



Shakopee Public Schools has a school funding request on the November 3rd ballot for a locally-approved operating levy that would be phased-in over four years.

Fast Facts

- If voters approve the levy request, funds would help the district:
 - Maintain quality programming and learning opportunities
 - Attract, retain, and fairly compensate high-quality teachers
 - Build a path to long-term financial stability
- Shakopee is the only one of comparable districts in our area without a voter-approved operating levy - which means we don't have the additional financial support that many communities provide to help operate their schools.
- Operating levies provide funding for critical school costs, such as teachers, classroom supplies, custodians, food service staff, instructional materials, teaching assistants and more.



- Due to building debt that is being paid off, residents would actually see a net tax decrease in 2021 if the levy request is approved, with a phased-in increase in 2022 through 2024.
- The levy request to the community is combined with \$2 million in budget cuts, for a balanced approach to addressing a number of financial pressures.
- If voters do not approve the levy, the school board has already approved \$5.4 million in additional budget cuts that would be necessary in 2021-22. These cuts would include:
 - Classroom teachers
 - Class size increases
 - Staff at all levels
 - Academic support positions
 - 5th grade band
 - Middle school athletics

Voting Information



Polls will be open 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on November 3, 2020. Absentee/early voting can be done in-person at various locations or by mail. Learn more about your voting location and options at www.mnvotes.org.

Learn more about the Levy 2020 request and fast facts via a 3-minute informational video - just scan the QR code to the right on your mobile device.

