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Which of the following is NOT true about School Board positions?

A. Trustees are uncompensated volunteers

B. Trustees must hold a teaching certificate

C. Trustee positions are nonpartisan

D. Trustees serve three-year terms

An aerial photograph of a city, likely Bozeman, Montana, with a large mountain range in the background. The city features a mix of residential and commercial buildings, green spaces, and a large stadium. The mountains are partially covered in snow, suggesting a high-altitude or winter setting. The overall scene is a panoramic view of a city nestled in a valley.

What is the primary basis for school funding in Montana?

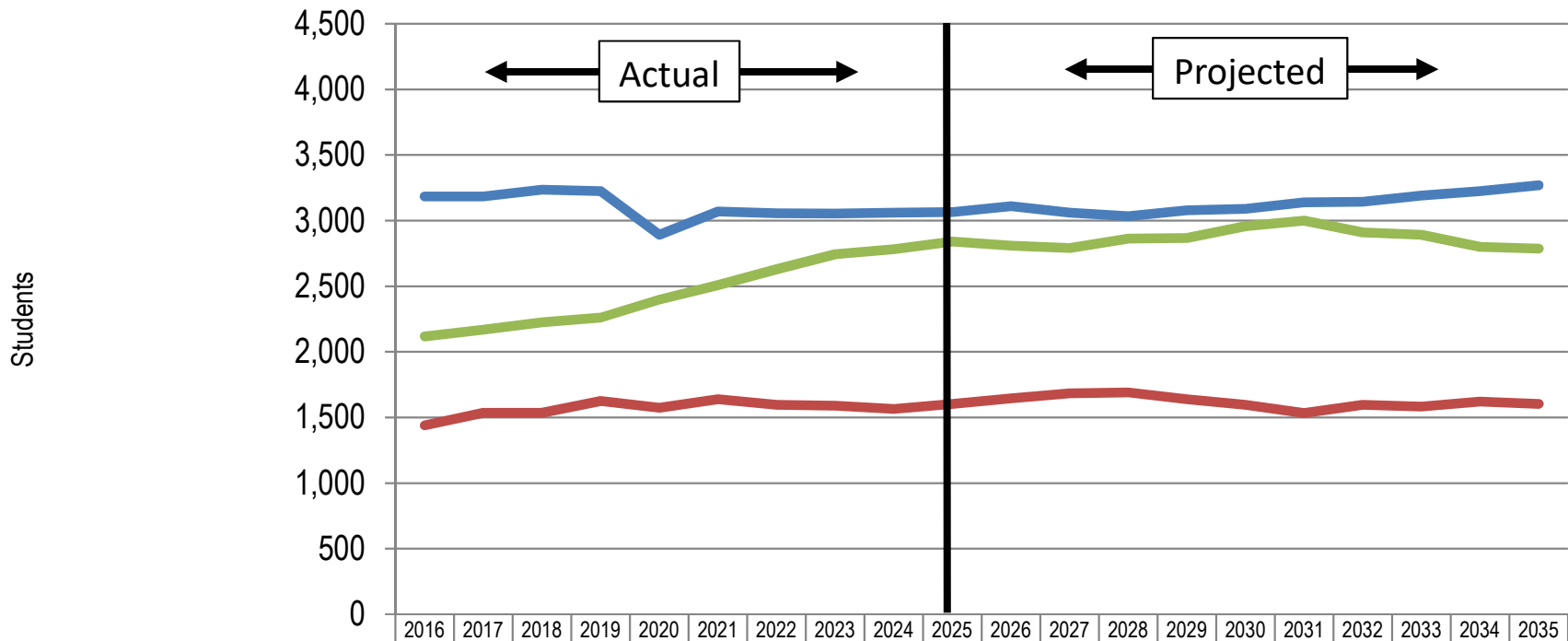
A. Enrollment

B. Number of Schools

C. Tax base (value of the property in the district boundaries)

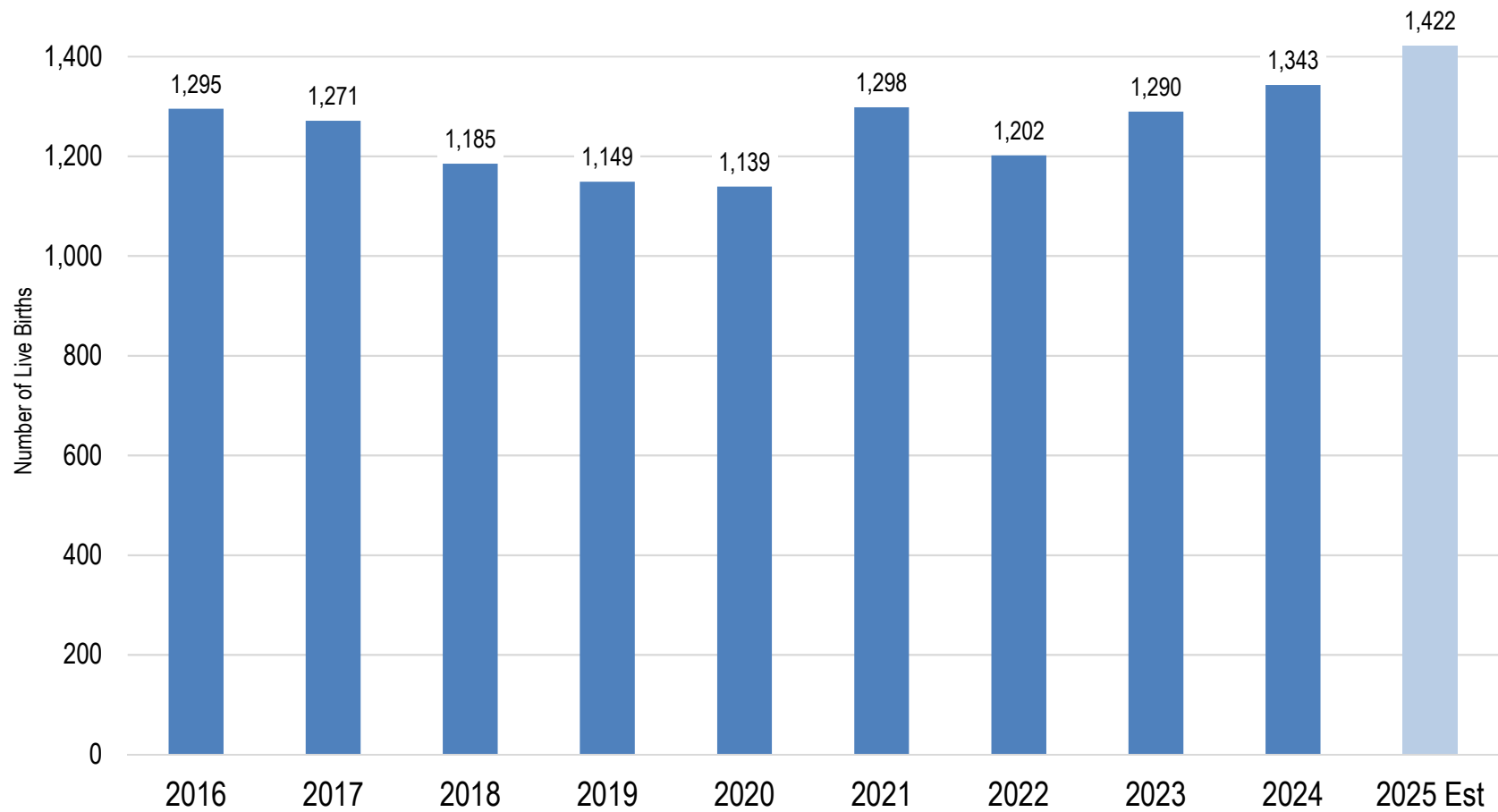
D. No limit, except as determined by local Board of Trustees

