

## Chesterton High School Alumní Association Inc. PO Box 1063 Chesterton, IN 46304

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Dear Neighbor,

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Michael Anton Jr. '61 This fall, our community faces an important decision—one that will shape the future of our schools, our students, and ultimately, our community. As proud graduates of Chesterton High School, the CHS Alumni Association strongly encourages alumni and friends living in the Duneland school district to vote YES on the Duneland School Corporation Referendum this November.

> For years, Chesterton High School students have consistently set the standard for excellence. Our alumni have gone on to become doctors, teachers, lawyers, parents, and above all exemplary citizens. The foundation for those successes was laid in the classrooms, hallways, and programs of our public schools. The upcoming referendum is not about new taxes or drastic changes. It will continue the current level of funding for our schools and will help maintain the current classroom sizes, recruit and retain qualified teachers, and continue essential student health and safety initiatives. Many of our alumni also remain strong supporters of extracurriculars and student support programs; a YES vote on the upcoming referendum will sustain support for these extracurriculars and programs, and continue their legacy into the future.

> Whether you are a recent graduate or graduated decades ago, and whether you are a CHS alumni yourself or a supportive community member, this referendum impacts all of us. Our strong schools are the backbone of the Duneland community, and this referendum will sustain this status quo. Many homeowners will see little or no change in what they actually pay as a result of the referendum, while some will even see a decrease. For example, after applying all new deductions and credits, the overall property tax bill for a median-value Chesterton home would go down by approximately \$40 per year.

> Put simply, the Duneland School Corporation Referendum is in the best interest of the students now and the future of the whole of the Duneland Community. We urge you to vote YES on the referendum on Tuesday, November 4, and to encourage your friends, neighbors, and fellow alumni to do the same. For more information, visit

dunelandstrong.com.

With gratitude,

Chesterton High School Alumni Association

