IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Referendum - April 9, 2013

On the heels of four straight years of significant budget cuts, the Millburn 24 School Board voted unanimously to place a question on the April 9, 2013 ballot asking taxpayers for additional support for the education of Millburn students. Millburn District 24 will run a referendum to offset the recent reductions in state and federal education funding. The cost of an estimated \$114 per \$100,000 of current market value will help **lower average class sizes**, help fund the statewide transition to a more rigorous curriculum, and **preserve art**, **music**, **technology**, **band**, **choir**, **and other extracurricular activities**. In consideration of the financial situation of district residents as well as economic forecasts, the district has requested the minimum necessary funding to avoid further program cuts. Taxpayers who currently pay \$10,000 per year in taxes will see an increase in the range of \$320-400 per year. This is about 4% of the overall tax bill. This equates to around \$1 per day or less for most taxpayers in our district.

Quick Hits

- *Millburn receives \$1.3 million less per year in State and Federal funding in 2013 than it did in 2010.
- *The Millburn Board made reductions totaling of 3.3 million since 2010.
- *Millburn class sizes have increased from an average of 19 to an average of 30.
- * Total Millburn administrative salaries are less in 2013 than in 2005.
- *The Millburn Board refinanced \$6 million in bonds to save taxpayers \$300,000.

Referendum Information Sessions

Please consider attending one of the referendum information sessions on March 14 or March 16. The referendum session on **Thursday, March 14** will be held in the Elementary School cafeteria at 7:00PM. The referendum session on **Saturday, March 16** will be held in the Middle School cafeteria at 10:00AM. There will be a short presentation followed by time for questions and answers.

** Please visit www.millburn24 for more detailed information**