

CALL OF ELECTION
TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF
DAWSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, GEORGIA

The Dawson County Election Superintendent hereby calls a special election to be held on the 5th day of November, 2019, at the regular polling places in all the election districts of Dawson County School District at which time there will be submitted to the qualified voters of Dawson County School District for their determination the question of whether a special sales and use tax for educational purposes of one percent shall continue to be levied, imposed and collected on all sales and uses in Dawson County for a period of time not to exceed twenty (20) calendar quarters, beginning with the calendar quarter following the calendar quarter in which the sales and use tax for educational purposes presently in effect expires, and for the purpose of raising not more than \$48,000,000, which shall go to the Dawson County School District, for the purpose of (i) adding to, renovating, repairing, improving, and equipping existing school buildings and school system facilities, (ii) acquiring and/or improving land for school system facilities, (iii) acquiring miscellaneous new equipment, fixtures and furnishings for the school system, including technology equipment, software, tablets and laptops, and safety and security equipment, (iv) acquiring school buses and transportation and maintenance equipment, (v) acquiring books, digital media and other media for the school system, (vi) and constructing equipping new school buildings and facilities and new educational space, including athletic, technological and academic facilities, with the maximum cost of the projects described in items (i) (vi) payable from said tax being \$48,000,000, (vii) paying any general obligation debt of the School District issued in conjunction with the continuation of said sales and use tax, and (viii) paying expenses incident to accomplishing the foregoing, including capitalized interest.

The ballots to be used at such referendum shall have written or printed thereon substantially the following:

_____ Yes

_____ No

Shall a special one percent sales and use tax for educational purposes be levied in Dawson County for a period not to exceed twenty (20) calendar quarters beginning upon expiration of the sales and use tax for educational purposes presently in effect, and for the purpose of raising not more than \$48,000,000 of net proceeds by said tax, which net proceeds shall go to the Dawson County School District for the purpose of (i) adding to, renovating, repairing, improving, and equipping existing school buildings and school system facilities, (ii) acquiring and/or improving land for school system facilities, (iii) acquiring miscellaneous new equipment, fixtures and furnishings for the school system, including technology equipment, software, tablets and laptops, and safety and security equipment, (iv) acquiring school buses and transportation and maintenance equipment, (v) acquiring books, digital media and other media for the school system, (vi) and constructing equipping new school buildings and facilities and new educational space, including athletic, technological and academic facilities, with the maximum cost of the projects described in items (i)-(vi) payable from said tax being \$48,000,000, (vii) paying any general obligation debt of the School District issued in conjunction with the continuation of said sales and use tax, and (viii) paying expenses incident to accomplishing the foregoing.

If the continuation of the tax is approved by the voters, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of Dawson County School District in the principal amount of \$10,000,000 for the purposes of the Dawson County School District described in items (i)-(vi) and (viii) above and for the purpose of payment of a portion of the interest on such debt.

If the continuation of such tax is approved by the voters, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt by the Dawson County School District in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 for the purposes of the Dawson County School District described in items (i)-(vi) and (viii) above and for the purpose of payment of a portion of the interest on such debt. The maximum rate of interest such general obligation debt will bear is not to exceed 5.0% per annum, and the aggregate amount of principal to be paid in each year during the life of such debt will be as follows:

Year	Principal to be Paid
2022	\$2,320,000
2023	2,435,000
2024	2,560,000
2025	2,685,000

Any brochures, listings, or other advertisements issued by the Dawson County Board of Education, or by any other person, firm, corporation, or association with the knowledge and consent of the Board of Education, shall be deemed to be a statement of intention of the Board of Education concerning the use of the proceeds of the general obligation debt to be issued in connection with the sales and use tax for educational purposes.

The several places for holding said referendum shall be at the regular and established voting precincts of the election districts of Dawson County School District, Georgia, and the polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on the date fixed for the referendum. All polling places will be open.

The last day to register to vote in this referendum shall be October 7, 2019, through 5:00 p.m. Mail voter registration applications must be postmarked on or before October 7, 2019.

Those residents of Dawson County School District qualified to vote at such referendum shall be determined in all respects in accordance with the election laws of the State of Georgia.

This call of election is made pursuant to a resolution of the Dawson County Board of Education adopted on July 9, 2019.

This 12th day of August, 2019.


 Election Superintendent