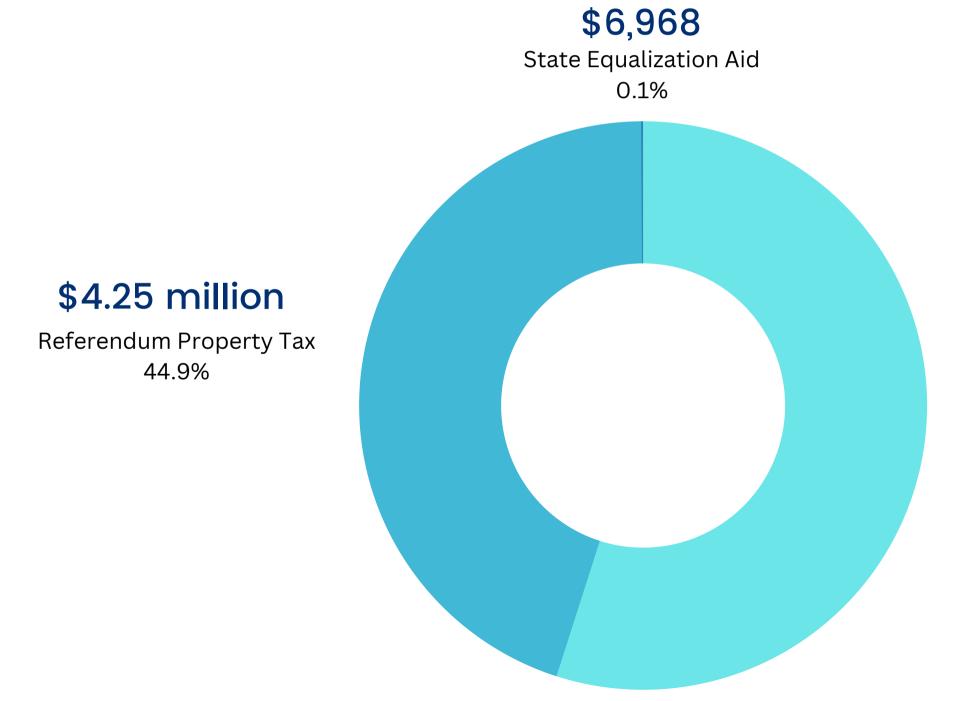
- Membership (3-year rolling average)
- State budget
- District's previous year revenue limit
- Long-term debt non-referendum
- Exceptions:

Capital Projects
Non-recurring operational referendums
Recurring operational referendums

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Property taxes and state equalization aid

