

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

The Harris County Department of Education will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 5.70 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on September 27, 2012 at 3:30 PM at 6300 Irvington Blvd., Houston, TX 77022.

The second public hearing will be held on October 9, 2012 at 3:30 PM at 6300 Irvington Blvd., Houston, TX 77022.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: Angie Chesnut, Debra Kerner
Roy Morales

AGAINST: Marvin Morris, Michael Wolfe

PRESENT Present and not voting: NONE

ABSENT: Louis Evans, Jim Henley

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Harris County Department of Education last year was \$115,785. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.006581 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$7.62.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Harris County Department of Education this year is \$115,833. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.006617 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$7.66.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.006994 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$8.10.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.