How to vote!

1. Read your voters' pamphlet to learn about what's on your ballot.
2. On your ballot, fill in the ovals beside your choices.
3. Sign the back of your ballot return envelope.
4. Return your ballot. Whether by drop box or the mail, vote early!
5. Track your ballot. Visit **kce.wiki/TrackMyBallot** or sign up for ballot alerts at **kce.wiki/BallotAlert**. These are the best ways to know your ballot was counted and your voice was heard.

Need a replacement ballot?

If your ballot is lost or damaged, you can print a replacement from home, the library, or wherever is convenient.

The Online Ballot Marking Program (OBMP) is available for all registered voters. It's designed to enable voters with disabilities, particularly who are blind or low vision, to mark their ballot privately.

How to use the Online Ballot Marking Program

- Go to kingcounty.gov/elections/obmp.
- Enter your information in the form.
- Mark your ballot choices online and then print your completed ballot.

  OR

- Print your ballot and mark it by hand.
- Check that your ballot is marked correctly.
- Return your ballot as usual, at a ballot drop box or via USPS.

  No postage is required when you use the envelope cover sheet included when you print your ballot.

If you need additional assistance or another way to cast your ballot, please contact our office at 206-296-VOTE (8683).

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as requested by Lake Washington School District No. 414

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Get texts or emails as your ballot is processed and counted.
Opt in at **kce.wiki/TrackMyBallot**.

Register to vote

Online: Visit **VoteWA.gov** to register to vote online. The deadline to register online for the February Special Election is February 2.

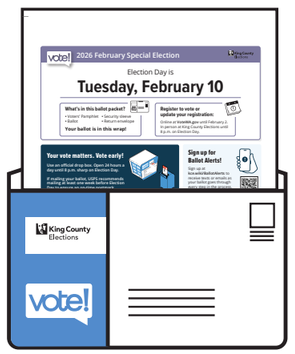
By mail: Download and print a registration form from **kce.wiki/VoterReg** and mail to King County Elections: **919 SW Grady Way, Renton, WA 98057**. It must be received by February 2.

In person: You can register in person through February 10, Election Day, at King County Elections headquarters. More information about hours and services can be found at **kingcounty.gov/elections**.

Contact us to receive this pamphlet in an alternate format.

Contact us to receive your voting materials in Chinese, Korean, Russian, Somali, Spanish, or Vietnamese.
如需獲取您的中文投票資訊，請與我們聯絡。
한국어로 투표 자료를 받으시려면 저희에게 연락하세요.
Свяжитесь с нами, чтобы получать материалы для голосования на русском.
Nala soo xiriir si aad u hesho agabkaaga codeynta oo ku qoran Af-Soomaali.
Comuníquese con nosotros para recibir sus materiales de votación en español.
Xin vui lòng liên lạc với Sở Bầu cử Quận King để nhận tài liệu bầu cử bằng tiếng Việt.

Learn more about drop boxes, Vote Centers, and more!



We are here to help!

Elections staff can help you register and get a new ballot all the way up to Election Day. Need a replacement ballot and want to mark your ballot privately? Access your ballot online at **kingcounty.gov/elections/obmp** to utilize the Online Ballot Marking Program.

Your ballot is wrapped in useful information! Be sure to check out your ballot wrap for:

- the five drop boxes closest to you,
- where to get in-person assistance,
- how to print your ballot if yours is lost or damaged,
- how to return your ballot,
- and more!

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Proposition No. 1

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at kingcounty.gov/elections.

Replacement of Existing Educational Programs and Operations Levy

The Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 2411, concerning educational funding for student programs and services. This proposition authorizes the District to replace an expiring levy by levying the following excess taxes upon all taxable property within the District, to provide support for educational programs, staff and operations which are not funded or not fully funded by the State:

Collection Year	Approximate Levy Rate/$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2027	$0.99	$124,500,000
2028	$0.97	$131,300,000
2029	$0.95	$138,300,000
2030	$0.92	$145,500,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 2411. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

Requirement passage: Simple majority (Wash. Const. art. VII, sec. 2(a))

Explanatory statement

For questions about this measure, contact:
Shannon Parthemer
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Communications
(425) 936-1342
sparthemer@lwsd.org

Lake Washington School District requests voter approval of a replacement Educational Programs and Operations Levy to enable the District to pay for educational programs and services not funded by the State and needed to meet the current and future educational programs and services for students. The proposed levy would replace an existing levy that expires in 2026 and that currently funds approximately 16% of the District's general operating expenses. The proposed replacement levy pays for teaching and non-teaching staff, health and safety services, social-emotional supports, early learning programs, transportation, staff professional learning, activities and athletics/sports, additional course offerings, and other non-capital expenses of operating the District schools.

