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Defiance Public Library System to Host Information Sessions on Proposed 2026 Levy

DEFIANCE, Ohio — Defiance Public Library System (DPLS) has scheduled three public information sessions to provide county residents with details about the proposed library levy on the November 3, 2026 ballot.

The proposed 1.65-mill levy would run for 35 years and consists of a 0.75-mill renewal of the library's existing operating levy, and a 0.9-mill increase to support the addition of an annex building across the street from the Defiance Public Library, 320 Fort St., as well as renovations at the Carnegie building. The sessions will explain the proposed levy, how funds would be used, and the connection between the levy and the library system's planned expansion.

Residents will have an opportunity to ask Library Director Cara Potter questions about the proposal. Light refreshments will be provided.

Information sessions are scheduled for:

- **Wednesday, September 30, at 1 p.m.** at Defiance Public Library
- **Monday, October 5, at 5 p.m.** at Johnson Memorial Library, 116 W. High St., Hicksville
- **Tuesday, October 6, at 6 p.m.** at Defiance Public Library

All community members are welcome to attend, and no registration is needed.

For more information, visit defiancelibrary.org/annex or contact the library at 419-782-1456.