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Proposition No. 3

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

School Bus Levy

The Board of Directors approved Resolution No. 1250 authorizing a levy for school buses. This levy funds new and replacement school buses and electric charging infrastructure and authorizes the following excess levy on all taxable property within the District:

Collection Year	Approximate Levy Rate/$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2027	$0.03	$2,000,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 1250. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

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

Explanatory statement

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Passage of Proposition No. 3 would allow for the levy of $2,000,000 in property taxes within Issaquah School District for collection in 2027. In accordance with Resolution No. 1250 approving this proposition, these taxes would be deposited in the Issaquah School District's Transportation Vehicle Fund to pay part of the costs of acquiring new school buses and electric charging infrastructure and allow for the retirement of older and more costly to operate buses of the District. If authorized by the voters, such property taxes would be collected at a rate estimated to be $0.03 per $1,000 of assessed valuation in 2027. The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify call the King County Assessor at (206) 296-7300.

Statement in favor

Kelly Munn, Wright Noel, Neel Dalela
https://visvote.org/

As a sophomore at one of the high schools in the District, I know how important it is to have reliable and safe transportation for students. This Transportation Levy is a limited one-year levy that is necessary to maintain the District's bus fleet. ISD has a fleet of over 170 buses. Funds from this levy, combined with current funds and grants will replace older diesel buses and allow the purchase of electric buses where viable. This investment ensures safe, reliable transportation while introducing more efficient and environmentally friendly buses to the fleet, an important step in reaching sustainability goals and in turn reducing long-term fuel and repair costs. This is a fiscally smart investment that ensures safe, reliable operations while transitioning our fleet toward a more sustainable and efficient future.

Since it is a renewal levy, it will not raise taxes. All three levies are endorsed by a diverse mix of community, business, and government leaders: https://visvote.org/endorsements-for-the-february-2026-renewal-levies/.

Statement in opposition

Michele Williams
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We all support appropriate funding requests to protect the safety and well-being of the Issaquah students. The School Bus Levy would provide safe and reliable transportation if this levy were actually needed to support transportation. The ISD has a history of requesting money for one thing and then using it for another. We will support appropriate funding requests if and when the ISD demonstrates that they keep their word before asking for more of our tax dollars.

The school district continues to ask for money. But the transportation fund continues to grow. According to the March, 2025 Budget, it had grown to $8.5 million. Asking for $2 million more now is irresponsible.

Vote no on Proposition 3.

Rebuttal of statement in opposition

The funds will be used for identified needs. Money is needed for 1:1 devices and teaching AI. Buses need to be replaced. The District is effective and fiscally responsible. From the con statements it appears that the issues are less about the district spending and more about anger at the new high school. These levies have nothing to do with the new high school. See also reply 1 & 2. Vote yes on the levies!

Rebuttal of statement in favor

Why is ISD asking for more funds now when they have plenty in the bank? Their 10-2025 Monthly Financial Report - Transportation Fund, shows a Beginning Balance of $11.2 Million and a Budget of $4.8M. So, even if they spend their entire budget, it leaves $6.4M remaining. Asking for more now seems disingenuous at best. How about a *Tax Decrease* instead of a *"No tax increase"* when many taxpayers are financially stressed? *Vote No!*

February 10, 2026 Special Election

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as requested by Issaquah School District No. 411

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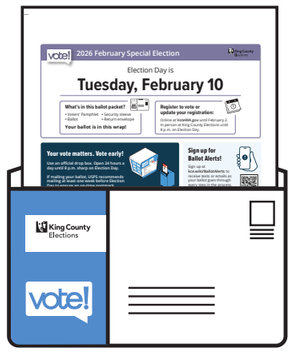

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Proposition No. 1

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

Replacement for Educational Programs and Operations Levy

The Board of Directors of Issaquah School District adopted Resolution No. 1248 concerning a proposition to support school programs and daily operations. This proposition authorizes the District to levy excess taxes on all taxable property within the District to maintain educational programs and support the District's General Fund programing, daily operations, teaching, classroom materials, extracurricular activities, and transportation:

