

ISD 256 Comprehensive Operating Levy Planning

RWPS timeline

April 4-8

Reach out to everyone on the Speakers Bureau to determine status of presentations

April 11-12

Jill and Anne will create the initial ISD 256 Speakers Bureau list & request form for the website

April 15

Send email with link to various clubs announcing the ISD Speakers Bureau and how to request a presentation.

May 4-8

Start gathering all the formal documents for language, etc., this month.
Start to establish general talking points

June 6

Workshop: Referendum (with talking points to frame the discussion)

June 20

Meeting: Vote on referendum, approve formal documents for language

MINNESOTA STATUTORY DATES

May 23 – Legislature adjourns. (District will know what, if any, levy-related legislation passed and how that will affect Red Wing Public Schools.)

No later than Aug. 26 – Provide written notice to the county auditor and Minnesota commissioner of education at least 74 days before the election.

Sept. 23 – Absentee ballots become available.

Oct. 9-25 – The board must deliver by mail at least 15 days but no more than 30 days before the day of the referendum to each taxpayer a notice of the referendum and the proposed revenue increase. Does not have to be first class.

Before or by Oct. 24 – At least 15 days before the referendum, submit to the commissioner of education and county auditor a copy of the notice being mailed to taxpayers.

Saturdays Oct. 22 and 29 – Legal notice of sample ballot. must appear in these consecutive editions of the Republican Eagle. Publication of the sample ballot must be two consecutive weeks in the newspaper with the second at least a week before the election. (Statutory last day for first publication is Oct. 25.)

Friday, Oct. 28 – At least 10 days prior, the clerk must post the notice of election on the district bulletin board. (Statutory date is Oct. 29.)

Before or by Friday, Nov. 4 – At least 4 days prior, post two sample ballots on colored paper (cannot the same color as the actual ballot) on the bulletin board.

Nov. 8 – Election Day.

Nov. 11-18 – Canvassing period.

Nov. 18-26 – Time period for citizens to request a recount.

No later than Nov. 23: Board certifies results and notifies the commissioner.

SPEAKERS BUREAU

We have a list of speakers, topics, and entities nearly completed so information about the school district and referendum can be shared with community members. The various presentations will be charted, so we know which groups have been missed.