

Information for Parents and Citizens

1¢ EDUCATIONAL SALES TAX REFERENDUM

November 3, 2020



WHAT IS AN EDUCATIONAL SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX (ESPLOST)?

An ESPLOST is the option for a local school system to call a referendum approving a one percent sales tax for school construction/renovations and/or retire debt. The penny sales tax spreads the responsibility of educating our children to all citizens and visitors of the community. Anyone who spends money in Lee County is funding the ESPLOST, regardless of whether or not the person lives in the county.

FACTS ABOUT CONTINUING THE 1 ¢ EDUCATIONAL SALES TAX

- **It is not a new sales tax**
- **An extension of the current sales tax, it is not an additional tax**
- Renewed Education Sales Tax starts after the current Educational Sales Tax ends.
- Sales tax paid by everyone who shops in Lee County including visitors.
- Provides modern, safe, and secure school facilities for Lee County children.
- Quality schools promote a better future for our students and economic growth for our community.

What will the continued 1¢ Educational Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (ESPLOST) provide for Lee County students? The proposed projects include:

- Remodel Lee County Primary School
- Construction of a new gym at Lee County High School
- Upgrading and purchasing technology
- Updating playgrounds at Pre-K, Butterfly Kisses, and Lee County Elementary
- Improving traffic flow at LCHS Ninth Grade Campus
- Enhancing baseball and softball facilities
- Purchase new school buses
- Retire debt

EARLY VOTING: Lee County Elections Office 100 Starksville Avenue, North Suite C Leesburg, Georgia 31763 Monday – Friday, October 12 -30 – 8:15- 5:00 / Saturday, October 24 – 9:00-4:00

Redbone Fire Station #5 1286 Graves Springs Road Leesburg, Georgia 31763 Saturday, October 17 – 9:00-4:00

The Bindery at Oakland Library 445 Oakland Parkway West Leesburg, Georgia 31763 Monday – Thursday, October 19 -22 3:30-7:30