

Illinois School Referenda Results—2006 General Election

There were 52 referenda introduced by 46 Illinois school districts in the November 7, 2006, general election. These school referenda are sorted into four general types: tax, bond, miscellaneous, and advisory, and each is further categorized into several more detailed categories, such as build/construct, offices/boards/commissions, school/education, boundary change, etc.

Among the 52 referenda, 28 are tax referenda and all in the category of school/education, all of the 17 bond referenda are in the category of build/construct, and the remaining seven are sorted into miscellaneous and advisory referenda: school/education (4), offices/boards/commissions issues (2), and school boundary change–advisory (1). A summary of results, obtained on and after November 8, 2006, from participating school districts, county election departments, and the Illinois State Board of Elections, is listed in the following table.

SCHOOL REFERENDA RESULTS—GENERAL ELECTION, November 7, 2006						
Referendum Type	Category	Failed		Passed		Total
		#	%	#	%	
Tax	School/Education	19	68	9	32	28
	Subtotal	19	68	9	32	28
Bond	Build/Construct	7	41	10	59	17
	Subtotal	7	41	10	59	17
Miscellaneous	Offices/Boards/Commissions	2	100	0		2
	School/Education	0		1	100	1
	Subtotal	2	67	1	33	3
Advisory	Boundary Change	0		1	100	1
	School/Education	0		3	100	3
	Subtotal	0		4	100	4
Grand Total		28	54	24	46	52

Overall, 46 percent of the 52 referenda passed. The bond referenda fared better than the tax referenda, with a 59 percent passing rate. Voters did not approve 68 percent of the tax referenda in this election.

Detailed descriptions of all the school referenda, participating schools, and the voting results follow.

For further information on this report, please contact the Data Analysis and Progress Reporting Division at 217/782-3950.

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District Name	Jurisdiction	Referenda Type	Category	Result	Description
Ashton-Franklin Center Community Unit School District 275	LEE, OGLE	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the maximum annual tax rate for educational purposes for Ashton-Franklin Center CUSD 275, Lee and Ogle counties, be increased and established at 3.75%?
Astoria CU School District 1	FULTON, SCHUYLER	Tax	School/Education	Pass	Shall the maximum annual tax rate for educational purposes of Astoria Community Unit School District 1, counties of Fulton and Schuyler, be established at 3.60%?
Atwood Heights School District 125	COOK	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Atwood Heights School District 125, Cook County, be increased by an additional amount equal to .50% above the limiting rate for levy year 2005?
Aviston School District 21	CLINTON, MADISON	Bond	Build/Construct	Pass	Shall the Board of Education of Aviston School District 21, Clinton and Madison counties, build, equip, repair, and improve Aviston Elementary School Building and issue bonds to the amount of \$1,250,000 for paying the costs thereof?
Barrington CU School District 220	COOK, KANE, LAKE, McHENRY	Bond	Build/Construct	Fail	Shall the Board of Education of Barrington CUSD 220, Lake, Cook, Kane, and McHenry counties build, repair, and equip two school buildings and issue bonds to the amount of \$87,500,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?
Barrington CU School District 220	COOK, KANE, LAKE, McHENRY	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Barrington CUSD 220, Lake, Cook, Kane, and McHenry counties, be increased .15% for levy year 2005?
Belvidere Community School District 100	BOONE, DeKALB, McHENRY	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Belvidere CUSD 100, Boone, McHenry, and DeKalb counties, be increased to .65% for levy year 2005?
Big Hollow School District 38	LAKE	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Big Hollow School District 38, Lake County, be increased an additional amount equal to 1.35%?
Bradford CU School District 1	BUREAU, MARSHALL, STARK	Miscellaneous	Offices/Boards/Commissions	Fail	Shall Bradford CUSD 1 elect board members at-large rather than electing them by area of residence within the district pursuant to Section 10-10.5 of the School Code?
Bradley-Bourbonnais High School District 307	KANKAKEE	Bond	Build/Construct	Fail	Shall the Board of Education of Bradley-Bourbonnais Community High School District 307, Kankakee County, improve, alter, build, and equip a school building and issue bonds to the amount of \$41,000,000 for said purposes?
Bradley-Bourbonnais High School District 307	KANKAKEE	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Bradley-Bourbonnais Community High School District 307 be increased by an amount equal to .20%?
Cass School District 63	DuPAGE	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Cass School District 63, DuPage County, be increased by an additional amount equal to .4%?
Clay City CU School District 10	CLAY, RICHLAND, WAYNE	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the maximum annual rate for educational purposes for Clay City Community Unit School District 10, counties of Clay, Richland, and Wayne, be increased and established at 3.03% instead of 2.10%?
Creston Consolidated School District 161	DeKALB, LEE, OGLE	Tax	School/Education	Pass	Shall the maximum tax rate for the Creston Consolidated School District 161, Ogle, DeKalb, and Lee Counties Education Fund be established at .0238% instead of .0197%?
Darien Public School District 61	DuPAGE	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Darien Public School District 61, DuPage County, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.35%?
Deer Creek-Mackinaw School District 701	TAZEWELL, WOODFORD	Bond	Build/Construct	Pass	Shall the Board of Education of Deer Creek-Mackinaw CUSD 701, Tazewell and Woodford counties, build and equip an addition to the high school and issue bonds to the amount of \$5,430,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?
East Aurora School District 131	KANE	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Increase Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for the East Aurora School District 131 from .85% to 3.764% for levy years 2006, 2007, 2008, and 2009?
Elementary School District 159	COOK	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Elementary School District 159, Cook County, be increased by an additional amount equal to .27% above the limiting rate for levy year 2005?
Elmhurst CU School District 205	COOK, DuPAGE	Advisory	School/Education	Pass	Shall Elmhurst CUSD 205 implement a written policy to permit high school students with "lunch labs" that periodically overlap with other classes be permitted to enroll in both classes if not rendered chronically absent?
Fieldcrest CU School District 6	LaSALLE, LIVINGSTON, MARSHALL, WOODFORD	Tax	School/Education	Pass	Shall the annual tax rate for the educational purposes fund for Fieldcrest CUSD 6, Woodford, LaSalle, Livingston, and Marshall counties, be established at 3.625% instead of 2.975%?
Franklin Park School District 84	COOK	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Franklin Park School District Number 84, Cook County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to .50% above the limiting rate for levy year 2005 ?
Germantown School District 60	CLINTON	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the maximum annual tax rate for educational purposes for Germantown School District 60, Clinton County, be increased and established at 1.17% instead of 0.92%?