Bozeman Public Schools Actual and Projected Enrollment October 2025

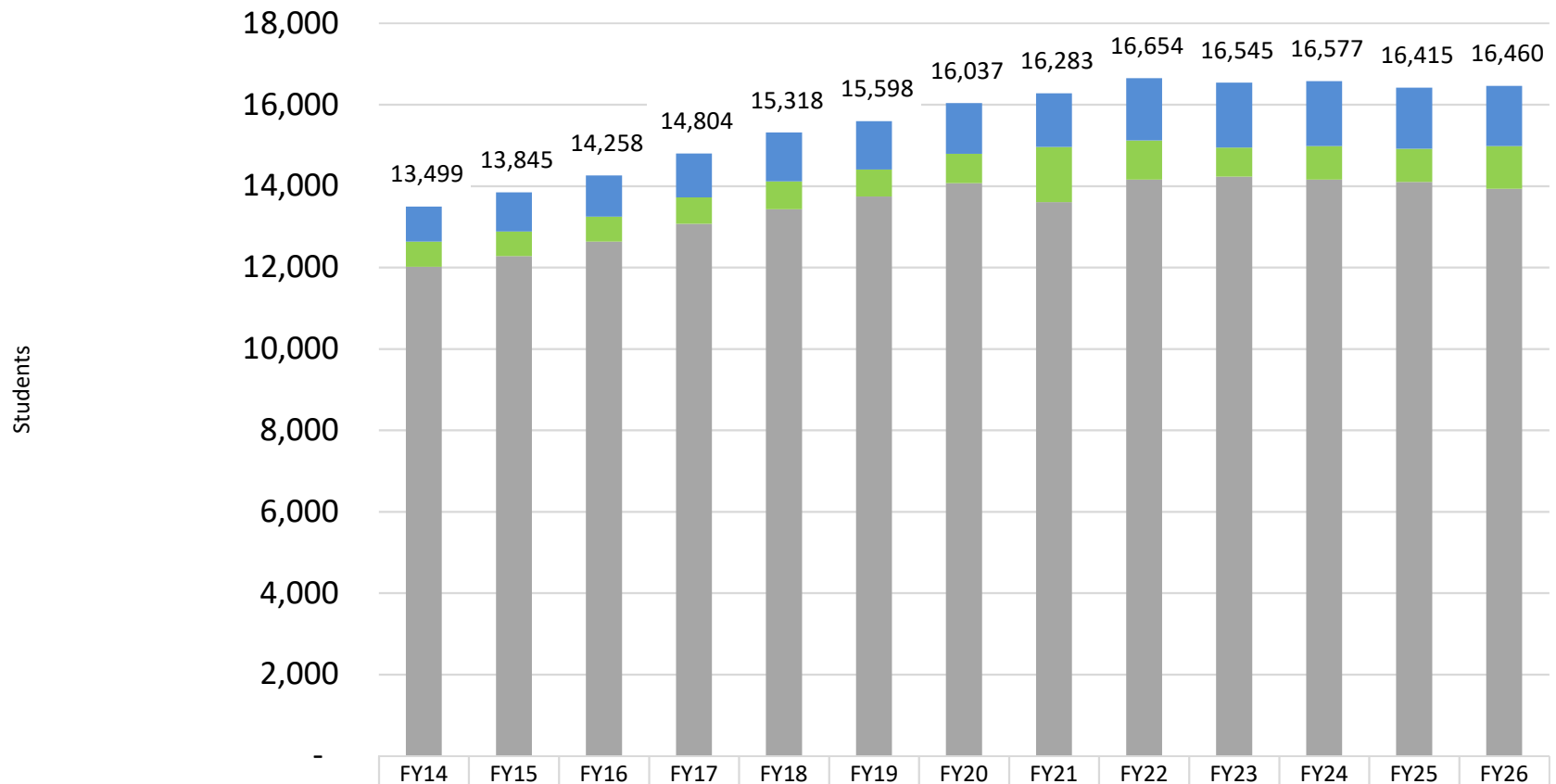


Elementary Enrollment (Grades K-5)	3,184	3,185	3,235	3,225	2,892	3,070	3,055	3,053	3,060	3,066	3,110	3,061	3,034	3,078	3,089	3,138	3,143	3,190	3,225	3,270
Middle School Enrollment (Grades 6-8)	1,440	1,535	1,536	1,626	1,574	1,638	1,597	1,590	1,565	1,602	1,645	1,683	1,690	1,638	1,597	1,533	1,596	1,583	1,622	1,603
High School Enrollment (Grades 9-12)	2,118	2,168	2,224	2,260	2,398	2,509	2,630	2,743	2,782	2,841	2,810	2,790	2,863	2,867	2,957	3,000	2,910	2,891	2,800	2,787


Bozeman Health Live Births



Gallatin County K-12 Enrollment



■ Total Private School Enrollment	863	961	1,013	1,083	1,205	1,190	1,242	1,325	1,536	1,597	1,592	1,497	1,479
■ Total Home School Enrollment	621	607	610	648	682	663	720	1,356	956	718	823	820	1,048
■ Total Public School Enrollment	12,015	12,277	12,635	13,073	13,431	13,745	14,075	13,602	14,162	14,230	14,162	14,098	13,933
Total Enrollment - All Schools	13,499	13,845	14,258	14,804	15,318	15,598	16,037	16,283	16,654	16,545	16,577	16,415	16,460

An aerial photograph of Bozeman, Montana, showing a mix of urban buildings, green spaces, and a large stadium in the foreground. In the background, there are large, rugged mountains under a clear sky. The text is overlaid on this image.

Which of the following is NOT a component of the Bozeman School District's Long Range Strategic Plan?

A. Intergovernmental collaboration for more turf fields

B. Grade level reading and early literacy

C. Staff & student well being

D. Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)

MISSION

VISION

VALUES

GOALS

WHY ?

Why do we exist ?

WHAT ?

What must our school become to accomplish our purpose ?

HOW ?

How must we behave to achieve our vision ?

HOW ?

How will we mark our progress ?

Fundamental Purpose

Compelling Future

Collective Commitments

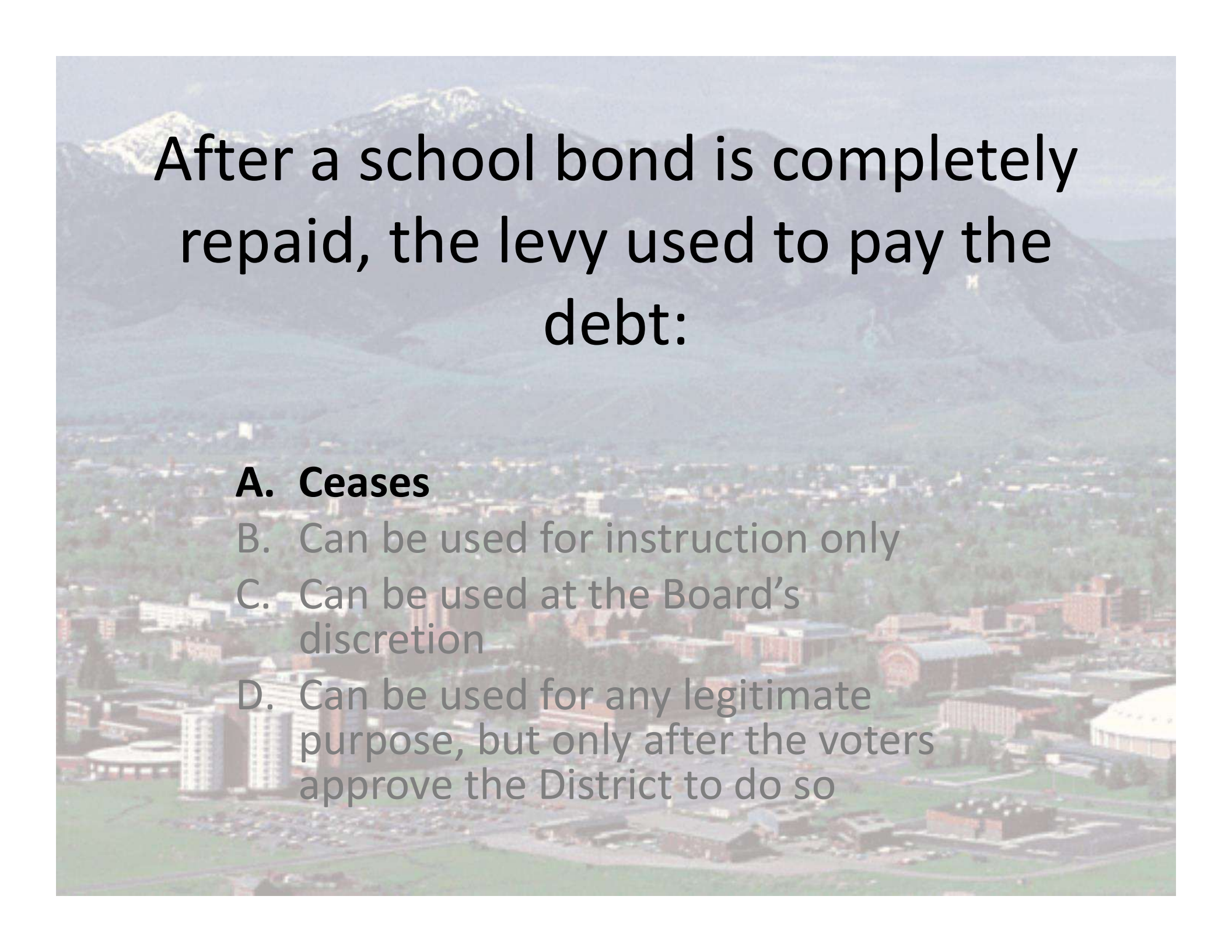
Targets & Timelines

CLARIFIES
Priorities and Sharpens Focus

GIVES
Directions

GUIDES
Behaviors

ESTABLISHES
Priorities

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After a school bond is completely repaid, the levy used to pay the debt:

