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### **Overview of Indianapolis Public Schools**



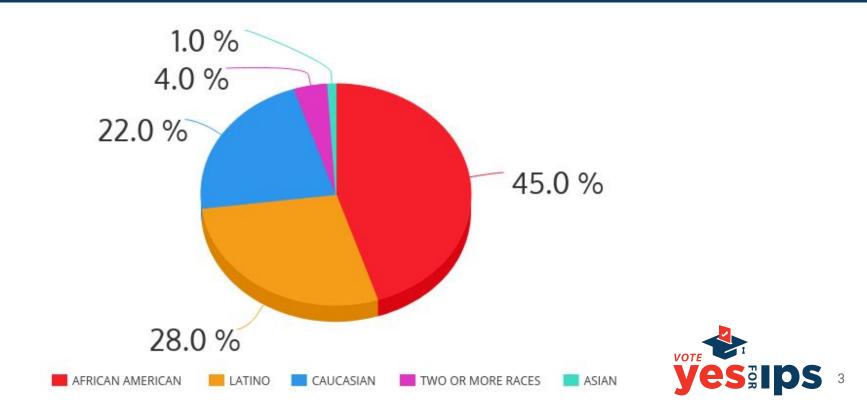




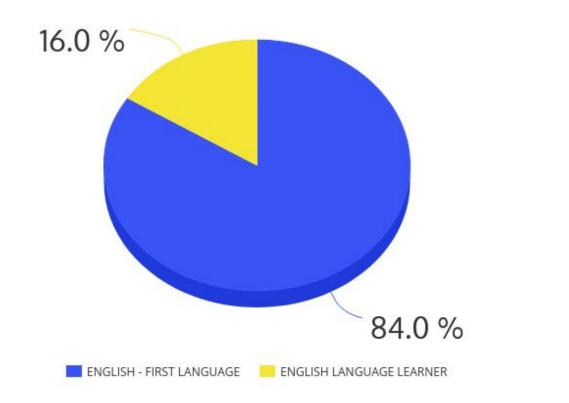




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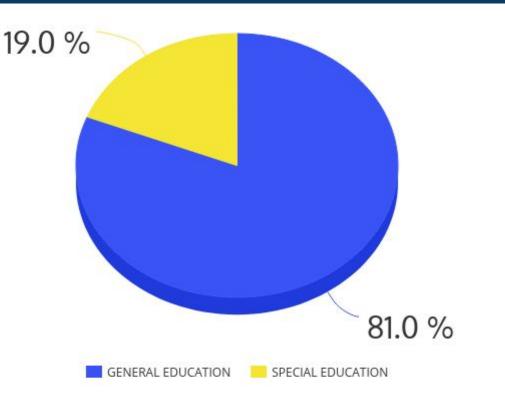


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# Indianapolis Public Schools (IPS) is pursuing an **OPERATING AND CAPITAL REFERENDA** for

November 2018



#### WHY?

- To provide the District safer schools and higher-quality education for all students
- To continue its effort to ensure increased and competitive compensation for teachers



#### The OPERATING REFERENDUM will:

- Generate additional funds for eight calendar years
- Provide employees with an annual salary increase
- Maintain health care benefits with minimal additional costs to employees



#### The CAPITAL REFERENDUM will:

- Enhance the safety and security at all IPS-owned facilities
- This includes: exterior lighting, technology upgrades, and modernized classroom-locking mechanisms to keep both students and staff safe



#### The CAPITAL REFERENDUM breakdown:

- Construction & Renovation (21.67%): \$11,200,000
- Safety & Security (78.33%): \$40,478,100
- Grand Total: \$51,678,100

\*Detailed report available: bit.ly/ipscapital



#### **IPS has Experienced Significant Cuts to Funding**



IPS HAS NOT PURSUED A REFERENDUM SINCE 2008, WHILE MOST MARION COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATIONS AND SURROUNDING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS HAVE.



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Despite this, IPS has invested **\$8.8 million annually** from SY 2015–16 to SY 2017–18 to provide teacher raises and maintain cost-neutral benefits



#### Monthly Illustrative Tax Impact For \$0.1960 Annual Operating Referendum Tax Rate and \$52,000,000 Capital Referendum

Market Value of Property	Net Assessed Value (1)	Operating Referendum (2) \$0.1960 tax rate	Capital Referendum (3) \$52,000,000	Total Estimated Referenda
\$50,000 Home	\$10,000	\$1.63	\$0.28	\$1.91
\$75,300 Home (4)	\$16,695	\$2.73	\$0.46	\$3.19
\$125,000 Home	\$49,000	\$8.00	\$1.36	\$9.36
\$150,000 Home	\$65,250	\$10.66	\$1.81	\$12.47
\$200,000 Home	\$97,750	\$15.96	\$2.70	\$18.66
\$500,000 Home	\$292,750	\$47.80	\$8.10	\$55.90
\$1,000,000 Home	\$653,250	\$106.67	\$18.07	\$124.74
Commercial/Rental Property	\$100,000	\$16.33	\$2.77	\$19.10

- (1) Tax impact based upon net assessed valuation of home, which includes the standard deduction, supplemental homestead deduction and the mortgage deduction.
- (2) Based upon the 2018 certified net assessed value of \$10,738,720,168, including TIF assessed value of \$3,295,260,925 per the Marion County budget order, with 2.6% annual growth assumed thereafter. Assumes financial institutions/license excise factor of 0.0%. Per \$100 of assessed value.
- (3) Based upon the 2018 certified net assessed value of \$10,738,720,168, including TIF assessed value of \$3,295,260,925 per the Marion County budget order, with no growth assumed thereafter. Assumes financial institutions/license excise factor of 5.0%. Per \$100 of assessed value.
- (4) Median home value within Indianapolis Public Schools, per Marion County pay 2018 property tax billing statements.



