

**Gordon County  
Special Election  
March 16, 2021  
Sample Ballot**

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Sales and Use Tax for Educational Purposes  
(Vote for One)

Shall a one percent sales and use tax for educational purposes be imposed in Gordon County for a period of time not to exceed 20 calendar quarters and for the raising of not more than \$62,000,000,

(1) up to approximately \$37,324,000 (60.2%) of which shall be received by Gordon County School District for the purposes of (a) the acquisition and installation of digital resources and improvements to technology throughout the Gordon County School District; (b) renovations and modifications at Swain Elementary School, Ashworth Middle School, Gordon Central High School, Sonoraville High School, Central Office, Fairmount Elementary School, Sonoraville Elementary School, Red Bud Middle School, Red Bud Elementary School, Belwood Elementary School and Tolbert Elementary School; (c) facility renovations and modifications needed for Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education courses and pathways (d) acquisition and equipping of buses; (e) expansion and improvements of parking lots; (f) acquisition of any property, both real and personal, and equipment necessary in connection with the above described capital outlay projects, including energy management systems, heating and air conditioning systems, lighting, and similar equipment; (g) acquisition, construction, equipping, renovation, and expansion of athletic fields and facilities; (h) acquisition, construction, and equipping of new auditoriums throughout the Gordon County School District; and (i) acquisition of real property for future schools, facilities, administrative offices, support services, and other purposes of the Gordon County School District and

(2) up to approximately \$24,676,000 (39.8%) of which shall be received by the City of Calhoun School System for (a) the retirement of previously incurred general obligation debt or refunding or replacement debt, incurred for middle/high school construction, in the maximum of \$9,962,000, and (b) for the following capital outlay purposes: (a) the construction of an Early Learning Academy to include Junior Jacket Academy, PreK and Kindergarten; (b) acquisition / installation of computers and new technology throughout the system; (c) land acquisition around the middle / high school campus for enrollment growth and parking; (d) HVAC replacement / repairs throughout the district; (e) acquisition and equipping of school buses; (f) renovations /modifications, construction, improvements and additions to and equipment for existing academic and athletic facilities and the infrastructure supporting these facilities including security systems, painting, carpet and/or tile replacement, and lighting on all campuses throughout the City of Calhoun School System, at a maximum cost of \$14,714,000 or the difference between the amount necessary to pay the outstanding general obligation debt described above and the City of Calhoun School System's receipts from the Educational Sales Tax?

If imposition of the tax is approved by the voters, such vote shall also constitute approval of the issuance of general obligation debt of the Gordon County School District in a principal amount not to exceed \$25,000,000, for the above purposes.

YES

NO