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# 2021 Tax Rate Calculation Worksheet

#### No-New-Revenue Tax Rate

The no-new-revenue (NNR) tax rate enables the public to evaluate the relationship between taxes for the prior year and for the current year based on a tax rate that would produce the same amount of revenue if applied to the same properties that are taxed in both years (no new taxes). When appraisal values increase, the NNR tax rate should decrease.

1.	2020 total taxable value. Enter the amount of 2020 taxable value on the 2020 tax roll today. Include any adjustments since last year's certification; exclude one-fourth and one-third over-appraisal corrections made under Tax Code Section 25.25(d) from these adjustments. This total includes the taxable value of homesteads with tax ceilings (will deduct in Line 2).	\$462,982,820
2.	<b>2020 tax ceilings.</b> Enter 2020 total taxable value of homesteads with tax ceilings. These include the homesteads of homeowners age 65 or older or disabled. <sup>2</sup>	\$29,798,544
3.	Preliminary 2020 adjusted taxable value. Subtract line 2 from line 1.	\$433,184,276
4.	2020 total adopted tax rate.	1.178800/\$100
5.	2020 taxable value lost because court appeals of ARB decisions reduced 2020 appraised value.  A. Original 2020 ARB values: \$0  B. 2020 values resulting from final court decisions: -\$0  C. 2020 value loss. Subtract B from A:3	\$0
6.	2020 taxable value subject to an appeal under Chapter 42, as of July 25.  A. 2020 ARB certified value: \$0  B. 2020 disputed value: -\$0  C. 2020 undisputed value. Subtract B from A:4	\$0
7.	2020 Chapter 42-related adjusted values. Add line 5 and 6.	\$0
8.	2020 taxable value, adjusted for actual and potential court-ordered adjustments. Add line 3 and 7.	\$433,184,276
9.	2020 taxable value of property in territory the school deannexed after January 1, 2020.  Enter the 2020 value of property in deannexed territory. <sup>5</sup>	\$0

<sup>1</sup> Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(14)

<sup>2</sup> Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(14)

<sup>3</sup> Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(13)

<sup>4</sup> Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(13)

<sup>5</sup> Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(15)

#### No-New-Revenue Tax Rate (continued)

10.	2020 taxable value lost because property first qualified for an exemption in 2021. If the school district increased an original exemption, use the difference between the original exempted amount and the increased exempted amount. Do not include value lost due to freeport or goods-intransit, temporary disaster exemptions. Note that lowering the amount or percentage of an existing exemption in 2021 does not create a new exemption or reduce taxable value.  A. Absolute exemptions. Use 2020 market value:  \$70,214  B. Partial exemptions. 2021 exemption amount, or 2021 percentage exemption times 2020 value:  C. Value loss. Total of A and B:6	\$1,883,588
11.	2020 taxable value lost because property first qualified for agricultural appraisal (1-d or 1-d-1), timber appraisal, recreational/scenic appraisal or public access airport special appraisal in 2021. Use only properties that qualified in 2021 for the first time; do not use properties that qualified in 2020.  A. 2020 market value:  \$305,080  B. 2021 productivity or special appraised value:  -\$45,000	
	C. Value loss. Subtract B from A: <sup>7</sup>	\$260,080
12.	Total adjustments for lost value. Add lines 9, 10C, and 11C.	\$2,143,668
13.	Adjusted 2020 taxable value. Subtract line 12 from line 8.	\$431,040,608
14.	Adjusted 2020 total levy. Multiply line 4 by line 13 and divide by \$100.	\$5,081,106
15.	Taxes refunded for years preceding tax year 2020: Enter the amount of taxes refunded by the district for tax years preceding tax year 2020. Types of refunds include court decisions, Tax Code Section 25.25(b) and (c) corrections and Tax Code Section 31.11 payment errors. Do not include refunds for tax year 2020. This line applies only to tax years preceding tax year 2020.	\$8,712
16.	Adjusted 2020 levy with refunds. Add line 14 and line 15.9  Note: If the governing body of the school district governs a junior college district in a county with a population of more than two million, subtract the amount of taxes the governing body dedicated to the junior college district in 2020 from the result.	\$5,089,818

