
FORM OF SAMPLE BALLOT

OFFICIAL BALLOT

The Board of Education
of the County of Preston
Election to Authorize Additional Levies
According to the
Order of The Board of Education
of the County Of Preston
Entered on January 22, 2018

Special election to authorize additional levies for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2018; July 1, 2019; July 1, 2020; July 1, 2021; and July 1, 2022, in the total amount of \$2,420,000, annually, for the purpose of paying the general current expenses of The Board of Education of the County of Preston, for the following purposes:

<u>PURPOSE FOR WHICH ADDITIONAL FUNDS ARE NEEDED</u>	<u>AMOUNT FOR EACH PURPOSE</u>
General Maintenance, Improvements, and Equipment – Including, but not limited to, bathroom partitions, floor tile replacement, door and window repair and replacement, inside/outside light upgrades, fire equipment upgrades, bleacher repairs, building repairs, custodial equipment and supplies, roof repairs and replacement, ceiling tile replacement, HVAC upgrades and replacements, boiler upgrades and replacements, other upgrades and emergency repairs, purchase of vertical man lift, county vehicle repairs and replacement, lawn equipment repairs and replacement, purchase of small track hoe, backhoe repairs and maintenance, dump truck repairs and maintenance, and other related expenses.	\$1,500,000
Safety and Security - Including, but not limited to, security cameras, keyless door entry, door core replacements, outside lighting installation, phones and intercom upgrades, alternative communication devices, hardware, software, supplies, and other related expenses.	\$150,000

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Technology Expenses – Including, but not limited to, bandwidth upgrades, computer purchases, repair, upgrades, software, contracting, technology related professional development and other related expenses.	\$120,000
Curricular, Extra- and Co-curricular Activities – Including, but not limited to, field trips, school competitions, extra- and co-curricular transportation and expenses and other related expenses. Funds will be allocated on a per-pupil basis.	\$50,000
Student, Staff, & Senior Citizen Athletic and Fine Art Event Admission - Including, but not limited to, admission for Preston County Students and Staff to all home school regular athletic (excluding post-season tournaments) and fine art events. Excess funds will be used for identification supplies.	\$50,000
Instructional Supplies and Materials – Including, but not limited to, instructional materials, duplicating paper, computer paper, writing paper, notebook paper, instructional supplies and equipment (including copiers and office operating expenses) and other related expenses. Funds will be allocated on a per-pupil basis.	\$200,000
Extended Day, Extended Year, Virtual, Mobile, & Alternative Education Programs – Including, but not limited to, salaries and benefits, instructional supplies and equipment, transportation, and other related expenses associated with before and after school programming, summer programming, mobile learning classrooms, virtual coursework, credit recovery, and alternative education programming for PK-12.	\$300,000
Community Facility Use – Including, but not limited to, utility expenses, custodial fees, food service personnel fees, supervisory fees, and any other expenses related to the community use of Board of Education-owned property.	\$50,000

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TOTAL	\$2,420,000

The Board of Education of the County of Preston is hereby authorized and empowered to expend, during the term of this levy, the surplus, if any, accruing in excess of the above amounts needed for any of the above-stated purposes, plus excess collections due to increased assessed valuations for the enrichment, supplementation, operation and improvement of educational services and/or facilities in the public schools of the County of Preston.

The Board of Education of the County of Preston reserves unto itself as the levying body the right and authority to reduce the rates of the excess levy, should increase assessments produce funds beyond projected needs in any year specified in the levy call in accordance with section six-g, article eight, chapter eleven, of the West Virginia Code.

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 2018, The Board of Education of the County of Preston shall reduce the levy rates proportionately for all classes of property when increased assessed valuations, excluding appraisal or valuation due to new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, would cause an increase of more than four percent in the total projected property tax revenues from the previous year's projected property tax revenues. In that event, the levy rate shall be reduced so as to cause such rate to produce no more than one hundred and four percent from all classes of property, excluding appraisal or valuation from new construction or improvements to existing real property, including beginning recovery of natural resources and newly acquired personal property, of the previous year's projected property tax revenues from all property.

In the event that the amount collected is less than the amounts noted for the above purposes for any one or more fiscal years, The Board of Education of the County of Preston shall determine, in its discretion, which one or more of the enumerated purposes set forth above shall be reduced for each such fiscal year, and the amount of each such reduction for such fiscal year, provided that the total of all such reductions shall not exceed the amount of such collection shortfall for such fiscal year.

In the event The Board of Education of the County of Preston shall obtain additional money, by grant or otherwise, from the state or federal government, or from any agency of either, or from any other source, for the purposes aforesaid, such additional money may be used either in substitution for, or in addition to, the sums obtained from such additional levies as said The Board of Education of the County of Preston may from time to time determine.

The additional levies, per each one hundred dollars in value, shall be on Class I property, 5.71¢; on Class II property, 11.42¢; on Class III property, 22.84¢; and, on Class IV property, 22.84¢.

For the Levies
Against the Levies

INSTRUCTION TO VOTERS

Those favoring the additional levies shall mark after "For the Levies"; those against such levies shall mark after "Against the Levies."

END OF SAMPLE BALLOT

ENTERED THIS 22D DAY OF JANUARY, 2018:

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
COUNTY OF PRESTON

By Clarissa L. Estep
Clarissa L. Estep, Its President

ATTEST

Stephen H. Shething
Secretary