# **Strong Financial Stewardship**

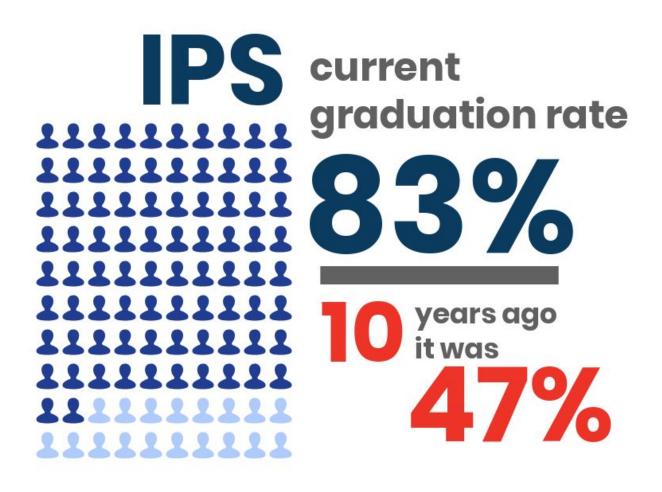
- ✓ Sold former Coca-Cola Bottling Plant for mixed-use redevelopment (Mass Ave.) to realize \$12M in one-time revenue. Bus fleet maintenance is now outsourced
- ✓ Rightsizing the IPS Central Office to reduce expenditures by \$5.3M annually
- Sold P.R. Mallory/Ford building for redevelopment (Washington St.) to realize \$1.65M in one-time revenue. District warehousing is now outsourced.
- Refinanced the District's debt portfolio to lower debt service by approximately \$1.5M annually



# **Strong Financial Stewardship**

- Listed FMD property for sale and sold three properties for an *estimated* \$4.25M in one-time revenue. Operations functions have been relocated to school facilities.
- Sold unused school facilities to realize \$1.15M in one-time revenue for the District, while also spurring redevelopment for the city.
- Sold Center for Instructional Radio & Television (CIRT) property (Fountain Sq.) for \$1.1M in one-time revenue.
- ✓ Leasing facilities to education partners, capturing \$736.5K in annual lease revenue.







### **Commitment to Healthy Students**







**30,000** FREE MEALS SERVED DURING

FALL, WINTER AND SPRING BREAKS



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# **Keeping Our Own Financial House**





IN THE SAME TIME FRAME, OUR PEER DISTRICTS HAVE SEEN A 14.5% INCREASE



IN REVENUE FROM RIGHT-SIZING REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS AND LEASE PAYMENTS FROM CHARTER SCHOOL OPERATORS UNDER DR. FEREBEE AND SCHOOL BOARD



# Keeping Our Own Financial House

#### \$1.5 MILLION SAVED **ANNUALLY**

BY RE-FINANCING IPS DEBT PORTFOLIO TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF LOWER INTEREST RATES



**111 25% OF PROPERTIES** 

WITHIN IPS ARE TAX EXEMPT, INCLUDING: INDIANA STATE FAIRGROUNDS, THE WAR MEMORIALS DISTRICT, IUPUI, AND FEDERAL, STATE AND CITY PROPERTIES

#### **THOUSANDS OF ABANDONED HOMES**

MEANS LOSING MILLIONS IN REVENUE. MORE THAN ANY OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICT IN MARION COUNTY.



# **Referenda Facts and Figures**





OF THE OPERATING REFERENDUM WILL BE DEDICATED TO CONTINUING EFFORTS TO MAKE COMPENSATION MORE COMPETITIVE







### The Facts on the District's Previous Surplus

- Reported deficits of nearly \$30 million were inaccurate. This was confirmed by two independent audits.
- Revised accounting approach resulted in IPS being approximately \$8 million in the black.
- Steadily decreasing state revenues, inflation, increases to teacher pay and holding employee benefits neutral quickly depleted our \$8 million surplus.



# If the Referenda fails...

- Reducing services at schools in some of the city's most challenged neighborhoods
- IPS won't be able to compete with other districts for teacher compensation and keeping health care costs neutral for personnel
- Could force hundreds of teachers to be laid off
- Severely damage morale at our schools



# If the Referenda passes...

- IPS will remain competitive for teacher and school leader salaries
- IPS will continue its on-going efforts to have the safest and most secure school buildings and grounds in Indianapolis
- The District will continue to have the necessary resources to fund its dynamic special needs program
- Continue and enhance the District's popular Choice Programs



### **Get Involved!**

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