6 Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(15)

7 Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(15)

8 Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(13)

9 Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(13)

#### No-New-Revenue Tax Rate (continued)

17.	Total 2021 taxable value on the 2021 certified appraisal roll to value includes only certified values and includes the total taxable of homesteads with tax ceilings (will deduct in line 19). These homesteads	value	
	include homeowners age 65 or older or disabled. 10  A. Certified values only: 11  B. Pollution control and energy storage system exemption: Deduct the value of property exempted for the current tax year for the first time as pollution	82,056,653	
	control or energy storage system property:  C. Total 2021 value. Subtract B from A.	- \$0	\$482,056,653
18.	Total value of properties under protest or not included on certappraisal roll. <sup>12</sup> A. 2021 taxable value of properties under protest.  The chief appraiser certifies a list of properties still under ARB protest. The list shows the district's value and the taxpayer's claimed value, if any, or an estimate of the value if the taxpayer wins. For each of the properties under protest, use the lowest of these values. Enter the total value under protest.  B. 2021 value of properties not under protest or included on certified appraisal roll. The chief appraiser gives school districts a list of those taxable properties that the chief appraiser knows about but are not included in the appraisal roll certification.  These properties also are not on the list of properties that are still under protest. On this list of properties, the chief appraiser includes the market value, appraised value, and exemptions for the preceding year and a reasonable estimate of the market value, appraised value, and exemptions for the current year. Use the lower market, appraised, or taxable value (as appropriate). Enter the total value not on the roll. 14  C. Total value under protest or not certified. Add A	tified \$0	
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10 Tex. Tax Code § 26.012, 26.04(c-2)

11 Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(6)

12 Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(c) and (d)

13 Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(c)

14 Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(d)

#### No-New-Revenue Tax Rate (concluded)

<b>2021 tax ceilings.</b> Enter 2021 total taxable value of homesteads with tax ceilings. These include the homesteads of homeowners age 65 or older or disabled. 15	\$33,467,902
2021 total taxable value. Add lines 17C and 18C. Subtract line 19.	\$448,588,751
Total 2021 taxable value of properties in territory annexed after January 1, 2020. Include both real and personal property. Enter the 2021 value of property in territory annexed by the school district.	\$0
Total 2021 taxable value of new improvements and new personal property located in new improvements. New means the item was not on the appraisal roll in 2020. An improvement is a building, structure, fixture or fence erected on or affixed to land. New additions to existing improvements may be included if the appraised value can be determined. New personal property in a new improvement must have been brought into the school district after Jan. 1, 2020, and be located in a new improvement.	\$6,440,129
Total adjustments to the 2021 taxable value. Add lines 21 and 22.	\$6,440,129
Adjusted 2021 taxable value. Subtract line 23 from line 20.	\$442,148,622
2021 NNR tax rate. Divide line 16 by line 24 and multiply by \$100.	\$1.1511/\$100
	disabled. 15  2021 total taxable value. Add lines 17C and 18C. Subtract line 19.  Total 2021 taxable value of properties in territory annexed after January 1, 2020. Include both real and personal property. Enter the 2021 value of property in territory annexed by the school district.  Total 2021 taxable value of new improvements and new personal property located in new improvements. New means the item was not on the appraisal roll in 2020. An improvement is a building, structure, fixture or fence erected on or affixed to land. New additions to existing improvements may be included if the appraised value can be determined. New personal property in a new improvement must have been brought into the school district after Jan. 1, 2020,

15 Tex. Tax Code § 26.012(6)(B)

#### Voter-Approval Tax Rate

The voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate that a taxing unit may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate. Most school districts calculate a voter-approval tax rate that is split into three separate rates. <sup>18</sup>

