

Understanding Renewal Levies

Why does the school district

continue to place Renewal

Levies on the ballot,

almost annually,

instead of changing

them into Permanent

Replacement Levies?

Changing the Renewal Levies into Permanent Replacement Levies would certainly lessen the need for the school district to continue asking voters on a regular basis to support the school district. **There are two primary reasons** the district has not requested the renewals to be changed to permanent levies.

1 Many years ago, the decision was made to continue with renewals instead of changing over to permanent levies to **give the voters a continued voice** in their approval of how the district operates.

The belief is that: as long as the district demonstrates fiscal responsibility the voters will continue to support the school district; and the voters should have the opportunity to decide on continuing their support.

2 In addition, House Bill 59 was passed and then signed into law effective July 1, 2013. This Bill essentially adds an **additional 12 ½% to any renewal levy that is changed to a replacement or permanent levy**. Not only would taxes increase 12 ½%, the school district would not receive any of the additional revenue from the increase. Considering the additional 12 ½% cost to the stakeholders of Lebanon, we believe it is much more cost effective to put in the extra time and effort to continue to run the much needed renewals.

Renewal levies place the school district in front of the voters for assessment.

Calamity Make-Up Days

One day - 4/6
Two days - 5/26, 5/27
Three days - 5/26, 5/27, 5/28
Four days - 5/26, 5/27, 5/28, 5/29
Five days - 4/6, 5/26, 5/27, 5/28, 5/29

Reminder:

As of January 19, 2015, the school district has used two of the five allocated calamity days.

The school district has three more days available before make-up days will be utilized to make up missed days.

After a total of five days, the school district will make up school on the dates shown at left.

