

To Our Community:

The Board of Education for the Beavercreek City School District unanimously approved placing a 6.2-mil operating levy on the November 6, 2018 ballot. We believe the revenue generated from this levy is necessary to sustain the outstanding instruction and educational opportunities our students receive daily.

According to our district's Five-Year Forecast, expenditures have outpaced revenues since 2017. Projections indicate this will create an operating deficit by 2020. This is an unacceptable financial position and will adversely affect the academic programs of Beavercreek City Schools. Unfunded state and federal mandates strain our general fund while enrollment continues to climb. Despite increasing costs, we continue to provide a high standard of service to meet our community's expectations.

For the 2018 - 2019 school year our district is finalizing an estimated 1.1 million dollars in cost-saving measures (listed below). Cumulatively, over the district's Five-Year Forecast, this reduces costs approximately five million dollars.

- Staffing - \$300,000
- Curriculum - \$535,000
- Technology Services - \$67,000
- Business Services - \$214,000

Seventy-five percent of our general fund relies on local taxes, which is unlikely to change in the foreseeable future for one simple reason; the state of Ohio ranks Beavercreek City Schools among the top ten percent of the wealthiest school districts in Ohio. Current legislation dictates that higher levels of state aid will not be given to communities such as ours. The ranking in terms of wealth comes from a database of demographic information on all Ohio school districts compiled by the Ohio Department of Education.

We would not be seeking additional revenue if it were not absolutely necessary. All of us value Beavercreek's excellent schools. They are a great source of pride and at the heart of our community's culture. The November 6 levy is asking residents to make an investment in our school district, our children, and the community we love.

Respectfully,

JoAnn Rigano



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