2023-2024 Revenue Limit Sources



\$5.19 million

Non-Referendum Property Tax 54.9%



Other Revenue Sources

Outside the Revenue Limit Formula

1. State Sources

- Transportation
- Special Education
- Sparsity
- Per Pupil
- Common School

2. Federal Sources

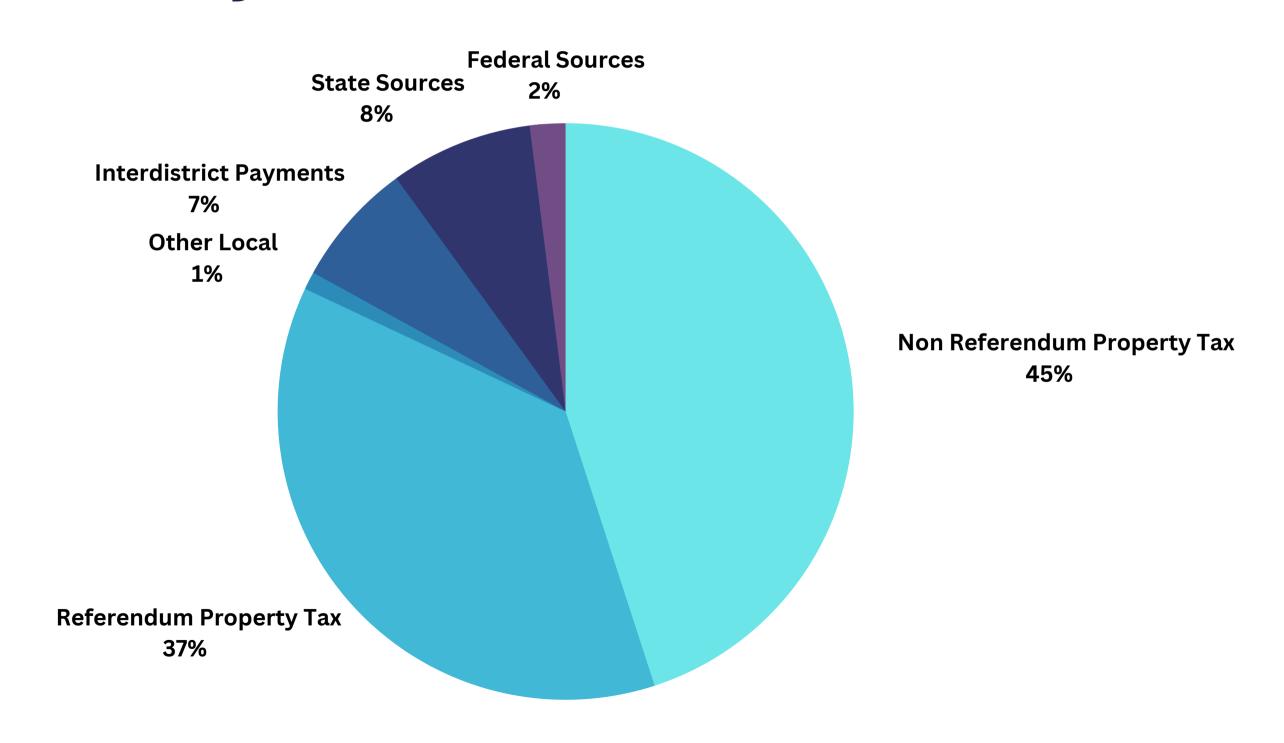
- Individuals with Disabilities Act
- CARES (ESSE) Expiring Next Year
- Small, Rural Schools Achievement
- Title Grants

