## Hutchinson Public Schools

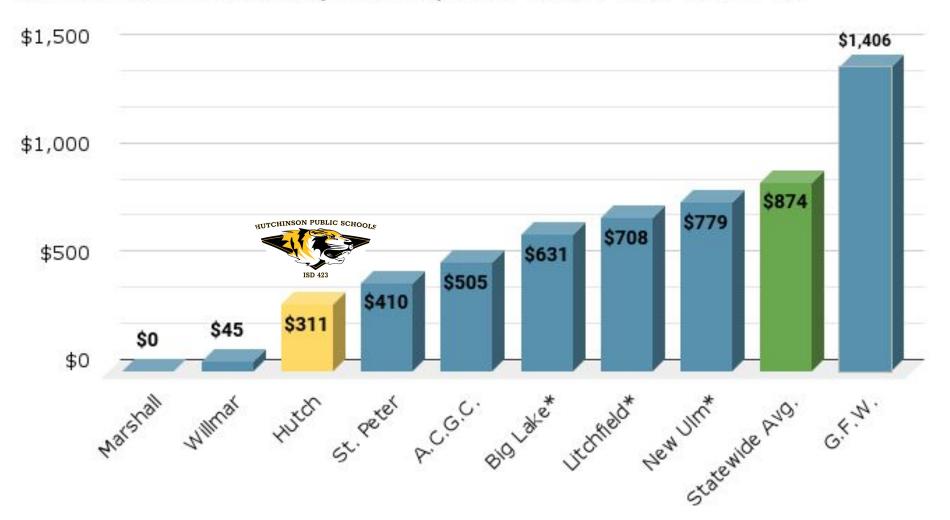
Excellence in Academics, Activities, and Character

# OPERATING REFERENDUM INFORMATION

A Culture of High Expectation is Critical

#### COMPARISON TO OTHER DISTRICTS

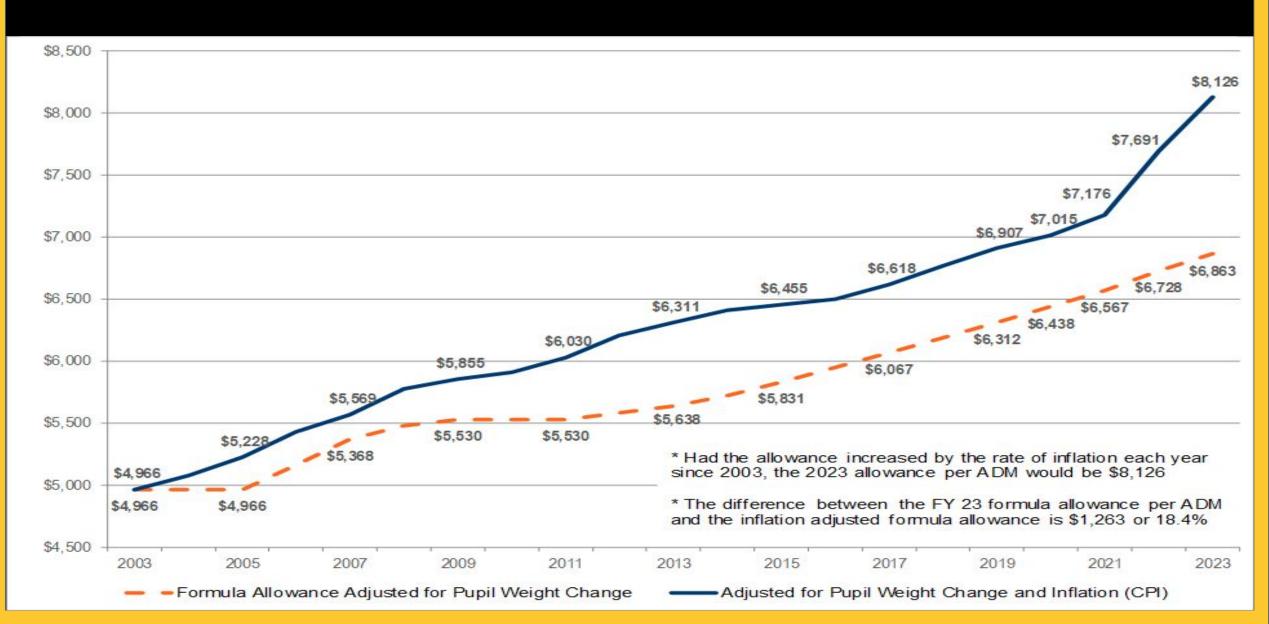
#### Referendum Authority Per Pupil for Fiscal Year 2022-23



