

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION**

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2365  
(GIBBON-FAIRFAX-WINTHROP PUBLIC SCHOOLS)  
MCLEOD, NICOLLET, RENVILLE AND SIBLEY COUNTIES, MINNESOTA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election has been called and will be held in and for Independent School District No. 2365 (Gibbon-Fairfax-Winthrop Public Schools), McLeod, Nicollet, Renville and Sibley Counties, Minnesota, on August 11, 2020, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. to vote on the following question:

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 1**

**APPROVE REVOKED AND REPLACED REFERENDUM LEVY AUTHORIZATION**

The school board of Independent School District No. 2365 (Gibbon-Fairfax-Winthrop Public Schools) has proposed to revoke its referendum revenue authorization for taxes payable in 2021 in the amount of \$302.30 per pupil, and to replace this authorization with a new authorization in the amount of \$1,406.30 per pupil. The new authorization would represent a net increase of \$1,104.00 per pupil. The authorization proposed in this ballot question would be first effective for taxes payable in 2021. This authorization would be applicable for ten years unless earlier revoked or reduced as provided by law.

Shall the revocation and replacement of the referendum levy authorization proposed by the school board of Independent School District No. 2365 be approved?

YES

NO

**BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.**

**Passage of this referendum will result in an increase in your property taxes.**

The tax impact in taxes-payable year 2021 for typical residential homesteads, apartments, commercial-industrial properties, and most other classes of property within the School District is shown in the table below.

Year Taxes are Payable	2021	2021	NET CHANGE
	Revoked Authority	Proposed Authority	
Additional Revenue/Pupil Unit	-\$302.30	\$1,406.30	\$1,104.00
Est. Net Change in Revenue	-\$217,354	\$1,011,130	\$793,776
Est. Market Value Tax Rate	-0.04403%	0.24425%	0.20022%

Type of Property	Estimated Market Value	Estimated Taxes for Referendum Levy Only*		
	\$50,000	-\$22	\$122	\$100
	75,000	-33	183	150
	100,000	-44	244	200
	125,000	-55	305	250
	150,000	-66	366	300
Residential	175,000	-77	427	350
Homesteads,	200,000	-88	489	401
Apartments,	225,000	-99	550	451
and Commercial-	250,000	-110	611	501
Industrial Property	275,000	-121	672	551
	300,000	-132	733	601
	325,000	-143	794	651
	350,000	-154	855	701
	375,000	-165	916	751
	400,000	-176	977	801
	425,000	-187	1,038	851
	450,000	-198	1,099	901
	475,000	-209	1,160	951
	500,000	-220	1,221	1,001
	550,000	-242	1,343	1,101

\* The figures in the table are based on school district taxes for the referendum levy only, and do not include tax levies for other purposes. Tax increases shown above are gross increases, not including the impact of the Minnesota Homestead Credit Refund ("Circuit Breaker") program. Many owners of homestead property will qualify for a refund, based on their income and total property taxes. This will decrease the net effect of the referendum levy for many property owners.

**NOTE: Agricultural property will pay taxes for the proposed referendum based only on the value of the house, garage and one acre. Seasonal recreational residential property (i.e. cabins) will pay no taxes for the proposed referendum.**

The polling places for this election and the precincts served by these polling places are as follows:

**McLeod County Polling Places and Voting Hours**

Precinct	Polling Place	Address	City	State	Zip	Voting Hours
Penn Township	Penn Township Hall	15989 40th St.	Brownton	MN	55312	7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Mail Ballot Precinct:  
Round Grove Township

**Nicollet County Polling Places and Voting Hours**

Precinct	Polling Place	Address	City	State	Zip	Voting Hours
010 Bernadotte Twp	BERNADOTTE TOWNSHIP	501 S MINNESOTA AVE	ST PETER	MN	56082	Mail Ballot
035 Lafayette Twp	LAFAYETTE TWP	501 S MINNESOTA AVE	ST PETER	MN	56082	Mail Ballot
075 Ridgely Twp	RIDGELY TOWNSHIP	501 S MINNESOTA AVE	ST PETER	MN	56082	Mail Ballot
090 West Newton	WEST NEWTON TOWNSHIP	501 S MINNESOTA AVE	ST PETER	MN	56082	Mail Ballot

**Renville County Polling Places and Voting Hours**

Precinct	Polling Place	Address	City	State	Zip	Voting Hours
005 Bandon Twp	FAIRFAX CITY AUDITORIUM-BANDON	300 PARK ST S	FAIRFAX	MN	55332	10:00 a.m.-8:00p.m.
045 Cairo Twp	FAIRFAX CITY AUDITORIUM-CAIRO	300 PARK ST S	FAIRFAX	MN	55332	10:00 a.m.-8:00p.m.
050 Camp Twp	FAIRFAX CITY AUDITORIUM-CAMP TWP	300 PARK ST S	FAIRFAX	MN	55332	10:00 a.m.-8:00p.m.
075 Fairfax	FAIRFAX COMMUNITY CENTER	300 PARK ST S	FAIRFAX	MN	55332	7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
180 Wellington Twp	FAIRFAX CITY AUDITORIUM-WELLINGTON	0180 WELLINGTON TWP	FAIRFAX	MN	55332	10:00 a.m.-8:00p.m.

## Sibley County Polling Places and Voting Hours

Precinct	Polling Place	Address	City	State	Zip	Voting Hours
Arlington City	Arlington Community Center	204 Shamrock Dr	Arlington	MN	55307	7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Gaylord City	American Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall	9118 <sup>th</sup> St	Gaylord	MN	55334	7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Gibbon City	Gibbon Municipal Building	985 First Avenue	Gibbon	MN	55335	7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Henderson City	Henderson City Hall	600 Main Street	Henderson	MN	56044	7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Winthrop City	Winthrop Community Hall, 2nd Floor	305 N Main	Winthrop	MN	55396	7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Dryden Township	Gaylord Fire Hall	200 Main Avenue	E. Gaylord	MN	55334	10:00 a.m.-8:00p.m.
Severance Township	Gibbon Municipal Building	985 First Avenue	Gibbon	MN	55335	7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Transit Township	Transit Town Hall	50644 256 St	Winthrop	MN	55396	10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

### Mail Ballot Precincts:

Green Isle City, New Auburn City, Alfsborg Township, Arlington Township, Bismarck Township, Cornish Township, Faxon Township, Grafton Township, Green Isle Township, Henderson Township, Jessenland Township, Kelso Township, Moltke Township, New Auburn Township, Sibley Township, Washington Lake Township

Any eligible voter residing in the school district may vote at said election at the polling place designated above for the precinct in which he or she resides. The polls for said election will be open between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on the date of said election unless otherwise noted.

A voter must be registered to vote to be eligible to vote in this election. An unregistered individual may register to vote at the polling places on election day.

Dated: July 1, 2020

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

/s/ Maisee

School District Clerk

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