

More Facts to Consider

- Over the past 10 years, the state legislature has cut public education funding by 25% while increasing graduation requirements and accountability standards.
- In response, Bartlett ISD has operated under a very lean conservative budget.
- The Bartlett ISD Tax Rate has remained the same for over 10 years.
- Voters will be asked to vote **FOR** or **AGAINST** the proposal.
- If the TRE passes, Bartlett ISD will receive an additional \$300,000 next year and every year afterwards.
- Bartlett ISD can not swap the I&S pennies to the M&O side without voter approval.
- Tax bills on Over 65 or Disabled homesteads are frozen and will not go up. They will never go up unless the homeowner makes significant improvements to the home.

Early Voting

June 26, 2019	8am - 4pm
June 27, 2019	8am - 4pm
June 28, 2019	8am - 4pm
July 1, 2019	8am - 4pm
July 2, 2019	8am - 4pm
July 3, 2019	8am - 4pm
July 4, 2019	Holiday
July 5, 2019	8am - 4pm
July 8, 2019	8am - 4pm
July 9, 2019	8am - 4pm

at
Bartlett ISD
Administration Building
404 N. Robinson, Bartlett, Tx. 76511

Election Day

Saturday,

July 13, 2019

7am - 7pm

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Tax
Ratification
Election
(Tax Swap)
July 13, 2019



The sole purpose of this brochure is to provide voters with accurate, factual information regarding the proposal to assist voters in making an informed decision

Questions and Answers

What is this Tax Ratification Election (TRE) about?

This TRE is a special election to approve moving all pennies (tax swap) from the Interest and Sinking (I&S) tax rate to the Maintenance and Operations (M&O) tax rate. If approved - the overall tax rate will remain the same as it has been for over 10 years.

Why are we having a TRE?

The Bartlett ISD Board of Trustees has called a TRE to take advantage of state incentives to school districts that will maximize state funding.

If approved the result will assist the school district to receive over \$300,000 in additional STATE funding each year under current funding formulas without impacting local taxpayers.

What will passage of this TRE do for Bartlett ISD?

- Maximize STATE funding
- Help to begin rebuilding district fund balance (rainy day fund)
- Provide more competitive salaries for teachers, teacher aides, cafeteria staff and custodians.

How will the proposition be worded on the ballot?

“Approving the ad valorem tax rate of \$1.26936 per \$100 valuation in Bartlett Independent School District for the current year, a rate that is \$.22936 higher per \$100 valuation than the school district rollback tax rate, for the purpose of rebuilding fund balance and increasing staff salaries.”

“If voters approve the \$1.26936 tax rate, the Board of Trustees will reduce the I&S rate by \$.11468, to reduce the total tax rate to \$1.15468, which is equal to the tax rate from 2018-2019.”

I’m over 65. Will my taxes increase?

Passage of this TRE will not raise taxes for ANYONE.

Tax bills on Over-65 or Disabled homesteads are frozen and will not go up. They will never go up unless the homeowner makes significant improvements to the home.

What does a tax swap look like?

M&O	I&S	Total Tax Rate
1.04	.11468	1.15468

M&O	I&S	New Tax Rate
1.15468	0.00	1.15468