\*Authorities with voter approved annual inflationary adjustment

Source: MDE Operating Referendum Phaseout June 30, 2022

#### GENERAL EDUCATION FORMULA



### BUDGET REDUCTIONS

Reductions of \$2,981,892.00 Have Been Made to the ISD 423 Budget Over the Past Six Years Due to Declining Enrollment

✓ 2017-2018: \$861,176

✓ 2018-2019: \$498,403

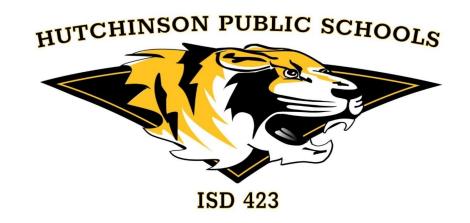
✓ 2019-2020: \$475,372

✓ 2020-2021: \$0

✓ 2021-2022: \$697,710

✓ 2022-2023: \$449,231

✓ 2023-2024: ? (dependent on enrollment, federal stimulus, and levy election results)

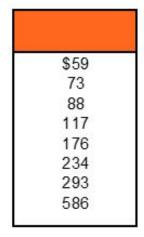


#### YEARLY TAX IMPACT

Year Taxes are Payable	Question 1		
	2023	2024	2024
	Expired	Renewed	Net
Estimated Adjusted Pupil Units (APU)	2,754.17	2,709.36	-44.81
Revenue per Pupil Unit	-\$310.88	\$310.88	\$0.00
Estimated Change in Referendum Revenue	-\$856,216	\$842,285	-\$13,931
Estimated Net Increase in Total Revenue (Including Estimated Reduction in Equity Revenue)			

Q	uestion 2
	2023
	New
	2,754.17
	\$382.00
\$	1,052,092
9	998,730

Type of Property	Estimated Market Value	Estimated Taxes for Referendum Levy Only*		
	\$100,000	-\$48	\$46	-\$2
	\$125,000	-59	57	-2
Residential	\$150,000	-71	69	-2
Homesteads,	\$200,000	-95	91	-4
Apartments,	\$300,000	-143	137	-6
and Commercial-	\$400,000	-190	183	-7
Industrial Property \$500,000 \$1,000,000	\$500,000	-238	228	-10
	\$1,000,000	-475	457	-18





#### **MONTHLY TAX IMPACT**



Question	Question 1 (Renew)	Question 2 (New)	Total
Year Taxes are Payable	2024	2023	2023
Revenue per Pupil Unit	\$311	\$382	\$693
Estimated Chg Revenue	\$842,825	\$998,730	\$1,841,555
Estimated Market Value			
(Residential Homesteads, Apartments, and Commercial Industrial Property)			
100,000 125,000 150,000 200,000 300,000 400,000 500,000 1,000,000	\$3.83 \$4.75 \$5.75 \$7.58 \$11.42 \$15.25 \$19.00 \$38.08	\$4.92 \$6.08 \$7.33 \$9.75 \$14.67 \$19.50 \$24.42 \$48.83	\$8.75 \$10.83 \$13.08 \$17.33 \$26.08 \$34.75 \$43.42 \$86.92

## SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 1

### Renewal of Expiring School District Referendum Revenue Authorization

The board of Independent School District No. 423 (Hutchinson Public Schools) has proposed to renew the school district's existing referendum revenue authorization of \$310.88 per pupil which is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2023. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would be applicable for ten years beginning with taxes payable in 2024 unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law.

BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING TO EXTEND AN EXISTING PROPERTY REFERENDUM AUTHORIZATION THAT IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE.

## SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 2

## Approval of Additional School District Referendum Revenue Authorization

The board of Independent School District No. 423 (Hutchinson Public Schools) has proposed to increase its general education revenue by an additional \$382 per pupil. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would be applicable for ten years beginning with taxes payable in 2023 unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law.

