

February 11, 2014 Special Election

King County

Official Local Voters' Pamphlet

as requested by Auburn School District No. 408



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206-296-VOTE (8683) or visit
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King County
Department of Elections

Registering to vote

Requirements

To register to vote in Washington, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States;
- A legal resident of Washington State;
- At least 18 years old by Election Day; and
- Not under the authority of the Department of Corrections.

How to register

- Register online with the Secretary of State, www.vote.wa.gov.
- Download a registration form from the King County Elections website and return it by mail.
- Register in person at the King County Elections office or annex.

Registration deadlines

While you may register to vote at any time, there are registration deadlines prior to each election. The deadlines for the February 11, 2014, special election:

- **January 13** – Deadline to register to vote online or by mail, or update existing voter registration information.
- **February 3** – In-person registration deadline for people not currently registered in Washington. Register in person at the Elections office in Renton or at the Voter Registration Annex in Seattle.

Keep your voter registration current

Update your registration if you have moved or changed your name, or if your signature has changed. Simply submit a new registration form to update your information.

Accessible voting centers

Accessible voting centers are available for voters who need assistance completing their ballot. Trained staff and specialized equipment is available to help voters with disabilities cast a private, independent ballot.

Voters may also return ballots at these locations during business hours.

King County Elections

919 SW Grady Way, Renton 98057

January 24 - February 10: Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

February 11: Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Bellevue City Hall

450 110th Ave NE, Bellevue 98004

February 10: Monday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

February 11: Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Returning your ballot

i Ballot return locations and accessible voting centers can change with every election. See below for a list of the ballot return sites for the February 11, 2014 special election.

Through the mail

You can vote and return your ballot through the U.S. Postal Service as soon as you receive it. Ballots must be postmarked by February 11.

Mailed ballots require first class postage.

! First Class postage rates increase to 49 cents as of January 26th, 2014.

24-hour drop boxes

Return your ballot without using the U.S. Postal Service or a first class stamp at a ballot drop box.

Ballot drop boxes are open: 24 hours a day beginning January 23.

Ballot drop boxes close: on Election Day, February 11, at 8 p.m.

Crossroads Shopping Center

South entrance

15600 NE 8th Street, Bellevue 98008

Federal Way City Hall

33325 8th Avenue S, Federal Way 98003

Issaquah City Hall

130 E Sunset Way, Issaquah 98027

King County Administration Building

500 4th Avenue, Seattle 98104

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919 SW Grady Way, Renton 98057

Lake Forest Park City Hall

17425 Ballinger Way NE, Lake Forest Park 98155

Regional Justice Center

401 4th Avenue N, Kent 98032

Near parking garage entrance

Redmond Senior Center

8703 160th Avenue NE, Redmond 98052



Proposition No. 1**Technology Capital Projects Levy**

The Board of Directors of Auburn School District No. 408 adopted Resolution No. 1187 concerning technology levies. This proposition authorizes acquiring technology and equipment, including computers and training; and authorizes the following excess levies for such purposes on all taxable property within the District:

| <u>Collection Years</u> | <u>Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value</u> | <u>Levy Amount</u> |
|-------------------------|---|--------------------|
| 2015 | \$0.42 | \$3,670,000 |
| 2016 | \$0.41 | \$3,670,000 |
| 2017 | \$0.40 | \$3,665,000 |
| 2018 | \$0.39 | \$3,665,000 |
| 2019 | \$0.38 | \$3,665,000 |
| 2020 | \$0.37 | \$3,665,000 |

all as provided in Resolution No. 1187. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

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

Statement in favor

A Citizen's Ad Hoc Committee has studied the future technology needs of the Auburn School District. For our students in the Auburn School District to compete for jobs in the future, they must be skilled with technology. This committee recommended advancing the school district's technology forward to meet the needs of students now and into the future. The recommendations include expanded infrastructure, high-yield strategies for teaching and learning, access by students and staff, and needed funding and support to implement the initiatives.

This technology levy will provide targeted 1 to 1 student access, expand wireless access, bring current and new technology to students and staff for 24/7 access to learning resources. The funding is crucial to the future educational opportunities to our kids and their future educational and career endeavors.

