Renewing the School Excess Levy

Nov 5

The Jefferson County School Excess Levy has been in place for 78 years, with the last renewal passed in 2020.

What is a Levy?

A school excess levy is an opportunity for local Boards of Education to raise funds for their school districts to support learning. All School Excess Levy funds stay local!

The Numbers



20%

of JCS Budget

5 YEARS

length of the Levy
7/1/2026 - 6/30/2031

78 YEARS

how long the levy has been in place



100%

of funds stay in Jefferson County

From Dr. Bishop

*"The School Excess Levy allows JCS to continue to support our staff with **salary, benefits, professional development, and safety.** Allowing our staff to show up for our kids with **1:1 devices, up to date instructional materials and approaches, and a focus on safety and mental-health"***

- **Chuck Bishop**
Superintendent of Jefferson County Schools

For More Information Visit
jcswv.org/levy

Renewing Nov 5 the Levy Supports...

Community

The Jefferson County Board of Education aims to help **children become well-rounded** and that includes providing support for community resources. These resources include **playgrounds, WVU Extension-4H, and libraries.**

Jefferson County Parks & Recreation

Bolivar-Harpers Ferry PUBLIC LIBRARY

Shepherdstown Public Library

South Jefferson PUBLIC LIBRARY

Staff Benefits

- **Salary Support** including levy pays and salary scale additions
- Financial support to apply **for certification**
- Positions such as **nurses, librarians, music and art teachers, counselors,** and more
- **National Board Certified Teacher** stipends

Safety & Well-Being

- Addition of **4 more school resource officers** for JCS Middle Schools
- **Mental health support** services for students
- **Emergency communication** tools

Education

- A **computer** for every student
- Updated **textbooks and workbooks**
- **Family communication** systems

Tax Impact

This levy is **not** an increase in tax rate or in addition to the existing school excess levy, this is a renewal of the school excess levy.

Owner Occupied Residences will continue to pay $275 per $100,000 in appraised value per year. Based on average home value of $399,000 it is $1,098.84/yearly.