

Illinois School Referenda Election Results - April 9, 2013

Results of the April 9, 2013, referenda related to public school districts in Illinois reveal that 17 of the 54 questions or 31%, were successful and 37 or 69% were defeated. In addition to questions to raise school district tax rates and to issue bonds, there were also questions on the ballot concerning Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL), District Reorganization, County Sales Tax, Pension, and Board Member elections. The results of the tax referenda, based on unofficial tallies gathered by an emails, IASA telephone survey and internet research, are reported in two sections: successful and unsuccessful. The school districts are listed by IASA Region and then by county within the Region; the county is determined by the location of the district's administrative office.

Analysis of Results

Fund	Number Passed	Number Defeated	To
Education	3	5	
Operations	0	0	
Total	3	5	
Bond Issues	Number Passed	Number Defeated	To
Building	2	9	•
Working Cash	0	1	
Total	2	10	1
Other Questions	Number Passed	Number Defeated	To
PTELL	1	4	
District Reorganization	2	1	
County Sales Tax	7	11	1
Pension	0	0	
Board Member Election	1	4	
Miscellaneous	1	2	
Total	11	23	3
	TOTAL PASSED	TOTAL DEFEATED 37	TOT

Successful Referenda

Region	County	District/County	Category	Amount or Question	Vote	Yes	Vote	No
Abe Lincoln	Piatt	Atwood-Hammond Community Unit School District # 39	Othor District	Shall Atwood-Hammond Community Unit School District No. 39, Counties of Piatt, Moultrie, Douglas and Champaign, State of Illinois, be dissolved and the territory thereof annexed to Arthur Community Unit School District No. 305?	Arth 96 Atwo 45	7 ood	Arth 24 Atwo 32	2 ood
Abe Lincoln	Sangamon	Auburn Community Unit School District # 10	Fund-Education	\$855,912.45	84	8	77	9

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Abe Lincoln	Christian	Christian County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	4,877	2,724
Abe Lincoln	Shelby	Stewardson-Strasburg CUSD #5A	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	504	426
Blackhawk	Henry	Henry County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	4,202	3,442
Blackhawk	Mercer	Mercer County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	2,353	1,667
Cornbelt	Livingston	Livingston County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	4,122	3,413
Illini	Douglas	Douglas County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	2,346	1,755
Kishwaukee	Boone	Boone County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	5,099	2,710
Kishwaukee	Kendall	Oswego Community Unit School District No. 308	Other-Board Member Election	Shall members of the Board of Education of the Oswego Community Unit School District No. 308 be elected at large and without restriction by area of residence within the District rather than in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of Section 10-10.5 of the Illinois School Code for mandatory board representation?	1,928	1,656
Kishwaukee	DeKalb	Somonauk Community Unit School District #432	Fund-Education	\$0.95	964	527
Lake	Lake	Millburn C.C. School District #24	Other-PTELL	Shall the extension limitation under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Millburn Community Consolidated School District Number 24, Lake County, Illinois, be increased from the lesser of 5% or the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index over the prior levy year to 12% for the 2013 levy year? For the 2013 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$114.00.	867	732
Lake	Lake	Township High School District #113 (Highland Pk/Deerfield Twp #113)	Bond-Building	\$89,000,000	8,158	7,414
Northwest	Whiteside	East Coloma Elementary School District #12/Nelson Elementary District #8	Other-District Reorganization	Shall a new combined elementary school district be created in the territory comprising the entire territories of East Coloma Elementary School District #12, County of Whiteside, State of Illinois and Nelson Elementary School District #8, County of Lee, State of Illinois, the Board of Education of said district shall be elected at large and with the authority to levy taxes at the rate of 1.95% for educational purposes, .30% for operations and maintenance purposes, .20% for transportation purposes, and .05% for working cash purposes, each upon the full, fair cash value of all taxable property of the district as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue?	East Coloma 342 Nelson 51	East Coloma 80 Nelson 30
Southwestern	St. Clair	Mascoutah Community Unit School District No. 19	Other-Miscellaneous	Shall the Board of Education of Mascoutah Community Unit School District No. 19, St. Clair County, Illinois, build and equip a school building?	933	763

