

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.15351 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Wharton County Junior College District.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.15351 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.14071 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.15365 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2026 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Wharton County Junior College District from the same properties in both the 2025 tax year and the 2026 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Wharton County Junior College District may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Wharton County Junior College District is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2026 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 15, 2026 AT 6:00 p.m AT 911 E Boling Hwy, in the Hutchins Memorial Boardroom, Wharton, Tx 77488.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Wharton County Junior College District is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the Board of Directors of Wharton County Junior College District at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED
AS FOLLOWS:

Property tax amount= (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property)/100

FOR the proposal:

Bret Macha
Ed Erwin
Larry Sitka
Wayne Taylor

Jay Roussel
J Paul Pope
Terry Lynch
David Vallejo

AGAINST the proposal:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT: Priscilla Metcalf

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://www.texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by Wharton County

Junior College District last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Wharton County Junior College District this year.

	2025	2026	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.14000	\$0.15351	increase of 0.01351 per \$100, or 9.65%
Average homestead taxable value	\$226,585	\$235,412	increase of 3.90%
Tax on average homestead	\$317.22	\$361.38	increase of \$44.16, or 13.92%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$14,621,503	\$16,797,428	increase of \$2,175,925, or 14.88%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Wharton County Junior College District at 979-532-3312 or cindy.hernandez@co.wharton.tx.us, or visit co.wharton.tx.us for more information.