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Elections Matter.

The three at-large seats of the CMS Board of Education are on the ballot this fall. [Elyse Dashev](#) is the only current Board member seeking reelection. I fully support Elyse's candidacy and look forward to working with her during her next term.

Elyse seeks out diverse perspectives to inform her decision making. More than any other member, Elyse actively reaches out to diverse communities across the county. And, when it's decision time, Elyse stands up for what is best for ALL children.

Please join me in voting FOR a better Mecklenburg

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A vote FOR the Mecklenburg County Sales and Use Tax on November 5 is a vote FOR investments in parks, arts and education in our community that will benefit everyone.

The quarter-cent sales tax will add approximately \$50 million in new revenue:

- 45% (\$22.5 million) **to restore and expand arts, science and history education in public schools**, enable cultural programs to reach deeper into neighborhoods and ensure residents have access to arts and culture regardless of where they live or what they can afford
- 34% (\$17 million) in increased funding to revitalize for our parks and greenways that ranked near the bottom of a recent national study of metropolitan park systems
- 16% (\$8 million) for **increased teacher supplements and classroom supports like psychologists and teacher assistants**
- 5% (\$2.5 million) for arts and culture programs and parks in Cornelius, Davidson, Huntersville, Matthews, Mint Hill and Pineville.

The proposed tax sales does NOT apply to groceries, gas, or medicine. A quarter-cent increase is the equivalent of twenty-five cents for every one hundred dollars spent.

The ballot will ask if you are “for” or “against” a quarter-cent increase in the sales tax.

Our state legislature doesn't allow the

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ballot to include a reminder that the increase will benefit parks, arts and education.

MECKLENBURG COUNTY SALES USE TAX

Local sales and use tax at the rate of one-quarter percent (.25%) in addition to all other state and local sales and use taxes.

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