

Changes you will see on the May 2023 and why they happened

The Change

- Willoughby Eastlake City Schools will be changing the language “providing for the emergency requirements” to “avoid an operating deficit”

The Why

- This was made after feedback from the community stating the wording caused confusion.

The Change

- The \$7,585,000 levy set to expire at the end of calendar year 2023, and the \$5,975,000 levy set to expire at the end of calendar year 2024, will be combined into one levy in the amount of \$13,560,000.

The Why

- This will reduce the levy cycle by one, which will save \$30,000 in odd year elections and \$10,000 in even year elections. This accounts for ballot fees (free in odd years) and legal fees in order to draft the levy resolutions.

The Change

- The levy length will be changed from five years to 10 years.

The Why

- This will remove the need to renew the levy in five years. These are the only two levies that are being renewed for a five-year period of time while the other levies in the levy cycle are being renewed for 10-year period of time. This will also save on ballot and legal fees, as noted previously, since it will only need to be renewed half as often.

The Change

- Changes to the ballot language

The Why

- Effective September 13, 2022, HB 140, also known as the Ballot Uniformity and Transparency Act, will be changing the way that levies will be appearing on the ballot beginning in May 2023. Please see the HB 140 FAQ to learn more about these changes.

