Hawk Happenings

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W-G Mock Trial



(Physical Plant and Equipment Levy)

by Brad Anderson Superintendent

When can we expect a PPEL Vote?

The District is proposing a PPEL vote in September of 2016. This gives the district ample time to provide the community with important facts and to answer further questions related to the continuation of the levy.

What is the Physical Plant & Equipment Levy (PPEL)?

This is not a new Levy (tax) and an extension of what is already in place. The voter approved Physical Plant and Equipment Levy (PPEL) is \$1.34 per \$1,000 taxable assessed valuation.

School districts may use the voter approved Physical Plant and Equipment Levy only upon a majority approval of the voters of the school district. The maximum length of the levy may not exceed ten years and must be stated in the resolution prior to the election. (Source: School Administrators of Iowa)

How does PPEL fit into the district's financials?

The Woodward-Granger Community School District (WGCSD) has relied on the PPEL for many, many years to provide important maintenance funding. Well maintained school buildings, athletic facilities, and grounds are an essential part of our school community.

The insured value of the physical plant our community has instructed the District to care for is in excess of \$31 million (4 student attendance centers, 1 district office, 2 bus garages, wrestling room, industrial technology shop and misc. outbuildings at various athletic facilities). To be responsible stewards the District needs funds to maintain this community investment in our students. The annual revenue from the voted PPEL only represents 1.1% of this physical plant investment. The General fund is not a sustainable option for these projects since it responsible for delivering our instructional programs. Our Statewide Penny is already being utilized to pay for new buildings and infrastructure needs and the capacity of this funding is already in question as the Governor has proposed to divert some of this funding for water quality issues in the state.

How much does this levy generate and for how long?

The maximum length of the voter-approved PPEL program is 10 years. The current levy expires June 30, 2018 Our district voter-approved PPEL program is projected to provide between 300K and 425K per year for the next 10 years. The Woodward-Granger Community School District has had the voter-approved PPEL in place at the \$1.34 / \$1,000 assessed valuation since 2008.

How does the passage of the PPEL affect me?

Renewal of this levy will not increase your property taxes. The district is asking for approval to continue the voterapproved rate that has been in effect for the past 10 years so that we may continue to use the funding in our maintenance and upgrades plan. The current rate is \$1.34 per \$1,000 of assessed property valuation. The district wants to keep the rate at the \$1.34 level for the next 10 years.

Can the PPEL program be used to offset shortages in the district's general fund?

No, the PPEL revenues cannot be used for salaries, textbooks, or new educational programs. The requirements for the use of the PPEL funds are very specific and limited to maintenance, technology, and equipment.

What are some examples of how the PPEL revenues can be used?

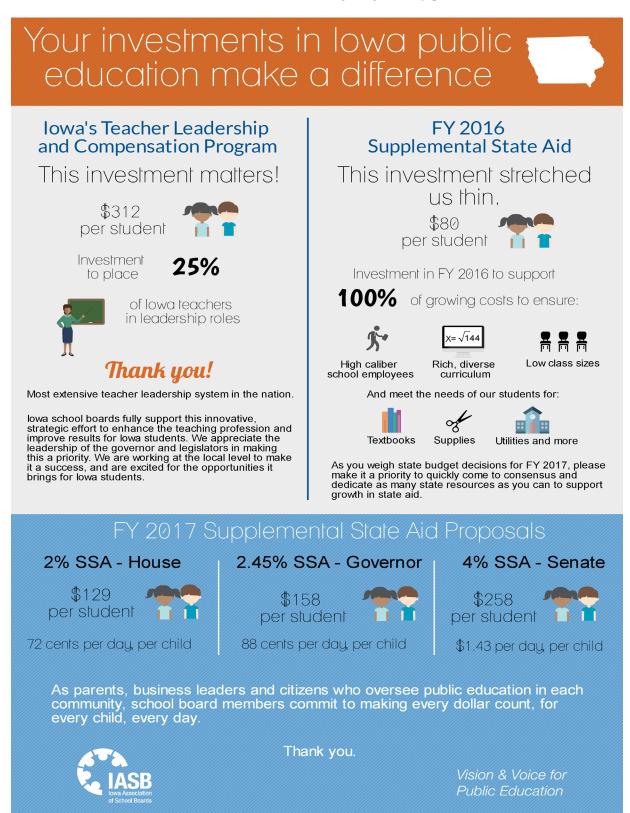
PPEL Fund Uses:

