

The Kansas City School District has had nineteen levy elections since 1956. Of the nineteen propositions voted on eight resulted in approval and eleven resulted in failures for the proposition submitted. Only one election (1956) received over a two-thirds majority vote. In an election on June 11, 1974 both a Library levy and a School District levy were submitted. The Library levy was approved and the School District levy failed of passage. Table X shows the dates, the levy proposal and the vote for all levy elections in the Kansas City School District since 1956.

TABLE X

Kansas City School District
School Election Results
1956-1974

School Operating Levy Elections

<u>Date</u>	<u>Election</u>	<u>Total Levy</u>	<u>Total Vote</u>	<u>% For</u>	<u>Result</u>
11-6-56	General	1.76	94,101	76.4	Passed
11-4-58	General	2.12	80,674	56.0	Passed
11-8-60	General	2.47	112,441	55.3	Passed
11-6-62	General	2.69	55,652	48.4	Failed
1-22-63	Special	2.69*	43,540	60.4	Passed
11-3-64	General	2.77	77,199	55.8	Passed
11-8-66	General	3.32	44,562	45.8	Failed
1-24-67	Special	3.32	38,674	60.4	Passed
4-1-69	Special	4.70	39,736	45.3	Failed
5-20-69	Special	4.30	53,281	53.3	Failed
7-1-69	Special	3.75**	44,933	62.9	Passed
6-23-70	Special	4.71	24,523	52.6	Failed
5-18-71	Special	4.65	34,327	53.8	Failed
8-10-71	Special	4.40	33,708	52.0	Failed
12-7-71	Special	4.29	38,249	46.5	Failed
8-8-72	Special (Library)	.25***	36,866	47.5	Failed

School Operating Levy Elections - continued

<u>Date</u>	<u>Election</u>	<u>Total Levy</u>	<u>Total Vote</u>	<u>% For</u>	<u>Result</u>
11-7-72	General (Library)	.25***	7,553	44.6	Failed
6-11-74	Special (Library)	.25***	53,030	53.8	Passed
6-11-74	Special (School Dist.)	5.00	54,075	54.3	Failed

*Reduced to 2.65 for 1964 taxes

**Law changed to allow previously approved levy to continue at the same level without voter approval.

***Vote was to increase levy for library by 15c to a total of 25c.

SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDS

The School District has the power to borrow money and issue bonds for the payment thereof for the following purposes:

1. Purchasing sites for schoolhouses, public library buildings, repair buildings and supply houses used in the operation and maintenance of schools and other land for school purposes.
2. Erecting schoolhouses, public library buildings, supply houses and other buildings used in the operation and maintenance of schools.
3. Building additions to remodeling and reconstructing buildings existing at the time of making the loan.
4. Furnishing any building erected or reconstructed.
5. Purchasing school buses and other transportation equipment.

The proposition must be submitted to a vote of the people at a regular election or at a special election called for that purpose. A two-thirds favorable vote is necessary for approval.

The terms of the bonds are not to be longer than twenty years and the amount total bonded debt cannot exceed ten percent of the latest assessed valuation of the school district. The Board of Directors has the power to levy a tax sufficient to pay the interest and principal of the bonds as they fall due. It is common practice to issue serial bonds with a certain part of each issue falling due over the twenty year period. Table XI shows the bonds and interest that were due in 1973-74.

