

## FACTS ABOUT ISSUE 5 OPERATING LEVY & BOND ISSUE

Residents of Groveport Madison Local Schools will vote on a combined operating levy and bond issue on Tuesday, May 7, 2019

## What is the Combined Operating Levy and Bond (Issue 5)?

- The operating levy portion of the measure <u>replaces</u> the 2014 levy that expires at the end of 2019. <u>IT IS NOT A TAX INCREASE!</u>
- The bond issue will replace aging, deteriorating, and severely overcrowded elementary and middle schools by constructing three K-6 buildings and one 7-8 building.
- The total cost of the combined issue is less than fifty cents a day (based on a \$100,000 home value), and the State of Ohio will contribute 53% (\$65 million) in matching funds to build the new schools.

## Why is it needed?

- Without passage of Issue 5, the District will lose \$2.8 million in operating funds in 2019, and \$5.6 million each year thereafter. The District would be unable to continue operations as it is today.
- New schools will address severe overcrowding in all of the District's elementary and middle schools, providing a safe, healthy, and positive learning environment for 4,300 K-8 students – every day.

## Are there other benefits?

- More than 20 detached modular classrooms would be eliminated, putting <u>all</u> students in new schools constructed with modern safety and security systems.
- New schools save money by being more efficient and significantly reducing maintenance and repair costs.

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