# One Mill Oversight Committee

Annual Update April 17, 2018

#### **About the One Mill**

 First approved by Alachua County voters in 2008, renewed in 2012 with 68%+ and in 2016 with 77% approval; runs through June of 2021

 One mill equals one dollar for every \$1000 of the taxable value of a property

 Has raised between \$11 and \$13 million annually, depending on property values

## Ballot Language for 2016

# RENEWAL OF THE EXISTING ONE MILL AD VALOREM TAX FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT OPERATING EXPENSES

**BALLOT QUESTION:** Shall the Alachua County School District's existing one mill ad valorem tax be renewed, beginning July 1, 2017, and ending four years later on June 30, 2021, for necessary operating expenses to fund school nurses, elementary music and art programs, K-12 school library programs, K-12 guidance programs, middle and high school band and chorus programs, academic/career technical magnet programs and to update classroom technology; with oversight by an independent citizens' committee?

\_\_\_\_\_ YES

## **Oversight Committee**

Debbie Gallagher: Chairman Harvey Budd Eric Godet Sam Goforth Jean Robinson Lillian Swanger Albert White Janie Williams

#### Oversight Committee Responsibilities

- Review the expenditures of revenues from the one mill
- Seek additional information on expenditures if needed
- Present an annual report to the school board on the expenditure of one mill revenues

#### Oversight Committee Responsibilities

- Report to the Superintendent and the School Board chairman any inconsistencies between ballot language and actual expenditure of One Mill revenues
- Develop a final report following the sunset of the One Mill
- Term: November 19, 2008 September 30, 2021 (three months after the sunset)

## One Mill Expenditures

Total one mill expenditures from July 2009 through January 31, 2018

\$80.8 MILLION

## One Mill Appropriations 2016-17

**Ballot Categories** 

Academic/Career Tech Magnets

**School Nurses** 

Elementary Music/Art

Middle & High
Band And Chorus

**Appropriations** 

60 teacher units

Funded through Medicaid

51 teacher units

13 teacher units

## One Mill Appropriations 2016-17

**Ballot Categories** 

**School Libraries** 

K-12 Guidance

Classroom Technology

**Appropriations** 

21 media specialist units

19 counselor units

9 technicians +
 equipment

Total: 173 teachers, technicians and technology

### Student Impact









All of Alachua County Public Schools' nearly 28,000 students benefit from the One Mill.







#### Academic Magnet Programs

Gifted And Talented Magnet: Archer Elementary School Fine Arts Magnet: Duval Elementary School Math, Science and Technology Magnet: Stephen Foster Elementary School

Gifted Magnet: Williams Elementary School

Academy Of Technology and Gifted Studies: Howard Bishop Middle School

Lyceum: Lincoln Middle School

Center for Advanced Academics and Technology: Oak View Middle School

International Baccalaureate: Eastside High School

Cambridge: Gainesville High School

#### Career Academies

Buchholz High School:

Academy of Entrepreneurship

Academy of Finance

Eastside High School:

Institute of Culinary Arts

Gainesville High School:

Academy of Health Professions Academy of Future Teachers

Professional Academies Magnet@ Loften High School

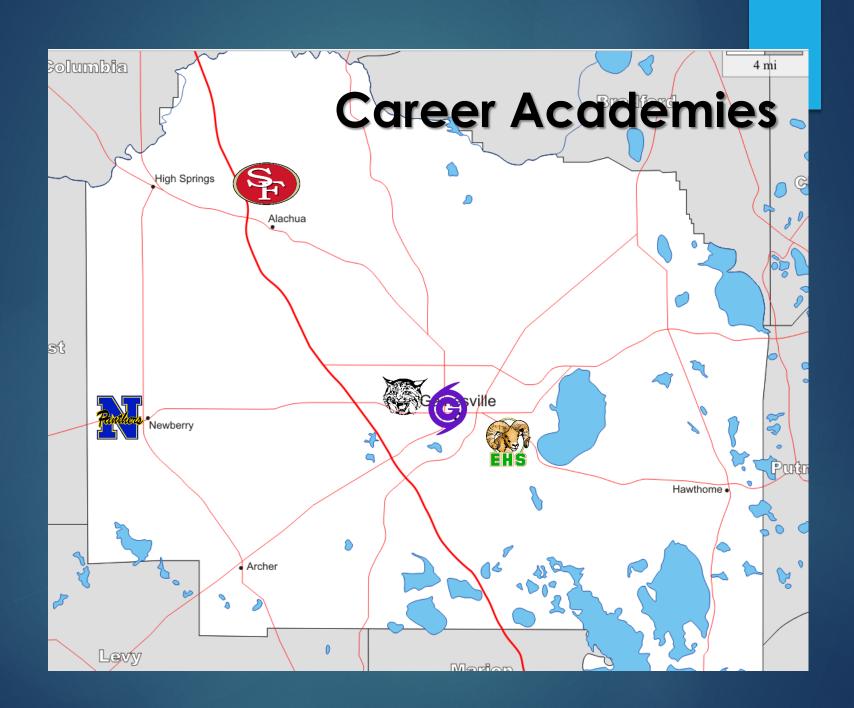
Magnet@ Academy of Automotive Technology
Academy of Gaming and Mobile Apps
Academy of Graphic Art and Design
Academy of Fire And Emergency Medical Services
Academy of Robotics and Engineering

Newberry High School:

Academy of Criminal Justice

Santa Fe High School:

Academy of Agriscience Institute of Biotechnology



## Career Tech Programs







Alachua County Public School middle and high school students earned 1282 career certifications in 2016-17

#### One Mill and the Arts

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Alachua County students have access to a robust arts program, including music, visual and performing arts

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#### One Mill for Technology

- Purchased more than 10,000 computers for classrooms
- Purchased more than 1000 interactive projectors for classrooms
- Districtwide wi-fi
- Instructional software
- Up-to-date computer labs in every school

The one mill is currently the primary funding source for technology purchases and is therefore absolutely crucial to local schools.

#### The One Mill in Action

- GHS students earn top scores in nation & world on Cambridge exams
- BHS Finance students win first-place national FBLA awards
- EHS chorus students named to national honor choir







- Lincoln Lyceum student wins national award for hurricane research
- GHS Cambridge and Lincoln Lyceum students named national Broadcom MASTERS science competition semifinalists
- Wiles Chorus performs at Carnegie Hall







- EHS IB student wins Grand Prize at Florida State Science and Engineering Fair
- NHS Criminal Justice students win 3<sup>rd</sup> state title





 PAM@Loften students win top awards at SkillsUSA Conference



•EHS Culinary Arts program takes silver at state competition



## One Mill Oversight Committee

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