**Where Do I Vote?**

Residents who live within the Portland Public School District vote at one of the following locations:

- **Danby Township**
  - Danby Township Hall

- **Eagle Township**
  - Eagle Township Hall

- **Lyons Township**
  - Lyons Township Hall
  - Pewamo Fire Station
  - Muir Village Office

- **Orange Township**
  - LeValley Church

- **Portland Township**
  - Westwood Elementary

- **Sebewa Township**
  - Sebewa Township Hall

- **City of Portland**
  - Portland City Hall

If you are unsure of your voting location, contact the Ionia County Clerk’s Office at **(616) 527-5322**.

Polls are open **Tuesday, March 10th, 2020** from 7a.m. to 8 p.m.

- Absentee ballots are available from your local clerk.

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**For more information please contact:**

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[www.portlandk12.org](http://www.portlandk12.org)
Non-Homestead Property Tax Renewal

On Tuesday, March 10th, 2020, voters in the Portland Public School District will be asked to vote for a 4 year renewal of the 18 mill operating tax levy.

This millage renewal will NOT increase property taxes for homeowners. This levy applies only to industrial, commercial, business, rental, and second homes and does not affect the millage rate on owner-occupied primary residences. Because this is a renewal of the current operating millage, taxes on those properties will stay the same.

Voters approved a four-year non-homestead operating tax levy in 2016. The millage is set to expire December 2020 and requires reauthorization.

The proposal will ask voters to again renew the 18 mill operating levy for four years, to fully fund Portland Public Schools, as prescribed by State law. The non-homestead operating tax levy raises more than $1,418,098 each year and represents about 6.7% of the district’s General Fund budget.

If you have questions about the March 10th school election contact the District at:

(517) 647-4161

From the Portland Public Schools Board of Education

Schools are a vital part of our community. Citizen support for our schools is a strength of our District. Consequently, on March 10th, the Board of Education encourages you to take part in the non-homestead millage renewal. We also hope this election information encourages you to vote.

A higher voter turnout on the non-homestead millage renewal will make education stronger in Portland.

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If I vote “yes,” will property taxes on my home increase?

This renewal is only levied on business, industrial, commercial, rental, and second homes.

If I vote “yes,” will taxes increase on business, industrial, commercial, rental, and second home properties?

Since this is a renewal of the current tax levy, taxes on those properties will not change.

Why is Portland seeking this millage?

Approval would maintain the voter approved tax rate of 18 mills on non-homestead property. If this election is not successful, Portland Public Schools will lose over $1,418,098 of annual school funding.

Is Portland the only district asking for renewal of non-homestead operating millage?


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