

**NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
HARRIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Harris County Department of Education will be held on the **20th day of September 2023 during the 1:00 p.m. Board Meeting**. The Public Hearing will be held in the Board Room, 400A, of the Administration Building, 6300 Irvington Boulevard, Houston Texas. Such a posting is a **PUBLIC HEARING**.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action might be taken are on the Agenda following.

Additionally, from time to time an issue will be raised concerning an item on our agenda that had not been anticipated. The issue, while within the scope of the agenda topic, may be one that is required or authorized by law to be considered in executive session rather than in public session. In order for the Board to consider such issue in executive session, rather than postpone consideration of it until the next board meeting, the Board lists below most if not all be all of the sections of the Open Meetings Act that address the purposes for which the Board may lawfully meet in executive/closed session. The Board's purpose is not to meet in executive session to consider matters not on the agenda for the meeting. Instead, its purpose is to efficiently and timely conduct its business in accordance with the law.

Therefore, if, during the course of the meeting on agenda items covered by this Notice, the Board should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Board should be held or is required in relation to any item included in this notice, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by Section 551.001 et seq. of the Texas Government Code (the *Open Meetings Act*) will be held by the Board at the date, hour, and place given in this notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice as the Board may conveniently meet in such closed or executive meeting or session concerning any and all subjects and purposes authorized by Sections 551.071- 551.084, inclusive, of the *Open Meetings Act*, including, but not limited to:

- Section 551.071 For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects matters authorized by law.*
- Section 551.072 For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.*
- Section 551.073 For the purpose of considering a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation.*
- Section 551.074 For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee.*
- Section 551.076 To consider the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices.*
- Section 551.082 For the purpose of considering discipline of a public school child or children or to hear a complaint by an employee against another employee if the complaint or charge directly results in a need for a hearing.*
- Section 551.083 For the purpose of considering the standards, guidelines, terms or conditions the Board will follow, or instruct its representatives to follow, in consultation with representatives of employee groups in connection with consultation agreements provided for by Section 13.901 of the Texas Education Code.*
- Section 551.084 For the purpose of excluding witness or witnesses from a hearing during examination of another witness.*

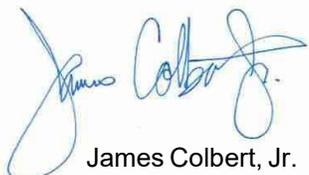
Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the Board with regard to any matter considered in such closed or executive session, then such final action, final decision, or final vote shall be at either: a) the open meeting covered by this notice upon the reconvening of this public meeting, or b) at a subsequent public meeting of the Board upon notice thereof, as the Board shall determine.

**James Colbert, Jr.**  
**County School Superintendent**



**Board of Trustees Public Hearing**  
**Date: September 20, 2023**  
**Time: 1:00 p.m.**  
**Location: 6300 Irvington Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77022**

The Harris County Board of School Trustees will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** September 20, 2023, during the 1:00 p.m. Board Meeting, 6300 Irvington Boulevard in the Board Room, 400A, for the purpose of considering the proposed tax rate for the 2023 tax year.



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# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.004800 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Harris County Department of Education.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.004800 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.004402 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.004816 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2023 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Harris County Department of Education from the same properties in both the 2022 tax year and the 2023 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Harris County Department of Education may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Harris County Department of Education is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2023 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 20, 2023 AT 01:00 PM AT 6300 Irvington Boulevard Houston Texas 77022.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Harris County Department of Education is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the Board of Trustees of Harris County Department of Education at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{tax rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

<b>FOR the proposal:</b>	Andrea Duhon, President	Amy Flores Hinojosa First Vice President
	Richard Cantu, Board Member	Danyahel Norris, Board Member
	Eric Dick, Board Member	

**AGAINST the proposal:**

**PRESENT** and not voting:

<b>ABSENT:</b>	David W Brown, Second Vice President	Erica Davis, Board Member

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://www.texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by Harris County Department of Education last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Harris County Department of Education this year.

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)</b>	\$0.004900	\$0.004800	decrease of -0.000100, or -2.04%
<b>Average homestead taxable value</b>	\$200,398	\$218,990	increase of 18,592, or 9.28%
<b>Tax on average homestead</b>	\$9.82	\$10.51	increase of 0.69, or 7.03%
<b>Total tax levy on all properties</b>	\$28,713,144	\$31,563,276	increase of 2,850,132, or 9.93%

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For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Harris County Department of Education at 713-274-8000 or [tax.office@tax.hctx.net](mailto:tax.office@tax.hctx.net), or visit [www.hctx.net](http://www.hctx.net) for more information.