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# **REFERENDUM RENEWAL**

**for Southwest Allen County Schools**



# **Voting Information**

## **Who is eligible to vote**

On November 8th, 2022, registered voters and residents of Southwest Allen County School District may vote to renew the tax-supported operating referendum. Only residents of Southwest Allen County will see the referendum renewal on the ballot.

## **Register to vote**

Not registered to vote? It's easy to do by visiting <https://indianavoters.in.gov/> before October 11, 2022.

## **Ballot language**

In 2021 lawmakers changed the state law regarding school referendums. Changes now allows referendums to be renewed every eight years instead of seven. Additionally, specific school referendum ballot language must be included. Ballot questions now include percentages about a school's average property tax revenue, among other things. Experts agree the potential for misinterpretation of the School Tax Levy in the ballot booth has raised some concerns.

Please remember the only tax increase will be for your portion of the SCHOOL PROPERTY TAX LEVY and a homeowner's taxes do NOT go up by 23.2%, nor does a business' tax go up by 21.7%, as result of this levy.

Therefore, the **YES! for SACS** PAC would like to share with you the ballot question you will see on November 8<sup>th</sup> 2022, when considering to vote **YES! for SACS**.

### **SACS Referendum Renewal Ballot Question - November 8th, 2022**

"Shall Southwest Allen County Schools continue to impose increased property taxes paid to the school corporation by homeowners and businesses for eight (8) years immediately following the holding of the referendum for the purpose of funding a continuation of the current class sizes, student services and school safety at a continued maximum tax rate not to exceed \$0.1500 per one hundred dollars (\$100) of assessed valuation. The property tax increase requested in this referendum was originally approved by voters in May 2016, and originally increased the average property tax paid to the school corporation per year on a residence within the school corporation by 23.2% and originally increased the property tax paid to the school corporation per year on a business property within the school corporation by 21.7%."

If renewed in November, the SACS operating referendum will be for the years of 2023-2030 in accordance with Indiana Code 20-46-1

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