Collection Year	Approximate Levy Rate/$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2027	$1.25	$75,200,000
2028	$1.24	$78,200,000
2029	$1.22	$81,000,000
2030	$1.19	$82,800,000

as provided in Resolution No. 1248 subject to legal limits on levy amounts and rates at time of levy. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

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

Explanatory statement

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Passage of Proposition No. 1 would replace an expiring levy and allow the levy of $75,200,000 in property taxes within Issaquah School District for collection in 2027, the levy of $78,200,000 for collection in 2028, the levy of $81,000,000 for collection in 2029, and the levy of $82,800,000 for collection in 2030. In accordance with Resolution #1248 approving this proposition, these taxes would pay part of the general expenses of operating the District that are not funded or fully funded by the state. General expenses of the District include employee costs (such as salaries), instructional materials, special programs, activities and sports, technology systems operation, transportation costs, maintenance of facilities and other non-capital expenses of operating the District schools. If authorized by the voters, and based on projected assessed valuation information, estimated levy rates per $1,000 of assessed value would be $1.25 (2027 collection), $1.24 (2028 collection), $1.22 (2029 collection), and $1.19 (2030 collection). The exact levy collection will be subject to the legal limits at the time of the levy and the rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual amount certified and the assessed value of the property within the District at the time of levy.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify call the King County Assessor at (206) 296-7300.

Statement in favor

Kelly Munn, Wright Noel, Neel Dalela
https://visvote.org/

I am a sophomore at a high school in the District and I participated in the Levy Committee that approved this bond. On behalf of the students in Issaquah School District ("ISD"), I am requesting you to vote yes on the Educational Programs and Operations Levy.

The funding provided by the state does not provide sufficient funds for the schools that our community needs. This levy is essential to close the gap between state funding and the quality education that defines ISD and our community. This levy funds 16.6% of ISD's operations budget. When the levy committee (a mix of students, residents, teachers, and administrators) looked at what programs are necessary, we supported this levy to provide those programs. These funds will provide smaller class sizes, specialized instruction materials, counselors, nurses, and expand student well-being support. If the levy fails there will be cuts to programs, teachers and staff impacting learning, achievement and essential resources. This levy is an investment protecting and enhancing the community and property values.

Since this is a replacement levy, it will not raise your tax rates. All three levies are endorsed by Senator Victoria Hunt, and Representatives Lisa Callan and Zach Hall.

Vote Yes!

Statement in opposition

Michele Williams
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We all support proper funding for ISD schools and students. Sadly, ISD bureaucrats have a history of requesting money for one thing and then using taxpayer dollars to fund something completely different.

In 2022, a Levy was passed that included support for students' mental health (as does this one). However, soon after it passed, *funding for that program was terminated to "balance the budget".*

We will support appropriate funding requests *when* the Issaquah School District demonstrates that it will spend the funds for the purposes for which they were advertised. ISD needs to prove they keep their word before asking for more of our tax dollars. *Vote No* on Proposition 1.

Rebuttal of statement in opposition

The con statements raise issues that have been resolved and fail to identify how schools will be funded if the levies fail. The issues raised by the con statements occurred years ago and have been resolved. The District: (1) hired a new superintendent; (2) a new school board has been elected; (3) instituted a Capital Projects Oversight Committee of citizens to monitor and ensure all levy funds are properly spent. See also reply Prop 2.

Rebuttal of statement in favor

We admire this student and wish they were in charge of the ISD budget. Sadly, the bureaucrats in charge have often vowed to use funds for certain purposes and then spent them on something else. Specifically, the "Student well-being" funds from the 2022 levy, as noted in our Con statement. Until they demonstrate fiscal responsibility and truly earn voters' trust, we must *Vote No*.

