

## Report to Taxpayers

The Montana City School Board of Trustees would like to thank the taxpayers for supporting our students and our school, especially during the most recent bond election in 2012. Our goal for the construction project was to provide a facility and the open space necessary to serve our community and students.

Our project is nearing completion, has stayed within budget, and is on schedule. The highlights of this project are an entirely new middle school wing with eight classrooms, expanded district property, the development of a regulation size track, a repaired drain field, a large roofing project, a required fire sprinkler system and developed acres of open space to construct multiple fields for our students to enjoy. Our enrollment continues to increase at a manageable rate and we are very hopeful that our improved facilities will be sufficient for many years.

As a school, we continue to stay focused on the key components of effective school research and understand the importance of providing children a quality education so they can be successful in high school and go on to be productive members of our society.

Enrollment History: 1982-110 students; 1992-252 students; 2002-329 students; 2013-450 students.

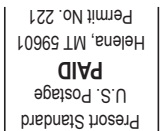
### Fiscal Responsibility of the Montana City School's General Fund Budget

The general fund budget is used for the day-to-day operations of the school which currently sits on approximately 20 acres, serves 450 students, has 53 employees, covers over 85,000 square feet of usable space ranging from a 1916 stone building, two metal buildings built in 1973 and 1979, a 1989/1990 wing, a 2001 wing and most recently a 2013 addition. The general fund supports the salaries/insurance benefits, liability insurance, energy consumption, building/grounds maintenance, technology tools, and educational resources necessary for providing the students of this district with a quality education.

Check the school website (<http://montanacity.schoolwires.com>) to see the details of other key financial impacts during the past five years.

- The District has been awarded over \$1,000,000 in grant money.
- The District has “paid in full” over \$1,000,000 of bonds/loans.
- The District has saved over \$738,000 in interest costs with the recent bond compared to election estimates because the timing of the \$5.7 million bond allowed us to take advantage of historic low interest rates.
- The District only has six years remaining on the bond from the 2001 construction project.

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Below is a snapshot of the taxes assessed on a home with a market value of \$100,000. The first chart shows taxes assessed for our school’s general fund. This is the permanent levy that we are asking the voters to increase by \$6.28/year.

The second chart shows all taxes assessed for our school, which includes the general fund amount, transportation (bus) services, past bonds and the most recent \$5.7 million bond. 100% of all taxes collected for our district are shown in the second chart.