Passage of this proposition would authorize a levy averaging $134.9 million per year, to be collected over the next four years. Based on current assessed valuation information, the estimated levy rate would be $0.99 in 2027 declining to $0.92 in 2030 per $1,000 of assessed value. This replaces an expiring levy. The exact levy rate will be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District and the limitations imposed by State law at the time of the levy.

Further information is available on the District's website at www.lwsd.org.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to homeowners who are 61 or older, or disabled, and who meet certain income requirements. For more information, call the King County Department of Assessments at 206-296-3920.

Statement in favor

Kelli Curtis, Angela Birney, Karen Howe
Vote4lwsdkids.org

Proposition 1 renews the expiring Educational Programs and Operations levy. It funds essential services not covered by the state, accounting for 16% of the district's budget. For example, the state pays for only five school psychologists to cover our 57 schools! Local levy dollars cover the gap. Failure to pass this measure would result in drastic cuts to educational programs and student services.

This levy benefits every school and student in the district, funding special education, English-language learning, preschool and Head Start, and highly capable programs, ensuring all kids can thrive. It provides student access to counselors, mental health professionals, and school safety specialists while covering 90% of sports and extracurriculars. These programs are shown to significantly improve student learning and help students graduate future ready.

While the statewide graduation rate fell, Lake Washington reached a 94.2% on-time graduation rate, the highest in district history. Voters overwhelmingly passed this measure four years ago. That commitment is why Lake Washington remains one of the highest performing districts in the state.

Now it's time to renew our commitment. Vote *Yes*! to support *quality education for all our students*. *Join community leaders, elected officials, and your neighbors in voting yes for our students!*

Statement in opposition

There is no statement against this measure. No one in the jurisdiction contacted King County Elections to serve on the committee to write a statement against the measure.

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Lake Washington School District No. 414

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Proposition No. 2

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at kingcounty.gov/elections.

Replacement of Existing Technology and Capital Projects Levy

The Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 2412 concerning the replacement of an expiring technology and capital projects levy. This proposition authorizes the District to levy the following excess taxes upon all taxable property within the District, to support improvement and upgrades of facilities; including educational technology, software and training; building systems, health and safety and site improvements throughout the District:

Collection Year	Approximate Levy Rate/$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2027	$0.44	$54,600,000
2028	$0.44	$59,400,000
2029	$0.44	$63,700,000
2030	$0.44	$69,200,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 2412. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

Requirement passage: Simple majority (Wash. Const. art. VII, sec. 2(a))

Explanatory statement

For questions about this measure, contact:
Shannon Parthemer
Executive Director
Communications
(425) 936-1342
sparthemer@lwsd.org

Lake Washington School District requests voter approval of a replacement School Technology and Capital Projects Levy to enable the District to pay for computers for students and staff, classroom technology, improvements and upgrades of school facilities, technology improvements, and equipment and training not funded by the State and needed to meet the current and future educational programs for its students. The proposed levy would replace the District's current technology and capital levy that expires in 2026 and would pay for technology and capital projects, including: replacement computers for students; upgraded server and network infrastructure; instructional and assessment software; technology support for over 35,000 student and staff computers; health and safety facility upgrades; and replacement of aging major building systems such as roofs and heating systems.

Passage of this proposition would authorize a levy averaging $61.7 million per year, to be collected over the next four years. Based on current assessed valuation information, the estimated levy rate for each of the four years of the levy would be $0.44 per $1,000 of assessed value. This replaces an expiring levy. The exact levy rate will be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy.

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Statement in favor

Kelli Curtis, Angela Birney, Karen Howe
Vote4lwsdkids.org

Preparing students to be future-ready requires both modern technology and safe, well-maintained school buildings. Proposition 2 renews expiring funding for the tools and facilities our students need to learn, grow, and succeed. The state does not fund these essential services.

Without this measure, students, teachers, and staff across the district would lose access to classroom technology, online learning tools, digital curriculum, and the secure network connecting our 76-square-mile district. These resources ensure students develop the technology skills they need for college, technical training, and the workforce.

This measure also funds critical building maintenance, improvements, and code compliance across the district. Every school site is supported by this funding, including: heating and cooling, roof replacements, safety systems, exterior painting and sealing, flooring, and lights, as well as athletic and play fields. *Renewing this levy keeps our students warm, dry, and safe.* Failure to pass would result in deferred maintenance, failing infrastructure, and more money down the road. This is a fiscally responsible measure to protect the community's investments in our schools.

Join community leaders, elected officials, and your neighbors in voting yes for critical building maintenance and classroom technology! *Vote Yes! to renew the technology and capital projects levy!*

Statement in opposition

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