

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION  
FOR  
RENEWAL OF ADDITIONAL LEVY  
TO THE VOTERS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that at a regular meeting of the Board of Education of the County of Jefferson held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2015, as provided by law, the following order was made and entered of record, to-wit:

That the Board of Education of the County of Jefferson, being of the opinion that the levy for the current expenses authorized by Article 8, Chapter 11 of the Code of West Virginia, as amended, will not provide sufficient funds for the payment of current expenses of the Board of Education, including expenditures for the purposes herein set forth, and that an election should be held, as provided for under the provisions of Section 16, Article 8, Chapter 11 of the Code, as amended, to approve the continuation of the current additional levy for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2016, July 1, 2017, July 1, 2018, July 1, 2019, and July 1, 2020, and hereby orders as follows:

1. That the purposes for which levy funds are needed are to maintain and improve the instructional programs and the operation of school services in Jefferson County as follows:

<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Amount</b>
A. WVU Extension Services (community and schools)	\$30,000
B. Local public libraries	\$90,000
C. Instructional, media and technology materials for students	\$820,000
D. School Allocations (materials & supplies)	\$425,000
E. Professional development, national certification & other teacher/service personnel benefits	\$1,250,000
F. Salary assistance for teachers and service personnel not covered under the state formula (librarians, art teachers, music teachers, nurses, counselors, custodians, instructional assistants), stipends & extended contracts (coaches, band), and substitutes.	\$16,531,219
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$19,146,219</b>

Should any of the purposes set forth above, be declared unconstitutional or invalid, by judicial or legislative action, the funds will be used for other purposes, set forth above and not affected by the judicial or legislative action.

2. That the approximate amount necessary to carry out the purposes as stated above, for each of the five (5) fiscal years, after making reasonable allowance for delinquencies and exonerations, is \$95,731,095.
3. The Board of Education of the County of Jefferson may reduce the said levy rates in any given year or years during the term of this levy after determining the

sufficiency of funds for school purposes for the next school year.

In the event additional funds are obtained by grant or otherwise from the State or Federal government, or from any other source, such additional funds may be used either in substitution for, upon a corresponding reduction in the said levy rate and following a determination concerning the sufficiency of funds for school purposes, or in addition to, the funds obtained from the levy.

The Board of Education of Jefferson County is hereby authorized to expend any excess funds raised by the levy rate herein set forth to accommodate growth as follows:

Personnel (Items E through F)	80% of the excess amount raised
Board Discretion	20% of the excess amount raised

In the event the levy fails to generate the amount listed above (\$19,146,219) in any fiscal year, the Board of Education of Jefferson County is hereby authorized to reduce the levy funds expended for Items A-F in its sole discretion.

4. That the separate and aggregate assessed valuations of each class of taxable property within Jefferson County is as follows:

Class I	<u>0</u>
Class II	<u>1,977,898,240</u>
Class III	<u>851,651,539</u>
Class IV	<u>376,990,644</u>
Total	3,206,540,423

5. That the renewed additional rate of the levy in cents per one hundred dollars of assessed value on each class of property is as follows:

Class I	22.95
Class II	45.90
Class III	91.80
Class IV	91.80

6. That the years to which the renewed additional levy are proposed to apply are the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2016, July 1, 2017, July 1, 2018, July 1, 2019, and July 1, 2020, respectively.
7. That the Board of Education of the County of Jefferson will not issue bonds upon approval of the proposed additional levy.
8. That the questions of such renewed additional levy shall be submitted to a vote at a General Election to be held in Jefferson County on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015.
9. That notice of the election shall be given by the publication of this order,

once each week for two (2) successive weeks preceding the election, in the Spirit of Jefferson and in the Martinsburg Journal, newspapers of general circulation in the county. Printed copies of this order shall also be posted at each place of voting at least ten (10) days prior to the election.

10. That the ballot to be used at the election shall be in the following form:

**OFFICIAL LEVY BALLOT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON  
SPECIAL LEVY RENEWAL ELECTION  
DECEMBER 12, 2015**

Special election to authorize renewal of additional levy of the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2016, July 1, 2017, July 1, 2018, July 1, 2019, and July 1, 2020, respectively. The purposes for which funds are needed are to maintain and improve the instructional programs and the operation of school services for the Jefferson County Public Schools as follows:

A.	WVU Extension Services (community and schools)	\$30,000
B.	Local public libraries	\$90,000
C.	Instructional, media and technology materials for students	\$820,000
D.	School allocations (materials & supplies)	\$425,000
E.	Professional development, national certification & other teacher/service personnel benefits	\$1,250,000
F.	Salary assistance for teachers and service personnel not covered under the state formula (librarians, art teachers, music teachers, nurses, counselors, custodians, instructional assistants), stipends & extended contracts (coaches, band), and substitutes	\$16,531,219
		\$19,146,219

Should any of the purposes, set forth above, be declared unconstitutional or invalid, by judicial or legislative action, the funds will be used for other purposes, set forth above and not affected by the judicial or legislative action.

The Board of Education of the County of Jefferson may reduce the said levy rates in any given year or years during the term of this levy after determining the sufficiency of funds for school purposes for the next school year.

In the event additional funds are obtained by grant or otherwise from the state or federal government, or from any other source, such additional funds may be used either in substitution for, upon a corresponding reduction in the said levy rate and following a determination concerning the sufficiency of funds for school purposes, or in addition to, the funds obtained from the levy.

The Board of Education of Jefferson County is hereby authorized to expend any excess funds raised by the levy rate herein set forth to accommodate growth as follows:

Personnel (Items E through F)	80% of the excess amount raised
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Board Discretion

20% of the excess amount raised

In the event the levy fails to generate the amount listed above (\$19,146,219) in any fiscal year, the Board of Education of Jefferson County is hereby authorized to reduce the levy funds expended for Items A-F in its sole discretion.

All according to the order of the Board of Education of the County of Jefferson, entered on the 14th day of September, 2015.

The renewal of additional levy in cents on each one hundred dollars assessed valuation as approved on December 12, 2015, shall be on Class I property – 22.95; on Class II property – 45.90; on Class III property – 91.80; and, on Class IV property - 91.80.

\_\_\_\_\_ FOR THE LEVY

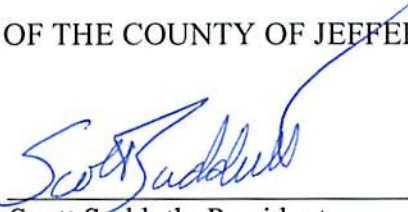
\_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST THE LEVY

INSTRUCTIONS:

To vote in favor or renewal of the levy, place an "X" in the square before "FOR THE LEVY".

To vote against renewal of the levy, place an "X" in the square before "AGAINST THE LEVY".

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

By:   
Scott Sudduth, President

ATTEST

By:   
Dr. Bondy Shay Gibson, Secretary