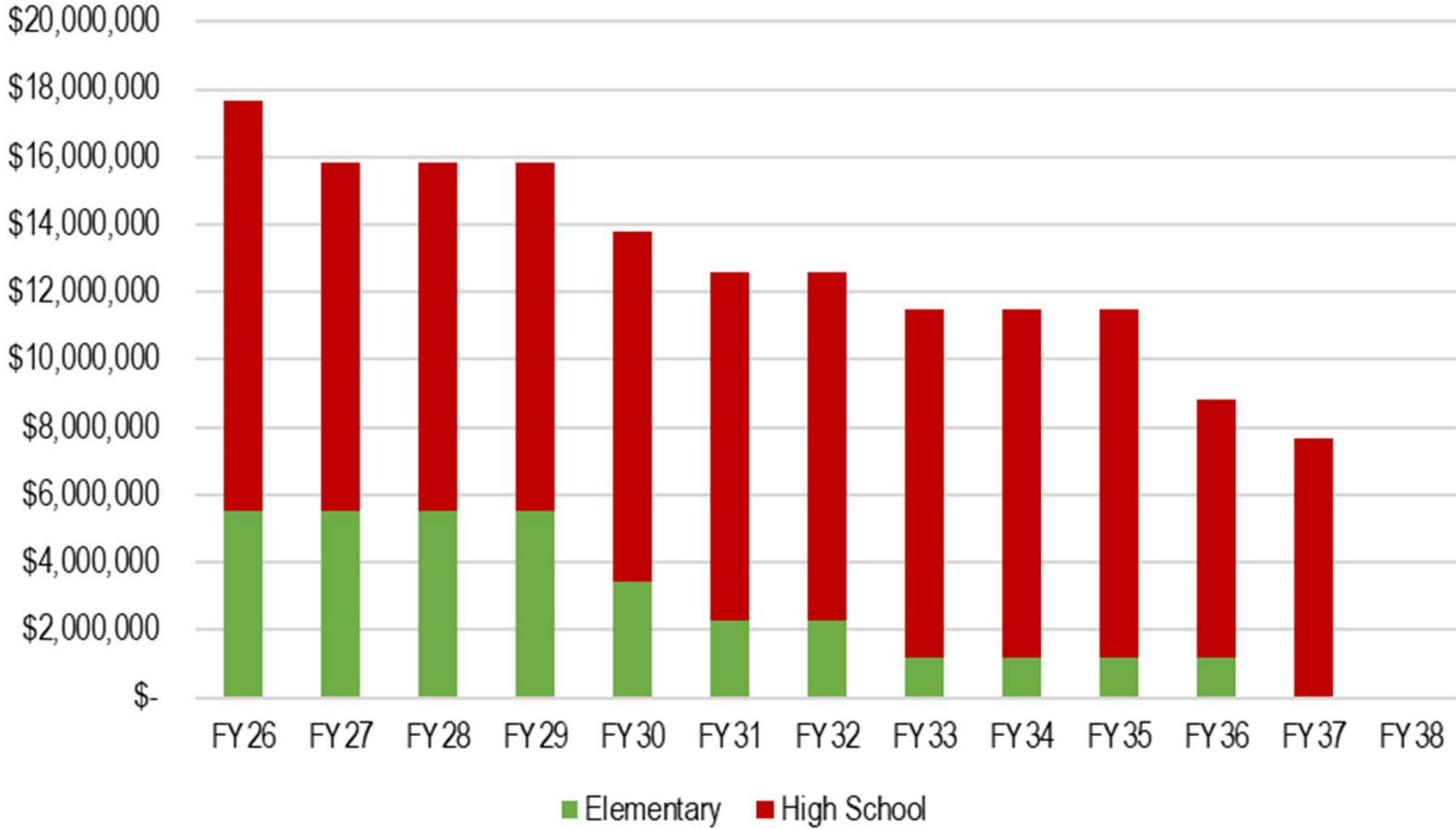
A. Ceases

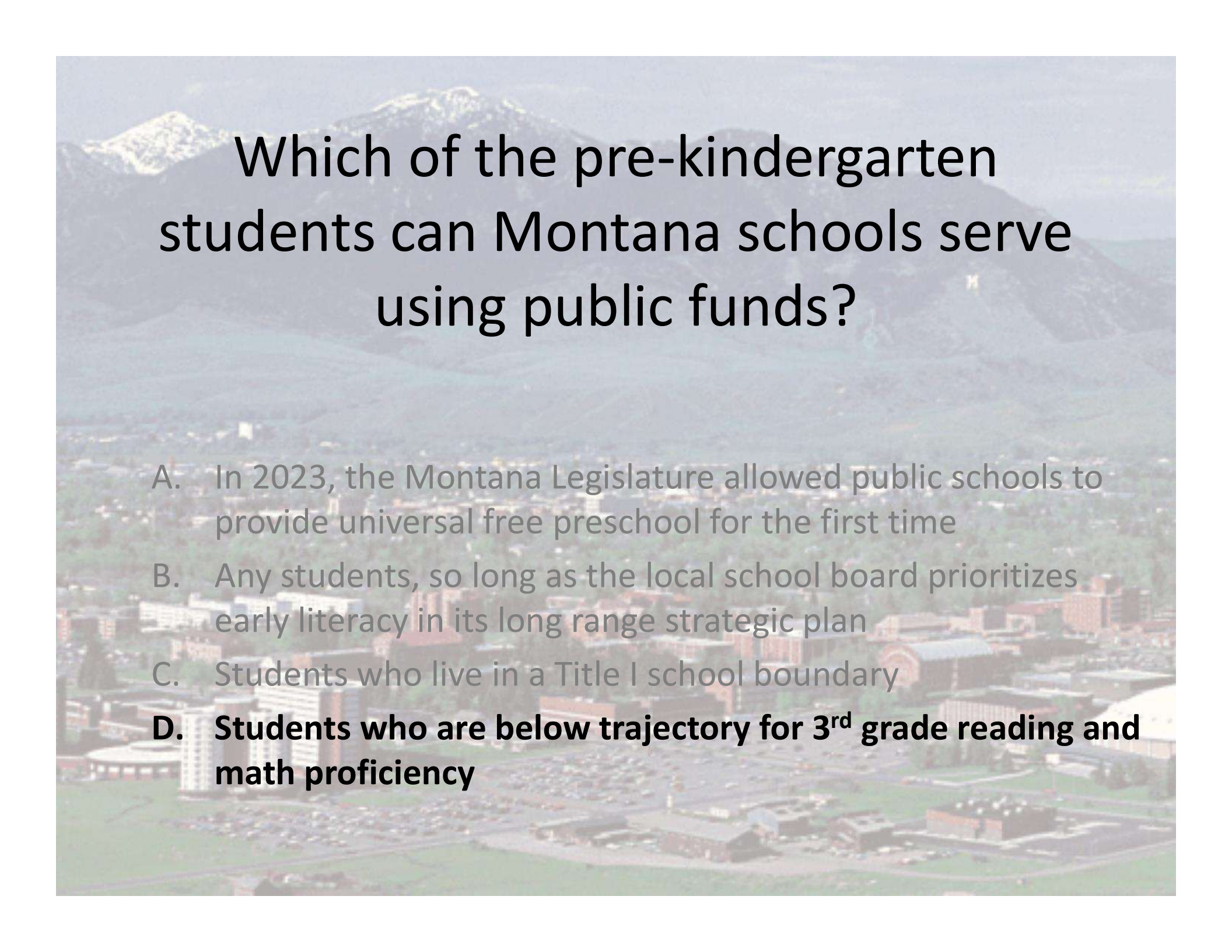
B. Can be used for instruction only

C. Can be used at the Board's discretion

D. Can be used for any legitimate purpose, but only after the voters approve the District to do so

Bozeman Public Schools Remaining Bond Payments



An aerial photograph of a city, likely Bozeman, Montana, with snow-capped mountains in the background. The city is densely packed with buildings, and a large green field is visible in the foreground. The text is overlaid on this image.

Which of the pre-kindergarten students can Montana schools serve using public funds?

- A. In 2023, the Montana Legislature allowed public schools to provide universal free preschool for the first time
- B. Any students, so long as the local school board prioritizes early literacy in its long range strategic plan
- C. Students who live in a Title I school boundary
- D. Students who are below trajectory for 3rd grade reading and math proficiency**

