

NOTICE OF SCHOOL ELECTIONS TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2021

The following school districts will hold mail ballot elections. Regular polling places will not be open. To be counted, mail ballots must be received at the Gallatin County Election Office by 8:00 P.M. on Election Day, Tuesday, May 4, 2021. All district ballots will be mailed by Friday, April 16, 2021. NOTE: If you miss the regular voter registration deadline on April 5, you may still register for the election in person at the Gallatin County Election Office, 311 W. Main Street, Room 210, Bozeman, Montana, until noon on May 3, 2021, and resuming at 7:00 A.M. on Election Day until 8:00 P.M.

Elementary School District Elections

District	Purpose of Election	Contact
Amsterdam #75	1. Elect two (2) trustees for three-year terms. 2. Shall the board of trustees be authorized to impose an increase in local taxes to support the General Fund in the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) per year which is approximately 3.93 mills for the purpose of increased operating costs of the district? Passage of this proposal will increase the annual taxes on a home with a market value of \$100,000 by approximately \$5.31 and on a home with a market value of \$200,000 by approximately \$10.61. The durational limit of the levy is permanent once approved by the voters, assuming the district levies that amount at least once in the next five years.	Sharon Roe (406) 282-7216
Anderson #41	1. Elect one (1) trustee for a three-year term. 2. Shall the board of trustees be authorized to impose an increase in local taxes to support the General Fund in the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) per year which is approximately 4.31 mills for the purpose of operating and maintaining the General Fund budget? Passage of this proposal will increase the annual taxes on a home with a market value of \$100,000 by approximately \$5.82 and on a home with a market value of \$200,000 by approximately \$11.64. The durational limit of the levy is permanent once approved by the voters, assuming the district levies that amount at least once in the next five years.	Tanya Roberts (406) 587-1305
Belgrade #44	1. Elect two (2) trustees for three-year terms. 2. Shall the district be authorized to impose an increase in local taxes to support the Elementary General Fund in the amount of \$950,000 which is approximately 16.71 mills for the purpose of operating and maintaining the Belgrade Elementary School District? Passage of this proposal will increase the taxes on a home with an assessed market value of \$100,000 by approximately \$22.55 and on a home with an assessed market value of \$200,000 by approximately \$45.11. The durational limit of this levy is permanent once approved by the voters, assuming the district levies that amount at least once in the next five years. 3. Shall the District be authorized to increase the existing levy to the Elementary School Building Reserve Fund from \$350,000 to \$500,000 per year and finance each year for ten (10) years of Belgrade Elementary School District No. 44 for a total amount of Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000). The annual amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) is approximately 8.79 mills, and will be used for the purpose of general electrical system repairs and upgrades, mechanical system repairs and upgrades including HVAC and boilers, general and sports grounds maintenance and repairs, general and sports facility repairs, facility alterations and modifications, and general renovations of the Elementary School District. Passage of this proposal will increase the annual taxes on a home with a value of \$100,000 by approximately \$3.56 and on a home with a value of \$200,000 by approximately \$7.12.	Jay Bates (406) 924-2031
Bozeman #7	1. Elect three (3) trustees for three-year terms. 2. Shall the Bozeman Elementary District Trustees be authorized to impose an increase in over-base local taxes to support the General Fund in the amount of Six Hundred Forty Four Thousand Dollars (\$644,000), which is an increase of approximately 3.14 mills for the purpose of properly maintaining and operating the programs of the district? Passage of this proposal will increase the annual taxes on a home with an assessed market value of \$100,000 by approximately \$4.24 and on a home with an assessed market value of \$200,000 by approximately \$8.48. The durational limit of the levy is intended to be permanent.	Mike Waterman (406) 522-6097
Gallatin Gateway #35	1. Elect two (2) trustees for three-year terms.* 2. Shall the Board of Trustees of School District No. 35 (Gallatin Gateway), Gallatin County, Montana (the "District"), be authorized to sell and issue general obligation bonds of the District in one or more series in the aggregate principal amount of up to Seven Million and No/100 Dollars (\$7,000,000.00), bearing interest at rates to be determined at the time of the sale, payable semiannually, during a term as to each series of bonds of not more than twenty (20) years, for the purpose of paying the costs of designing, constructing, remodeling, renovating, equipping, and furnishing improvements to the Gallatin Gateway School facilities consisting of the original 1915 school building and all adjacent buildings to accommodate growth and address safety concerns, to include renovating the school facilities to provide a new secure school entrance, additional and improved teaching and administration spaces, access improvements consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and library upgrades; adding a new kitchen, teacher support space, and gymnasium and cafeteria seating; replacing aging systems and infrastructure, including upgrading mechanical, electrical, plumbing, fire alarm, and security systems; installing a fire suppression system; and making various site improvements; related improvements and costs; and paying costs associated with the sale and issuance of the bonds?	Carrie Fisher (406) 763-4415
LaMotte #43	1. Elect two (2) trustees for three-year terms.* 2. Shall the district be authorized to levy the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) per year for ten (10) years and being approximately 4.21 mills for the purpose of purchasing, renting, repairing and maintaining technological equipment, including computers and computer network access, cloud computing services for technology infrastructure, platform, software, network, storage, security, data, database, test environment, curriculum, or desktop virtualization purposes, including any subscription or any license-based or pay-per-use service that is accessed over the internet or other remote network to meet the district's information technology and other needs, and the associated technical training for school district personnel? Passage of this proposal will increase the taxes on a home with a market value of \$100,000 by approximately \$5.68 and on a home with a market value of \$200,000 by approximately \$11.36.	Sue Becker (406) 586-2838
Manhattan #3	1. Elect two (2) trustees for three-year terms.	Ann Heisler (406) 284-6460
Monforton #27	1. Elect two (2) trustees for three-year terms. 2. Shall the district be authorized to impose an increase in local taxes to support the General Fund in the amount of \$199,901.00 (One Hundred Ninety Nine Thousand Nine Hundred One Dollars and 00/100) which is approximately 10.18 mills for the purpose of operating and maintaining the Monforton School? Passage of this proposal will increase the taxes on a home with a market value of \$100,000 by approximately \$13.74 (Thirteen Dollars and Seventy Four Cents) and on a home with a market value of \$200,000 by approximately \$27.48 (Twenty-Seven Dollars and Forty Eight Cents). The durational limit of the levy is permanent once approved by the voters, assuming the district levies that amount each year thereafter. However, lowering over-BASE tax levies in any year will lower the amount of permissively over-BASE levies in subsequent years.	Kris Ortmeier (406) 586-1557
Springhill #20	1. Elect one (1) trustee for a three-year term.	Maggie Richardson (917) 596-6002
Willow Creek #15	1. Elect one (1) trustee for a three-year term.* 2. Elect one (1) trustee for a two-year term.* 3. Shall the district be authorized to impose an increase in local taxes to support the General Fund in the amount of \$27,666.55, which is approximately 15.28 mills for the purpose of operating and maintaining the district? Passage of this proposal will increase the taxes on a home with a market value of \$100,000 by approximately \$20.63 and on a home with a market value of \$200,000 by approximately \$41.26. The durational limit of the levy is permanent once approved by the voters, assuming the district levies that amount at least once in the next five years.	Sherri Lower (406) 285-6991

