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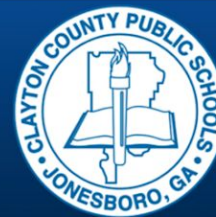
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CCBOE to Consider 2019 Millage Rate

JONESBORO— The Clayton County Board of Education (CCBOE) today announces its intention to maintain the current millage rate at 20 mills. Due to an increase in the county's tax assessment, at the current millage rate, this will result in an increase of 3.66 percent in the 2019 property taxes it will levy this year.

Each year, the board of tax assessors is required to review the assessed value for property tax purposes of taxable property in the county. When the trend of prices on properties that have recently sold in the county indicate there has been an increase in the fair market value of any specific property, the board of tax assessors is required by law to re-determine the value of such property and adjust the assessment. This is called a reassessment.

When the total digest of taxable property is prepared, Georgia law requires that a rollback millage rate must be computed that will produce the same total revenue on the current year's digest that last year's millage rate would have produced had no assessment occurred.

The budget tentatively adopted by the Clayton County Board of Education requires a millage rate higher than the rollback millage rate, therefore, before the Clayton County Board of Education may finalize the tentative budget and set a final millage rate, Georgia law requires three public hearings to be held to allow the public an opportunity to express their opinions on the increase.

All concerned citizens are invited to the public hearings on the tax increase to be held at the Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) Administration Complex, 1058 Fifth Avenue, Jonesboro, Georgia on July 29, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and on August 5, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

The Clayton County Board of Education is expected to set the 2019 Millage Rate during its August 5 Regular Board meeting. The meeting, to be held at the Administration Complex, is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m.

About Clayton County Public Schools

Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited by AdvancED – Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 55,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the fifth largest school system in Georgia.

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