



Lake Washington School District

February 2018 Bond and Levy Measures

Lake Washington School has three ballot measures on the February 2018 ballot: the second of four planned bonds and two replacement levies. This handout provides information on why the bonds and levies are needed and what they fund.

2018 Bond Measure

- **Thanks to our supportive community**, the April 2016 bond measure passed, and Lake Washington is building more schools and classrooms needed to support our growing enrollment
- **Student enrollment in LWSD continues to grow** and we want to provide students with the **best learning environments possible** and **provide classrooms** for our ever-growing student population
- The **2018 bond maintains the current rate with no tax rate increase**

The Current Situation: <i>Rapid Growth</i>	The Challenge: <i>Not Enough Classrooms, Crowded Schools, Aging Facilities</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lake Washington School District is rapidly growing • Current enrollment is 29,572 students • Lake Washington School District is now the 3rd largest district in the state • 2018 marks 10 straight years of enrollment growth • From 2010-2017 enrollment has grown an average of 700 students per year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is not enough classroom space to meet the needs of growing enrollment • Schools are overcrowded • There are 171 portable classrooms in the district <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ That is the equivalent of 7 elementary schools ○ 14% of the total district classroom capacity is portables • The district also has aging facilities that need to be addressed
The Solution: <i>Build More Schools</i>	The Funding Plan: <i>Comprehensive, Responsible, Cost-Conscious, Fiscally Disciplined</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A citizen-based 63-member Long Term Facility Task Force spent nearly a year (December 2014 – November 2015) analyzing the district’s facility needs, engaging the community, and developing recommendations including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Specific construction projects needed for the district through 2029-30 ○ Strategies for efficient and cost-effective facility designs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In April 2016, voters pass the first of four planned bond measures to fulfill the Task Force recommendations • Construction is now underway on 8 projects, implementing cost-effective construction design principles • The February 2018 bond will fund additional projects needed to provide classroom space • No tax rate increase
The 2018 Bond Projects	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addition at Lake Washington High School • Remodel or replace and enlarge Kamiakin Middle School • Choice high school in the Eastlake/Redmond region • New elementary school in Kirkland region/Lake Washington Learning Community • Remodel or replace and enlarge Alcott Elementary • Land • Special education program spaces 	
Total Bond Amount: \$299 million No Tax Rate Increase: \$1.31 per thousand AV	



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2018 Capital Projects Levy

- We want to ensure our students have **safe school facilities and access to technology for learning**
- The capital projects levy funds **critical facility and technology needs not funded by the state**
- The levy is on a four-year replacement cycle
- The **2018 levy replaces the expiring levy with no tax rate increase**

What is funded?

Facilities

Technology

Category	Items Funded	Category	Items Funded
Building & System Improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heating, ventilation, water, lighting • Roofing, insulation • Flooring, door locks, paint 	Technology Infrastructure & Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Network security, servers, cloud storage • Operating systems, phone/voice systems
Site Improvements, including Athletic & Play Fields	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walkways, parking, drainage, parking/site lighting • Stadium turf, all-weather fields, tennis courts, tracks • Bleachers, storage, fencing, signage 	Equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student and staff computers • Classroom technology, interactive/visual, audio/sound systems • Security Cameras • Lifecycle printers
School & Program Improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Portables • Learning space configuration • Lifecycle playground equipment 	Instructional Software & Support Systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructional software • Library databases • Learning management systems
Code, Compliance, Health & Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fire alarms • Lockdown hardware/window treatments, security systems • ADA access, site access, vehicle flow, student drop off/pick up access 	Business & Technology Systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student information system • Family/home and community communication systems • HR/personnel systems • Nutrition/food services systems • Data analytics
		Technology Training & Professional Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff training • Professional learning/technology integration
<i>Average Annual Amount Per Year</i>	\$13.15 million	<i>Average Annual Amount Per Year</i>	\$23.6 million

No Tax Rate Increase - \$0.59 per thousand AV



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2018 Educational Programs & Operations Levy

- We want to ensure our students have **access to staff, programs, and course offerings to be successful and graduate future ready**
- The Educational Programs & Operations levy funds **program and operations** needs not funded by the state
- The levy expires every four years
- The 2018 levy replaces the expiring levy **and decreases the tax rate**

What is funded?

Category	Items Funded
Staffing for Programs, Safety & Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificated and classified staff for Special Education, Highly Capable and English Learner programs • Substitutes • Nurses • Health room staff, campus security staff • Transportation staff
Professional Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Teacher Support Program • Five (5) professional learning days in August • Training, workshops, in-service, professional fund, professional learning
Athletics & Extracurricular Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Athletic Directors • Coaches • Athletic trainers • Activity Advisors
Additional Course Offerings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7-period high school day to support 24-credit graduation requirement • Summer learning programs
Early Learning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head Start, Ready Start, and Special Education preschool
<i>Average Annual Amount Per Year</i>	\$63.5 million

Tax Rate Decrease - \$1.03 per thousand AV (decrease from \$1.26 per thousand AV)

**Total LWSD Tax Rate- All 3 Measures:
\$2.93 per thousand AV** (decrease from \$3.16 per thousand AV)