



Shiawassee

Regional Education Service District

Vote

Tuesday, August 7, 2018

Special Education Headlee Restoration Millage Election

The Ballot Issues:

Since 1958, Shiawassee County voters have periodically authorized millages to fund special education services. Since then, those previously approved millages have been reduced by what is known as the Headlee Amendment. Restoration to the original millage levels previously set by the voters would effectively impact funding for the education of all students in Shiawassee County.

The millage proposal on the August 7th ballot is described below:

SPECIAL EDUCATION PROPOSAL

- Funds special education services for all local districts
- Would restore 0.5882 mill, which is the amount rolled back from the previously authorized 4.2330 special education mills
- Would generate approximately \$1,143,051 per year



Cost of Restoration to Taxpayers

**For a \$105,500 home (with a taxable value of \$52,750)

**\$31.02 per year for the Special Education Millage

**Median value of Shiawassee County home \$105,500 (US Census Bureau)



What does this mean to local districts?

- Would reduce the amount of local General Fund dollars that local districts must allocate to special education in order to cover the shortfall caused by reduced federal and state funding
- Would provide more dollars to maintain quality special education services



Byron Area Schools



Corunna Public Schools



Durand Area Schools



Laingsburg Community Schools



Morrice Area Schools



New Lothrop Area Public Schools



Owosso Public Schools



Perry Public Schools

**SHIAWASSEE REGIONAL EDUCATION SERVICE DISTRICT
STATE OF MICHIGAN**

**CALENDAR FOR SPECIAL ELECTION ON
AUGUST 7, 2018**

1. **Monday, April 9, 2018** - Board of Education meeting to adopt the resolution calling the election.
2. **On or before 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15, 2018** - Forward ballot wording and resolution to Election Coordinator. **Failure to timely file a certified copy of ballot language may jeopardize the School District's ability to place the question on the ballot.**
3. **On or before Saturday, June 23, 2018** - Absent voter ballots must be available.
4. **On or before Monday, July 2, 2018** - Registration notice must be published by the Election Coordinator once in a newspaper of general circulation in the School District.
5. **Monday, July 9, 2018** - Last day of registration for this election.
6. **On or before Tuesday, July 31, 2018** - Election notice must be published by the Election Coordinator once in a newspaper of general circulation in the School District.
7. Election clerk offices must be open until 2:00 p.m. the last Saturday before the election to accommodate application requests for absent voter ballots.
8. **Tuesday, August 7, 2018** - The polls of election will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.