Issaquah School District No. 411

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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 Capital Projects Levy (Technology and Critical Repairs)

The Board of Directors approved Resolution No. 1249 authorizing a levy for technology/modernization. This levy funds critical facility repairs, improvements, and replacements; technology improvements, equipment, staffing, and professional development to support and integrate districtwide technology systems and services and updating for safety, security and efficiency, and authorizes the following excess levy on all taxable property within the District:

Collection Year	Approximate Levy Rate/$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2027	$0.65	$39,169,000
2028	$0.60	$37,806,000
2029	$0.59	$39,341,000
2030	$0.59	$41,194,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 1249. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

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

Explanatory statement

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Passage of Proposition No. 2 would allow the levy of $39,169,000 in property taxes within Issaquah School District No. 411 for collection in 2027, the levy of $37,806,000 for collection in 2028, the levy of $39,341,000 for collection in 2029, and the levy of $41,194,000 for collection in 2030, to fund critical facility repairs, improvements, and replacements; technology, for technology improvements, equipment, staffing, and professional development needed to support districtwide technology systems and services and to integrate technology into teaching and learning; and updating for safety, security and efficiency. In accordance with Resolution No. 1249 approving this proposition, these taxes would be collected over the 2026-2027 through 2030-2031 school years, inclusive, and deposited in the District's Capital Projects Fund for such improvements to meet the current and future educational programs for its students. If authorized by the voters, and based on projected assessed valuation information, estimated levy rates per $1,000 of assessed value would be $0.65 (2027 collection), $0.60 (2028 collection), $0.59 (2029 collection), and $0.59 (2030 collection). The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify call the King County Assessor at (206) 296-7300.

Statement in favor

Kelly Munn, Wright Noel, Neel Dalela
https://visvote.org/

This renewal levy will allow the District to continue to deliver up-to-date classroom technology, applications and a secure network, giving students the skills needed for the modern world. It ensures each student has access to a computer.

Additionally, the levy committee, of which I was a member, looked at $140 million worth of maintenance and repairs needed across the District. We recommended and prioritized $55.6 million essential repairs over the next four years. This levy will fund repairs for roofing, HVAC, safety and security, plumbing, and field improvements. The funds are targeted to specific needs, prioritizing the highest-impact repairs. As a student at a high school in the District, I personally know how important it is for every student to have a computer, the HVAC systems work, and for the roofs to keep out the rain.

As a renewal levy, this levy will not raise your tax rates. These funds are needed for critical repairs and maintenance. No money from this levy will be used for the new high school. The community-led Capital Projects Oversight Committee will ensure this is true.

Issaquah School District PTSA council which includes a coalition of local PTA's, has endorsed all three levies. Vote Yes!

Statement in opposition

Michele Williams
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We all support *proper* funding for ISD schools and students. Sadly, ISD bureaucrats have a history of requesting money for one thing and then using taxpayer dollars to fund something completely different. That is why several State audits reported ISD deficiencies and improperly authorized spending for the 2012 and 2016 Bonds.

ISD managers also want to spend your money on costly construction projects when more fiscally responsible alternatives are available. Why use our taxes to build a 4th Comprehensive High School, when they projected the *Largest One-Year Enrollment Decline Since the Pandemic* at their October meeting? We will support *appropriate* funding requests – but not wasteful demands.

Why has ISD given us a costly proposal that doesn't best serve local students and families? Especially currently, when many residents are struggling financially. Some have lost their jobs, and grocery and gas prices are high. *Please Vote No* and make ISD demonstrate fiscal responsibility!

Rebuttal of statement in opposition

The money from the levies is vital for our schools. The levies will provide over 16% of the District's budget. With no levy money teachers and mental health workers will be laid off, the seven period high school gone; dual language programs gone; security, nurses, custodial staff will be let go. Challenger Elementary has a leaky roof which needs to be repaired. The community committee prioritized needs. See also reply Prop 1 & 3.

Rebuttal of statement in favor

ISD students deserve up-to-date technology and proper maintenance. Yet, ISD insists on using taxpayer funds for other costly construction projects that simply aren't needed. Specifically, High School 4, when, according to the December 16th Seattle Times, *"Between 2023 and 2041, Washington is projected to see an 8% decline in the number of students graduating from high school."* Make them use your dollars to really help our students -- *Vote No on Prop 2.*