

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The _____ *(name of school district)* will hold a public meeting at _____ *(time, date, year)* in _____ *(name of room, building, physical location)* _____ *(city, state)*.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district’s budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited. Details on how to participate in the discussion are at the bottom of this form.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax \$ _____ / \$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)

**School Debt Service Tax
Approved by Local Voters** \$ _____ / \$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year’s Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	_____ % increase	or	_____ % (decrease)
Debt service	_____ % increase	or	_____ % (decrease)
Total expenditures	_____ % increase	or	_____ % (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ _____	\$ _____
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ _____	\$ _____
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ _____	\$ _____
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ _____	\$ _____

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8).

** "New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17).

*** "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ _____

* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	<u>Maintenance & Operations</u>	<u>Interest & Sinking Fund*</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Local Revenue Per Student</u>	<u>State Revenue Per Student</u>
Last Year's Rate	\$	\$ *	\$	\$	\$
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$	\$ *	\$	\$	\$
Proposed Rate	\$	\$ *	\$	\$	\$

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>This Year</u>
Average Market Value of Residences	\$	\$
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$	\$
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$	\$
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$	\$
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is _____ (school voter-approval rate) _____. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of _____ (school voter-approval rate) _____.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

Video/Audio Conferencing Notice: Pursuant to Governor Abbott's Temporary Suspension of Open Meetings Laws issued on March 16, 2020, this public hearing will be conducted via video conference, which will be audible to the Board and public. The Board President, presiding officer or trustees, will not be physically at one location but a quorum will be required for the meeting on the video conference or phone. The public may access this meeting accessing the link provided on the Dripping Springs ISD website (www.dsisdtx.us).

If you wish to address comments or questions regarding the budget to the Board of Trustees during this public hearing, you may -

- 1) Request the link for the "*Public Hearing Comments Request*" form from Sheila Lamb at sheila.lamb@dsisdtx.us. The form must be completed by 4:00 PM, June 22, 2020, with your comments or questions to be read and presented to the Board at the hearing *OR* specify that you would like to present your comments or questions directly to the Board during the hearing and provide your name and telephone number so that you may be called; *OR***
- 2) Once the meeting begins, you may also call or text the following number, (512) 522-8530, to provide your name and telephone number so that you may be called and recognized to present your comments or questions to the Board at this hearing.**

Written submissions will be read aloud prior to recognizing persons who wish to address the Board via telephone call. Submissions and public participants will be taken in the order of receipt.