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To the Patrons of Spring Hill School District:

This booklet is available to you, our district patron, as an aid in becoming more knowledgeable about the fiscal management of your school district. The booklet contains a plan for the expenditure of tax dollars for the 2016-2017 school year and also a guide to assist you with understanding all sources of income to meet the proposed expenditures.

All district patrons are invited to participate in a public hearing on Monday, August 22, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Hilltop Education Center, 16740 W 175th Street, Olathe, Kansas. The public hearing, as required by state statute, is designed to provide a forum for answering questions about proposed expenditures and sources of income, including the establishment of ad valorem taxes for 2016-2017. The various budget components will be explained during the hearing. The budget determines local tax levies and provides financial information to the public. It also is used extensively by the Kansas legislature, and state and federal agencies to determine local tax effort and expenditure categories.

Our district aggressively seeks grants and other revenue sources for additional funding to help enhance the education of our youth, while helping to reduce the burden on local taxpayers. We are excited to report that the overall mill levy is projected to drop a ninth consecutive year, which is the 2nd longest streak in the state of Kansas. The projected 0.187 mill decrease for 2016-2017 will make the overall mill levy the lowest it has been since 2003-2004. The county will set the final mill levies in October of 2016.

The Board of Education and district staff continually work to develop and provide a rigorous curriculum for our students to enable them to be successful in their education experience and in achieving their future goals. We encourage you to visit our schools, board meetings, and our website at www.usd230.org.

On behalf of the Spring Hill Board of Education, we invite all district patrons to take an active interest in school finance as it relates to student success. As always, it is a top priority for us to be financially responsible stewards of the community's resources.

Respectfully submitted,

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