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Starved Rock	Bureau	Hall Township High School District #502	Bond-Building	\$32,000,000	1,71	7	1,71	14
Starved Rock	LaSalle	Leland Community Unit School District No. 1	Fund-Education	0.75%	258	3	214	4

Unsuccessful Referenda

Region	County	District/County	Category	Amount or Question	Vote Yes	Vote No
Abe Lincoln	Sangamon	Tri-City CUSD #1	Other-Board Member Election	To create a more proportional representation of the voters in the District, shall future members of the Board of Education of Tri-City Community Unit School District No. 1, Sangamon County, Illinois, be elected at at large from within the school district and without restriction by area of residence within the school district?	Won by popular vote 378	Did not pass in each Township 257
Central IL Valley	Peoria	Princeville Community Unit School District #326	Bond-Building	\$8,500,000	459	477
Central IL Valley	Tazewell	Tazewell County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	6,234	9,457
Central IL Valley	Woodford	Woodford County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	2,802	3,935
Cook South	Cook	North Palos School District No. 117	Bond-Building	\$30,000,000	1,146	1,872
Cook West	Cook	School District No. 200 (Oak Park and River Forest 200)	Other-Miscellaneous	Shall the District 200 Board of Education spend a portion of its cash and investments, which currently exceed \$111 million to fund a year-round, public, indoor, aquatics and fitness center for all Oak Park and River Forest residents?	4,680	5,155
DuPage	DuPage	Butler School District #53	Bond-Building	\$15,000,000	469	1,234
DuPage	DuPage	Community Unit School District 200 (Wheaton #200)	Bond-Building	\$17,600,000	4,750	6,937
DuPage	DuPage	Itasca School District #10	Other-PTELL	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Itasca School District Number 10, DuPage County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.8466% above the limiting rate for levy year 2011 and be equal to 2.7523% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2013? 1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$9,835,364 and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$14,204,687.24. 2) For the 2013 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$282.20. 3) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2013 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).	743	1107
DuPage	DuPage	Lake Park High School District #108	Bond-Building	\$8,000,000	3,698	4,329

