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## School District Tax Levy Update 2018-19

Local property taxes used to pay for public schools will drop as well as the mill rate (tax per \$1,000 of property value) paid by taxpayers for schools. This year, the local property taxes levied for our school district will decline by \$298,431 compared to 2017-18. The average mill rate for district residents will be \$9.57, a decrease of \$0.69 from last year. This year's changes to the mill rate are due to increases in local property values (+2.6%), decreases in three-year student F.T.E. membership averages (-17), and increases in state aid (+\$156,762). Please note that your individual property tax rate is dependent on the municipality that you reside in, and "each municipality must raise the funds needed to operate its own functions in addition to its share of the funds needed for the county and school district operations along with the state forestation tax" (Wisconsin DOR, 2018).