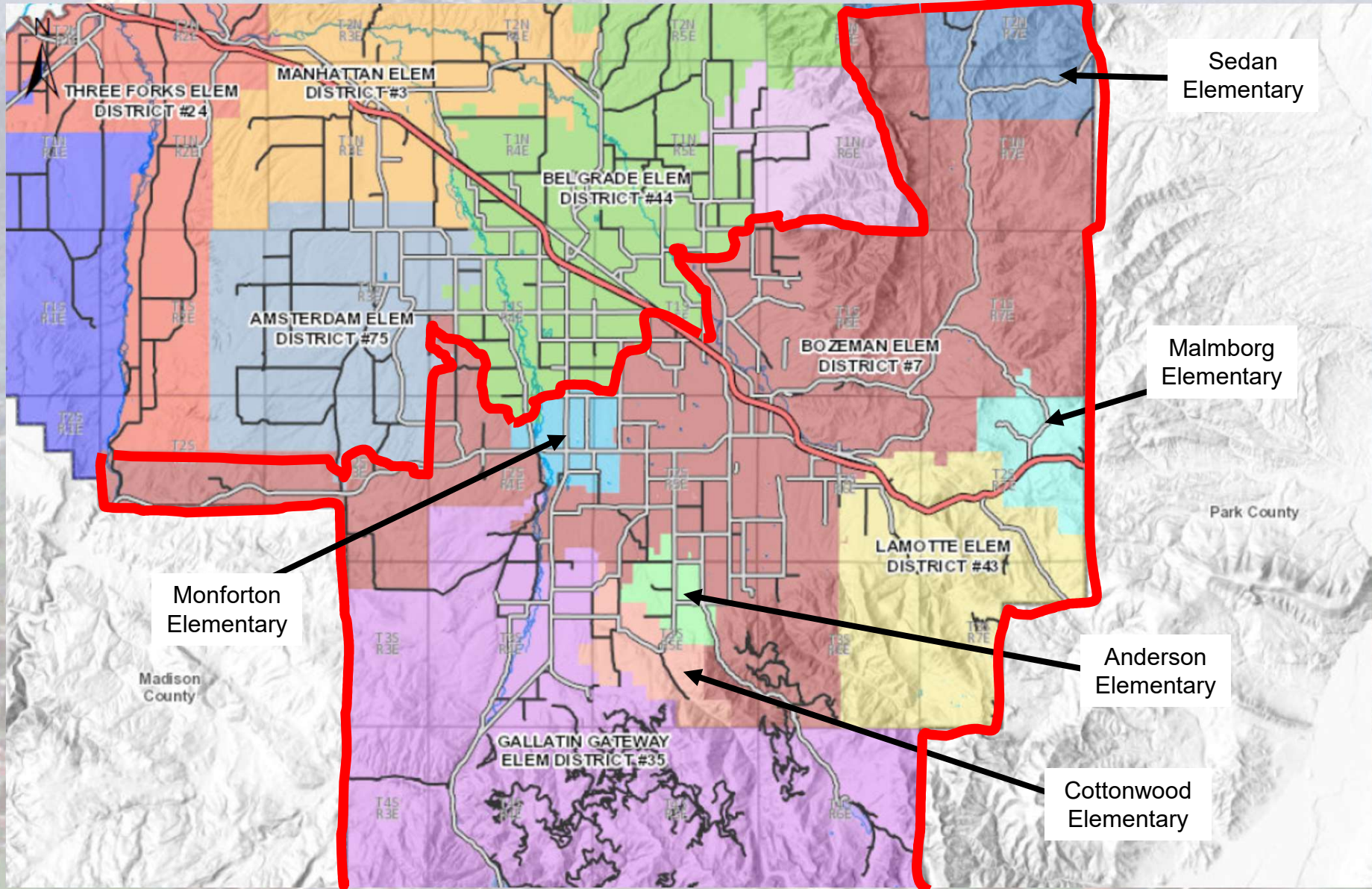
Bozeman Public Schools has an early literacy goal of 85% of all children entering kindergarten will have requisite literacy skills as measured by Acadience. Key Question: How is the classroom targeted early intervention program for four-year-olds working to support the early literacy goal?

Fall 2024	Spring 2025	Fall 2025
0% Proficient or Advanced N=72	66% Proficient or Advanced N=72	71% Proficient or Advanced N=58
Enrollment in the BRELC was contingent upon lagging literacy skills in any literacy subtest area as measured by the Acadience Preschool Early Literacy Indicators (PELI) assessment.	End of year assessment as measured by the Acadience Preschool Early Literacy Indicators (PELI) assessment (composite score).	Beginning of year assessment as measured by the Acadience assessment (composite score). Data include kindergarten students who attended the BRELC for at least 80% of the year and entered BSD7 kindergarten classrooms in fall 2025.
Key Takeaways: The BRELC year-long, four-year-old program delivered powerful results - two-thirds of participating students reached proficiency within one school year. Even months later, after transitioning to kindergarten, more than 70% remained proficient in literacy.		
<i>The evidence is clear - targeted early intervention works!</i>		

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Taxpayers in the Anderson Elementary School District pay:

- A. No High School Taxes
- B. High School Taxes to the Anderson High School District
- C. High School Taxes to the Bozeman High School District**
- D. High School taxes to Bozeman High School District only for students who attended elementary school there



Sedan Elementary

Malmborg Elementary

Monforton Elementary

Anderson Elementary

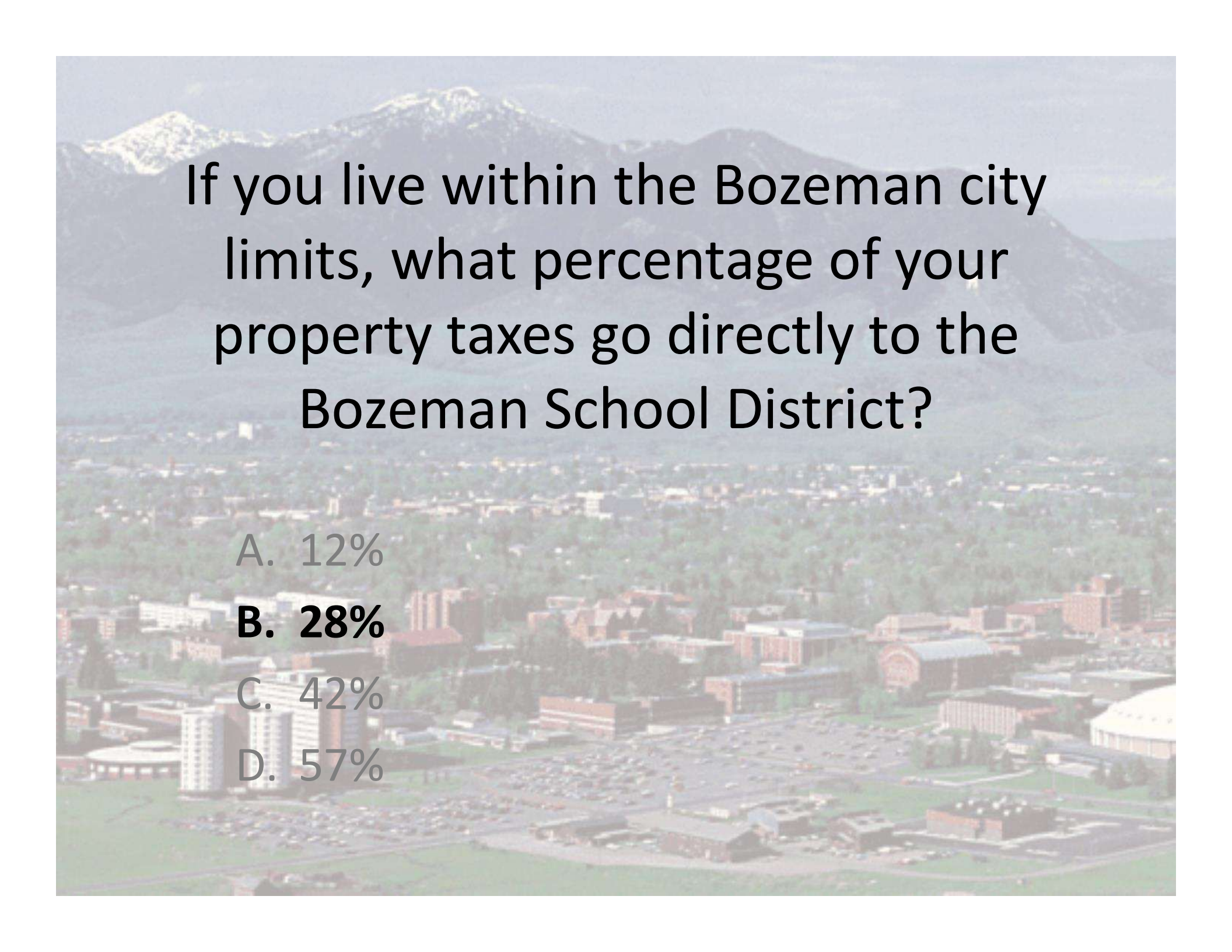
Cottonwood Elementary

Bozeman High School District Boundary

Bozeman Public Schools May 2026 Levy Requests

Ballot Issue	Levy Request (per year)	Estimated Mills*	Est. Annual Tax Impact on a \$600,000 Owner- Occupied Home
Elem General Fund	\$ 1,200,000	3.63	\$ 17.68
<u>High School General Fund</u>	<u>\$ 600,000</u>	<u>1.46</u>	<u>\$ 7.11</u>
Total on Ballot	\$ 1,800,000	5.09	\$ 24.79
<u>Less: Expiring HS Bonds</u>	<u>(\$ 1,800,000)</u>	<u>(3.28)</u>	<u>(\$ 15.98)</u>
Est. Net Impact	<u>- \$ 0 -</u>	<u>1.81</u>	<u>\$ 8.81</u>

* Assumes 0% increase in the District's tax base



If you live within the Bozeman city limits, what percentage of your property taxes go directly to the Bozeman School District?

