The Thomas County Board of Education does hereby announce that the millage rate for 2010 will be established at a meeting to be held at the Board's Administrative Office located at 200 North Pinetree Boulevard on July 29, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., and pursuant to the requirements of O.C.G.A. 48-5-32 does hereby publish the following presentation of the current year's tax digest along with the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

| COUNTY SCHOOL                         | 2005                 | 2006                 | 2007                 | 2008                   | 2009                   | 2010                   |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Real & Personal                       | \$<br>601,046,007.00 | \$<br>623,666,384.00 | \$<br>654,967,857.00 | \$<br>1,076,873,949.00 | \$<br>1,076,026,703.00 | \$<br>1,086,778,700.00 |
| Motor Vehicles                        | \$<br>57,742,300.00  | \$<br>56,298,550.00  | \$<br>62,409,580.00  | \$<br>65,482,540.00    | \$<br>68,543,480.00    | \$<br>60,121,860.00    |
| Mobile Homes                          | \$<br>18,131,250.00  | \$<br>17,615,599.00  | \$<br>18,895,413.00  | \$<br>19,176,322.00    | \$<br>18,831,756.00    | \$<br>17,322,375.00    |
| Timber                                | \$<br>4,655,246.00   | \$<br>6,021,114.00   | \$<br>5,493,244.00   | \$<br>6,190,970.00     | \$<br>4,170,025.00     | \$<br>4,178,710.00     |
| Heavy Duty Equipment                  | \$<br>-              | \$<br>-              | \$<br>-              | \$<br>-                | \$<br>-                | \$<br>-                |
| Gross Digest                          | \$<br>681,574,803.00 | \$<br>703,601,647.00 | \$<br>741,766,094.00 | \$<br>1,167,723,781.00 | \$<br>1,167,571,964.00 | \$<br>1,168,401,645.00 |
| Less M & O Exemption                  | \$<br>84,661,109.00  | \$<br>85,074,537.00  | \$<br>84,985,461.00  | \$<br>216,670,257.00   | \$<br>240,513,580.00   | \$<br>260,658,584.00   |
| Add Forest Land Protection Act Reimb. | \$<br>-              | \$<br>-              | \$<br>-              | \$<br>-                | \$<br>12,110,932.00    | \$<br>29,508,581.00    |
| Net M & O Digest                      | \$<br>596,913,694.00 | \$<br>618,527,110.00 | \$<br>656,780,633.00 | \$<br>951,053,524.00   | \$<br>939,169,316.00   | \$<br>937,251,642.00   |
| Gross M & O Millage                   | 14.000               | 13.960               | 13.960               | 12.250                 | 12.170                 | 12.170                 |
| Less Rollbacks                        | 0                    | 0                    | 0                    | 0                      | 0                      | 0                      |
| Net M & O Millage                     | 14.000               | 13.960               | 13.960               | 12.250                 | 12.170                 | 12.170                 |
| Net Taxes Levied                      | \$<br>8,356,791.72   | \$<br>8,634,638.46   | \$<br>9,168,657.64   | \$<br>11,650,405.67    | \$<br>11,429,690.58    | \$<br>11,406,352.48    |
| Net Taxes \$ Increase                 | \$<br>151,086.40     | \$<br>277,846.74     | \$<br>534,019.18     | \$<br>2,481,748.03     | \$<br>(220,715.09)     | \$<br>(23,338.09)      |
| Net Taxes % Increase                  | 1.84%                | 3.32%                | 6.18%                | 27.07%                 | -1.89%                 | -0.20%                 |

<sup>\*</sup>For 2010, after deducting a tax collection fee of 2.5% paid to Thomas County Board of Commissioners, the Board of Education will actually receive \$11,121,193.67 of the total amount levied of \$11,406,352.48, assuming 100% of taxes are collected and the State of Georgia funds the Forest Land Protection Act reimbursement.