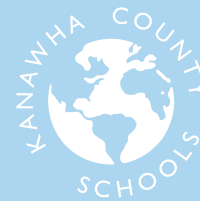


2024-2029 Excess Levy



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What is the KCS excess levy?

The excess levy is a tax on personal and real property that is approved by the voters every five years. The current excess levy provides 22 percent of the school system's current operating budget.

How long has the levy been in effect?

Citizens of Kanawha County have supported the excess levy since 1937.

Is the 2024 excess levy a new tax?

No. The excess levy has been supported by Kanawha County citizens since 1937.

Is the 2024 excess levy a tax increase?

No. There will be no increase for the 2024-2029 excess levy.

What will happen if the levy doesn't pass?

Kanawha County Schools will lose almost one-fourth of its current operating budget - \$64 million.

How will funds from the 2024 excess levy be spent? (1st year figures)

These are abbreviated summaries. Please see full levy call for full list.

Operations (Professional, Service & Substitute Salary) -- \$37,785,048 will be spent for professional, service and substitute wages. The levy specifically funds custodians, counselors & art teachers in elementary schools that would not otherwise be funded.

Additional Staff -- \$2,496,000 will be spent on additional staff including one additional legal/Title IX investigator, stipends for school behavior plan coordinators at 63 schools, seven additional counselors, five additional nurses, ten additional maintenance staff and fourteen additional special education staff.

Safety & Security Improvements -- \$2,737,000 will be spent on safety & security improvements in schools across the district, including digital surveillance upgrades at all locations, secure reception areas at all locations that do not currently have them, twelve school security team members and the installation of weapons detection equipment in all high schools.

HVAC & Roofing Improvements -- \$11,157,089 will be spent on HVAC improvements at 10 schools with the greatest need.

Facility & Extracurricular Needs -- \$7,489,590 will be spent on facility and extracurricular improvements, including middle school and high school tennis courts (with striping for pickleball), baseball and softball fields, and tracks. This funding includes raises for coaches and extracurricular staff (approximately 20%), a contribution to local aquatic center(s), as well as scoreboards and miscellaneous improvements listed in full levy call.

On the ballot November 8, 2022. More information at: kcs.kana.k12.wv.us/excesslevy

Proposed Excess Levy Projects
2024-2029

- Alum Creek Elementary**
Custodian/maintenance, rubber mulch
- Holz Elementary**
Custodian/maintenance, counselor
- Kenna Elementary**
Custodian/maintenance, counselor, rubber mulch
- Overbrook Elementary**
Custodian/maintenance, counselor
- Ruthlawn Elementary**
Custodian/maintenance, counselor
- Weberwood Elementary**
Custodian/maintenance, counselor
-
- John Adams Middle**
Additional nursing services, HVAC, softball field turf, girls locker room improvements, intercom system, scoreboard package
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- George Washington High**
Baseball field turf, scoreboard package
-
- For All Schools**
Digital surveillance equipment upgrades, Increase in all athletic coach pay, payment for school behavior plan coordinators, an art teacher available to each elementary school

Current Excess Levy Projects
2019-2024

- Alum Creek Elementary**
HVAC, custodian
- Holz Elementary**
Custodian, counselor
- Kenna Elementary**
Custodian, counselor
- Overbrook Elementary**
Custodian, counselor
- Ruthlawn Elementary**
Custodian, counselor, roof
- Weberwood Elementary**
Custodian, counselor
- George Washington High**
HVAC, turf

- All KCS Classrooms**
Intruder lock sets:
camera upgrades, panic alert system, door contact alarms

ESSERF/SBA/Other Recent Projects

- 2023 - Ruthlawn HVAC (ESSERF)
- 2022/2023 - Ruthlawn Elementary addition (SBA)
- 2021 - Alum Creek addition (SBA)

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