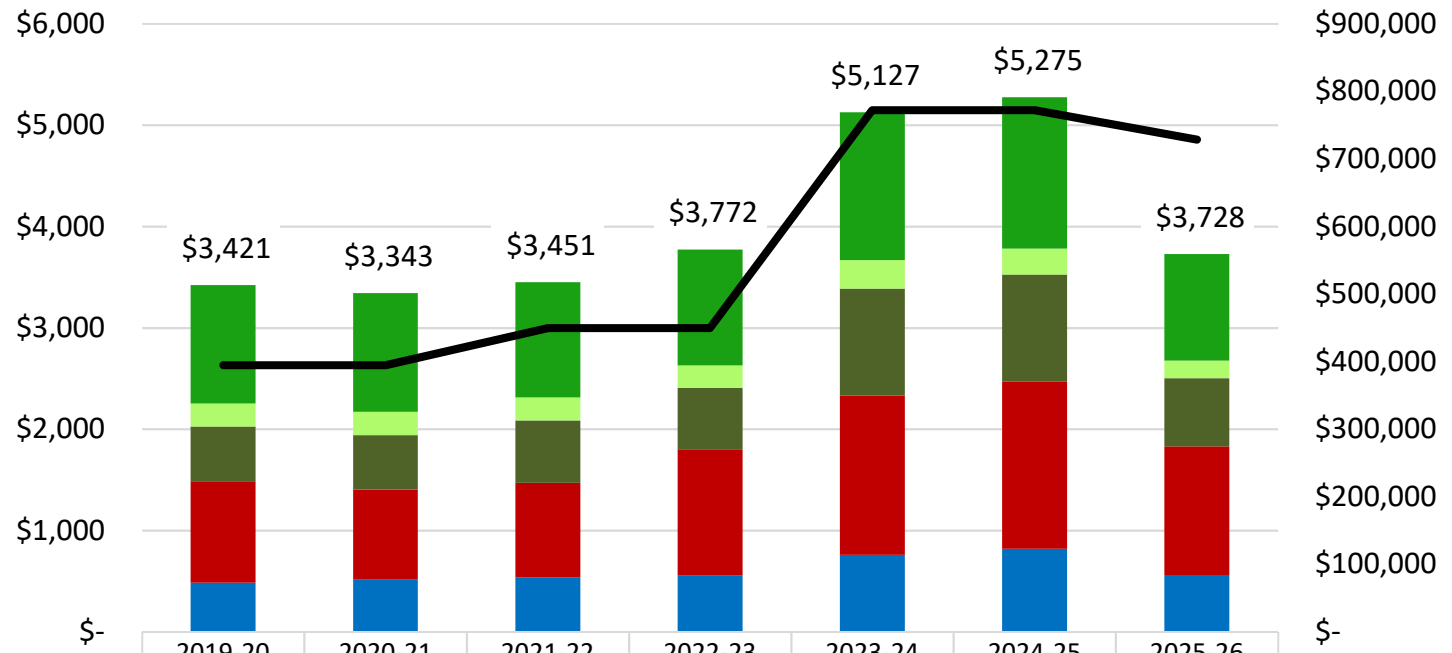
A. 12%

B. 28%

C. 42%

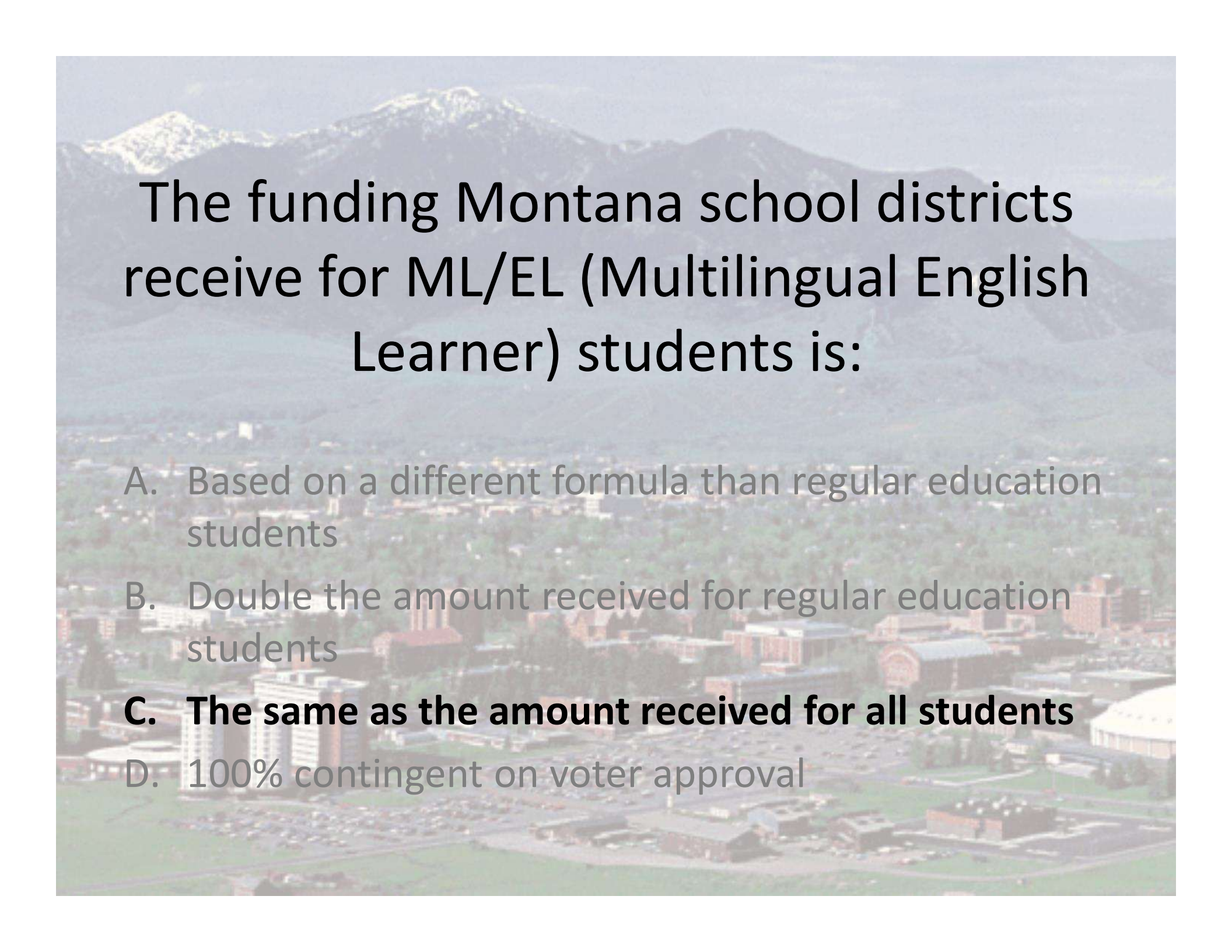
D. 57%

Property Taxes on Median House Within Bozeman City Limits



	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26
Bozeman Public Schools	1,166	1,170	1,135	1,143	1,457	1,493	1,050
County Schools	229	231	230	219	284	258	175
State of Montana	539	539	614	614	1,053	1,053	673
City of Bozeman	1,001	883	936	1,242	1,572	1,650	1,270
Gallatin County	486	520	536	554	761	821	561
Total Taxes	3,421	3,343	3,451	3,772	5,127	5,275	3,728
Assessed Property Value	395,000	395,000	450,000	450,000	772,500	772,500	729,000

Source: Gallatin Association of Realtors, Gallatin County Treasurer

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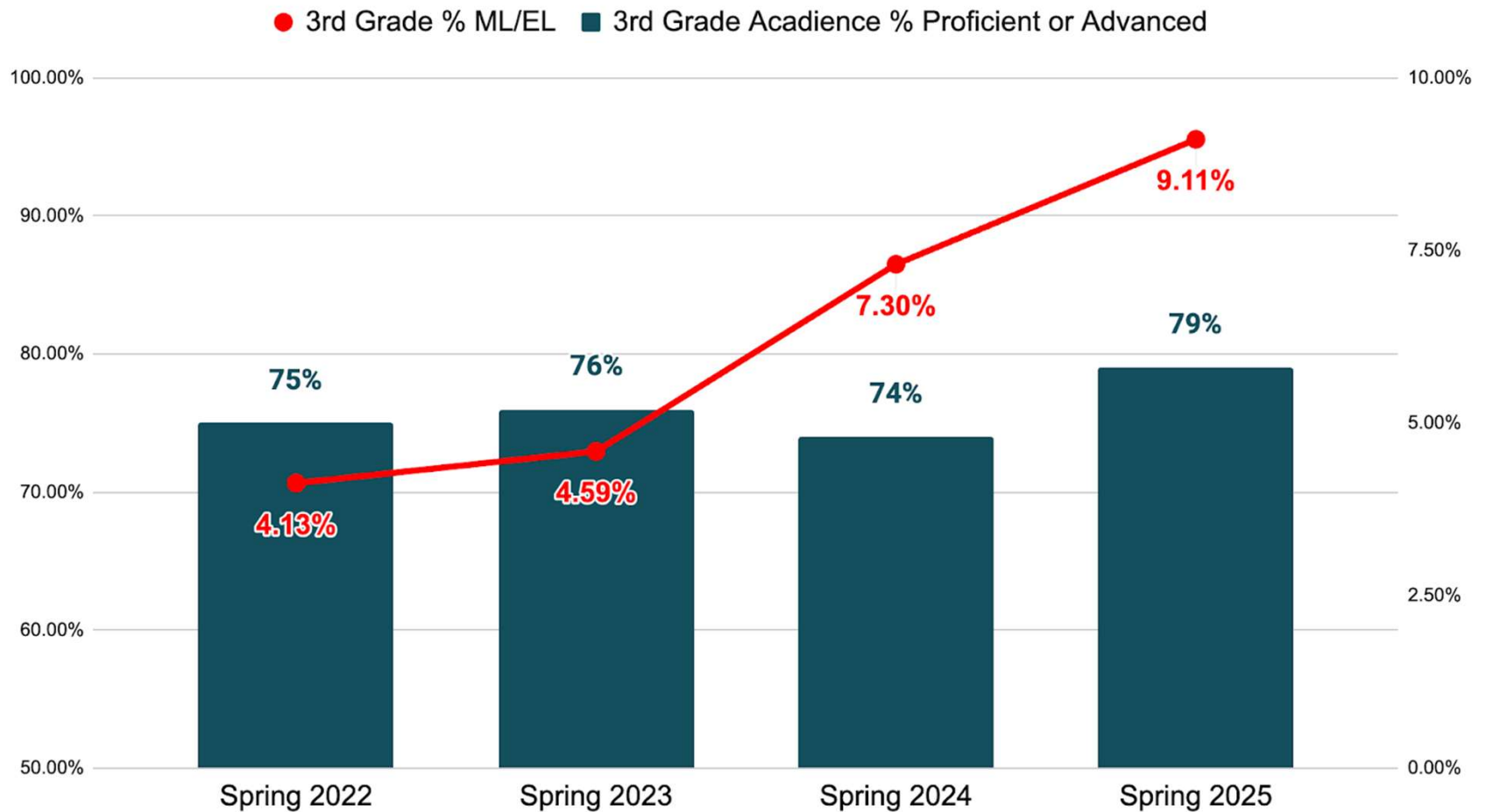
The funding Montana school districts receive for ML/EL (Multilingual English Learner) students is:

