This \$3.1 million/year supplemental levy would be effective for two years.

### What will it cost the taxpayer?

**Estimated for FY2021, per \$100,000 in taxable property:** \$144.74/year or \$12.06/month (this is based on FY2020 net taxable market value). For FY2019, actual cost per \$100,000 in taxable property: \$163.31/year or \$13.60/month.

Teton School District works diligently to properly steward the financial investment of taxpayers. While adjustments have been made in the distribution of funds, the requested amount has stayed consistent.

### Why the decrease of \$18.57/year for the same amount of levy?

The payment is a fixed amount divided by the total market value of property in Teton County, so as market value *increases*, the tax impact *decreases*. We acknowledge this may be offset by an increase in an individual's property value.

#### Market values for Teton County

(Assessor, Teton County, Idaho):

FY2021 net taxable market value not yet released FY2020 net taxable market value: \$2,141,762,525 FY2019 net taxable market value: \$1,867,236,168 FY2017 net taxable market value: \$1,618,928,300 FY2015 net taxable market value: \$1,392,779,520



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When to vote: Nov. 3, 2020, 8:00am – 8:00pm at regular polling places. Early voting is open now at the Teton County Courthouse!



The Teton School District 401 Board of Trustees is asking patrons to rene the two-year supplemental levy of \$3,100,000 per year. This is the same amount of operational fundin requested and voter-approved since 2013. The supplemental levy will continue important programs and recruit and retain high-quality staff all positions in the district.

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## **INVEST IN OUR CHILDREN'S FUTURE**

**Teton School District 401 Supplemental Levy Renewal Information** 

Vote Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020, 8am - 8pm Early voting now open at the Teton County Courthouse (closes Friday, Oct. 30, at 5pm)

#### Why do we need this levy?

The State of Idaho under-funds education. 85% of school districts in Idaho have voter-approved supplemental levies.

This levy is 21% of the district's general budget.

#### **Have questions?**

Call (208) 228-5923 Details are posted at tsd401.org.

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### Renewing this levy will allow the district to:

- Pay more competitive salaries than funded by the state
- · Attract and retain great teachers and staff
- Hire more staff than the state funds, allowing for:
  - smaller class sizes
  - greater student support
  - · additional counselors
  - music classes, librarians, and physical education teachers at the elementary level
  - · community-based K-3 schools
- The supplemental levy supports additional staffing not funded by the State Department of Education, which includes:
  - 2 administrators
  - 9 teachers
  - 1.5 counselors
  - 11 paraprofessionals

(For perspective, this is close to the staffing of Victor Elementary School)

#### • Keep important programs in our schools:

- Full-day Kindergarten
- Technology improvements (district-wide WiFi, Chromebooks for classrooms, and an updated website)
- Student field trips, including Expedition Yellowstone for 5th graders
- Winter Sports options (skiing, snowboarding, ice skating, swimming)

#### What is a levy?

A levy is a property tax to help fund Teton School District 401 schools. Needs like higher salaries, additional staffing, and student programs are funded through this supplemental levy. Using a levy allows our school district to provide for ongoing needs and maintain a high-quality educational environment for students.

# How is this different from the school bond passed in November 2017?

The school bond was a **one-time request** to support the construction of two new elementary schools and renovations to four other schools. It was solely for these buildings; **it did not include any funding for staff or programs**. The supplemental levy provides **renewable funds** that support district **operations annually** and supplements state funding to schools.

#### History of the levy\*

**2007** \$2 million/year supplemental levy

**2009** \$2.6 million/year supplemental levy **2011** \$2.6 million/year supplemental levy

**2013** \$3.1 million/year supplemental levy

**2015** \$3.1 million/year supplemental levy

2016 \$3.1 million/year supplemental levy

2018 \$3.1 million/year supplemental levy

2020 \$3.1 million/year supplemental levy

\*By election year



