

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION**  
**IN THE MILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Notice is hereby given that a Special Election will be held on Tuesday, October 6, 2015, in the Milford School District, in the State of Delaware, pursuant to a resolution duly approved June 22, 2015, by the Board of Education of said school district in accordance with provisions of Chapters 19 and 21 of Title 14 of Delaware Code. The Special Election will be held in order to permit the voters of said school district to vote for or against the following issues:

The Milford School District is seeking to increase the current expense rate effective July 1, 2016 as follows:

	Kent County	Sussex County
Current Rate	0.6144	2.0481
<b>Proposed Rate</b>	<b>1.1390</b>	<b>3.2188</b>
Difference	0.5246	1.1707

*\*Per \$100 of assessed property value*

The current expense tax rate would increase to 1.1390 cents per every \$100 of assessed property value in Kent County, and 3.2188 cents per every \$100 of assessed property value in Sussex County.

The increase will raise approximately \$3 million to be used for current operating expenses in order to continue current instructional programs and operating expenses in light of reductions in state and federal funding.

The increase will fund items including, but not limited to, the following:

- Addressing the current budget deficit of approximately \$1.2 million
- Supporting school security, and student safety initiatives
- Matching funds for student transportation as enacted by the State in 2011
- Replacing programs and curriculum reductions that have been made as a result of fiscal constraints
- Assisting with the recruiting and retention of teachers by adjusting local salary supplements
- Allowing for the replacement of out dated technology in classrooms and maintaining current technology
- Supporting the increased costs of energy and fuel related to district building operations
- Aligning curriculum and instructional materials with the State standards
- Potentially expanding career pathways at the secondary level as space will allow

The polls for said election will be open Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at 10:00 AM and will remain open until 8:00 PM. The voters of the Milford School District may vote at any of the designated polling places within the district. The buildings designated as polling places are as follows:

Morris Early Childhood Center  
8609 Third Street, Lincoln DE

Benjamin Banneker Elementary School  
449 North Street, Milford DE

Milford High School  
1019 North Walnut Street, Milford DE

Every United States Citizen eighteen (18) years of age or over who resides within the Milford School District at the time of the Special Election shall be eligible to vote (proof of identity and residence is required) at the school election, whether or not he/she is at the time a registered voter for the purpose of a General Election.

Absentee voting will be provided through the Department of Elections. Individuals eligible to vote by absentee ballot should contact the Department of Elections for Kent County at 302-739-4498.

By order of the Milford Board of Education:

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Phyllis Kohel, Ed.D, Executive Secretary

County of Sussex  
State of Delaware

Renate Wiley

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Board President  
Milford School District

Phyllis Kohel

Phyllis Kohel  
Superintendent  
Milford School District

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015.

Peggy Jo Short

Notary Public

My Commission Expires 1/14/17

