

# DOVER CITY SCHOOLS

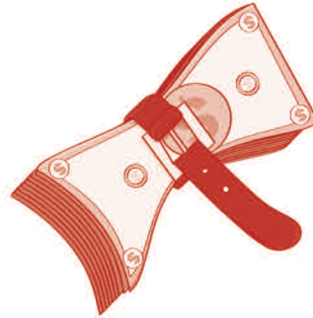
## Award-Winning Education at a Great Value

While managing a lean budget for the past decade, our teachers and staff have provided our students an exceptional education experience, earning recognition by the State of Ohio. But quality education is not a given. Without additional revenue, Dover City Schools will continue down a path of financial instability.



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A focus on long-term efficiencies from the elementary reconfiguration plan allows us to lower this request. We will continue to provide a quality education in the most financially efficient manner possible.



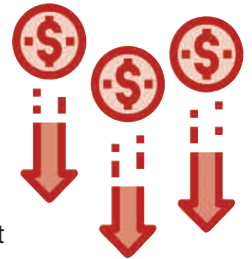
It has been more than a decade since Dover City Schools has had a new operating levy, and only four have been approved in the past 30 years.



While costs of daily operations continue to rise, our district has been losing state funding since 2005 due to the elimination of the tangible personal property tax (TPP). For example, during the 2006-07 school year, Dover received more than \$3.5 million in TPP tax, but for the current school year, we are only anticipating \$561,195.

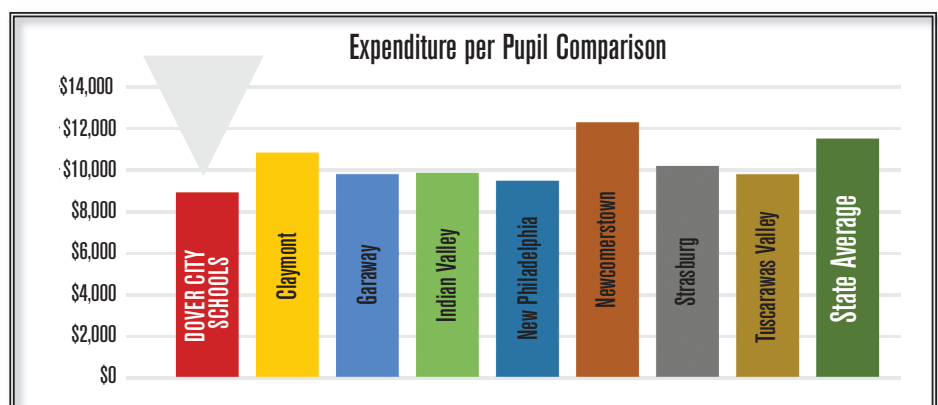
To cut costs, Dover City Schools already has:

- ▶ Reduced maintenance/custodial staff
- ▶ Reduced the number of kindergarten classroom assistants and library aides
- ▶ Reconfigured the high school and middle school daily schedules to educate more students without adding teachers
- ▶ Eliminated three teaching positions for the 2018-19 school year
- ▶ Implemented pay-to-participate fees for sports and activities beginning in fall 2019
- ▶ Reconfigured elementary buildings for the 2019-2020 school year and reduced teaching positions



The district spends less per pupil than its seven neighboring districts and

**19 percent below the state average.**





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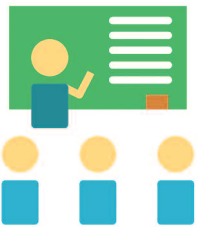
Early Voting Begins  
Tuesday, April 9

**ELECTION DAY**  
Tuesday, May 7

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## FACTS

about the Upcoming May 7, 2019, Ballot Issue



▶ The bond issue for the high school that passed in 2016 cannot be used for daily operations of the district. This new levy is needed to cover expenses for buses, technology, utilities, teachers and staff.

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## Operating Levy

May 7, 2019

The passage of this levy is necessary to preserve operations in place for 2019-20, or the district will face additional reductions and financial instability.

