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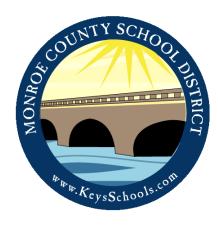
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## VOTE YIELDS POSITIVE RESULT FOR MONROE COUNTY SCHOOLS

**KEY WEST, FL** - The Monroe County School District is pleased to announce the passing of the Half Mill Referendum vote. The referendum passed on Tuesday with 75% percent support throughout the Florida Keys. The Monroe County voters provided incredible support for the school district and the 8,415 students who attend our schools.

Throughout the last few months, students, parents, community leaders, School and District Advisory Councils, and School Board Members worked diligently to communicate the message to the community regarding the importance of passing the referendum for our students.

The Superintendent would like to extend a special "Thank you" to those key individuals who dedicated countless hours to educate and provide information to the Monroe County voters, including the School Board members who spoke to all community and business organizations throughout the Florida Keys.

"I would like to personally thank the voting public, students, parents, community, and business leaders for the significant support for our students, staff, and school district. This is an incredible acknowledgement and recognition of the hard work and dedication of our students and staff throughout Monroe County. Thank you again for your continued commitment to 'Constant Improvement' and the vision of providing the highest quality of education in the state," said Dr. Jesus Jara, Superintendent.

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