Non-Homestead Operating Millage Proposal

What is a Non-Homestead Operating Millage?

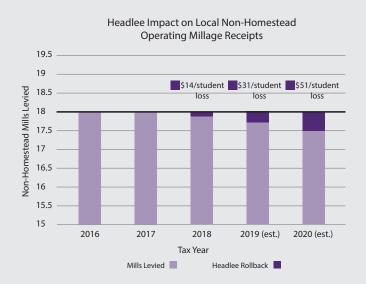
Public Schools must levy 18 mills on non-homestead properties to receive full State Foundation Grant funding. A non-homestead property is any property that is NOT a primary residence or qualified agricultural property, such as a:

- Business
- Investment property
- Vacation home
- Rental property

The cost of 18 mills for the owner of a property valued at \$100,000 is \$1,800 per year.

What is a Headlee Rollback?

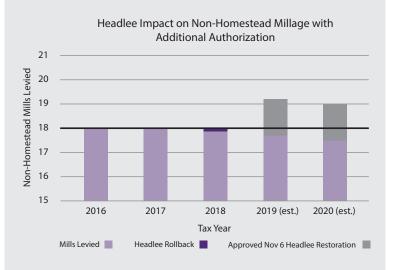
When property values rise at a greater pace than the rate of inflation the non-homestead tax levy will be Headlee reduced, known as a Headlee Rollback. Currently the non-homestead tax levy for Caledonia has been Headlee reduced to 17.8452 mills. Therefore, the district is losing 0.1548 mills of non-homestead funding for the per-pupil foundation allowance. This equates to a loss of approximately \$71,300 in 2018-2019, or \$14 per pupil, and continues to compound each year.



On November 6, 2018, as part of the regular election, members of the Caledonia Community will have the opportunity to vote on a non-homestead operating millage proposal. The information on the following pages is provided to help voters become educated on the proposal, and what it means for our community. To obtain more information, or to get specific questions answered, please contact Sara DeVries, Caledonia Community Schools Director of Finance, 616-891-8185 ext. 7325, or visit www.calschools.org.

Headlee Rollback Override

With the Headlee rollback the district will continue to lose funds unless voters approve an additional millage override to bring the district back up to the 18 mills. The district will be asking voters for an additional 1.5 mills for Headlee restoration purposes. This will allow the restoration of lost funds as well as a buffer in the event future Headlee rollbacks continue to occur. At no point will more than 18 mills be levied on non-homestead properties.



Note: The 18 mills equates to \$1,800 tax per \$100,000 in taxable value on non-homestead properties only and can never exceed that even with approval of the additional millage request.