

**GOVERNOR MIFFLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPERTY TAX REBATE PROGRAM
2009 FILING PACKET**

FOR FILING 2009 SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY TAX CLAIMS

***PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE HAVE BEEN CHANGES
MADE TO THE REBATE PROGRAM***

Rebate Deadline

Claims received by:
March 31, 2011

Will receive rebate payment by
June 1, 2011

*** * * NO 2009 REBATES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER MARCH 31, 2011 * * ***

This packet is to be used for filing 2009 school property tax rebate claims. This packet includes the following:

- Question and Answer Guide
- Step by step instructions
- Form TRCF – 1000

Return Form to:

Governor Mifflin School District
Attn: Property Tax Rebate
10 South Waverly St.
Shillington, PA 19607

*****APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO RECEIVE ASSISTANCE IN FILING*****

**Please be sure to make a
copy of your state rebate
check when it is received**

If you have any questions or need to schedule an appointment for help, please call the Tax Secretary at Governor Mifflin School District at 610-775-1461, ext. 1116.

**GOVERNOR MIFFLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT
2009 PROPERTY TAX REBATE PROGRAM**

QUESTION & ANSWER GUIDE

For Filing 2009 School District Property Tax Claims

MUST FILE ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31, 2011

Q. What changes have been made to the Governor Mifflin School District Property Tax Rebate program?

A. The following are the recent changes

- 1) There has been a change of deadlines and time of receiving your check
- 2) The rebate program is now based on a cap that is established by the School Board. Therefore, the amounts listed are only estimates and may change.
- 3) If you need help filling out your claim you must call and make an appointment

Q. Who can file a Governor Mifflin School District Property Tax Rebate Claim?

A. Any homeowner eligible to receive the PA Property Tax Rebate.
If you rent your home, you are **not** eligible for this program.

Q. If I am eligible for a rebate, what is the amount I can receive?

A. The District rebate is calculated on Income Level as is the Pennsylvania Property Tax Rebate (see Table A below). The school district rebate uses the school district property taxes only. The school district will not issue a rebate that when added to the state rebate would exceed the total amount of the school district property tax paid.

TABLE A		
Income Level	State Rebate	*Estimated GM Rebate
\$ 0 to \$ 8,000	\$650.00	\$390.00
\$ 8,001 to \$15,000	\$500.00	\$300.00
\$15,001 to \$18,000	\$300.00	\$180.00
\$18,001 to \$35,000	\$250.00	\$150.00

*The Estimated Rebate Amounts may be adjusted based on the number of rebate requests compared to the 2009 rebate program cap set by the School Board.

Q. If I am eligible, how do I obtain my tax rebate?

A. All eligible taxpayers must file a signed and dated Tax Rebate Claim Form (**TRCF-1000**) with the Governor Mifflin School District and include:

- A signed copy of the Form PA-1000 for 2009,
- A copy of your 2009 PA rebate check or bank statement listing amount deposited by direct deposit by the Dept of Revenue,
- A copy of a receipted 2009 school real estate tax bill.

This information must be mailed by the appropriate deadline to be eligible to receive a rebate.

**** YOU MUST HAVE ALREADY BEEN APPROVED FOR THE 2009 PA STATE PROPERTY TAX REBATE TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT REBATE ****

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Q. When do I file my Governor Mifflin School District 2009 Property Tax Rebate Claim Form? Is there a deadline?

A. Tax Rebate Claim Form (TRCF-1000) must be filed on or before March 31, 2011.
Rebate forms postmarked after March 31, 2011 will not be processed.

Q. Where do I send my Governor Mifflin School District 2009 Property Tax Rebate Claim Form?

A. Tax Rebate Claim Form (TRCF-1000) AND supporting documents must be mailed to the following address:

**GOVERNOR MIFFLIN SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPERTY TAX REBATE PROGRAM
10 South Waverly Street
Shillington, PA 19607**

Q. When can I expect my rebate check?

A. Claims received by: _____ Will receive rebate payment by:
March 31, 2011 June 1, 2011

Q. If I receive a rebate this year, will I automatically have a form mailed to me for next year?

A. Yes, the school district will mail 2010 forms in June 2011.

Q. Are there any penalties for fraudulent claims to obtain a tax rebate?

A. In any case in which a Tax Rebate Claim Form (TRCF-1000) is excessive and was filed with fraudulent intent, the claim shall be disallowed in full and a penalty of twenty-five percent (25%) of the entire amount claimed shall be imposed. The penalty and the amount of the disallowed claim, if the claim has already been paid, shall bear interest at the rate of one-half (1/2) of one percent (1%) per month from the date of the claim until repaid. The claimant and any person who assisted in the preparation and or filling of a fraudulent claim shall be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law and if found guilty could be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or undergo imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both. A claim shall be disallowed if the claimant received title to the residence primarily for the purpose of receiving a property tax rebate claim.