3. Interdistrict

- Open enrollment
- Payments for other sources

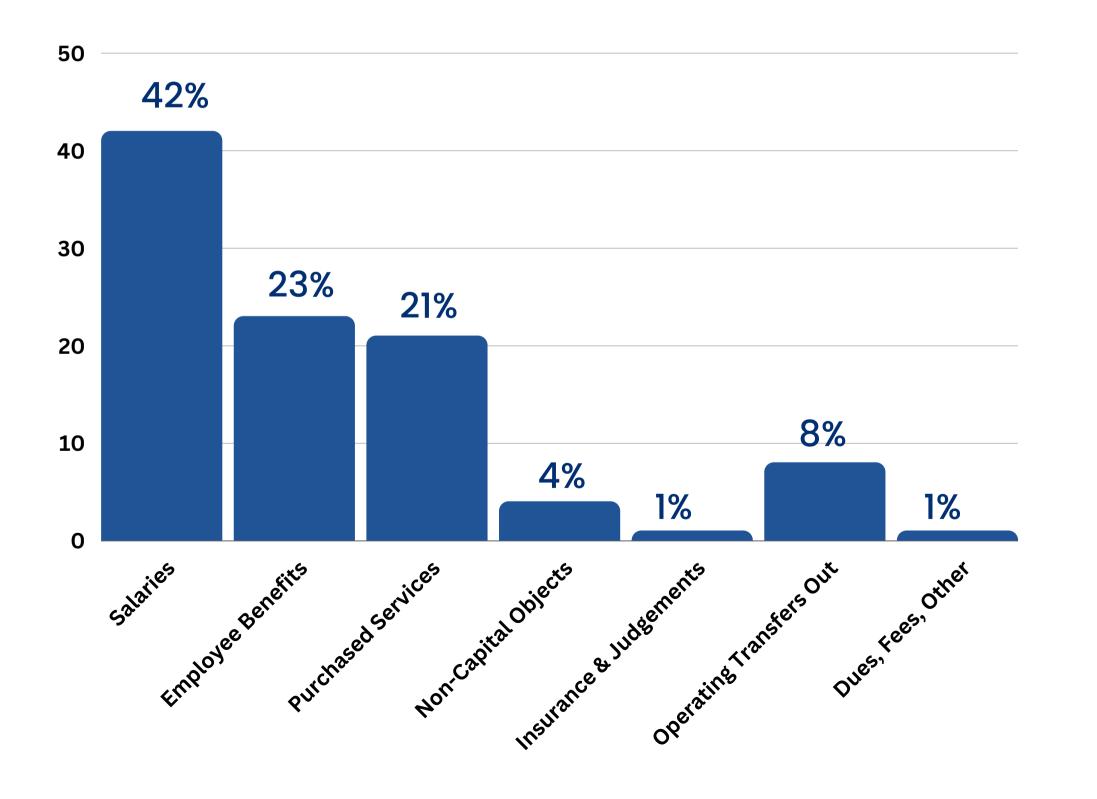
Three Lakes School District 2023-24

Total Projected General Fund Revenue



Three Lakes School District 2022-23

General Fund Expenditures





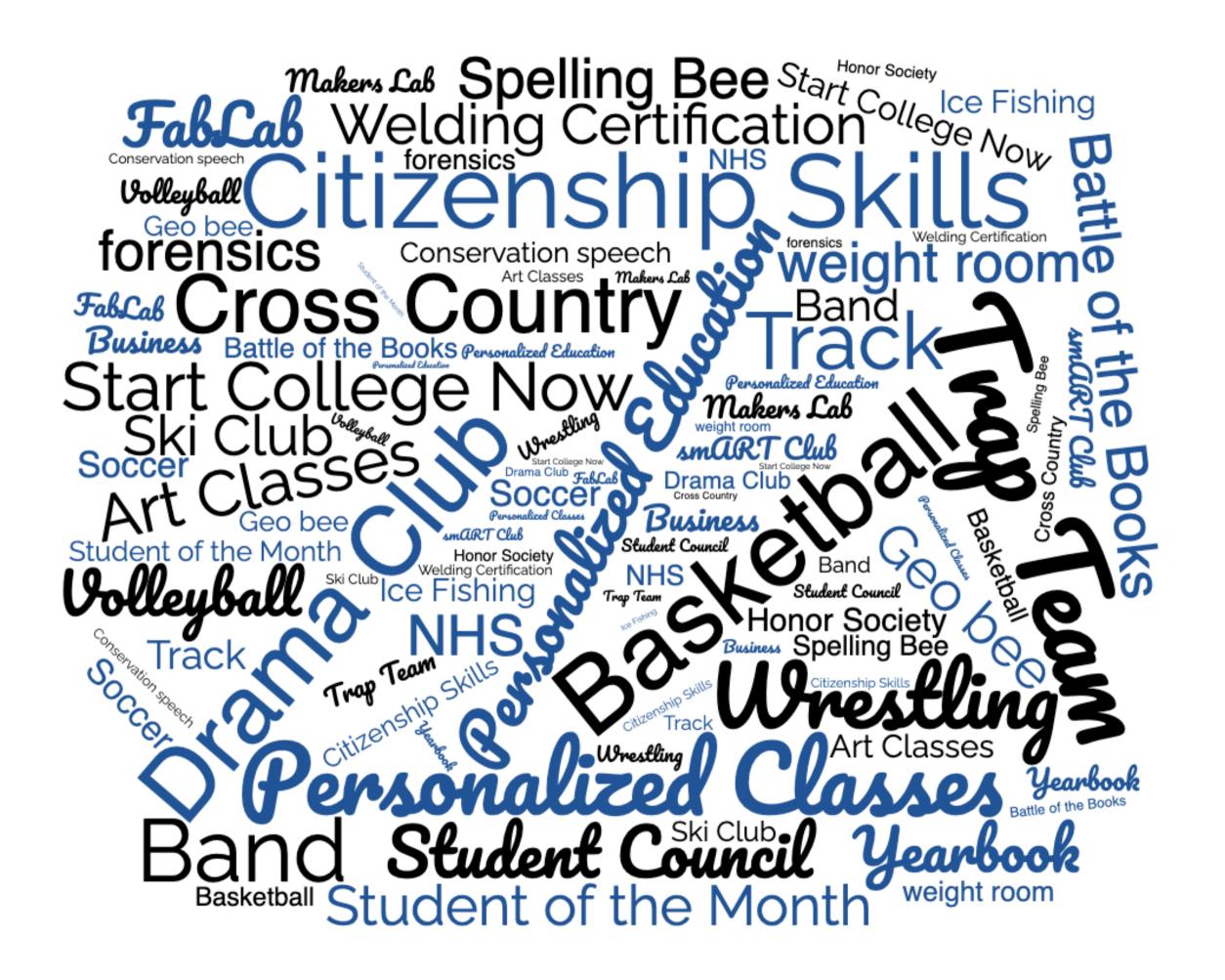
Financially Responsible

- No long-term debt
- Did not short-term borrow in '21-22
- Regular maintenance projects are budgeted for in regular operational budget
- Negotiated 4% increase in health insurance premiums and no increase in dental premiums
- Employees contribute 12% to health insurance and 50% of pension contributions