- Maximum Compressed Tax Rate (MCR): A district's maximum compressed tax rate is defined as the tax rate for the current tax year per \$100 of valuation of taxable property at which the district must levy a maintenance and operations tax to receive the full amount of the tier one allotment.
- 2. Enrichment Tax Rate (DTR):<sup>20</sup> A district's enrichment tax rate is defined as any tax effort in excess of the district's MCR and less than \$0.17. The enrichment tax rate is divided into golden pennies and copper pennies. School districts can claim up to 8 golden pennies, not subject to compression, and 9 copper pennies which are subject to compression with any increases in the guaranteed yield.<sup>21</sup>
- Debt Rate: The debt rate includes the debt service necessary to pay the school district's debt payments in the coming year. This rate accounts for principal and interest on bonds and other debt secured by property tax revenue.

The MCR and DTR added together make up the school district's maintenance and operations (M&O) tax rate. Districts cannot increase the district's M&O tax rate to create a surplus in M&O tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service. <sup>22</sup>

A school district may adopt a M&O tax rate that exceeds the MCR in order to maintain the 2021-2022 school year basic allotment if it meets certain requirements and receives approval from TEA. Refer to Education Code, Section 48.2553 for more information.

A district must complete an efficiency audit before seeking voter approval to adopt a M&O tax rate higher than the calculated M&O tax rate, hold an open meeting to discuss the results of the audit, and post the results of the audit on the district's website 30 days prior to the election. <sup>23</sup> Additionally, a school district located in an area declared a disaster by the governor may adopt a M&O tax rate higher than the calculated M&O tax rate during the two-year period following the date of the declaration without conducting an efficiency audit. <sup>24</sup>

Districts should review information from TEA when calculating their voter-approval rate.

16 [Reserved for Expansion]

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18 Tex. Tax Code § 26.08(n)

19 Tex. Edu. Code § 48.2551(a)(3)

20 Tex. Tax Code § 26.08(j) and Tex. Edu. Code § 45.0032

21 Tex. Edu. Code § 48.202(a-1)(2) and 48.202(f)

22 Tex. Edu. Code § 45.0021(a)

23 Tex. Edu. Code § 11.184(b)

24 Tex. Edu. Code § 11.184(b-1)

#### Voter-Approval Tax Rate (continued)

26.	2021 maximum compressed tax rate (MCR). TEA will put rates based on district and statewide property value growth districts' maximum compressed rate based on guidance from	. Enter the school	\$0.9087
27.	2021 enrichment tax rate (DTR). Enter the greater of A ar A. Enter the district's 2020 DTR, minus any required reduction under Education Code Section 48.202(f) B. Enter \$.05 per \$100 of taxable value, if governing body of school district adopts \$0.05 by unanimous vote. If not adopted by unanimous vote, enter \$0.04 per \$100. <sup>27</sup>	\$0.0000 \$0.0500	\$0.0500
28.	2021 maintenance and operations (M&O) tax rate (TR). A	Add lines 26 and	
	Note: M&O tax rate may not exceed the sum of \$0.17 and to state compression percentage multiplied by \$1.00. <sup>28</sup>	he product of the	\$0.9587
29.	Debt means the interest and principal that will be paid on d (1) Are paid by property taxes, (2) Are secured by property taxes, (3) Are scheduled for payment over a period longer than or (4) Are not classified in the school district's budget as M&O A:Debt includes contractual payments to other school districts that have incurred debt on behalf of this school district, if those debts meet the four conditions above. Include only amounts that will be paid from property tax revenue. Do not include appraisal district budget payments. Enter debt amount:	ne year, and	
	B: Subtract unencumbered fund amount used to reduce total debt.	-\$0	
	C: Subtract state aid received for paying principal and interest on debt for facilities through the existing debt allotment program and/or the instructional facilities allotment program.  D: Adjust debt: Subtract B and C from A.	-\$24,268	\$921,413

