

## FAIRVIEW PARK

# City schools grateful for the renewal of levy

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Voters renewed Issue 7 on Nov. 8, which the Fairview Park City School district will use for day-to-day expenses, such as salaries, building maintenance and supplies.

"We are incredibly grateful to the community for their support of Issue 7," Fairview Park City School Superintendent Keith Ahearn said. "The community understood that it was incredibly critical to our operation. Without it, we would

have had to cut holes in our extracurricular activities, athletic programs and curriculum, along with the salaries and benefits towards our teachers and staff."

The 6.6-mil operation levy brings in \$2.69 million a year, which is around 10.7% of the district's general operating expenses. Another component of the renewal is that it will be a 10-year term instead of a 5-year term, lasting until 2032, which Ahearn said will eliminate fatigue.

"We've been on the ballot in 2016, 2020,

and 2022," he said

Final, unofficial results from the Cuyahoga County Board of Elections show the levy passed with nearly 69% of the vote.

"The community support has given us validation in what we are doing," Ahearn said. "It allows us to maintain our current programming and helps us to engage in our continuous efforts for improvement."

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