- Safety & Security Enhancements
- Athletic Fields & Playgrounds
- Exterior Hard Surfaces, such as asphalt & concrete
- Building Roof Replacement
- Building Envelope, to include windows & masonry tuck pointing
- Painting & Asbestos Abatement
- Heating, Mechanical, Electrical & Plumbing Life Cycle Replacements
- Mechanical Equipment Upgrades
- Carpet & Flooring Replacement
- Furniture Replacement
- Locker Replacements
- Large Musical Instruments
- Relocation of Modular Classrooms
- Building Leases
- Vehicle & Equipment Purchases
- Technology Infrastructure and Computers
- Building Leases

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What happens if the PPEL vote does not pass?

Some projects and purchases still need to be completed and would have to be funded by other revenue sources, such as the general fund, where approximately 70% is dedicated to staff salaries/benefits. Our district would struggle to meet the maintenance requirements for our facilities and grounds without the approved PPEL funds in place. What is the difference between the Physical Plant and Equipment Levy (PPEL) and the State One Cent Sales and Service Tax Program? PPEL funds maintain or replaces what we currently have, and SAVE manages growth by funding major building renovations and building new facilities. If we used SAVE for maintenance, we would remove the much needed funding for the new building and renovations projected under our long-range facility plans.



Mock Trial

Congratulations to the participants of W-G's first ever mock trial. Thank you to all the adult volunteers that made this possible and to the students for your hard work.





Individual Speech

This year, Woodward-Granger sent 19 students in a total of 33 events to District Speech Competition on February 27th, at Ames High School. This includes two teams, the high school team (10th-12th grade) and a freshman team. This group of students has worked incredibly hard this year and has been

extremely dedicated to their participation in speech. Pending the results of District Competition, students will move on to State Competition, which will be March 12th at Des Moines, North High School with All State to follow.

These are the students who are participating in Individual Speech:

FRESHMANBriley Bermel - Storytelling & ProseMackenzie Major - Storytelling & Lit ProgramJosie Noland - Musical Theater & Original OratorySophie David - PoetrySOPHOMORESErin Kamp - Acting & ProseKayla Crouse - Acting & Original OratoryPaige Harlan - Storytelling & Lit ProgramMaggie Odegaard - ProseAlex Frost - ReviewingAlexis Bixler - Storytelling & Lit Program	JUNIORS Elizabeth Weyers - Improvisation & Prose Cami Cochran - Poetry & Acting Kilei Gunderson - Improvisation & Spontaneous Speaking Breanna Blair - Improvisation & Spontaneous Speaking Nate Devick - Acting SENIORS Malorie Hudspeth - Poetry Meredith Williams - Poetry & Storytelling
Alexis Bixler - Storytelling & Lit Program	
Andrea Sommer - Acting & Original Oratory Cheyenne Anderson - Lit Program & Original Oratory	

The Woodward-Granger Speech Team would like to give a special shout out to everyone who has helped support us this season through attending our events, participating in our Soda Shoots, and by listening to us read our pieces over and over again. We would also like to give an extra special shout out to Mr. Tim Clay (HS Social Studies) who has kindly donated his time and energy to helping us practice and prepare for competitions. Our team would not be successful without the patience and support of our families, friends, teachers, and community members! Thank you everyone!