Q. If I have any questions or need help filing my rebate, whom may I contact?

A. If you have any questions, you may call the Governor Mifflin Tax Office at **610-775-1461, ext. 1116** Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

If you need help filling out your paperwork you must call the Governor Mifflin Tax office at **610-775-1461, ext. 1116** Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. to schedule an appointment. When you come in for your appointment you must bring all required papers with you in order to receive help in completing the rebate. ****APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED FOR ASSISTANCE****

If you have any questions on the **PA Property Tax Rebate program**, please contact:

Senator Michael O'Pake – 610-929-2151; or
Representative Sam Rohrer – 610-775-5130; or
Representative Thomas Caltagirone – 610-376-1529

Governor Mifflin School Rebate Filing Instructions (step by step)

Part A – Name and Address

- Previous Claimants - Received packet in mail**
Packets that were mailed to previous claimants contained a mailing label that needs to be peeled off and placed here to help expedite your rebate being processed.
- Other**
Fill out your name and address section as you filled out your PA-1000 form.

Part B – Filing status Certification

- Check the box that shows your correct filing category**

Part C – Residence Information

- Check off the municipality in which you reside**

Part D – Lines 1 through 5

- Line 1 – The total income as listed on line 12 of your PA-1000 state rebate**
- Line 2 – Enter the amount of the SCHOOL property tax only, that was paid between 7/1/09 – 6/30/10**
- Line 3 – Enter the amount of the rebate that you received from the PA state property tax rebate**
- Line 4 – The number entered here is Line 2 minus Line 3**
- Line 5 – Rebate amount that school will be giving you determined by using Table A**

Part E – Must be attached

- The items listed in this box must be attached to the back of the school rebate form in order for the rebate to be complete and acceptable**

Part F – Signatures

- Claimant must sign and date certifying that the information is correct to the best of their knowledge**
- If there is someone other than the claimant filling out the paperwork, they must sign, date and put their phone number certifying that the information is correct to the best of their knowledge**

Please print or type the information below. This form must be filed on or before March 31, 2011.

A

Last Name _____ First Name _____ MI _____

PEEL ADDRESS LABEL AND PLACE HERE

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Spouse First Name _____ MI _____ Phone Number (____) - ____ - _____

B

I certify that as of December 31, 2009, I was (check only one box):

Claimant age 65 or older

Claimant under age 65 with a spouse age 65 or older who resided in the same household

Widow or widower, age 50 to 64

Permanently disabled and ages 18 to 64

C

Municipality (check only one box):

Brecknock Mohnton

Cumru Shillington

Kenhorst

D

1. TOTAL INCOME received by you and your spouse during 2009
As listed on your 2009 PA-1000 form, line 12:1 _____

2. 2009 Governor Mifflin School District Real Estate Tax paid between 7/1/09 and 6/30/10
Per copy of attached receipted school tax bill (school tax only) 2 _____

3. Property Tax Rebate issued by PA Dept. of Revenue
As listed on state rebate check 3 _____

4. **Line 2 Minus Line 3 above 4** _____

5. **Eligible Governor Mifflin School District Property Tax Rebate**

Compare Line 4 to the maximum rebate amount determined by your income level in Table A and enter the lesser amount. . . _____

****The School District will not issue a rebate that when added to the state rebate exceeds the total school tax paid****

E

The following MUST be attached to this form:

A signed copy of Form PA-1000 for 2009

A copy of your PA rebate check or direct deposit statement

A copy of your receipted 2009 school real estate tax bill

Table A

Income Level	State Rebate	Rebate to be received by GM
\$ 0 to \$ 8,000	\$650 / \$975	\$390.00
\$ 8,001 to \$15,000	\$500 / \$750	\$300.00
\$15,001 to \$18,000	\$300 / \$450	\$180.00
\$18,001 to \$35,000	\$250 / \$375	\$150.00

F PLEASE READ CAREFULLY, SIGN AND DATE:

CLAIMANT: I declare that this claim is true, correct and complete and to the best of my knowledge and belief and this is the only claim filed by members of my household.

 Claimant's Signature Date

PREPARER: I declare that I prepared this return and that it is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

 Preparer's Signature Date

 Phone Number EXT: _____