



Vote Nov. 7!

# SPECIAL EDUCATION MILLAGE



Did you know?

Federal, state and local special education revenues underfund Eaton RESA service area programs by nearly \$6.1 million dollars annually. Without additional millage funds, local school districts are forced to use general education funds to pay for special education programs and services.

- If approved, the millage would generate approximately **\$3 million each year for 10 years.**
- The cost to homeowners would be approximately **\$7.50 per month/\$90 per year** for a home with a market value of \$200,000 (with a taxable value of \$100,000).
- Local school districts are mandated by law to provide special education programs and services; however, federal and state governments have not adequately funded special education in the past, placing the burden on local and intermediate school districts.
- Eaton RESA and local districts have been supporting students with special needs since 1985 when the special education millage was approved by voters.
- Nearly 15% of students, across all local districts, receive some form of special education services.
- If approved, millage funds could decrease the amount of general education funds that are being used to supplement special education costs allowing funds to instead support programs and services including robotics and mental health supports.



Maple Valley Schools



## About Us

Eaton Regional Education Services Agency (RESA) supports six local school districts and four public school academies by providing shared services and support in the areas of general education, special education, career and technical education, early childhood education, prevention, and behavioral and mental health.

Through collective purchasing and centralized resources, including Eaton RESA also provides many services and programs to districts at a lower cost.



## What We Do



Eaton RESA provides support to districts and students with Individual Education Programs throughout Eaton County, regardless of the nature or severity of a child's disability. Services are provided to students from birth to age 26.

Our staff provides direct special education services, including speech, occupational therapy, autism programs, transportation, adaptive technology, and more to local districts as well as distributes funds to local districts through the Special Education Funding system.

## Who We Serve

Eaton RESA provides services to Charlotte Public Schools, Eaton Rapids Public Schools, Grand Ledge Public Schools, Maple Valley Public Schools, Oneida Strange School, Potterville Public Schools, Insight Academy, Island City Academy, Life Tech Academy and Relevant Academy.

## Learn More

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