

C-TEC is Asking for a 1-mill Operating Levy

C-TEC is asking for a 1-mill operating levy. How much will 1-mill cost? The same as one coffee and donut **per month:** \$2.50, or about \$30.63 **per year** (*calculation based on 100,000 home*).

C-TEC is collecting the same operating millage that it collected in 1976.

C-TEC is funded differently than K – 12 school districts; one of our primary sources of state revenue is currently flat-funded, with no increases for enrollment or inflation.

Federal funding and state grants that historically have funded C-TEC's support services have been reduced significantly or cut completely.

Property tax collections in Licking County (a key source of C-TEC funding) are \$1.2 million below expectations, due to foreclosures and delinquencies.

Myth: *C-TEC needs to tighten its own budget before it asks for more money from the voters.*

Fact: We already have. As previously stated, we have cut over \$2 million since the 2007-08 school year. C-TEC cut over \$800,000 in personnel, and will cut an additional \$1.6 million in 2010 regardless of the levy results. Our faculty and staff have voluntarily taken pay freezes; full-time, non-teaching staff members have taken 10-day unpaid furloughs; staff members who are retiring are not being replaced; four administrative positions were cut prior to this year, and we will be cutting two additional administrative positions—regardless of the May levy outcome. If the May levy is unsuccessful, C-TEC will be cutting an additional \$1.7 million.