BY VOTING YES ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.

## WHY DOES THE HUTCHINSON SCHOOL DISTRICT NEED TO RENEW AND APPROVE AN ADDITIONAL OPERATING REFERENDUM?

- 1. The formula allowance from the State has not kept up with inflation (It is \$1,263.00 per pupil behind). If the formula had kept up with inflation HPS would have another \$2,159,345 in additional revenue for 2022-2023.
- 2. Special education costs are not being adequately covered by the State and federal government. The cross-subsidy (amount coming out of the district's general fund to cover these expenses) is \$2,379,526 for HPS per year.
- 3. The current voter approved operating referendum gives the district \$1,137,990.70 million per year for the general fund. The additional levy, if passed, would give the district another estimated \$1 million per year for the general fund. The passage of both questions will help maintain important district programming for our students.
- 4. Levies are for learning and bonds are for buildings. The last levy passed in Hutchinson was in 2013 for a 10 year period.

#### **OTHER IMPORTANT ITEMS**

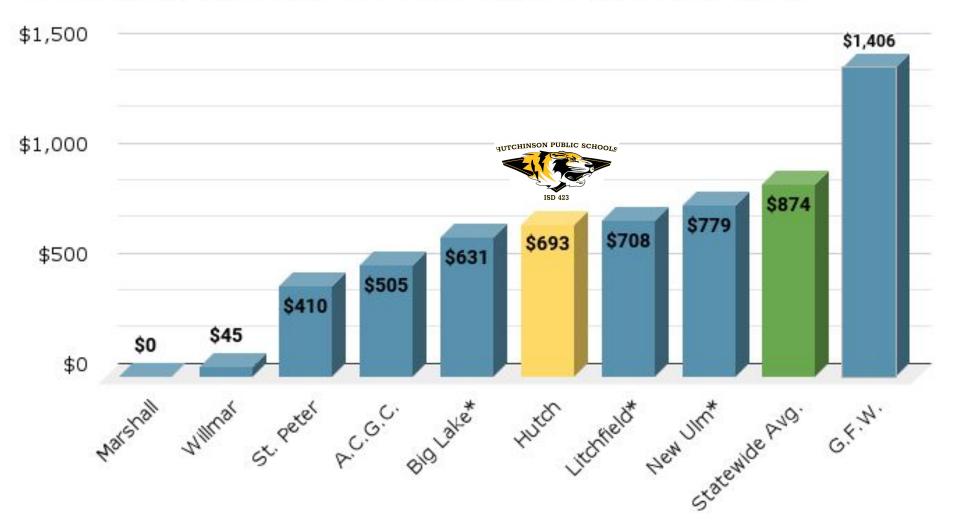
- 1. The current referendum expires after the 2023-2024 school year. The renewal, if passed, would start in the 2024-2025 school year.
- 2. The additional operating referendum, if passed, would begin with the 2023-2024 school year.
- 3. Operating referendums can only be voted on once per year in November (unless by mail ballot).
- 4. Operating referendums exclude taxes on seasonal property and ag land (1 acre, house, and garage are taxed).
- 5. Items that ranked highest on the community survey included social/mental health, up-to-date technology, maintaining career and technical education. Without passage of both questions, it will be challenging to maintain all of these items.

Based on community feedback, ISD 423 spends approximately \$4.1M on the following prioritized initiatives:

\$278,450 REACH including Chemical Health
\$852,222 Career & Technical Education, TigerPaths
\$1,173,466 Technology (personnel, devices, subscriptions, filter, WiFi)
\$160,001 AP and College in the Schools Courses (2.27 FTE)
\$1,317,155 Mental Health Supports
\$350,000 Technology Infrastructure Upgrades (staggered on a 5-7 year cycle)

#### COMPARISON TO OTHER DISTRICTS

Referendum Authority Per Pupil (if both questions pass)



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Source: MDE Operating Referendum Phaseout June 30, 2022

#### **DETAILS ABOUT HOW TO VOTE:**

 Early/absentee voting begins September 23, 2022 and ends November 7, 2022 at your local election office.

• Election day voting is November 8, 2022 at your designated precinct.