

## NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION IN CAESAR RODNEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that a special election will be held on Saturday, October 17, 2015, in the Caesar Rodney School District, in the State of Delaware, pursuant to resolutions duly adopted on August 18, 2015, by the Board of Education of said District in accordance with provisions of Chapters 19 and 21 of Title 14 of the Delaware Code. This Special Election will be held in order to permit the voters of said school district to vote for or against the following:

Authorization to issue bonds in the amount of \$27,805,700 for Major Capital Improvements. The bonds are to be financed through an increase in property taxes and represent 32% of the total cost of \$86,892,700 for construction, additions and renovations, which include:

- Renovation and addition to Caesar Rodney High School to include a separate ninth grade academy
- Addition to McIlvaine Early Childhood Center
- Construction of a new elementary school
- Major repairs and mandatory compliance upgrades at all schools

To support these projects and ongoing district operations, the Caesar Rodney School District is also seeking to increase the current expense rate each year over the next five years as follows:

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total
0.33	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.41

*Per \$100 of assessed property value*

This increase is to provide funding for programs such as, but not limited to, the following:

- Support our school security and student safety initiatives
- Maintain our elementary and middle school Immersion programs
- Maintain our 9th grade Academy and Success Academy
- Maintain student programs and services that have been affected by the loss of state and federal funds
- Provide up- to- date technology for greater STEM opportunities
- Maintain our band, arts, chorus, music, performing arts and athletic programs at both middle and high school level.
- Support for curriculum and professional development
- Support the increased costs related to school operations

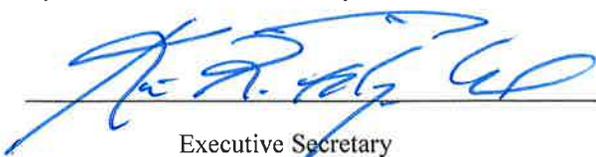
The polls for said election will be open on October 17, 2015 at 10:00 AM and will remain open until 8:00 PM. United States Citizens eighteen (18) years of age or over who reside within the Caesar Rodney School District at the time of the Special Election shall be eligible to vote (proof of identity and residence is required) whether or not they are at the time registered voters for the purpose of a General Election. Voters may vote at any of the following designated polling places:

- W. B. Simpson Elementary School, 5 Old North Road, Camden, DE 19934
- Allen Frear Elementary School, 238 Sorghum Mill Road, Camden, DE 19934
- Fifer Middle School, 109 E Camden-Wyoming Avenue, Camden, DE 19934
- Major George S. Welch Elementary School, 3100 Hawthorne Drive, Dover, DE 19901
- J.Ralph McIlvaine School, 11 East Walnut Street, Magnolia, DE 19962

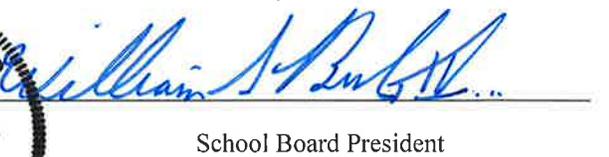
Absentee voting will be provided through the Department of Elections. Individuals eligible to vote by absentee ballot should contact the Department of Elections for Kent County at 302-739-4498.

By order of the Caesar Rodney Board of Education

Caesar Rodney School Board:

  
Executive Secretary



  
School Board President



**Caesar Rodney School District Board of Education  
Referendum Election**

**October 17, 2015**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE BONDS**

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The bonds represent 32% of the total cost of \$86,892,700 for construction, additions and renovations, which include:

- Renovation and addition to Caesar Rodney High School to include a separate ninth grade academy
- Addition to Mcllvaine Early Childhood Center
- Construction of a new elementary school due to capacity issues and growth
- Major repairs and mandatory compliance upgrades at all schools

**AUTHORITY TO LEVY ADDITIONAL TAX TO FUND CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSES**

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Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total
0.33	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.41

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- Support our school security and student safety initiatives
- Maintain our elementary and middle school Immersion program
- Maintain our 9th grade Academy and Success Academy
- Maintain student programs and services that have been affected by the loss of state and federal funds
- Provide up- to- date technology for greater STEM opportunities
- Maintain our band, arts, chorus, music, performing arts and athletic programs at both Middle and High School level.
- Support for curriculum and professional development
- Support the increased costs related to school operations

**A. For issuance of bonds and additional tax to fund current operating expenses**

**B. Against issuance of bonds and additional tax to fund current operating expenses**