Attention:

Voting on May 6, 2025 for the St Johns Public Schools Bond will be at the Maple Rapids Community Center from 7 am - 8 pm.

The official ballot language follows.

St. Johns Public Schools Bond Proposal

Shall St. Johns Public Schools, Clinton and Gratiot Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Ninety-Nine Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$99,750,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, in one or more series, for the purpose of:

remodeling, furnishing and refurnishing, and equipping and re-equipping school buildings, including for school security; erecting, furnishing, and equipping additions to school buildings; erecting, furnishing, and equipping new school facilities; acquiring and installing instructional technology; equipping, preparing, developing, and improving athletic fields and facilities, playgrounds, and sites; and purchasing school buses?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2025, under current law, is 2.14 mills (\$2.14 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a 0.00 mill net increase over the prior year's levy. The maximum number of years the bonds of any series may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, is thirty (30) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 4.38 mills (\$4.38 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation).

The school district expects to borrow from the State School Bond Qualification and Loan Program to pay debt service on these bonds. The estimated total principal amount of that borrowing is \$18,987,609 and the estimated total interest to be paid thereon is \$12,236,243.

The estimated duration of the millage levy associated with that borrowing is 18 years and the estimated computed millage rate for such levy is 7.00 mills. The estimated computed millage rate may change based on changes in certain circumstances.

The total amount of qualified bonds currently outstanding is \$57,655,000. The total amount of qualified loans currently outstanding is approximately \$1,147,498.

(Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.