OPPORTUNITIES

While being financially conservative,
TLSD boasts many opportunities for students

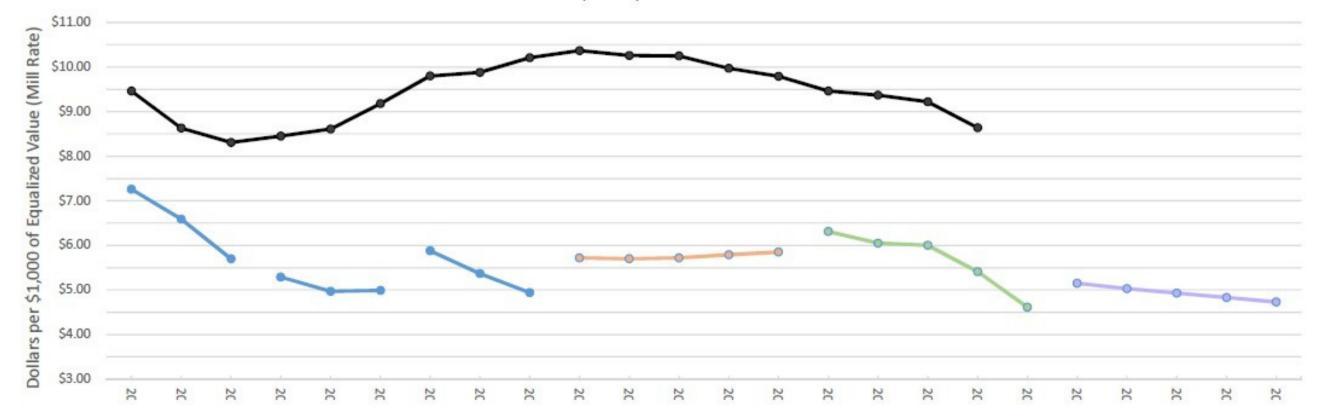


Taxpayer Impact

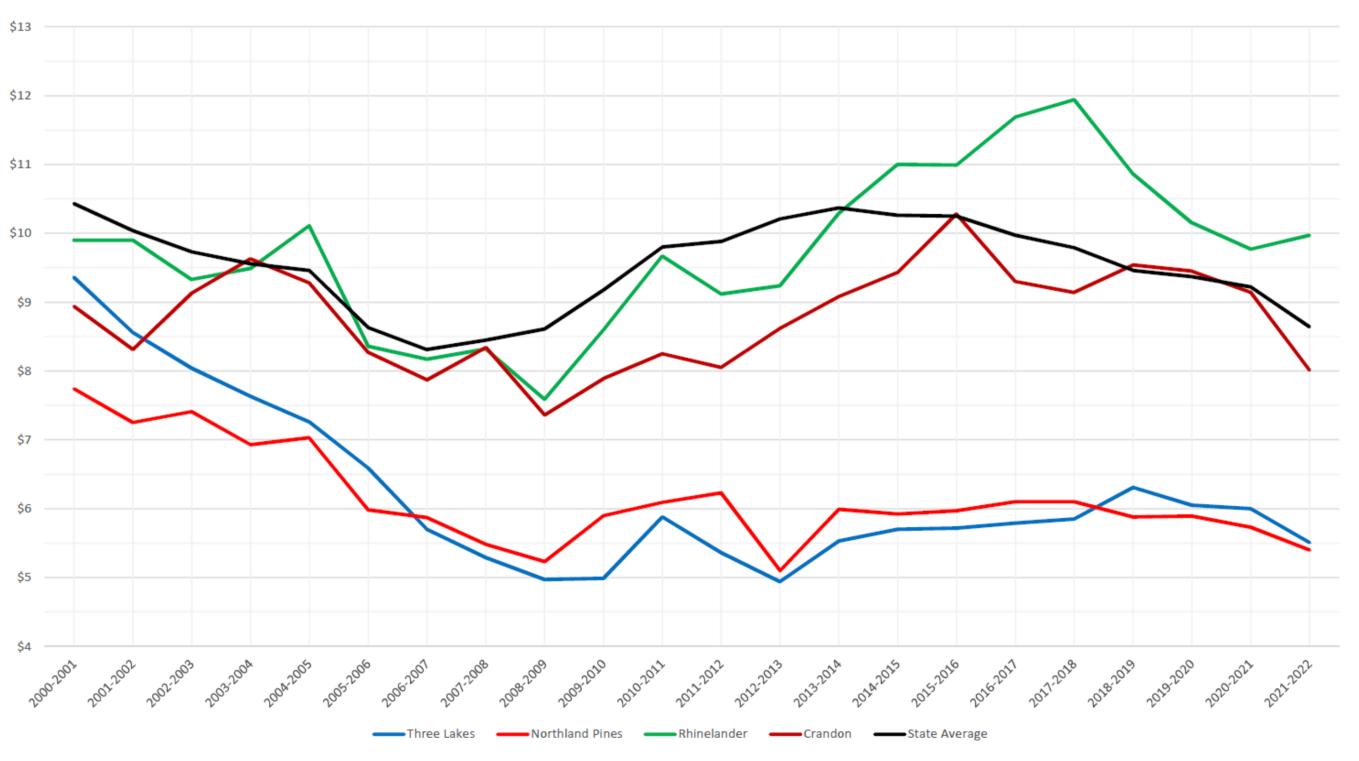
| | Fall 2012 | Fall 2013 | Fall 2014 | Fall 2015 | Fall 2016 | Fall 2017 | Fall 2018 | Fall 2019 |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Total Levy | \$ 6,977,688 | \$ 7,869,089 | \$ 7,904,681 | \$ 7,761,600 | \$ 7,979,064 | \$ 8,084,620 | \$ 8,517,922 | \$ 8,563,746 |
| Total Equalized Value | \$ 1,412,621,950 | \$ 1,375,650,400 | \$ 1,386,050,806 | \$ 1,356,120,907 | \$ 1,377,163,250 | \$ 1,382,594,627 | \$ 1,349,800,750 | \$ 1,416,005,896 |
| Equalized Rate | \$ 4.94 | \$ 5.72 | \$ 5.70 | \$ 5.72 | \$ 5.79 | \$ 5.85 | \$ 6.31 | \$ 6.05 |
| K-12 Average | \$ 10.21 | \$ 10.37 | \$ 10.26 | \$ 10.25 | \$ 9.97 | \$ 9.79 | \$ 9.46 | \$ 9.37 |

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| Total Equalized Value | \$ 1,454,350,059 | \$ 1,578,602,231 | \$ 1,835,077,785 | \$ 1,890,178,846 | \$ 1,946,884,212 | \$ 2,005,290,738 | \$ 2,065,449,460 | \$ 2,127,646,443 |
| Equalized Rate | \$ 6.00 | \$ 5.41 | \$ 4.61 | \$ 5.15 | \$ 5.03 | \$ 4.93 | \$ 4.83 | \$ 4.73 |
| K-12 Average | \$ 9.22 | \$ 8.64 | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD | TBD |

Survey of Equalized Tax Rates



Historical Mill Rate Comparison



TLSD Referendum

Voting Locations

Voting for the referendum will take place on Nov. 8, 2022 at your local polling place. If you have questions about your polling place, voting by absentee ballot, voter registration, etc, please visit:

https://MyVote.Wi.Gov



Town of Hiles

Hiles Town Hall

Town of Piehl

Piehl Town Hall

Town of Monico

Monico Town Hall

Town of Stella

Piehl Town Hall

Town of Sugar Camp

Sugar Camp Town Hall

Town of Three Lakes

Three Lakes Town Hall



Thank you!

Questions? Comments?

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Next Referendum Meetings

Tuesday, Oct. 25, 6 pm, Sugar Camp IMC Tuesday, Nov. 1, 6 pm, Monico Town Hall

Contact

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