## **Get The Facts on The MPS Referendum**

## On April 2nd, MPS is proposing a permanent 30 percent property tax increase to raise \$252M per year to address the district's financial crisis.

- For the average Milwaukee home worth \$185,000, taxes would go up \$400 a year, or about \$33 per month
- Milwaukee homeowners will see this increase on their yearend tax bill, while renters will see an increase in their monthly rents
- This will be a "forever tax," meaning the increase will never go away

## None of this money will be shared with the more than 50,000 Milwaukee students attending public charter schools or private schools through the MPCP.

- Every single person living in Milwaukee will help pay this new tax, but only about half of the city's schools will receive a dollar from this new tax
- MPS already gets 10-25% more money per student than charter schools and private K-8 schools

## We cannot afford to sit this out — your vote and your voice matter: Every Milwaukee voter has a stake in the outcome of this referendum.

- Make a plan to vote on or before April 2nd: visit <u>www.myvote.wi.gov</u> to find your polling location, and <u>https://city.milwaukee.gov/earlyvoting</u> for early voting options
- Share information about MPS' proposed property tax increase with your friends and neighbors
- Get informed about the proposed property tax increase: you can visit

*www.cityforwardcollective.org/mps-referendum* to learn more



