

Issues 16 & 17

Investing in Our Avon Lake Schools & Community



On May 6, Avon Lake voters will decide on two critical issues that will impact the future of our schools and community.

Issues 16 and 17 provide the funding necessary to maintain and improve Avon Lake City Schools, ensuring that students continue to receive a high-quality education in safe, modern and well-equipped facilities.

Issues 16: \$88,085,000 Bond

This bond will address significant infrastructure needs across the district, including:



CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW MIDDLE SCHOOL (\$68 MILLION)

- Build a new facility for grades 5-8 at the current Learwood Middle School site.
- Enhance learning environments with state-of-the-art classrooms and technology.
- Improve safety with secure entrances and updated emergency systems.



REPAIRS & UPGRADES TO ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS (\$20 MILLION)

- HVAC system overhaul: Install ducted systems, **add air conditioning** and improve ventilation.
- Roof repairs and replacements: Address critical areas to **prevent leaks and structural issues**.
- Electrical system upgrades: Modernize panels, add circuits and transition to LED lighting.
- Plumbing system repairs: Replace outdated sanitary piping to prevent leaks.
- Accessibility improvements: Upgrade facilities for **inclusivity and accessibility**.
- Safety enhancements: Install or upgrade fire suppression systems and emergency generators.
- Cafeteria modernization: Upgrade kitchen equipment for efficient meal prep.
- Site condition improvements (budget permitting): Repair asphalt, sidewalks and address building-specific needs.

The renovations will extend the lifespan of our elementary schools by 20-25 years, ensuring they remain safe and functional for future generations.

Issue 17: \$3 Million Emergency Operating Levy

This levy is essential for maintaining daily operations, staffing and educational programs, preventing further cuts. Without it, the district may face:

- **Additional staff reductions:** Leading to larger class sizes and decreased individual attention for students.
- **Program reductions:** Possible elimination of extracurricular activities and specialized courses.
- **Deferred maintenance:** Inability to address necessary repairs, leading to more significant issues in the future.

The district has already made difficult budget cuts, including eliminating staff positions, increasing fees, cutting programs, reducing busing and closing Erieview Elementary at the end of the 2024-2025 school year. Without additional funding, these cuts will only get worse.

The Community's Investment

The combined investment for both Issues 16 and 17 is \$165 per year per \$100,000 in home value.

BOND (ISSUE 16)

\$96 per \$100,000 of home value
PER YEAR

EMERGENCY OPERATING LEVY (ISSUE 17)

\$69 per \$100,000 of home value
PER YEAR

Annual Investment for Issues 16 & 17

HOME VALUE	ISSUE 16 ANNUAL COST	ISSUE 17 ANNUAL COST	TOTAL COMBINED ANNUAL COST OF ISSUES 16 & 17
\$100,000	\$96	\$69	\$165
\$200,000	\$192	\$138	\$330
\$300,000	\$288	\$207	\$495
\$400,000	\$384	\$276	\$660
\$500,000	\$480	\$345	\$825

The Future of Avon Lake Depends on You

The strength of a community is reflected in the quality of its schools. Supporting Issues 16 and 17 is an investment in our children, our property values and the future of Avon Lake. Strong schools lead to a thriving community, attracting families and businesses while ensuring students receive the education they deserve.

Please stand with us to protect and improve our schools—vote YES on Issues 16 and 17 on May 6!