TABLE XI

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

INTEREST AND BONDS DUE 1974-75

Series 1956	(Oct.)	\$ 5,500.00	(Apr.)	\$ 5,500.00	(Apr.)	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 211,000.00	First National & Morgan
1957	(Oct.)	7,875.00	(Apr.)	7,875.00	(Apr.)	175,000.00	190,750.00	First National & Morgan
1958	(Sept.)	19,250.00	(March)	19,250.00	(March)	350,000.00	388,500.00	First National & Morgan
1959	(Dec.)	42,575.00	(June)	42,575.00	(June)	475,000.00	560,150.00	First National & Morgan
1961	(Sept.)	28,437.50	(March)	28,437.50	(March)	250,000.00	306,875.00	First National & Morgan
1962	(Sept.)	9,600.00	(March)	9,600.00	(March)	80,000.00	99,200.00	Columbia Union & Morgan
1963	(Sept.)	19,575.00	(March)	19,575.00	(March)	145,000.00	184,150.00	Columbia Union & Morgan
1966	(Sept.)	74,718.75	(March)	74,718.75	(March)	375,000.00	524,437.50	Columbia Union & Morgan
1967	(Sept.)	117,500.00	(March)	117,500.00	(March)	500,000.00	735,000.00	Columbia Union & Morgan
Pitcher-Fairview Reorg. #3 1956(Sept.)		750.00	(March)	750.00	(March)	25,000.00	26,500.00	Commerce Bank
		<u>\$ 325,781.25</u>		<u>\$ 325,781.25</u>		<u>\$ 2,575,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 3,226,562.50</u>	

Total Interest: \$ 651,562.50
 Total Bonds : 2,575,000.00
 Grand Total : \$3,226,562.50

The last of the bonds issued by the ~~Kansas City~~ School District will become due in 1986-87 at which time the District will be entirely free of debt if no new bonds are approved. Table XII gives the amount of bonds to be redeemed and the interest due each year from 1974 to 1987.

TABLE XII

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
MATURITIES OF OUTSTANDING BONDS AND INTEREST COUPONS
June 30, 1974

Fiscal Year

Prior to 6-30-74	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 7,568.36	\$ 47,568.36
1974-75	2,575,000.00	651,562.50	3,226,562.50
1976-77	2,375,000.00	487,197.50	2,862,197.50
1977-78	2,200,000.00	410,760.00	2,610,760.00
1978-79	1,850,000.00	339,072.50	2,189,072.50
1979-80	1,350,000.00	277,010.00	1,627,010.00
1980-81	1,350,000.00	231,760.00	1,581,760.00
1981-82	1,100,000.00	186,430.00	1,286,430.00
1982-83	1,020,000.00	148,350.00	1,168,350.00
1983-84	875,000.00	112,750.00	987,750.00
1984-85	875,000.00	81,500.00	956,500.00
1985-86	875,000.00	50,250.00	925,250.00
1986-87	500,000.00	18,750.00	518,750.00
	<u>\$19,585,000.00</u>	<u>\$3,572,765.86</u>	<u>\$23,157,765.86</u>
	3,572,765.86		
	<u>\$23,157,765.86</u>		

SCHOOL BOND ELECTIONS

No bond elections have been called by the Board of Directors since July 1, 1969. During 1969 there were three separate attempts to pass a bond issue but all failed to gain the required two-thirds approval needed for passage.

Table XIII shows the results of all bond elections held in the School District since 1896.

TABLE XIII

KANSAS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bond Elections
1896-1974

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Total Vote</u>	<u>% For</u>	<u>Result</u>
1896	250,000	19406	93	Passed
1899	400,000	3277	85	Passed
1902	500,000	3288	87	Passed
1905	1,000.00	2884	79	Passed
1907	600,000	2163	84	Passed
1910	750,000	3094	91	Passed
1912	2,000,000	3894	83	Passed
1913	1,750,000 (S.D.) 250,000 (Lib.)	5129	80	Passed
1917	2,000,000	4751	83	Passed
1921	5,000,000	19615	93	Passed
1922	5,000,000	14448	89	Passed
1925	5,000,000	10392	82	Passed
1928	5,000,000	17289	64	Failed
1929	5,000,000	47920	89	Passed
1939	500,000	47278	89	Passed
1951	18,000,000	45312	87	Passed
1956	27,000,000	24428	80	Passed
1964	17,500,000	31153	54	Failed
1964	17,500,000	76887	59	Failed
1965	17,500,000	43490	75	Passed
1969	12,000,000	38767	44	Failed
1969	12,000,000	52323	50	Failed
1969	12,000,000	44719	57	Failed