

## Hempfield School District Taxes – Frequently Asked Questions

**Question:** When are Real Estate Tax bills mailed out?

**Answer:** Tax bills are mailed out at the beginning of July every year.

**Question:** When are Real Estate Taxes due?

**Answer:**

- *Discount: August 31*
- *Base: October 31*
- *Penalty: December 31*
- *Installment: 1/3 of base - August 31, October 31, December 31*

The U.S. Postal Service postmark will determine the date paid - no exceptions. Remember, placing a payment in the mailbox does not mean that it will be postmarked that day. Late postmarks will be returned to sender.

**Question:** Who should I make my tax check payable to?

**Answer:** Checks should be made payable to Hempfield School District and mailed to:

Hempfield School District  
P.O. Box 37832  
Baltimore, MD 21297-7830

**Question:** Can I pay my Real Estate Tax bill by credit card?

**Answer:** Yes. Visit the [Payment page on our website for instructions.](#)

**Question:** Are Real Estate Tax bills mailed to our mortgage company?

**Answer:** No. All bills are mailed directly to the homeowner and the homeowner is responsible to forward the bill to their mortgage company. Taxes information is provided to 3rd party tax services. Check with your mortgage company to see if they receive the information.

**Question:** I need to make a name or address change on my Real Estate Tax Bill, whom do I contact?

**Answer:** Lancaster County Property Assessment Office at (717) 299-8381.

**Question:** I have a question or disagree with my assessed value. Who should I contact?

**Answer:** Lancaster County Property Assessment Office at (717) 299-8381.

**Question:** How can I get a receipt for the taxes I paid this year?

**Answer:** Send a self-addressed, stamped envelope along with your entire tax bill and payment.

**Question:** My taxes are delinquent, whom should I contact?

**Answer:** Lancaster County Tax Claim at (717) 299-8232.

**Question:** I am a senior citizen on a fixed income, is there any tax relief for me?

**Answer:** Contact the Office of the Aging (717) 299-7979 to receive information about the Property Tax Assistance Act. The school district has a senior substitute (over 65) tax relief program that allows seniors to be hired as employees and earn a credit up to \$550.00 on their tax bill. See the Senior Substitute Tax Relief Program page for more information.

**Question:** How do I apply for the Homestead/Farmstead Exclusion?

**Answer:** [Click here to download](#) the Tax Relief Application from the Lancaster County website.

\*Please Note: The completed application should NOT be mailed to the school district.  
Mail the completed application to:

Lancaster County Board Of Assessment Appeals  
150 North Queen Street  
Suite 310  
Lancaster, PA 17603