25 Tex. Edu. Code § 48.255, 48.2551(b)(1) and (b)(2)

26 Tex. Tax Code § 26.08(n)(2)

27 Tex. Tax Code § 26.08(n-1)

28 Tex. Edu. Code § 45.003(e)

#### Voter-Approval Tax Rate (concluded)

30.	Certified 2020 excess debt collections. Enter the amou collector. <sup>29</sup>	int certified by the	\$10,969
31.	Adjusted 2021 debt. Subtract line 30 from line 29D.		\$910,444
32.	2021 anticipated collection rate.  If the anticipated rate in A is lower than actual rates in B, lowest rate from B, C or D. If the anticipated rate in A is hone of the rates in the prior three years, enter the rate fro rate can be greater than 100%. <sup>30</sup> A: Enter the 2021 anticipated collection rate certified by	igher than at least	
	the collector. <sup>31</sup>	100.0000%	
	B: Enter the 2020 actual collection rate.	104.0000%	
	C: Enter the 2019 actual collection rate.  D: Enter the 2018 actual collection rate.	102.0000% 100.0000%	100.0000%
22	2021 debt adjusted for collections. Divide line 31 by line		
	Note: If the governing body of the school district governs a district in a county with a population of more than two milli of taxes the governing body proposes to dedicate to the juin 2021 to the result.	a junior college on, add the amount	\$910,444
34.	2021 total taxable value. Enter amount on line 20 of the Tax Rate Worksheet.	No-New-Revenue	\$448,588,751
35.	2021 debt rate. Divide line 33 by line 34 and multiply by \$	100.	\$0.2029/\$100
36.	2021 voter-approval tax rate. Add lines 28 and 35.		
	If the school district received distributions from an equalization code, and the NNR to date of the county unit system's abolition to the sum of Lin	ax rate as of the	\$1.1616/\$100

<sup>29</sup> Tex. Tax Code § 26.0012(10) and 26.04(b)

<sup>30</sup> Tex. Tax Code § 26.04(h),(h-1), and (h-2)

<sup>31</sup> Tex. Tax Code § 26.04(b)

<sup>32</sup> Tex. Tax Code § 26.08(g)

#### Voter-Approval Rate Adjustment for Pollution Control

A school district may raise its rate for M&O funds used to pay for a facility, device or method for the control of air, water or land pollution. This includes any land, structure, building, installation, excavation, machinery, equipment or device that is used, constructed, acquired or installed wholly or partly to meet or exceed pollution control requirements. The school district's expenses are those necessary to meet the requirements of a permit issued by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). The school district must provide the tax assessor with a copy of the TCEQ letter of determination that states the portion of the cost of the installation for pollution control.

This section should only be completed by a school district that uses M&O funds to pay for a facility, device or method for the control of air, water or land pollution.

	Certified expenses from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). Enter the amount certified in the determination letter from TCEQ <sup>33</sup> . The school district shall provide its tax assessor with a copy of the letter <sup>34</sup> .	\$0
38.	<b>2021 total taxable value.</b> Enter the amount on line 20 of the <i>No-New-Revenue Tax Rate Worksheet.</i>	\$448,588,751
39.	Additional rate for pollution control. Divide line 37 by line 38 and multiply by \$100.	\$0/\$100
40.	2021 voter-approval tax rate, adjusted for pollution control. Add line 36 and line 39.	\$1.1616/\$100

<sup>33</sup> Tex. Tax Code § 26.045(d)

<sup>34</sup> Tex. Tax Code § 26.045(i)

#### **Total Tax Rate**

Indicate the applicable total tax rates as calculated above.

No-New-Revenue Tax Rate	1
Enter the 2021 NNR tax rate from line 25.	\$1.1511/\$100
Voter-Approval Tax Rate	
As applicable, enter the 2021 voter-approval tax rate from line 36 or line 40.	\$1.1616/\$100

School District Representative Name and Signature

Enter the name of the person preparing the tax rate as authorized by the governing body of the school district. By signing below, you certify that you are the designated officer or employee of the school district and have calculated the tax rates in accordance with requirements in Tax Code and Education Code.<sup>35</sup>

Print Here Gary Earnest
Printed Name of School District Representative
Sign Here Laure
School District Representative
Date 07/27/2021

<sup>35</sup> Tex. Tax Code § 26.04(c)