

REPLACEMENT LEVY FACTS

The new levy would not impose a new tax in addition to what is currently in place, but will **replace** the expired tax.

The current levy expires December 31, 2023; the replacement levy would begin January 1, 2024.

Shelton School District will receive additional money from the state of Washington (approximately \$3 million per year) from 'levy equalization' -- but only if the levy passes.

The Replacement Levy provides about 11% of the district's budget. These dollars support all or a part of many educational programs and services in addition to the maintenance of facilities.

The levy amount to be collected is as follows:

2024 — \$7,100,000 (Maximum of \$2.09 per \$1,000 assessed valuation)

2025 — \$7,600,000 (Maximum of \$2.09 per \$1,000 assessed valuation)

2026 — \$8,200,000 (Maximum of \$2.09 per \$1,000 assessed valuation)



FEBRUARY 14, 2023

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS



WHAT IS THE REPLACEMENT LEVY AND WHAT DOES IT PROVIDE?

The replacement levy provides funding for basic education services and day-to-day operating expenses that are not fully paid for by the state such as:

- Regular classroom and special education educators
- Instructional technology
- Library services
- Nursing services
- Counseling services
- Swimming pool and auditorium operation & maintenance
- Classroom furniture, materials and equipment
- Support for students at-risk
- Maintenance and repair of existing facilities
- Campus security School Resource Officers
- Athletics and activities
- After school programs

IS THIS AN ADDITIONAL LEVY OR A REPLACEMENT LEVY?

This is a replacement levy and will replace the current levy which expires December 31, 2023.

WHEN WOULD THE TAX BE COLLECTED?

Levy dollars would be collected in 2024, 2025, and 2026.

DO I OUALIFY FOR LEVY EXEMPTIONS?

Senior and disabled citizens may be eligible for an exemption from all or part of special levies. For applications and additional information, call the Mason County Assessor's Office at 427–9670, ext. 491, or visit www.co.mason.wa.us/assessor.

HOW CAN I REGISTER TO VOTE?

Online:

Visit www.myvote.wa.gov

By Mail:

Visit www.masoncountyelections.us to print a mail-in registration form

In-Person:

Visit your local elections department

WHAT ARE THE DEADLINES?

Deadline to vote in person at the County Elections Office:

February 14 at 8 p.m.

Deadline for mail-in ballots:

Ballots must be postmarked no later than February 14; or returned to a designated ballot drop box by 8 p.m. on February 14.

For more information or questions, visit www.masoncountyelections.us or www.myvote.wa.gov.

REMEMBER THAT LEVIES ARE FOR LEARNING BONDS ARE FOR

BUILDING

PROGRAMS & SERVICES PAID FOR BY THE REPLACEMENT LEVY

THESE FUNDS WOULD BE USED TO SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING:	2024: \$7,100,000 PROJECTED AT MAX \$2.09/\$1,000	2025: \$7,600,000 PROJECTED AT MAX \$2.09/\$1,000	2026: \$8,200,000 PROJECTED AT MAX \$2.09/\$1,000
STUDENT ACADEMIC SUPPORT AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS Regular classroom and special education educators beyond the state's basic allocation including elementary music, physical education, art, and learning support; classroom curriculum materials to provide additional learning interventions; summer school; and instructional technology.	\$3,461,720	\$3,807,892	\$4,254,065
REQUIRED PROGRAMS NOT FULLY FUNDED BY THE STATE OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT Special education; nursing services; counseling services; and school libraries.	\$1,225,357	\$1,272,590	\$1,322,590
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS Coaches and advisors for athletics and activities (band, choir, drama, clubs, etc.), athletic team travel, elementary activities, intramural activities, activity bus, and athletics supervision.	\$1,405,000	\$1,450,000	\$1,500,000
OPERATIONS AND SAFETY Swimming pool operation and maintenance; high school auditorium costs; school safety and security; emergency preparedness; and community use of facilities.	\$391,976	\$391,976	\$391,976
MAJOR MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS Scheduled major maintenance; management of the district's preventive maintenance plan, which includes energy efficiency; and ongoing upkeep and repair of the facilities and grounds.	\$615,947	\$677,542	\$731,369



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REPLACEMENT LEVY

On or about January 17, 2023, ballots will be mailed to voters for the February 14th election for the purpose of **replacing** the current Shelton School District educational programs and operations levy, which expires December 31, 2023.

If passed, this levy will not impose a new tax in addition to what is currently in place, but will **replace** the **expired tax**.

Shelton School District does not discriminate in any programs or activities on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employee(s) has been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Linda Arnold, Exec. Dir. of Human Resources; 700 S. 1st Street, Shelton, WA 98584; 360-426-1687; LArnold@SheltonSchools.org Complaint procedures can be found at www.sheltonschools.org under Board Policy #3210 (students) and #5010 (employees).

FOR MORE INFORMATION,
PLEASE CONTACT:
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(360) 426-1687
www.sheltonschools.org

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