

Plant Levy- March 2023

During the December 2022 board meeting, trustees approved a motion to ask the public to vote on a plant levy. Voting will take place Tuesday March 14, 2023, from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM at Swan Valley Elementary School.

Swan Valley Board of Trustees will have a Plant Levy Townhall meeting on Wednesday February 15, 2023, at 5:30 PM at the Swan Valley School to share more information with those interested in learning about the proposed plant levy.

Objective

1. Understand the need for a plant levy in the amount of \$75,000 per year for five years.

Reasons we need a plant levy (Figures are approximate)

1. To address regular maintenance items such as parking lot asphalt maintenance, water chemical treatment, septic pumping, gym floor resurface, sprinkler & lawn maintenance, carpet cleaning, and snow plowing (\$35,000 per year x 5 years = \$175,000)
2. Repair our school brick and mortar (25,000).
3. To enhance school security (\$50,000).
4. To purchase a new bus (\$100,000) in 2025.
5. To make repairs to playground and sprinkler system (\$25,000).

Professional Recommendations

1. Idaho Office of School Safety & Security recommends upgraded classroom doors.
2. Idaho Division of Building Safety recommends we repair brick and mortar from water damage and routine scheduled maintenance to take care of the school.

Frequently asked Questions	Answer
When will vote take place?	Tuesday March 14, 2023, 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Where will vote take place?	Swan Valley Elementary School 3389 Swan Valley Highway Irwin, Idaho 83428
What % of voters must vote in favor to pass the levy?	Fifty five percent (55%) of the electors
How much in taxes did a School District 92 taxpayer whose home or property is worth \$100,000 pay in taxes for the \$60,000 plant levy from 2021 to 2023?	A homeowner paid approximately \$24.35 per year.
How much will the new \$75,000 plant levy cost a taxpayer whose home or property is worth \$100,000?	A homeowner will pay approximately \$19.58 per year.
How do you arrive at the approximately \$19.58 a taxpayer whose home or property is worth \$100,000 will pay?	As of December 2022, the taxable market value of our school district is \$382,972,909. $\$75,000/\$382,972,909 = 0.000195836$. Multiply this figure by your total taxable value amount you get from your Bonneville County Tax Statement. For example, if this value is \$100,000, multiply by 0.000195836 and you will get approximately \$19.58.
When does the present plant levy end?	June 30, 2023
If passed, how long will the new plant levy be?	Five (5) years July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2028

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Jacobson at 208-483-2405 or via email at mjacobson@sveidaho.com.