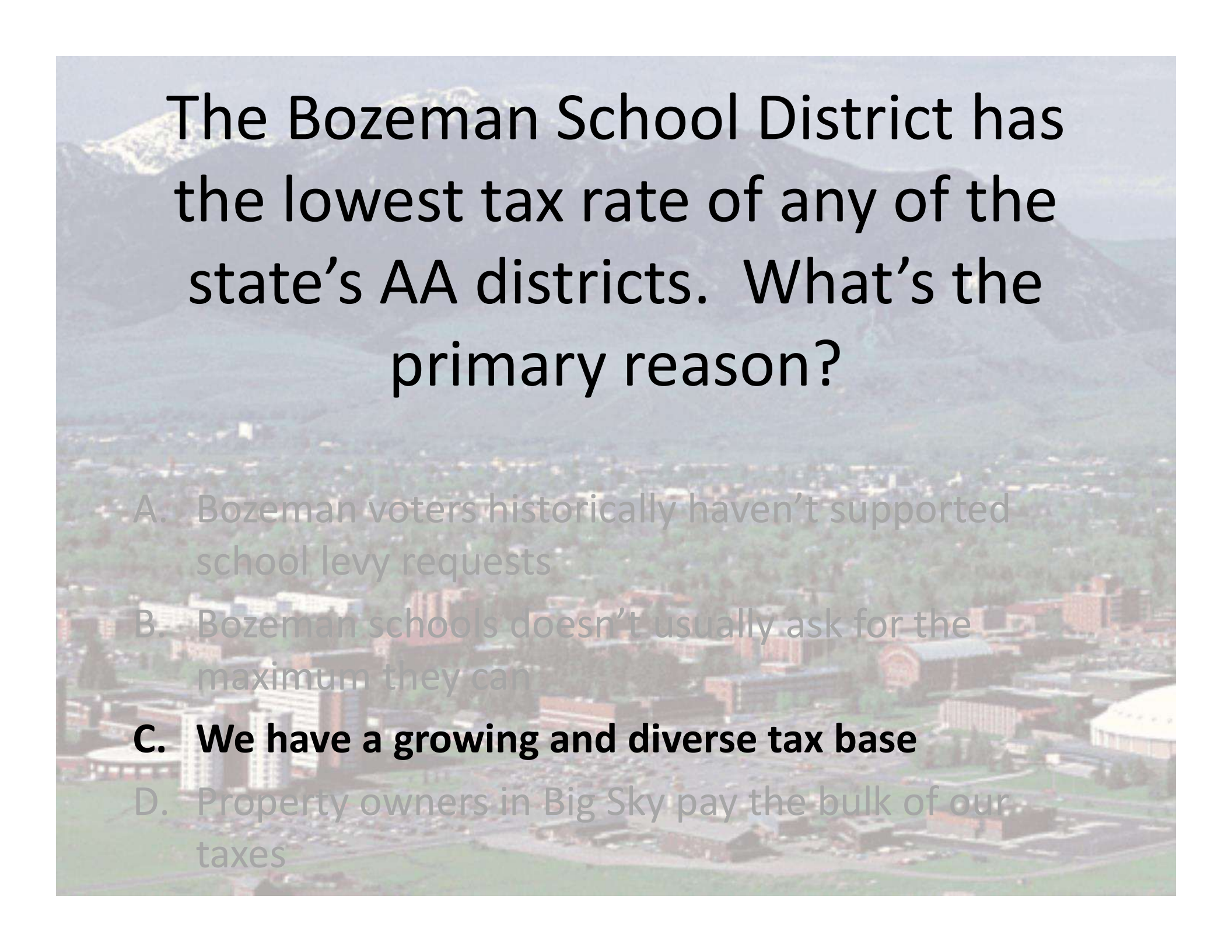
- A. Based on a different formula than regular education students
- B. Double the amount received for regular education students
- C. The same as the amount received for all students**
- D. 100% contingent on voter approval

Bozeman Public Schools

Student Achievement in an Evolving Community

LRSP Grade Level Reading Goal - Grade 3 Literacy and ML/EL Data



An aerial photograph of Bozeman, Montana, showing the city's layout, including buildings, roads, and green spaces, with the surrounding mountains visible in the background. The image is slightly faded to allow text to be overlaid.

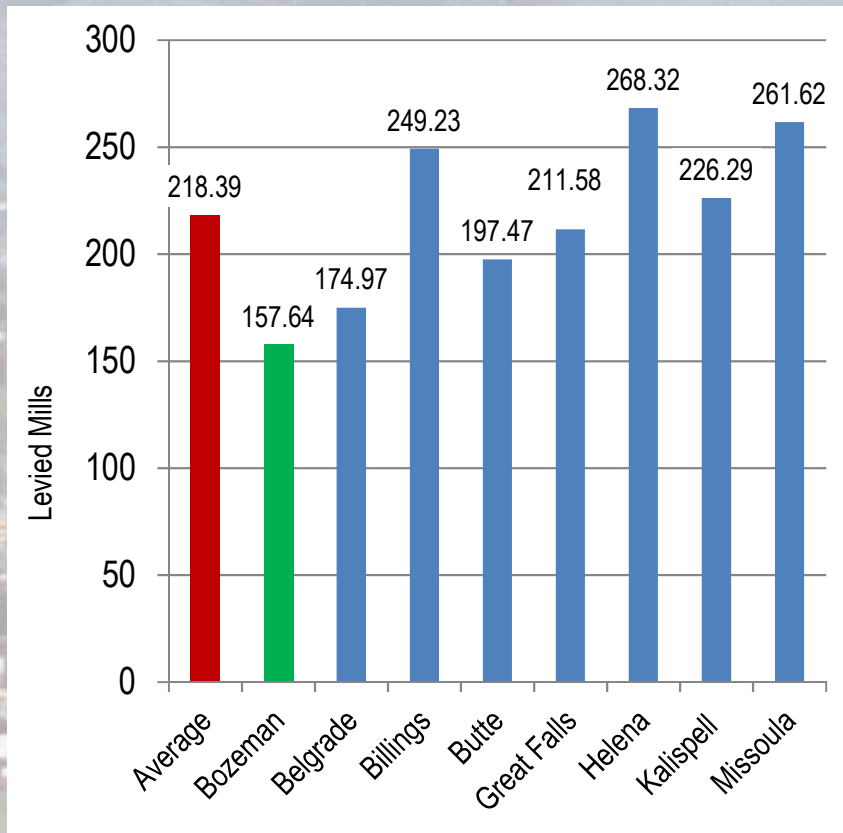
The Bozeman School District has the lowest tax rate of any of the state's AA districts. What's the primary reason?

