



# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THORP 2024 REFERENDUM UPDATE

## District Administrator Message

The School District of Thorp is pursuing a four-year, \$900,000-per-year operational referendum on the April 2, 2024 ballot. Unfortunately, the District finds itself in the same position as many other districts due to lack of state funding, inadequate reimbursement for federally mandated programs, and the elimination of ESSER funds. There are 105 school referendum questions on the April 2, 2024 ballot – 70 are for operational referenda.

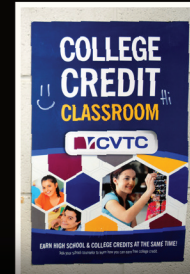
If passed, the referendum would be used to ensure the following programs continue to thrive:

- After school tutoring
- After school programs
- Dual credit college courses
- Academic Interventions

Referendum funds would also cover staffing costs for instructional and support staff and help address high-priority maintenance needs. This newsletter contains the estimated tax impact and upcoming community meeting dates. Please get in touch with me or any Board of Education member with questions.



**Angela Hanlin**  
District Administrator



## School Finance

### SURROUNDING SCHOOL DISTRICT MILL RATES



Wisconsin property taxes have a direct impact on school funding. The School District of Thorp has remained fiscally conservative in its spending. The District's portion of the 2023-2024 mill rate was \$6.23, the lowest in the last decade. The chart below shows how Thorp's mill rate compares to surrounding districts. If the operational referendum passes, the mill rate will increase to \$7.39. That equates to an estimated tax increase of \$116 per year per \$100,000 of property value.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE SPRING 2024 REFERENDUM,  
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