

# WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR **PLEASANTVILLE** IF WE **PASS** THE

## **REFERENDUMS ON FEBRUARY 29TH?**



# By **PASSING** the **CAPITAL REFERENDUM** we can:

### • Enhance Building Security

- Secure Entrance with a secured Vestibule thats Meets the newest code requirements
- New Updated Classroom Door Locks

### • Playground Updates

- Playground Equipment Replaced
- Extended Mulch areas under/around playgrounds
- Repair/Replace Perimeter Gate

### • Exterior Updates and Repairs

- Replace Roof
- Repair/Replace Sidewalks around property
- Repair Erosion on the exterior walls of the building
- Expand Car Rider Drop-Off Loop with new paved roadway entering/exiting
- Replace Outdoor Benches



# By **PASSING** the OPERATING REFERENDUM

we can:

- Continue extended learning opportunity & summer programs to strengthen student engagement & accelerate student achievement
- Maintain 1:1 student Chromebooks & other technology investments
- Continue investment in constables, school resource officers, & enhanced security initiatives
- Recruit & retain top-notch educators and support staff
- Provide high quality, relevant professional development for staff
- Continue competitive salary & benefits packages to combat the increasing workforce shortages, especially among teachers

## **STAY UP TO DATE AND ASK QUESTIONS** VISIT <u>COLONIALSCHOOLDISTRICT.ORG</u>

# WHEN AND WHERE DO WE VOTE? Voting: February 29, 2024 from 7 am - 8 pm

#### WHO CAN VOTE:

- If you live in the Colonial School District, are at least 18-years old, a citizen of Delaware and the USA; you can cast your vote at one of the registered polling places listed on our website
- Be prepared to show proof of identity a State Driver's license or State I.D.

#### POLLING PLACES

- Castle Hills Elementary School: . 502 Moores Ln, New Castle, DE 19720
- Weston Senior Center: ..... 1 Bassett Ave, New Castle, DE 19720
- Kingswood Community Center: 2300 Bowers St, Wilmington, DE 19802
- McCullough Middle School: ..... 20 Chase Ave, New Castle, DE 19720
- New Castle Senior Center: ..... 400 South St, New Castle, DE 19720

- Southern Elementary School: ... 795 Cox Neck Rd, New Castle, DE 19720
- Pleasantville Elementary School: 16 Pleasant Pl, New Castle, DE 19720
- Route 9 Library: ...... 3022 New Castle Ave, New Castle, DE 19720
- Victory Christian Fellowship: .... 100 Wilton Blvd, New Castle, DE 19720
- Wilbur Elementary School: ..... 4050 Wrangle Hill Rd, Bear, DE 19701
- William Penn High School: ..... 713 E Basin Rd, New Castle, DE 19720

## **HOW MUCH IS THIS GOING TO COST?** Calculations below are based on average Colonial household assessed value of \$62,547

OPERATING	<i>FY 2025</i>	<i>FY 2026</i>	<i>FY 2027</i>	<i>FY 2028</i>	-
REFERENDUM	\$156.37 yr	\$218.91 yr	\$250.19 yr	\$250.19 yr	
CAPITAL	<i>FY 2025</i>	<i>FY 2026</i>	<i>FY 2027</i>	<i>FY 2028</i>	
REFERENDUM	\$5.00 yr	\$58.79 yr	\$65.67 yr	\$73.81 yr	
YEARLY TOTAL	<i>FY 2025</i> <b>\$161.37 yr</b>	FY 2026 <b>\$277.77 yr</b>	FY 2027 <b>\$315.86 yr</b>	FY 2028 <b>\$324.00 yr</b>	

The most accurate way to determine the cost of the referendum in relation to your school taxes is to look up your property tax assessment on the county website, <u>www3.newcastlede.gov/parcel/search.</u> In Delaware, homes are assessed for taxes at around 1/4th their market value.

Use our calculator at colonialschooldistrict.org to learn more about how this referendum will impact your taxes.

# SUPPORT FOR SENIORS

#### YES, the State of Delaware does offer tax relief for Seniors.

Individuals 65 and older, who meet a residency requirement (3 years if you established residency before 12/31/2017; 10 years if you established residency after that date), are eligible for a school tax credit of up to \$400 on their Principal residence.

A School Tax Credit Application can be found at: <u>https://www.nccde.org/182/Tax-Exemptions.</u>

Seniors may also apply for additional reductions in sewer and county property tax based on income. For more information about these programs, call the County at 302-395-5520.

# **HOW TO STAY UP TO DATE AND ASK QUESTIONS** Visit colonialschooldistrict.org for updates and ask questions!

