



Replacement capital levy & school construction bond

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Questions? We can help!

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The bond and levy include projects to meet the **highest priority needs in four areas.**

Safety



Better control of who is entering and exiting schools. More secure entrances at older schools.

- Fire alarm upgrades
- School access and entry control upgrades
- School security systems
- School security camera upgrades
- Access ramp replacements for portables
- Security cameras and WiFi for safety communications at Memorial Stadium & Lincoln Field

Maintenance



Maintenance done now saves more costly repairs later.

- New paint
- New roofs
- New flooring
- Heating, ventilation, air conditioning (HVAC)

Growth



Within the next seven years, Everett Public Schools is projected to have 2,000 more students.

- New elementary school #18
- Land for future school
- Portable classrooms for enrollment growth
- North Middle School renovation
- Woodside Elementary School renovation

Technology



Equitable student access to technology for learning, and staff training to support students.

- WiFi and cyber security upgrades
- Device security and support
- WiFi devices for teachers and students
- Training for staff, students and families
- Student intern program
- Technology infrastructure (data center equipment, network upgrades, analysis tools)

Proposition 1

Levies are for learning.



Proposition 2

Bonds are for building.



Why a replacement capital levy?

Schools must be safe places to learn, work and grow – newer schools and those renovated with funds from the 2006 bond have entry and other safety features emergency experts recommend for all schools. The levy pays for highest priority safety upgrades.

Equitable access to technology is key to each student's success – ongoing investment in technology helps ensure students today are college and career ready. Students using technology as a learning, creating and collaboration tool are better able to collaborate and succeed in a modern economy.

Maintenance done now saves costly repairs later – maintenance preserves community investment in schools.

What will the levy fund?



The current capital levy expires in 2016.

\$28.9M	Equitable access to educational technology for all students
\$15.5M	Central system technology operations
\$12.4M	School technology maintenance and upgrades
\$10.1M	Network services maintenance and upgrades
\$9.3M	Schools' systems maintenance, upgrades, replacements
\$8.6M	Safety and security upgrades
\$2.8M	Additional instructional support
\$2.0M	10 portable classrooms for growth

Why a construction bond?

Everett Public Schools is the fastest growing district in the county – 2,000 more students are expected in the next seven years. The bond includes a new elementary school, renovation of North Middle and Woodside Elementary schools, land for another elementary school in the future and major school systems upgrades.

What will the bond fund?



\$50.1M	North Middle School renovation
\$43.9M	New elementary #18
\$27.8M	Woodside Elementary renovation
\$9.9M	HVAC upgrades at 8 sites
\$4.5M	Property for future elementary school #19
\$4.0M	Telephone and voicemail system replacement
\$2.8M	14 portable classrooms for high school growth
\$2.3M	Technology infrastructure
\$2.0M	Gateway Middle School roof replacement
\$1.5M	Everett High School field resurfacing
\$0.9M	Preserve and restore exterior finish at Everett High School main building

Bonds & levies ...

What's the difference?



Watch a 4-minute video about the differences between bonds and levies and what they can and can't be used for.

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How will the bond

and levy affect my school?



Download your school's fact sheet to see how the bond and levy will affect your school.

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What does it take

to pass a bond or levy?

Levies require a simple majority of 50% + 1 to pass. Bonds require a super majority of 60% to pass.

Are there tax

exemptions for some?

Yes, senior citizens (61+), veterans and disabled persons may qualify for property tax exemptions. To learn more visit the Snohomish County Assessor's website.

www.snohomishcountypwa.gov/assessor

Stable rate projected 2017–20



With community input, the board designed levy & bond projects to generate a lower tax rate than existed in 2013 and 2014 and for the tax rate to remain stable from 2017 through 2020. This year, all property owners in the district are paying \$5.18 per each \$1,000 of assessed properties to support local schools.

If the levy and bond both pass, the 2017 rate for local schools will be 68 cents more than this year. If the levy and bond both pass, the 2017 rate will be 69 cents less than it was in 2013 and 9 cents less than it was in 2014.

*Graph shows past & current ACTUAL rates (orange) and estimated future rate (blue) for each \$1,000 of assessed home value.



... This is a 68¢ increase over the current 2016 rate."

... In 2013 and 2014, property owners paid a higher rate than is estimated for 2017 if both levy and bond are approved.

... Rates projected to be stable through 2020."



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... What's most important for our communities' children?"



Everett Public Schools Board of Directors

Pictured left to right back row: Gary Cohn-Superintendent, Carol Andrews, Ted Wenta-President **Pictured left to right front row:** Scott Pease-Student Representative, Traci Mitchell-Legislative Representative, Pam LeSesne, Caroline Mason-Vice President, Aymee Carrillo-Student Representative

This is what the Everett Public Schools Board of Directors asked our community over the last two years. More than 10,000 voices responded to the board's questions. Four priorities identified by the community are wrapped into the April 26 replacement capital levy and construction bond projects.

Safety – particularly school entrances to better control who comes into a school. Security camera upgrades and updated telephone systems to ensure reliable routine and emergency communications.

Maintenance – because maintenance done now will reduce costs of more expensive repairs later. The bond includes renovations of North Middle and Woodside Elementary schools. New roofs, new flooring, paint, new HVAC (heating, ventilation and air conditioning) systems will extend the life of other schools.

Growth – enrollment projections show almost 2,000 more students in the district over the next seven years. The bond will build a new elementary school in the southern portion of the district where

growth is fastest. The levy and bond also include more portable classrooms to ease overcrowding at schools until more schools can be built.

Equitable access to educational technology – in keeping with the community's expectation that "each" student achieve to high standards. The levy replaces outdated technology and improves infrastructure to accommodate new technology. The bond and levy projects are designed to give students experience and training needed to be successful in the modern economy – and provide teachers with tools and training to use technology to improve student learning.

Thank you for taking the time to review this election information. Please contact us with questions or suggestions.

Sincerely,

Everett Public Schools Board of Directors

The district shall provide equal educational opportunity and treatment for all students in all aspects of the academic and activities program without regard to race, color, national origin, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, veteran or military status, the presence of a physical, sensory or mental disability or the receipt, status or use of a service animal by a student with a disability.

