FERNDALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MILLAGE FACTS

COUNTRY FUNDS
STATE FUNDS
FEDERAL FUNDS
NON-HOMESTEAD MILLAGE

$22.3 M
$1.5 M
$2.8 M
$4.1 M

NOVEMBER'S BALLOT INCLUDES A REQUEST FOR CONTINUING THE MILLAGE ON BUSINESSES AND RENTALS (NON-HOMESTEAD PROPERTIES) THAT PROVIDES A LARGE PART OF OUR LOCAL SCHOOL BUDGET. WE WANT YOU TO HAVE THE FACTS ON THAT VOTE.
JUST THE FACTS

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

I OWN MY HOUSE IN 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 IN 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 THE IMPACT BE 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. This would require deep cuts in student programs and in the classroom.

WHEN IS ELECTION DAY?
November 3rd, 2015.

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 set forth in the Strategic Plan.

FOR MORE INFO ON THE MILLAGE AND THE RESTRUCTURING, VISIT FERNDALEVOTINGINFO.ORG