

**Gwinnett County Public Schools**

The Gwinnett County Board of Education does hereby announce that the millage rate will be set at a meeting to be held in the Board Meeting Room at the J. Alvin Wilbanks Instructional Support Center, 437 Old Peachtree Road NW, Suwanee, Georgia on Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., and pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. Section 48-5-32, does hereby publish the following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy, along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

**CURRENT 2017 TAX DIGEST AND FIVE YEAR HISTORY OF LEVY**

	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>Estimated 2017</b>
Real & Personal	24,483,199,980	23,790,822,168	26,374,013,778	27,569,979,638	30,121,329,410	32,530,181,480
Motor Vehicles	2,002,178,880	2,176,877,940	1,900,096,710	1,313,788,170	949,552,370	679,279,520
Mobile Homes	13,951,460	13,654,540	13,658,380	13,698,740	8,290,960	8,650,680
Timber - 100%	28,544	50,190	12,500	48,900	0	135,350
Public Utilities	421,948,280	435,890,780	446,101,920	446,116,080	444,691,280	463,705,200
Heavy Duty Equipment	1,112,800	1,263,300	1,109,780	1,058,200	4,065,000	2,245,200
Gross Digest	26,922,417,944	26,418,558,898	28,734,993,068	29,344,689,728	31,527,929,020	33,684,197,430
Personal Property Exemptions	(1,104,169,080)	(1,145,469,860)	(1,082,917,590)	(1,112,050,100)	(1,117,034,520)	(1,125,964,960)
Real Property Exemptions			(95,158,940)	(113,062,780)	(110,197,710)	(107,998,200)
Homestead Exemptions	(2,180,731,112)	(2,128,687,996)	(2,397,840,506)	(2,594,911,436)	(2,926,675,506)	(3,240,020,317)
State Forest Land Asst. Grant Value	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net M & O Digest	23,637,517,752	23,146,401,042	25,149,078,032	25,524,665,412	27,374,021,284	29,210,213,953
<b>PROPERTY TAX RATES</b>						
M & O Millage Rate	19.25	19.80	19.80	19.80	19.80	19.80
<b>NET TAXES LEVIED</b>						
Net Taxes Levied	\$455,022,217	\$458,298,741	\$497,951,745	\$505,388,375	\$542,005,621	\$578,362,236
Net Taxes \$ Change	(\$26,488,622)	\$3,276,524	\$39,653,004	\$7,436,630	\$36,617,246	\$36,356,615
Net Taxes % Change	(5.5%)	0.7%	8.7%	1.5%	7.2%	6.7%
Enrollment	164,977	169,150	173,246	176,052	178,214	180,188
M & O Revenue per Student K-12	\$2,758	\$2,709	\$2,874	\$2,871	\$3,041	\$3,210
M & O Revenue per Student % Change	(7.0%)	(1.8%)	6.1%	(0.1%)	5.9%	5.5%

**Notes:**

1. The net levy does not reflect actual revenue received or available due to value adjustments resulting from appeals, delinquent taxes, collections from prior years, and a fee of 1.50% paid to the county for billing and collections.
2. 2017 digest figures are an estimate and includes some property values that are currently under appeal.

## NOTICE OF PROPERTY TAX INCREASE

The Gwinnett County Board of Education has tentatively adopted a millage rate which will require an increase in property taxes by 6.17 percent.

All concerned citizens are invited to attend public hearings on this tax increase to be held in the Board Room at the J. Alvin Wilbanks Instructional Support Center, 437 Old Peachtree Road, Suwanee, GA on Monday, June 26, 2017, at 11:45 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. An additional hearing on this tax increase is scheduled in the Board Room at the J. Alvin Wilbanks Instructional Support Center, 437 Old Peachtree Road, Suwanee, GA on Wednesday, July 12, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

The tentative increase will result in a millage rate of 19.800 mills, an increase of 1.150 mills. Without this tentative tax increase, the millage rate will be no more than 18.650 mills. The proposed tax increase for a home with a fair market value of \$200,000 is approximately \$87.40 and the proposed tax increase for non-homestead property with a fair market value of \$550,000 is approximately \$253.00

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In setting the millage rate to support the budget, the Gwinnett County Board of Education will not increase the total school millage rate. Holding the total millage rate at the same level, by law, must be advertised as a property tax increase due to the higher value of property in the county. The total millage rate is not changing and taxpayers whose property has not been assigned a higher value this year will see no change in their school taxes.

Gwinnett County Public Schools' fiscal year 2018 budget provides resources to accommodate a growing student population. The primary resources of revenue to support the budget are state funding, which includes funding reductions (austerity reductions) for the 16<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, and the local tax digest. Other highlights of the FY2018 budget include:

- Gwinnett County Public Schools will add almost 2,000 new students next year.
- Enrollment is expected to exceed 180,000 students in the 2017-2018 school year.
- Teaching and learning are the central focus of the budget, with 72% of the General Fund budget targeted for instructional services.
- Although the district will collect fewer local tax dollars than it did in FY2009, the adopted budget does not recommend an increase in the property tax millage rate.