*Denotes non-competitive race. Trustee candidates' names appear on the ballot but are elected by acclamation. The following elementary school districts are not holding school elections. Trustee(s) elected by acclamation: Cottonwood, Malmberg, Pass Creek, and Three Forks.

High School District Elections

District	Elementary District	Purpose of Election	Contact
Big Sky K-12 #72	Big Sky K-12 #72	1. Elect two (2) trustees for three-year terms. 2. Shall the Board of Trustees of K-12 School District No. 72 (Big Sky), Gallatin County, Montana (the "District") be authorized to impose an increase in local taxes to support the General Fund in the amount of \$75,000, an increase in approximately 1.97 mills, for the purpose of providing funds to pay for operating expenses associated with teacher salaries? The passage of this levy will increase the taxes on a home with a market value of \$100,000 by approximately \$2.66, and on a home with a market value of \$200,000 by approximately \$5.32.	Corky Miller (406) 995-4281
Belgrade #44	Pass Creek #25 Springhill #20	1. Shall the District be authorized to increase the existing levy to the High School Building Reserve Fund from \$150,000 to \$250,000 per year and finance each year for ten (10) years of Belgrade High School District No. 44 for a total amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000)? The annual amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) is approximately 4.29 mills, and will be used for the purpose of general electrical system repairs and upgrades, mechanical system repairs and upgrades including HVAC and boilers, general and sports grounds maintenance and repairs, general and sports facility repairs, facility alterations and modifications, and general renovations of the High School District. Passage of this proposal will increase the annual taxes on a home with a value of \$100,000 by approximately \$2.32 and on a home with a value of 200,000 by approximately \$4.64.	Jay Bates (406) 924-2031
Bozeman High School #7	Anderson #41 Cottonwood #22 Gallatin Gateway #35 LaMotte #43 Malmberg #47 Monforton #27	1. Elect one (1) High School Trustee for a three-year term. 2. Shall the Bozeman High School District Trustees be authorized to impose an increase in over-base local taxes to support the General Fund in the amount of Five Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$515,000), which is an increase of approximately 2.09 mills for the purpose of properly maintaining and operating the programs of the district? Passage of this proposal will increase the annual taxes on a home with an assessed market value of \$100,000 by approximately \$2.82 and on a home with an assessed market value of \$200,000 by approximately \$5.64. The durational limit of the levy is intended to be permanent.	Mike Waterman (406) 522-6097
Manhattan HighSchool #3	Amsterdam #75 Pass Creek#25	1. Shall the district be authorized to impose an increase in local taxes to support the General Fund in the amount of \$143,673.16 which is approximately 9.73 mills for the purpose of properly operating and maintaining the Manhattan High School District? Passage of this proposal will increase the annual taxes on a home with an assessed market value of \$100,000 by approximately \$13.14/year and on a home with an assessed market value of \$200,000 by approximately \$26.28/year. The durational limit of the levy is permanent once approved by the voters, assuming the district levies that amount at least one in the next five years.	Ann Heisler (406) 284-6460
WestYellowstone K-12 #69	WestYellowstone K-12 #69	1. Elect two (2) trustees for three-year terms.	Norma Salinas (406) 646-7617

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**Return voted ballots by mail to the Gallatin County Election Office, or hand deliver to:
Gallatin County Election Office, 311 W. Main Street, Room 210, Bozeman, Montana
Monday-Friday, 8:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M. through May 3, 2021.
Election Day, May 4 - 7:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.
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For information about propositions being considered and/or trustee elections, you may contact the school officials listed above. For information about school elections, please contact Gallatin County Superintendent of Schools, Matthew Henry, at: 311 W. Main St., Room 107, Bozeman, MT 59715, (406) 582-3090.