

York County School Districts
Taxpayer Relief Act

December 2008

Dear Property Owner:

The Taxpayer Relief Act was signed into law in June 2006. It will provide property tax relief to resident homeowners. Initial property tax reductions took effect on July 1, 2008.

The tax reduction will come to you in the form of a reduced assessment noted on your school district property tax bill. However, the reduction will not be automatic. **You must qualify for the reduction by filing a homestead exclusion application with the county assessment office, and your application must be approved.**

Enclosed is the application and instructions for its completion. The deadline to submit applications for property tax relief is **March 1, 2009**.

Send your completed application to: **York County Assessment Office
Room 105
28 E Market Street
York PA 17401**

You will receive notification regarding your approval/denial from the county assessor within 30 days after the receipt of your application. If for any reason your application is denied, you will be given an opportunity to appeal the county's determination.

Please disregard this application if one or more of the following apply:

- **You have already been approved for your residence. (You can only apply and be approved for one parcel.)**
- **The property you intend to apply for is:**
 - **Not your primary residence**
 - **Not owner occupied**
 - **Used as a commercial business or rental (100%)**
 - **Vacant Lot**

This notice is a joint effort of all York County school districts in cooperation with the County of York. By joining together, we have minimized the mailing and processing costs for this notice. Should you have any questions, please contact your school district's business office.

To contact the York County Assessment Office, please call 717-771- 9232. You may also check the status of your application on the website: www.york-county.org.