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The Greater Lexington Chamber of Commerce Answers TEMA Questions

- Q. Can you provide contact information for people we can speak with about schools?
A. Here is contact information for each of the public school districts:

Fayette County School Contacts:

Tom Shelton, [Superintendent](mailto:Tom.Shelton@fayette.kyschools.us): 859-381-4104; Tom.Shelton@fayette.kyschools.us;
Information on the curriculum: [FCPS Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment](#)

Scott County School Contacts

Patricia Putty, Superintendent: 502-570-3031; patricia.putty@scott.kyschools.us
Chip Southworth, Director of Secondary Curriculum: 502-570-8999;
chip.southworth@scott.kyschools.us
Matt Thompson, Assistant Superintendent of Student Learning: 502-570-3036;
Matthew.Thompson@scott.kyschools.us

- Q. I am bringing my elderly mother with me. What types of senior services are available?
A. Georgetown and Lexington have excellent facilities and are proud of the senior services they offer. Please visit Commerce Lexington's [special website for Toyota](#) employees and scroll down to the Senior Services section.
- Q. Where is most of the new construction happening in Lexington?
A. Most of the new construction around Lexington is centered in the Man O'War Boulevard area, east and southeast of downtown.
- Q. How far out do city water and utilities run in Georgetown?
A. Generally, utilities run in almost all the areas being developed and further. For more information, please visit [Georgetown Municipal Water and Sewer Service](#) and [Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company](#).
- Q. Is there still a pond requirement for five acres or more in Georgetown?
A. There are some requirements, but any specific requirements would depend on the environmental needs of the area. The realtors can help if you have a specific site in mind.
- Q. Is there a map of where the schools and the districts are located?
A. Yes. The maps are available on the [website created for Toyota team members](#) considering the move to the Georgetown and Lexington area.
Here are the direct links:
- [Scott County School District Map](#)
 - [Fayette County School District Map](#)
- Q. Are there buses for the magnet schools in Fayette County?

A. Neighborhoods with enough students can request a bus; the school district will support the requests if standard criteria are met.

Q. What is happening with the plans to extend the Man O'War Blvd. from the airport to I-64?

A. That project lost steam due to concerns about green space, environmental impact and the impact on the horse farms. There have been expansions to other roads to help with the concerns about traffic entering and exiting the I-75/I-64 junctions.

Q. What are the good neighborhoods in Lexington in terms of the commute to TMMK?

A. If by good you mean easy access to I-75, those would be Andover, Hamburg, Greenbrier, and any North Lexington neighborhood east of Paris Pike. There are many good neighborhoods in Lexington in addition to the ones mentioned: Beaumont, Palomar and others off the Harrodsburg Road corridor. You will also find several neighborhoods along each of the main Lexington arteries (Leestown Road, for example), all of which are easily accessible and a quick drive to TMMK. The further south you get, the longer the commute on Man O'War Blvd., or New Circle Rd. It will differ for each individual, but rush hour in Lexington lasts for about 45 minutes in the morning and in the afternoon. Unless there's an accident or road work that delays things further, the worst case would be 25 to 30 minutes to get from one side of Lexington to the other, or to the interstate. From Man O'War it takes about 20 minutes to get to TMMK.

Q. What about local taxes in Georgetown and Lexington? How do they compare to Erlanger or Cincinnati?

A. We are not experts in Erlanger or Cincinnati taxes, but can lay out the real estate taxes for the Georgetown and Lexington areas. There is no local sales tax for either city or county, but Kentucky has a state sales tax of 6 percent.

For Scott County, total real estate taxes vary depending if you are within the Georgetown city limits. As of now Scott County real estate taxes per \$100 valuation are as follows:

- State of Kentucky: \$0.122
- Scott County: \$0.167
- Georgetown: \$0.065
- Scott County Schools: \$0.472

The total would be \$0.826 per \$100 valuation for someone living in the city of Georgetown and \$0.761 for someone within Scott County, but outside the city limits.

ThinkKentucky.com provides more details and information about taxes in and around Georgetown. For more about community taxes around Erlanger, please review the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development information about [State and Local Taxes for Northern Kentucky](#).

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For Fayette County, including the \$0.122 state tax (per \$100 valuation), the effective property tax varies by district within the county, ranging from a low of \$0.9899 per \$100 valuation in District 2, to a high of \$1.1637 in District 1. (The districts are not geographic, but are determined by the services the property receives, such as garbage collection and street lights.) The [Fayette County Property Value Administrator](#) has more details on taxes in Fayette County.

Q. Are there indoor tennis courts in either city?

A. There are indoor courts in Lexington, but not in Georgetown.