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Germantown School District 60	CLINTON	Bond	Build/Construct	Fail	Shall the Board of Education of Germantown School District 60, Clinton County, build, equip, and improve the Germantown Elementary School and issue bonds to the amount of \$2,100,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?
Glenbrook Township High School District 225	COOK	Bond	Build/Construct	Pass	Shall the Board of Education of Glenbrook Township High School District 225, Cook County, improve the sites of, build, equip, alter, repair, and equip school buildings and issue bonds to the amount of \$94,000,000 for paying the costs thereof?
J. Sterling Morton Township High School District 201	COOK	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for J. Sterling Morton Township High School District 201, Cook County, be increased by an additional amount equal to .75% above the limiting rate for levy year 2005?
Kansas CU School District 3	CLARK, COLES, EDGAR	Miscellaneous	Offices/Boards/Commissions	Fail	Shall members of the Board of Education of Kansas CUSD 3, Edgar, Clark, and Coles counties, be elected in 2006 and thereafter, at-large and without restriction as to area of residence?
Lake Forest CU School District 115	LAKE	Bond	Build/Construct	Pass	Shall the Board of Education of Lake Forest CUSD 115, Lake County, build, equip, improve, and repair Lake Forest CUSD's school buildings and issue bonds up to the amount of \$54,000,000 for paying the costs thereof?
Lincolnshire-Prairie View School District 103	LAKE	Tax	School/Education	Pass	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Lincolnshire-Prairie View School District 103, Lake County, be increased an additional amount equal to .38%?
Litchfield CU School District 12	MACOUPIN, MONTGOMERY	Bond	Build/Construct	Fail	Shall the Board of Education of Litchfield CU School District 12, Montgomery and Macoupin counties, build, equip, and repair said school and issue bonds to the amount of \$2,000,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?
Marion CU School District 2	JOHNSON, WILLIAMSON	Bond	Build/Construct	Pass	Shall the Board of Education of Marion Community Unit School District 2, Williamson and Johnson counties, improve, build, and equip a high school building and issue bonds to the amount of \$20,000,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?
Minooka Community Consolidated School District 201	GRUNDY, KENDALL, WILL	Bond	Build/Construct	Fail	Shall the Board of Education of Minooka CCSD 201, Grundy, Kendall, and Will counties, build, equip new school buildings, and issue bonds to the amount of \$49,000,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?
Mundelein Consolidated High School District 120	LAKE	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Mundelein Consolidated High School 120, Lake County, be increased an additional amount equal to .24%?
N. Berwyn Elem. School Dist. 98 & S. Berwyn Elem. School Dist. 100 & W. Morton High	COOK	Advisory	Boundary Changes	Pass	Would you be in favor of combining North Berwyn Elementary School District 98, South Berwyn Elementary School District 100, and Morton West High School into a single, consolidated school district?
North Boone Community School District 200	BOONE, WINNEBAGO	Bond	Build/Construct	Pass	Shall the Board of Education of North Boone CUSD 200, Boone and Winnebago counties, acquire and improve school sites and issue bonds to the amount of \$10,000,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?
O'Fallon Community Consolidated School District 90	ST. CLAIR	Bond	Build/Construct	Pass	Shall the Board of Education of O'Fallon CCSD 90, St. Clair County, build and equip a new junior high school building and issue bonds of said school district in the amount of \$26,000,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?
Oak Lawn Community High School District 229	COOK	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Oak Lawn Community High School District 229, Cook County, be increased by an additional amount equal to .22% above the limiting rate for levy year 2005?
Oswego CU School District 308	CITY OF AURORA, KANE, KENDALL, WILL	Bond	Build/Construct	Pass	Shall the Board of Education of Oswego CUSD 308, Kendall, Kane, and Will counties, build, equip, and repair school buildings and issue bonds to the amount of \$450,000,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?
Pekin School District 108	TAZEWELL	Advisory	School/Education	Pass	Shall the voters authorize and expect immediate steps and actions of and by school district officials, to seek the consolidation of Pekin School District 108 with Pekin Community High School District 2022?
Prairie Grove Consolidated School District 46	McHENRY	Bond	Build/Construct	Fail	Shall the Board of Education of Prairie Grove Consolidated Community School District 46, McHenry County, acquire, improve, build, and equip a school building and issue bonds to the amount of \$25,000,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?
Prairie Grove Consolidated School District 46	McHENRY	Advisory	School/Education	Pass	Shall Prairie Grove Consolidated School District 46 use excess property tax proceeds on hand to reduce the district's bond and interest levies as long as the district's cash reserves are greater than four months?
Rhodes School District 84-1/2	COOK	Tax	School/Education	Pass	Shall the debt service extension base under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Rhodes School District 84-1/2, Cook County, Illinois, for payment of principal and interest on limited bonds be established at \$450,000 for 2006 levy year?
Ridgewood Community High School District 234	COOK	Bond	Build/Construct	Pass	Shall the Board of Education of Ridgewood Community High School District 234, Cook County, build, equip, alter, and repair the Ridgewood High School building and issue bonds to the amount of \$40,000,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?

