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Clayton County Board of Education to Consider 2021 Millage Rate

JONESBORO— The Clayton County Board of Education (CCBOE) announces today its tentative intention to maintain the current millage rate at 20 mills. This represents a 9.45 percent increase over the rollback millage rate.

Each year, the Board of Tax Assessors is required to review the assessed value for property tax purposes of taxable property in the county. When the trend of prices on properties that have recently sold in the county indicate there has been an increase in the fair market value of any specific property, the Board of Tax Assessors is required by law to re-determine the value of such property and adjust the assessment. This is called a reassessment.

When the total digest of taxable property is prepared, Georgia law requires that a rollback millage rate must be computed that will produce the same total revenue on the current year's digest that last year's millage rate would have produced had no assessment occurred.

The budget adopted by the Clayton County Board of Education requires a millage rate higher than the rollback millage rate; therefore, before the Clayton County Board of Education finalize the budget and set a final millage rate, Georgia law requires three public hearings to be held to allow the public an opportunity to express their opinions on the increase.

All interested citizens are invited to the public hearings on the tax increase to be held at the Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) Administration Complex, 1058 Fifth Avenue, Jonesboro, Georgia on Monday, August 9, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and on Monday, August 16, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Due to continued concerns related to the COVID-19 Coronavirus and its variants, visitors will be required to complete the district's COVID-19 protocol prior to seating. The protocol consists of completing a survey and a temperature check. The protocol survey may be completed the day of the public hearing by accessing the survey at https://bit.ly/2ViiW0x. The wearing of masks is required. Special seating restrictions may be in effect.

Public comments on the Tax Increase may also be submitted in email format to the following address: ccpsbudget@clayton.k12.ga.us. Stakeholders submitting comments on the Tax Increase should include a name and contact phone number or email address.

The Clayton County Board of Education is expected to set the 2021 Millage Rate on August 16, 2021 during a called Board meeting. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m.

District and community stakeholders will be able to follow the meeting by going to the district's website at www.clayton.k12.ga.us and clicking on the Board Meeting graphic on the home page's scrolling banner. This will connect stakeholders to the virtual meeting.

Individuals who are unable to participate in the meeting will be able to access the recorded meeting on the district's official platforms (website, Youtube, and Channel 24, which is available to Clayton County Comcast subscribers only) following the meeting.

About Clayton County Public Schools

Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited by Cognia. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 52,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the fifth largest school system in Georgia.

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