

*Strong Public Schools are the Foundation of a Vibrant Community*



**PLEASE VOTE BY MAY 3RD**

**Q: What is an operational levy?**

An operational levy is a local property tax collected to cover educational programming and day-to-day costs not covered by the state or federal funding.

**Q: How will the school district use the revenue from this levy?**

The funds would preserve current programs, staffing and activities as well as cover the rising costs of education.

**Q: How is a BOND different than a LEVY ?**

In November 2021, voters passed an Elementary **BOND** to construct, renovate and improve our public school buildings. This bond will allow us to enhance safety, update infrastructure and provide additional space.

A General Fund **LEVY** request is for operational costs such as educational programs, materials and staff salaries not allowed by a bond.



**LEWISTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

- Passing the levy will help to preserve programs, supplies and support so students will have the best opportunity to learn.
- Over the past four years, Lewistown Public Schools has reduced the number of administrative staff by one and one-half positions.
- Over the last ten years, the district has asked for four Elementary General Fund Levy increases and the community has voted in favor of all four.
- There are two Trustee seats open this year. Incumbent Phil Koterba, along with challengers Whitney Brady, Kevin Hodge and R.J. Patterson, have filed for the open seats. You will be asked to vote for two on the ballot.

**LEVY FACTS**

**BALLOTS WILL BE MAILED TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS ON APRIL 13, 2022**

**BALLOTS ARE DUE BACK TO THE FERGUS COUNTY CLERK & RECORDER'S OFFICE BY TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2022**

**Estimated Cost to Individual Property Taxpayers**

Assessed Market Value of Your Home		\$100,000		\$200,000		
Elementary Levy	\$56,896.87	3.99 mills	\$5.39/year	\$.45/month	\$10.77/year	\$.90/month

For more information, visit [www.lewistown.k12.mt.us](http://www.lewistown.k12.mt.us) or contact Superintendent Thom Peck or Business Manager Rebekah Rhoades at 406-535-8777

