West Lafayette Community School Corporation

West Lafayette community supports schools; approves referendum

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West Lafayette, IN (Nov. 4, 2026) - Voters have approved a new referendum tax rate for West Lafayette Community School Corporation that will preserve funding and provide flexibility for future school boards.

Unofficial Results:
3,016 Yes Votes
1,316 No Votes

“Community support of the referendum means preserving the funding that ensures continued high quality education for our students,” said Dr. Shawn Greiner, West Lafayette Community School Corporation Superintendent. “We thank all voters who made their voices heard, and we thank all of you for supporting our students, families, and our hard-working staff, and for believing in the continued success of our community.”

What This Approval Means

- Voter approval gives the District a maximum referendum tax rate of 57.06 cents per $100 net assessed valuation, replacing the maximum 37-cent rate approved by voters in 2010, 2017 and 2023.

- The new rate allows the District to preserve funding that makes up almost 25% of its budget, revenue that otherwise would decline over several years through the effects of Senate Enrolled Act 1. This preservation of funding means the District can protect existing staffing and education programming.
- While the maximum rate is now 57.06 cents, the actual applied rate will be set by the Board of Trustees annually and increased only as needed to preserve revenue for existing staffing and education programming. For 2027, the rate will stay at 37 cents per $100.
- This and future Boards will have the flexibility to respond to any further state legislative changes to property taxes and assessments that might occur.

Common Ground: Maintaining excellence for students' future

Board of Trustees President Amy Austin said the referendum results demonstrate again the community's investment in the future of its young people: "While we recognize not everyone voted yes on this question, we know there is common ground in supporting our children. I continue to have the deepest gratitude for the generosity of this community. We are so grateful for the support that makes possible the excellence of West Lafayette community schools."

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