

TRE Ballot Explanation and Sample Ballot

TRE Ballot Tax Rate Explanation

The \$1.33228 tax rate listed on the ballot is in place as a failsafe or protection against a majority vote “against” the TRE. By raising the rate by the same 13 pennies that we ultimately want to “move” to the M&O fund, if a majority of voters say “no” to the TRE, we will still have the pennies in I&S fund that we need to pay our debts. If we did not structure it this way and the TRE did not pass, we would end up with an M&O rate of \$1.04 and an I&S rate of \$0.03228 and not have enough total pennies to pay our debt without going into our fund balance or District “savings” account.

In good faith to the community, the board has already passed the ordinance stating that if the TRE is approved, the I&S rate will be reduced by 13¢ keeping the overall rate at \$1.20228 (M&O \$1.17 and I&S \$0.03228) and the District will get the \$500,000 for our students.

Sample Ballot is below

**WEST HARDIN COUNTY CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
SARATOGA, TEXAS
SPECIAL ELECTION
Saturday, August 25, 2018**

*ELECCIÓN ESPECIAL DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE WEST HARDIN COUNTY CONSOLIDATED
SARATOGA, TEXAS
sábado, 25 agosto*

**OFFICIAL BALLOT
(BOLETA OFICIAL)**

*TAX RATIFICATION ELECTION
ELECCIÓN PARA LA RATIFICACION DE IMPUESTOS*

Instruction Note: Place an “X” in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vot
(Instrucciones: Indique con una “x” su voto a favor o en contra de la ratificación.)

**FOR
A FAVOR**

APPROVING THE AD VALOREM TAX RATE OF \$1.33228 PER \$100 VALUATION IN THE WEST HARDIN COUNTY CONSOLIDATED ISD FOR THE CURRENT YEAR, A RATE THAT IS \$0.13 HIGHER PER \$100 VALUATION THAN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ROLLBACK TAX RATE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF GENERATING AN ADDITIONAL \$500,000 AT A FINAL TAX RATE OF \$1.20228, WHICH IS THE SAME AS THE 2017 TAX RATE. *If voters approve the \$1.33228 tax rate, the Board of Trustees has already voted to reduce the I&S rate by \$0.13, which will reduce the total tax rate to \$1.20228, which is equal to the tax rate for 2017.*

**AGAINST
EN CONTRA**

DE LA APROBACION DE LA TASA DE IMPUESTOS DE \$1.33228 POR CADA \$100 AL VALOR DE LA PROPIEDAD EN EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE WEST HARDIN COUNTY CONSOLIDATED PARA EL AÑO EN CURSO. LO CUAL ES \$0.13 POR CADA \$100 POR ENCIMA DEL VALOR DE LA TAZA DE IMPUESTOS RETROACTIVA DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR. CON EL PROPOSITO DE GENERAR \$500,000 ADICIONALES A UNA TASA DE IMPUESTOS FINAL DE \$ 1.20228, QUE ES LA MISMA QUE LA TASA DE IMPUESTOS DE 2017.