

OUR STUDENTS - OUR SCHOOLS

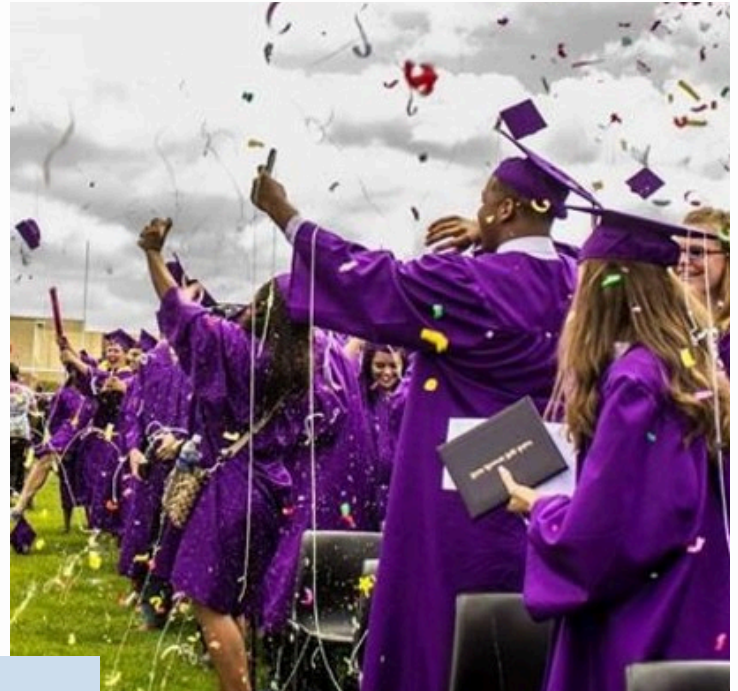


School District of
BELOIT

2025
Referendum

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On April 1, 2025, voters in the School District of Beloit will decide on a referendum to exceed state-imposed revenue limits by \$40.25 million over three years. Approved by six of seven Board of Education members, this measure addresses areas identified by the district as priorities, including staff retention, academic improvements, behavior support, and financial and operational stability.



Key Priorities



Staff Compensation & Retention (\$12.24M)

Provides **5% annual salary increases** over three years to reduce teacher turnover and ensure classroom stability.



Academic Success (\$1.68M)

Funds **curriculum and technology** for reading intervention, early literacy, and advanced math instruction.



Behavioral Support (\$2.84M)

Adds **behavioral specialists, school leaders, and paraprofessionals** to improve student support and learning environments.



District Stability & Operations (\$23.49M)

Maintains **essential services, daily operations, facility needs, and provides financial stability in times of uncertainty.**

Understanding the District's Financial & Educational Needs

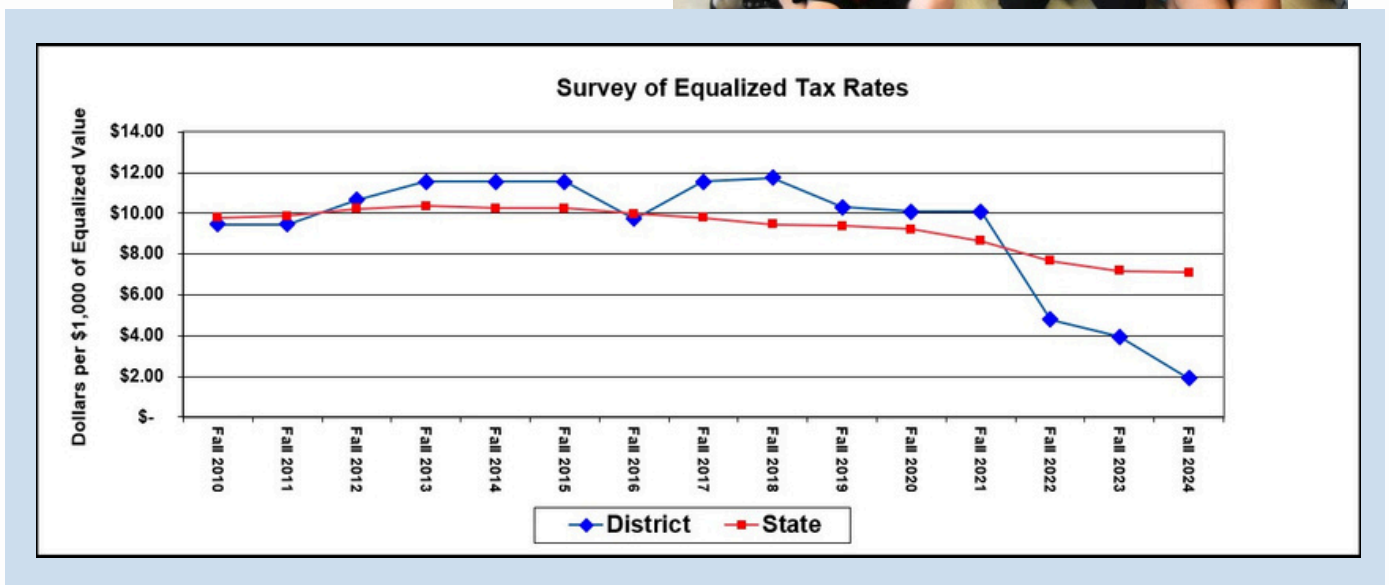
Guided by input from staff, students, administrators, the Board of Education, and the community, the district has made adjustments in response to **financial challenges.**

In 2024–2025, the district **reduced expenditures by \$11 million**, utilized trust funds to balance the budget, and adjusted staffing by 48 positions, including 26 teachers and 13 paraprofessionals. Administrative positions were also reduced, and operational partner services were adjusted by 10%, impacting areas such as cleaning, maintenance, facilities, technology, and legal support.

These reductions have required the district to reevaluate priorities while addressing **ongoing budget constraints and funding limitations.** Additional reductions could impact class sizes, programs, and staffing. The district continues to assess financial planning options for the future.

Property Tax and Homeowner Input


State funding has not kept pace with rising costs for salaries, benefits, utilities, and student services. The District saw no per-student increase in six of the last ten years. The referendum provides financial resources to stabilize operational needs and support targeted staff, academics, and behavior improvements. It sets the school portion of the mill rate at approximately \$7.53 per \$1,000 of property value each year, lower than previous years, when it exceeded \$10.00.



The mill rate reflects a property owner's share of the School District of Beloit's total tax levy per \$1,000 of equalized property value. For property owners, the impact is determined by:

Mill Rate x Assessed Property Value = Gross School Property Tax Share


For example, the estimated school tax contribution under an approved referendum for a home valued at \$157,600 (the average residential property value in Beloit) would be approximately \$98.89 per month or \$1,186.73 annually, equating to about \$7.53 per \$1,000 of property value.



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average residential property value in Beloit

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\$7.53
stable mill rate

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