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**LINDALE ISD LOWERS PROPERTY TAX RATE AND RAISES 2017-2018 TEACHER
PAY SCALE**

Once again, the Lindale ISD Board of Trustees has lowered the property tax rate. The 2017-2018 tax rate has been lowered by 1 cent. This is the fourth time that the Board of Trustees has lowered the tax rate since 2011.

The Lindale ISD Board of Trustees has also approved an increase in the 2017-2018 teacher pay scale by an average of 4.4%. Total pay raises range from an increase of \$1,579 to \$2,795. The LISD Board of Trustees also raised the pay scale for all support staff.

The increase in teacher and support staff salaries across the district, are a result of the need to stay competitive with nearby districts.

“We feel that we have one of the best school districts in the state of Texas,” said Lindale ISD Board President Kelly Cox. “Our great staff is one of the biggest reasons for that, therefore we as a board, want to support our employees as much as possible.”

“Our LISD Board of Trustees deserve a great deal of credit for their fiscal management,” said LISD Superintendent Stan Surratt. “To lower the tax rate, while improving teacher and staff pay levels, is a commendable accomplishment.”

Lindale ISD has also adopted a general fund budget of \$32,932,269 for 2017-2018 and has refinanced bonds to net a savings to the school district and taxpayers in the amount of \$875,000.

“We are always examining ways to save money for the district,” said Director of Finance Michelle Tate. “It was excellent timing to refinance these bonds and I am very pleased with the great savings for the district.”

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