For more up-to-date information on our competition, please check out our Facebook page: **www.facebook.com/wgspeech**

Grandwood

February was a great month for us here at Grandwood for our Special Olympic Basketball team. We have had a great season this year the basketball team went undefeated. We were able to get some great wins over the W-G Middle School and Des Moines East High School Team. After the season we had a Staff vs Students game. This was a game that was very competitive and fun. The gamed ended in a 54-54 tie after four 12 minutes quarters. This was a great way to cap off a great season! We would like to give out a special thanks to all the teammates that participated on the basketball team this year!! Our team was lead by our coaches, Terry McIntosh, Carson Skinner, and Taylor Wade. A special thanks to our coaches!!





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Woodward-Granger Breakfast Menu

Get moving! Be active

each and every day!

MARCH 2013

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Choose MyPlate.gov	Apple Juice Milk	Fresh Fruit Milk	Orange Juice Milk			
Breakfast Pizza 7 OR Choice of WG Cereal Graham Crackers	WG Cinnamon Roll 8 OR Choice of WG Cereal Graham Crackers	WG Pancake on a Stick 9 OR Choice of WG Cereal Graham Crackers	Blueberry, Banana or French Toast Snack Loaf OR Choice of WG Cereal Graham Crackers	French Toast Sticks (1) OR Choice of WG Cereal Graham Crackers		
Vegetable Selection Canned Fruit Milk	Vegetable Selection Apple Juice Milk	Vegetable Selection Fresh Fruit Milk	Vegetable Selection Orange Juice milk	Vegetable Selection Fresh Fruit Milk		
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Breakfast Pizza 28 OR Choice of WG Cereal Graham Crackers Vegetable Selection	Eggo Mini Pancakes 29 OR Choice of WG Cereal Graham Crackers Vegetable Selection	Egg, Cheese and Sausage on WG Biscuit OR Choice of WG Cereal Graham Crackers Vegetable Selection	WG Poptart and String Cheese OR Choice of WG Cereal Graham Crackers Vegetable Selection	Free & Reduced Price Meal Benefit information & application can be obtained by		
Canned Fruit Milk	Apple Juice Milk	Fresh Fruit Milk	Orange Juice Milk	contacting the Food Service Office.		
PRICES Regular \$1.60 Reduced \$0.30 Adult \$2.35 Extra Milk \$0.50						

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Choose MyPlate.gov	Lettuce Radishes Fruit	Pepper Medley Tomato Slice Fruit	Baby Carrots Broccoli Florets Fruit		
Pancake 7 Sausage Tri Tator	Soft Shell Taco Refried Beans	Hot Dog on WG Bun 9	Crispito 10 Ole's	Cheese Calzini Roasted Broccoli	
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1 8:30 AM MS/HS Spring Pictures 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 4:00 PM Parent/Teacher Conferences until 8:00PM	2 2:15 PM Early Dismissal	3 2:15 PM Early Dismissal 4:00 PM Parent/Teacher Conferences until 8:00PM	4 No School 6:00 PM March Middle School Mayhem, 6-10	5
6	7 1:00 PM JH WCAC Instrumental Festival at Earlham 5:45 PM College Planning Night in the Auditorium, Juniors and Parents Encouraged to Atlend Auditorium, Seniors and Parents Encouraged to Atlend 7:00 PM JH WCAC Vocal Concert at Earlham	8 4:00 PM WCAC Academic Bowl at Ogden	9 2:15 PM Early Dismissal	10 7:00 PM 5th-12th Band Concert in MS Gym	11	12 TBA FFA 2nd Round Competition in Lamoni TBA State Individual Speech Competition
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Daylight Saving's Time Starts	No School Spring Break TBA Gins ISU HS Indoor Track Meet	No School Spring Break	No School Spring Break	No School Spring Break	No School Spring Break	
20	21	22	23 2:15 PM Early Dismissal	24	25 End of Third Quarter 2:15 PM Early Dismissal	26
27 Easter Sunday	28	29	30 2:15 PM Early Dismissal	31		

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