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DuPage	DuPage	Village of Oak Brook	Other-Miscellaneous	Shall the Village of Oak Brook sell, or otherwise dispose of, a portion, not to exceed 8.5 acres, of the Oak Brook Sports Core property, in the general area bounded by Bath and Tennis Drive to the west and north, Oak Brook Road to the south, and Grant Street to the east, to School District 53, for the purpose of constructing and operating a school building and related facilities?	665	2,113
Egyptian	Jefferson	Dodds Comm. Cons.School Dist. #7, Ina#8 & Opdyke- Belle Rive #5	Other-District Reorganization	Shall a combined elementary school district in the territory comprising Dodds Community Consolidated School District No. 7, Ina Community Consolidated School District No. 8 and Opdyke-Belle Rive Community Consolidated School District No. 5, with the authority to levy taxes at the maximum rates of: Education Purposes 3.50%, Operations and Maintenance Purposes 0.55%, Transportation Purposes 0.12%, Special Education Purposes 0.40%, Working Cash Fund Purposes 0.05% School Fire Prevention/Safety & Energy Conservation Purposes 0.10% Leasing of Education Facilities or Computer Technology 0.10% IMRF Purposes Unlimited Social Security/Medicare Purposes Unlimited, Tort Immunity Purposes Unlimited, each upon all of the taxable property of the district at the value thereof, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue, be established?	Won by popular vote Dodds 208 Ina 175 Opdyke-Belle Rive 209	Did not pass in all three districts Dodds 67 Ina 97 Opdyke-Belle Rive 217
Egyptian	Jefferson	McClellan Community Consolidated School District No. 12	Other-PTELL	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for McClellan Community Consolidated School District Number 12, Jefferson County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.99% above the limiting rate for any purpose of said School District for levy year 2011 and be equal to 3.20763% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2013?	76	144
Illini	Vermilion	Rossville-Alvin Community Unit School District No. 7	Other-Board Member Election	Shall Rossville-Alvin Community Unit School District No. 7 elect Board members at large rather than electing them by area of residence within the District in accordance with Section 10-10.5 of the School Code?	Won by popular vote 296	Did not pass in each Township 159
Kishwaukee	McHenry	McHenry Community High School District No. 156	Bond-Building	\$2,200,000	2,338	4,273
Northwest	Lee	Lee County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	1,957	5,233
Northwest	Ogle	Meridian Community Unit School District 223	Fund-Education	1.07%	Failed: Vote totals not yet available	Election site is down
Northwest	Ogle	Ogle County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	3,626	6,770
Northwest	Lee	Paw Paw Community Unit School District #271	Other-Board Member Election	Shall the members of the Board of Education of Paw Paw Community Unit School District #271, of Lee and DeKalb Counties, Illinois, be elected in 2015 and thereafter, at large and without restriction by area of residence within the District?	Failed: Vote totals not yet available	Will call when available
Northwest	Whiteside	Whiteside County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	3,599	4,253
Shawnee	Jackson	Giant City Community Consolidated School District No. 130	Other-PTELL	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Giant City Community Consolidated School District Number 130, Jackson and Williamson Counties, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.85% above the limiting rate for any purpose of said School District for levy year 2011 and be equal to 3.37285% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2012?	244	294
Shawnee	Saline	Harrisburg Community Unit School District No. 3	Bond-Building	\$29,000,000	1,075	1,239
Shawnee	Jackson	Unity Point Community Consolidated School District No. 140	Other-PTELL	Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for Unity Point Community Consolidated School District Number 140, Jackson County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.75% above the limiting rate for any purpose of said School District for levy year 2011 and be equal to 2.5665% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2012?	220	566

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Southwestern	St. Clair	Grant Community Consolidated School District No. 110	Fund-Education	0.85%	790	854
Southwestern	Jersey	Jersey County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	1,189	2,040
Southwestern	St. Clair	O'Fallon Community Consolidated School District No. 90	Fund-Education	1.89%	2,476	4,512
Southwestern	Randolph	Randolph County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	3,077	3,906
Southwestern	St. Clair	Smithton Community Consolidated School District No. 130	Bond-Building	Shall the Board of Education of Smithton Community Consolidated School District Number 130, St. Clair County, Illinois, build and equip a new Middle School Building on land now owned by said School District located along State Route 159, in Smithon, Illinois, alter, repair and equip the existing Elementary School Building, and issue bonds of said School District to the amount of \$12,000,000 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?	163	1,441
Starved Rock	LaSalle	LaSalle County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	8,415	11,591
Starved Rock	Marshall	Marshall County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	1,201	1,891
Three Rivers	Kankakee	Herscher Comm Unit School Dist. 2	Bond-Working Cash	\$3,000,000	1,093	1,836
Three Rivers	Kankakee	Pembroke Community Consolidated School District #259	Fund-Education	2.39%	90	336
Two Rivers	Morgan	Jacksonville School District	Ottroi Boara morribor	Shall each member of the Board of Education of Jacksonville School District 117 be elected from individual school board districts and not at large?	1,785	2,245
Wabash Valley	Crawford	Crawford County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	1,310	3,344
Western	Fulton	Fulton County	Other-County Sales Tax	1% Sales Tax	3,396	3,777
Western	Hancock	Illini West High School District No. 307	Bond-Building	\$8,000,000	676	1,384
Western	Hancock	Nauvoo-Colusa Community Unit School District No. 325	Fund-Education	\$0.55	199	514