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A photograph of a classroom scene. A female teacher with long dark hair, wearing a light yellow sweater, is leaning over a desk, smiling and looking at a young girl. The girl, wearing a teal long-sleeved shirt, is focused on writing on a piece of paper with a pencil. Other students are visible in the background, some also working at their desks. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day.

TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE

MAINTAINING A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE IN DIXIE SCHOOLS

Since 1864, we have been proud to provide an outstanding education to local elementary and middle school students. Our schools in Dixie School District are recognized as some of the best in our city, county and state and prepare our students to excel in high school and beyond.

STABLE LOCAL FUNDING

For nearly 30 years, our Dixie schools have relied on locally-controlled parcel tax funding to keep class sizes small, retain great teachers and offer challenging and enriching educational programs to all students. This critical source of local funding is now set to expire, which would require class size increases, cuts to academic programs and lay-offs for teachers and school staff.

POTENTIAL LOCAL MEASURE

To protect teaching and academic excellence in Dixie schools, the Board of Trustees is considering placing a measure on the May 8, 2018 all-mail ballot. The potential measure would renew existing parcel tax funding for 12 years at the current annual rate of \$352 per parcel and add \$118 per parcel.

Funds from this measure could be used to:

- Attract and retain qualified teachers
- Maintain instructional materials and equipment for science programs
- Support core academic programs, including math, science, technology, reading and writing
- Maintain music programs and world language electives, such as French and Spanish classes
- Maintain classroom computers and technology instruction
- Preserve small class sizes
- Keep school libraries open and maintain library services and materials

ALL FUNDS WOULD SUPPORT DIXIE SCHOOL DISTRICT

- All funds would benefit local schools and no funds could be taken by the State or other school districts
- By law, no funds could be used for administrator salaries
- Independent citizen's oversight, annual audits and reports to the community would continue to be required
- An optional exemption for senior citizens would continue to be available
- The amount may be adjusted by no more than 3% annually to ensure funding keeps pace with inflation and the cost of providing instruction



SHARE YOUR PERSPECTIVE

Your feedback is important to us. Please call or email us to provide your comments or questions about the potential measure.

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