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Ridgewood Community High School District 234	COOK	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Ridgewood Community High School District 234, Cook County, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.60% above the limiting rate for levy year 2005?
Riley Community Consolidated School District 18	McHENRY	Tax	School/Education	Pass	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Riley Community Consolidated School District 18, McHenry County, be increased an additional amount equal to .43% above the limiting rate for levy year 2005?
Rock Falls Elementary School District 13	WHITESIDE	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the maximum annual rate for educational purposes for Rock Falls Elementary School District 13, county of Whiteside, be increased and established at 1.75% instead of 1.25%?
Rockford School District 205	BOONE, WINNEBAGO	Tax	School/Education	Pass	Shall the annual tax rate for education purposes of Rockford School District 205, Winnebago and Boone counties, be maintained for five years at the current rate of 3.70%?
Schiller Park School District 81	COOK	Tax	School/Education	Fail	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Schiller Park School District 81, Cook County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to .29% above the limiting rate for levy year 2005?
Schiller Park School District 81	COOK	Bond	Build/Construct	Fail	Shall the Board of Education of Schiller Park School District 81, Cook County, Illinois, build and equip a new middle school and improve the site thereof, remove the existing middle school, and issue bonds to the amount of \$19,700,000?
South Fork School District 14	CHRISTIAN	Bond	Build/Construct	Pass	Shall the Board of Education of South Fork School District 14, Christian County, build, equip, and repair the Elementary, Jr., and Sr. High Schools and issue bonds of said school district to the amount of \$1,200,000?
Triopia CU School District 27	CASS, MORGAN, SCOTT	Tax	School/Education	Pass	Shall the maximum annual tax rate for educational purposes for Triopia CUSD 27, counties of Morgan, Cass, and Scott, be increased and established at 2.65% instead of 1.95%?
United Community School District 304	HENDERSON, KNOX, MERCER, WARREN	Miscellaneous	School/Education	Pass	Shall the United CUSD 304, counties of Knox, Mercer, and Warren, annex and simultaneously dissolve the entire Yorkwood CUSD 225, counties of Henderson, Mercer, and Warren?
Winthrop Harbor School District 1	LAKE	Tax	School/Education	Pass	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Winthrop Harbor School District 1, Lake County, be increased an additional amount equal to .45%?
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