FERNDALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MILLAGE FACTS

FAQ

IS THIS A NEW TAX?
No, this is not a new tax. This tax only applies to Non-homestead property owners (such as industrial and commercial property and rental properties). This millage would continue to charge these owners at the rate which they are currently paying.

I OWN A HOME WITHIN THE FERNDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT. WILL THIS IMPACT ME?
If you are a homeowner, the passage of this millage would not impact your property taxes.

I OWN A BUSINESS WITHIN THE FERNDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT. HOW WILL THIS IMPACT ME?
The passage of this millage would result in a continuation of your current millage tax rate.

IF THIS MILLAGE WAS VOTED DOWN, WHAT WOULD BE THE IMPACT TO THE DISTRICT?
This millage brings in approximately $4 million each year. If it were voted down it would result in a 14% reduction in the total budget for Ferndale Schools.

WHEN IS ELECTION DAY?
Election day is November 3rd, 2015.

WHY NOW?
The millage expires in May 2016, which would mean a 14% reduction in the school district budget for the 2016-2017 school year. Holding a November election represents significantly reduced election costs to the District.

FERNDALE’S BUDGET SINCE 2013
Ferndale Schools has “right sized” our budget, and district, in order to allocate more funds into the classroom while cutting areas outside of the classroom. Our reconfiguration of elementary schools and the sale of three buildings for residential development have helped us reach the goals of the Strategic Plan.

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