- A. Bozeman voters historically haven't supported school levy requests
- B. Bozeman schools doesn't usually ask for the maximum they can
- C. We have a growing and diverse tax base**
- D. Property owners in Big Sky pay the bulk of our taxes

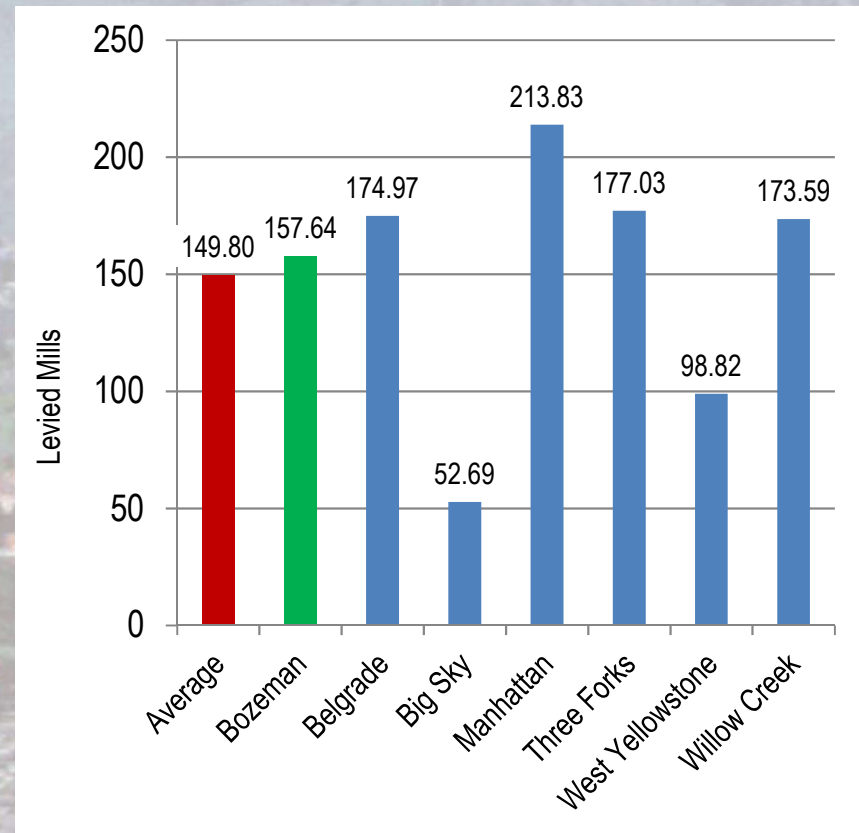
School District Mill Levy Comparisons

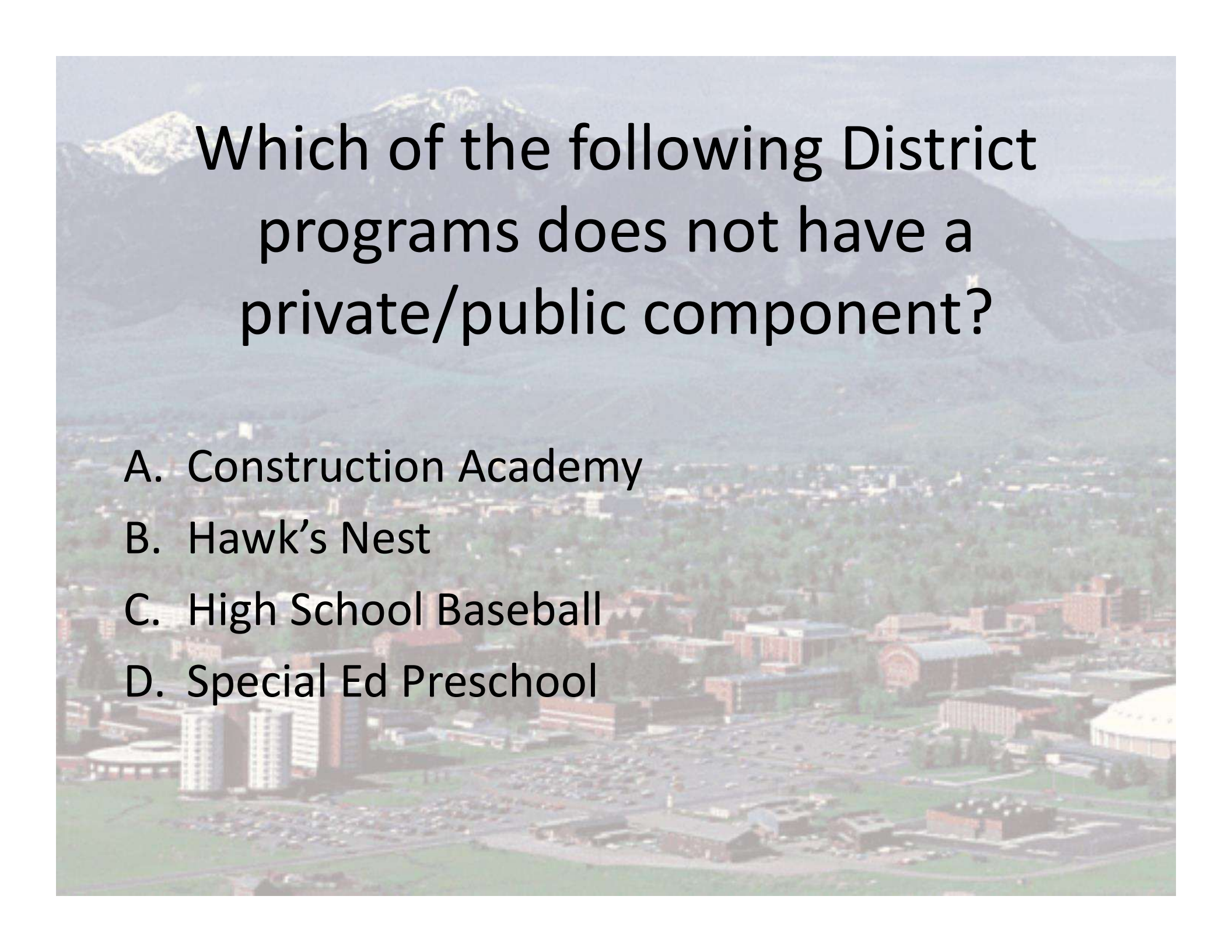
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Montana AA School Districts



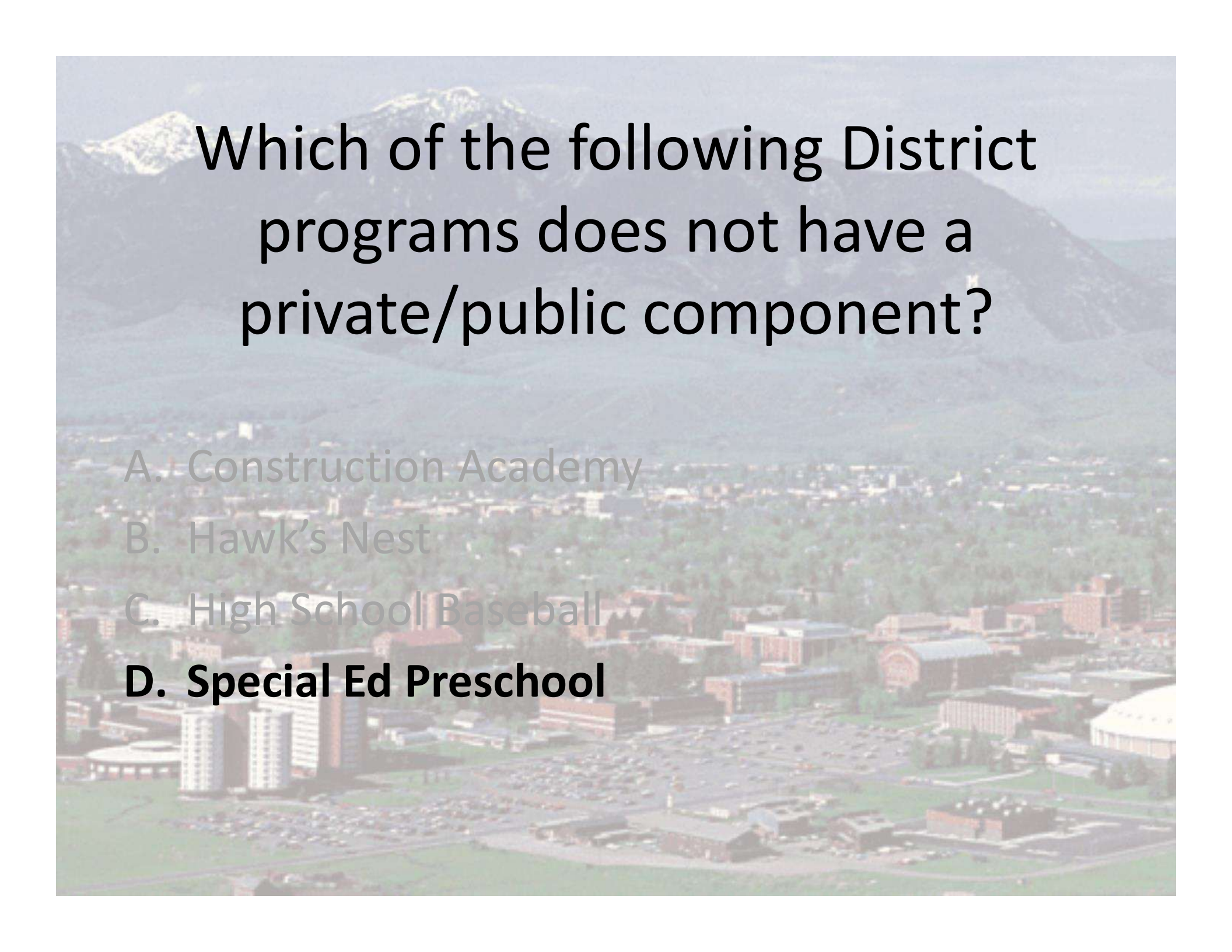
Gallatin County School Districts



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Which of the following District programs does not have a private/public component?

