

BOARD REPORT

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Superintendent Dave Bernhardson
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DATE: Monday, July 13, 2026

TOPIC/PURPOSE OF REPORT: Resolution Relating to Renewing the Expiring Capital Project Levy Authorization of the School District and Calling a Special Election Thereon

REFERENCE TO POLICY/STRATEGIC PLAN: Policy 201 Legal Status of the School Board

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION: Action Item

DATE FOR BOARD ACTION: Monday, July 13, 2026

REPORT

The school board of Independent School District No. 199 (Inver Grove Heights) has proposed a capital project levy authorization of 2.1724% times the net tax capacity of the school district. This authorization would renew the school district's existing authorization which is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2027. The proposed capital project levy authorization will raise approximately \$1,184,795 for taxes payable in 2028, the first year it is to be levied, and would be authorized for ten years. The estimated total cost of the projects to be funded over that time period is approximately \$11,847,950. The additional revenue from the proposed capital project levy authorization will provide funds for the purchase of textbooks, curriculum materials, musical instruments, classroom furnishings, equipment, technology and software for student achievement.

This ballot question is contingent upon School Board approval to submit the Capital Projects Levy Review and Comment to the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) and subsequent approval by MDE. If both approvals are received, the following question will appear on the November 3, 2026 ballot.

School District Question 1 Renewal of Expiring Capital Project Levy

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student achievement. The projects to be funded have received a positive Review and Comment from the Commissioner of Education.



Yes

Shall the renewal of the capital project levy authorization proposed by the school board by Independent School District No. 199 be approved?



No

BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING TO RENEW AN EXISTING CAPITAL PROJECTS REFERENDUM THAT IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE.

See attached resolution for further details.

RECOMMENDATION

For the board of education to approve the Resolution Relating to Renewing the Expiring Capital Project Levy Authorization of the School District and Calling a Special Election Thereon.