

# BUDGET FACTS

## Proposed Budget

**\$52,440,854**

With state test scores up in all subject areas, this budget will maintain **LEVEL SERVICES** with only **1.3%** increase in cost per student.

## Equalized Tax Rate Impact

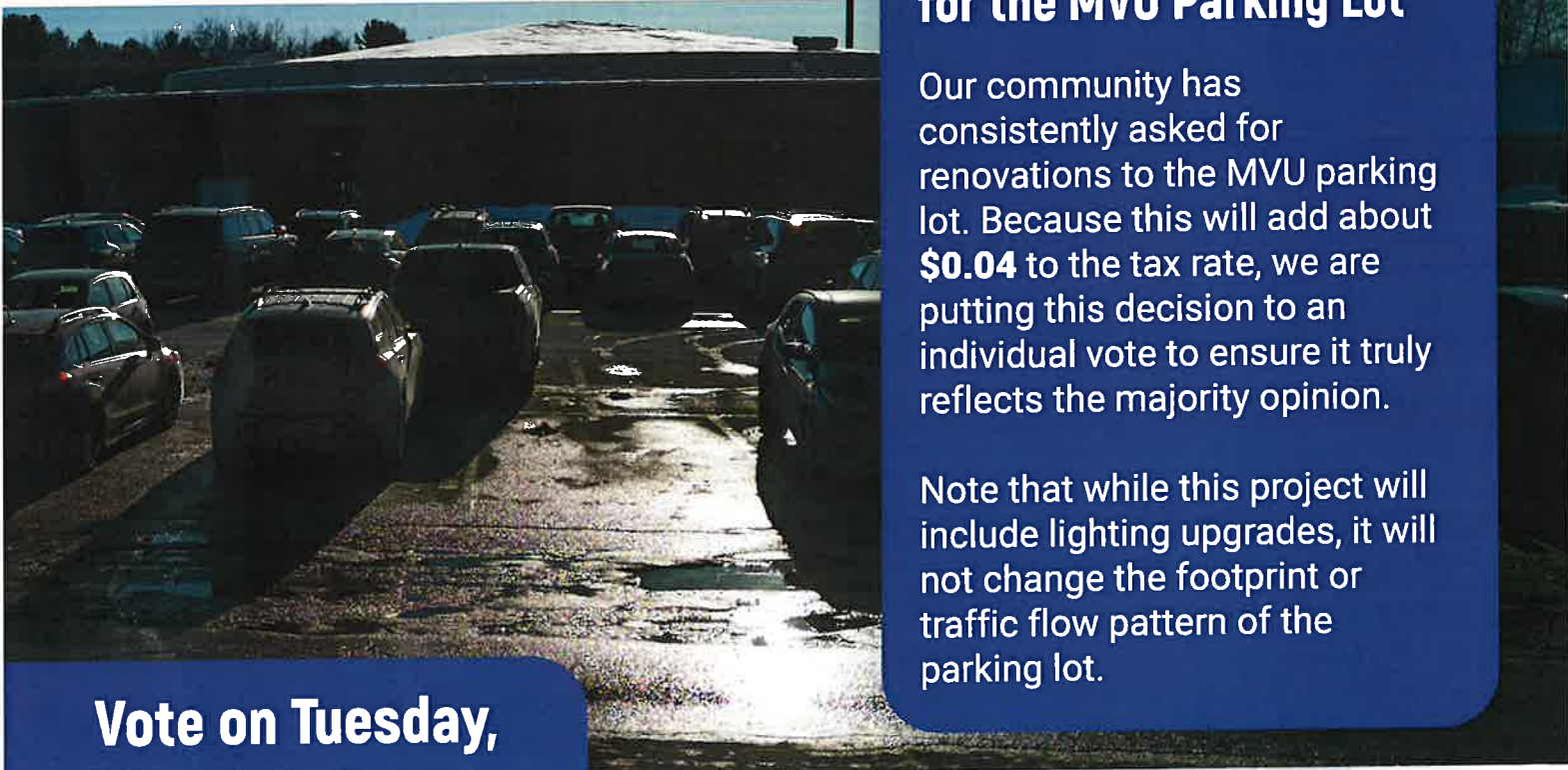
Our district equalized tax rate is **DOWN** again this year by \$0.02 bringing it to **\$1.40** before townwide property value adjustments are factored in.

## A Special Article for the MVU Parking Lot

Our community has consistently asked for renovations to the MVU parking lot. Because this will add about **\$0.04** to the tax rate, we are putting this decision to an individual vote to ensure it truly reflects the majority opinion.

Note that while this project will include lighting upgrades, it will not change the footprint or traffic flow pattern of the parking lot.

**Vote on Tuesday,  
March 3rd!**



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In addition to the information provided here, we encourage everyone to attend our **Informational Meeting at MVU on Tuesday, February 17 at 7:00 PM**. A Zoom link and more budget information can be found on our website at [mvsdschools.org](https://mvsdschools.org)

## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q: Where can I review the entire budget and tax rate information?**



Visit the budget page on our website, [mvsdschools.org](https://mvsdschools.org).

**Q: What is the Special Article for the MVU Parking Lot?**



This means the vote for the school budget and the vote for funds to fix the MVU parking lot will be separate items on the ballot. Voters can choose to approve both, only one, or neither.

**Q: Test scores are up in all subjects? Did I read that right?**



That's right! State test scores in MVSD are up **12%** in Literacy, **6%** in Math, and **8%** in Science! Additionally, enrollment is stable, and average daily attendance is at **95%**!

**Q: How can the equalized tax rate go down if spending doesn't?**



Tax rates are calculated using a wide variety of factors, and individual district spending per student is just a small part. State level tax planning is the main driver of tax changes this year.

