

## How Levy Will be Utilized

After the levy failed in May, the Board reduced the proposed 2013—14 budget by 1,775,106 dollars. These cuts included 20.7 staff positions.

The \$1,400,000 levy will restore 15.7 positions along with operating budgets, maintenance projects, and sports programs. Following are items to be restored:

- ◆ High School Spanish & math teachers
- ◆ 1st & 4th grade teachers
- ◆ Middle & High School library aides
- ◆ Kindergarten aides
- ◆ Special ed. & classroom teacher aides
- ◆ Alternative school counselor position
- ◆ School psychologist
- ◆ Assistant superintendent position
- ◆ Elementary keyboarding/tech aide
- ◆ Maintenance position
- ◆ Increase resource officer contract
- ◆ Middle School girls & boys B sports
- ◆ Freshman & sophomore football & volleyball (funded for fall of 2013)
- ◆ Elementary workbooks
- ◆ Textbook budgets
- ◆ MyOn Reader
- ◆ Restore salary and benefit reductions
- ◆ Cover High School domes
- ◆ Numerous maintenance projects (such as heating units at Middle School, worn out flooring, bathroom repairs, etc.)

## Restored for One Year Only

To reduce the impact on students, 5 positions were restored with reserve and Payette River Regional Technical Academy funds. These included a 1st grade teacher, Math teacher, Psychologist, & two aides. If the new levy passes these will be funded in the 2014—2015 school year.

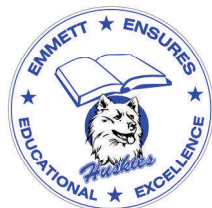
### When is the election?

Tuesday, August 27, 2013 from 8am-8pm

### What precinct do I vote in?

Voters must vote in the precinct in which they reside. **Voter Information & Registration** can be found at <http://idahovotes.gov> or contact the Gem County Clerk at 208.365.4561

- 01 Central ..... Catholic Hall
- 02 North Emmett .... American Legion Hall
- 03 Butteview ..... Presbyterian Church
- 04 South Emmett .... Lutheran Church
- 05 West Emmett ..... 4H Build./Co Fairgrounds
- 06 Emerson ..... 4H Build./Co Fairgrounds
- 07 Lincoln ..... Armory
- 08 Letha ..... Letha LDS Church
- 09 Hanna ..... Letha LDS Church
- 10 Brick ..... Nazarene Church
- 11 Bench ..... Nazarene Church
- 12 Sweet/Montour .. Syringa Hall
- 13 Ola ..... Community Hall
- 14 Absentee ..... Gem County Courthouse



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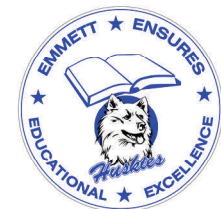
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## School Levy Election Aug. 27th

Emmett School District is asking for approval of a 1.4 million dollar levy for the next 2 years for a total of 2.8 million dollars.

This levy will cover funding shortfalls due to the drastic decreases in State and Federal funding and will be used to build on our positive progress in student achievement by:

- ◆ Retaining **teachers, instructional aides, coaches, and safety staff**
- ◆ Maintaining **manageable class sizes**
- ◆ **Preventing loss** of educational programs, keyboarding, athletics, and activities
- ◆ Funding for textbooks, elementary **workbooks**, and school supplies
- ◆ **Re-roofing** of the 25 year old high school
- ◆ **Maintenance funds** to keep the schools functioning safely.



Emmett Independent School District

## Budget Reductions

## What Will The Levy Cost Me?

## Worth Investing.....

Emmett School District continually works to insure that tax payer dollars are used effectively and efficiently. With the failure of the May levy the Board approved a budget that is less than the district has spent in 11 years.

In 2011 \$848,000 in reductions were made by cutting teachers, administrators, staff, and consolidating buildings.

In 2013 **ongoing cuts of \$241,501** have been made by **reducing teachers and aides** at Black Canyon, Carberry, Sweet, & Ola.

### Maintenance Projects

The Board listened to the results of a survey of registered voters in June and eliminated the elevator at the Middle School from this levy. There was support for re-covering the domes. After 25 years it is essential that we replace the roof (dome coverings). Even though many would like a new High School we need these buildings for many years into the future. A new high school would cost about \$50 million.



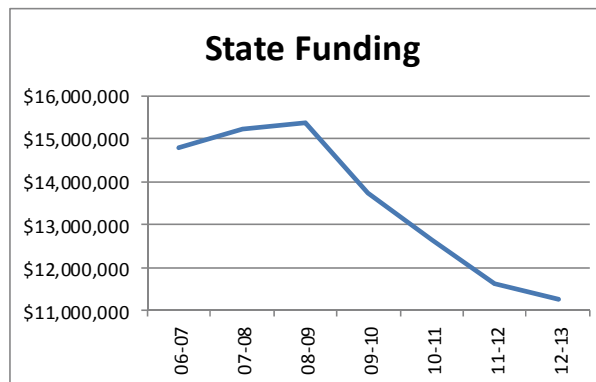
Outside of the domes at Emmett High School

The proposed levy will **replace the current levies** that expired in June 2013. This levy is \$298,000 per year more than the current Supplemental and Emergency levies.

Property owners are currently paying **\$1.85/\$1000** in taxable value. With the **proposed levy** the rate would be **\$2.34/\$1000** or \$49 more per year for \$100,000 in taxable value.

As an example, a typical homeowner with a house assessed at **\$150,000** and a **homeowner's exemption of \$75,000** currently **pays \$138.67**. This will increase to **\$176.17** or an **increase of \$37.50 per year**.

### Reductions in School Funding



To cover the **reductions in State funding**, most school districts in Idaho have **had to turn to supplemental levies and** hiring less teachers than allocated by the State.



**Emmett School District** has continued to improve programs and course offerings to prepare students to be **college and career ready**. From 2005 to 2012 we have **increased the percentage of students going to college by 11.6%**. Emmett students have opportunities to **earn college credit** for courses taken **while still in high school**.

Through **grant funds**, ESD has also implemented several **innovative programs** including: **Go On Challenge, Fuel up to Play 360, Khan Academy & Ipad Minis, High Tech Classrooms, and Kinder Ready**.

### Learn More

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