- A. Construction Academy
- B. Hawk's Nest
- C. High School Baseball
- D. Special Ed Preschool

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Community Partners



GALLATIN HIGH BOOSTER CLUB



BOZEMAN HAWK BOOSTERS

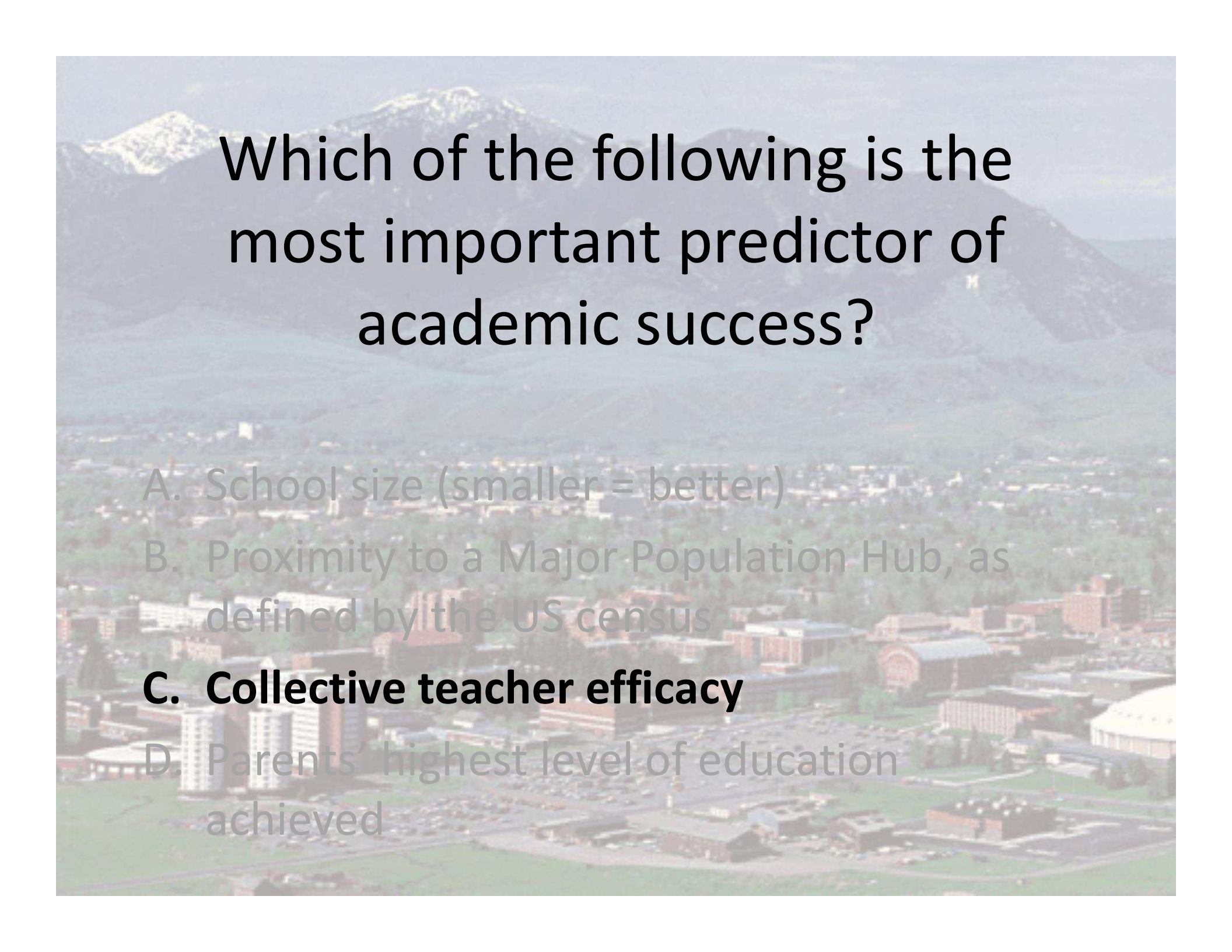


PROSPERA



ROTHERHAM CONSTRUCTION



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Which of the following is the most important predictor of academic success?

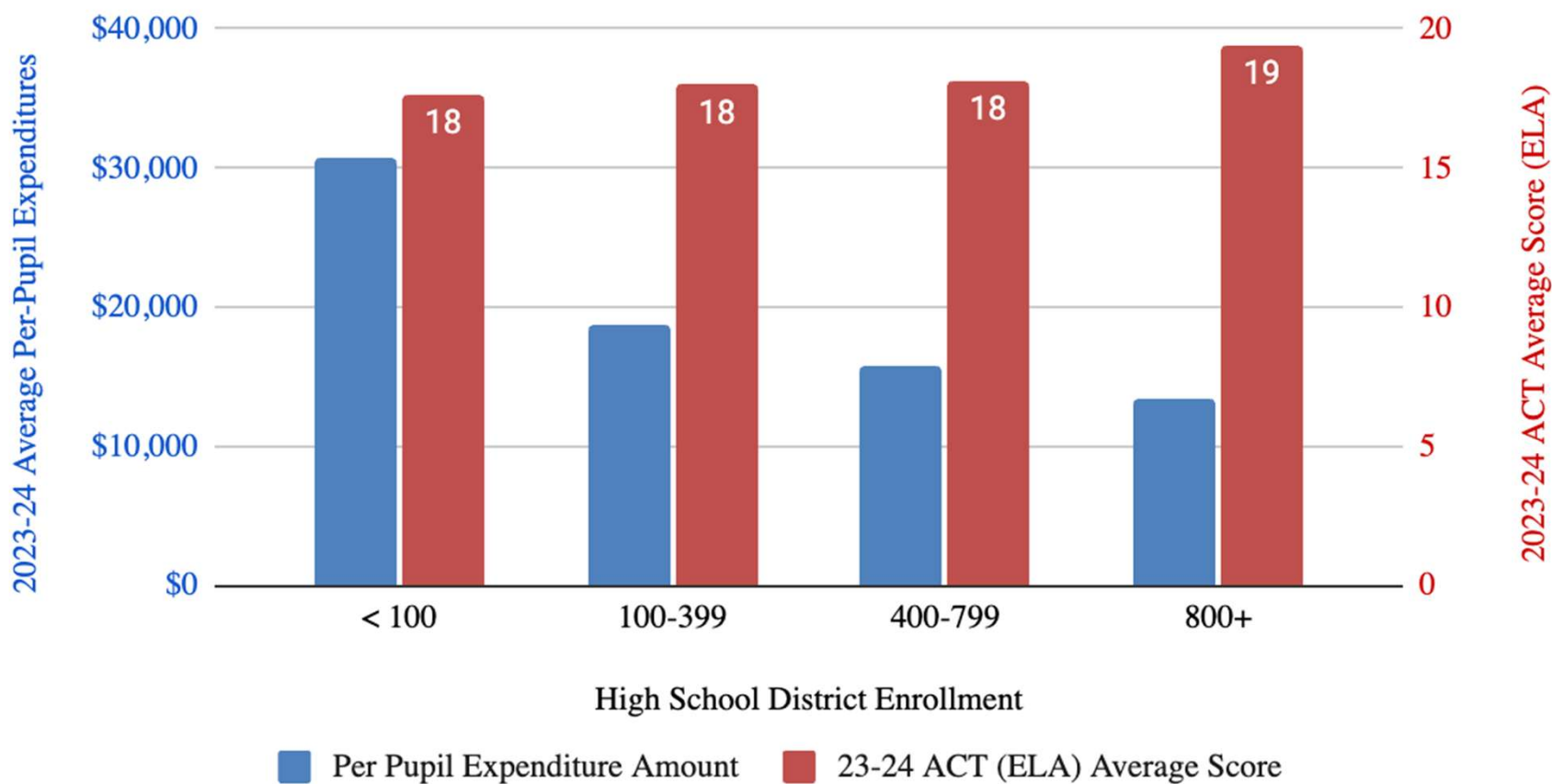
A. School size (smaller = better)

B. Proximity to a Major Population Hub, as defined by the US census


C. Collective teacher efficacy

D. Parents' highest level of education achieved

Montana High School District Comparison by Enrollment Size (source: OPI GEMS data)



Source: OPI GEMS

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The 2023 Legislature mandated open enrollment for all K-12 public schools beginning July 1, 2024. That means:

A. Students can attend any district they wish, regardless of residence

B. Students can attend any school they wish, regardless of residence

C. Home schooled students no longer need to register with the County Superintendent

D. Students are no longer required to stay on campus during lunch

Bozeman Public Schools

2025-26 Open Enrollment Summary

District	In From	Out To	Net
Belgrade	97	6	91
Livingston	3	-	3
Springhill	3	-	3
Harrison	1	-	1
Shields Valley	1	-	1
Whitehall	1	-	1
Helena	-	1	(1)
Anaconda	-	1	(1)
Missoula	-	2	(2)
Billings	-	2	(2)
Three Forks	1	4	(3)
Manhattan	6	10	(4)
Gallatin Gateway	7	14	(7)
Cottonwood	3	11	(8)
Amsterdam	2	10	(8)
Monforton	4	21	(17)
LaMotte	2	23	(21)
Anderson	1	71	(70)
Total	132	176	(44)