

CALL FOR SPECIAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with O.C.G.A. §21-2-540, a Special Election shall be held in Irwin County for the purpose of submitting to the voters the following question for approval (Yes) or rejection (No):

“Shall the special 1 percent sales and use tax for education currently in effect in Irwin County be continued for a period of time not to exceed 8 calendar quarters and for the raising of not more than \$2,250,000 for the purposes of acquiring, constructing, repairing, improving, renovating, adding to, extending, upgrading, and equipping school buildings, athletic facilities, and support facilities in the Irwin County School District useful or desirable in connection therewith, including acquiring any necessary property therefor, both real and personal, specifically including the following: (1) capital expenditures associated with planning for future elementary and secondary educational and related facilities; (2) payments of principal and interest coming due during the sales and use tax imposition period on the School District’s Certificates of Participation (Irwin County, Georgia School District Refunding and Capital Improvement Project), Series 2020; (3) purchasing safety and security equipment and improvements; (4) improvements to athletic facilities including, but not limited to, the track, stadium lights, basketball court, and wrestling facility improvements; (5) purchasing administrative and instructional technology upgrades and equipment; (6) purchasing school buses and transportation and maintenance equipment and vehicles; (7) improvements to cafeterias, to include furnishings and equipment; (8) roof repairs including gutters and downspouts; (9) purchasing agricultural, vocational, music, drama, physical education and instructional equipment; and (10) paying expenses incident to accomplishing the foregoing?”

The Special Election shall be held on March 12th, 2024 in conjunction with the Presidential Preference Primary. Polls will be open from 7a.m. until 7p.m. on that day, and registered voters shall cast their ballots on that day in their regularly assigned polling place.

All persons who are not registered to vote and who desire to vote in the special election may register to vote through the close of business on February 12th, 2024. Advance Voting will be held at the Irwin County Elections Office at 225 E 4th St, Ocilla, GA 31774, from 8a.m. until 5p.m. on these days:

Monday February 19th – Saturday February 24th, 2024

Monday February 26th – Saturday March 2nd, 2024

Monday March 4th – Friday March 8th, 2024

Absentee by Mail ballot applications for this election shall be accepted between December 25th, 2023 and March 1st, 2024.

To update your voter registration information, or see your assigned polling place or sample ballot, please contact our office at the address above, by phone at (229)468-0081 or go to the GA Secretary of State’s website at mvp.sos.ga.gov.

This 16th day of November 2023.

Ethan Compton
Irwin County Elections Supervisor