Vote "Yes" to assure access of technology to enhance the quality education for all kids now and into their future.

Rebuttal of statement in opposition

Fact: Against statement fails to engage Auburn's levy and its claims are baseless and without merit. The replacement technology levy isn't about wages or union demands. Fact: The levy specifically brings enhanced technology and digital devices into classrooms for student learning. The replacement levy provides students and families 24/7 access to learning resources and opportunities for students to excel. This approach to teaching and learning enhances all students' performance, for accelerated and especially at-risk learners.

Statement submitted by: Auburn Citizens for Schools, Ryan Anderson, and Kelly M. McDonald
auburncitizens4schools@outlook.com

Explanatory statement

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow the levy of \$3,670,000 in property taxes within Auburn School District No. 408 for collection in 2015, the levy of \$3,670,000 for collection in 2016, the levy of \$3,665,000 for collection in 2017, the levy of \$3,665,000 for collection in 2018, the levy of \$3,665,000 for collection in 2019 and the levy of \$3,665,000 for collection in 2020, to replace an expiring levy and enable the district to pay for construction, renovation, improvements and expansion of new and existing facilities, for technology improvements, and equipment and training to meet the current and future educational programs for its students, such levies to be collected for six years from 2015 through 2020, inclusive. In accordance with Resolution No. 1187 approving this proposition, these taxes would be deposited in the District's Capital Projects Fund to pay for the acquisition, installation, and management of computer technology systems, facilities and projects, including enhancing infrastructure, acquiring hardware, licensing software, and implementing online applications and training for the District's technology systems, facilities, or projects. If authorized by the voters and based on current assessed valuation information, estimated levy rates per \$1,000 of assessed value would be \$0.42 (2015 collection); \$0.41 (2016 collection); \$0.40 (2017 collection); \$0.39 (2018 collection); \$0.38 (2019 collection); \$0.37 (2020 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.

For additional questions regarding this measure contact:
 Michael Newman - Deputy Superintendent
 253-931-4930 • mnewman@auburn.wednet.edu

Statement in opposition

Union officials in the Auburn School District have pressured the school board to divert levy funds from student services in order to pay teachers more. Our levy should pay for student services, not for wage increases.

In the collective bargaining agreement sought by union officials, the average state-provided wage of \$52,777 for instructional employees will be enhanced by 13% from levy and levy-matched funds. This costs roughly \$5.1 million per year which could be better used to help at-risk students or reduce class sizes. The school district leads taxpayers to believe the levy money is being used for students, yet large amounts support union priorities instead.

Levies are great for funding local priorities and unique services for our area students, but taxpayers should hold off giving the school district any more money until the school board is able to put student services above the demands of union officials.

Rebuttal of statement in favor

The Auburn School District is asking for new money from taxpayers because they have allowed union officials to divert existing levy money to pay teachers more--rather than using that money for things like technology for students. If only the district had managed their existing levy money better, they wouldn't have to ask for more now.

Voting 'no' on Proposition 1 will send this message to the district: Be more responsible with taxpayer's money.

Statement submitted by: Laurie Lyford, Renay Bennett, and Tom Henningsgards
propertyrights4us@gmail.com

Voting tips

- Read and follow the instructions carefully when voting.
- Mark your ballot using a black ink pen.
- Sign and date the voter's declaration on the back of the return envelope. Your signature is checked and verified in each election that you vote.
- Return your ballot as early as possible, but no later than election day, Feb. 11.
- If you are contacted by Elections staff (even after election day) follow up promptly so your ballot can be counted.
- Keep your voter registration information and signature up to date.
- See for yourself how we process your ballot! Watch the Elections web cams or take a video tour of King County Elections at www.kingcounty.gov/elections



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get your ballot in on time**

Act fast and be an informed voter!

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Voting materials available in Chinese and Vietnamese

To comply with Section 203 of the Federal Voting Rights Act, King County is required to provide voting materials in Chinese and Vietnamese. To request voting materials, update your language preference or register to vote, visit www.myvote.wa.gov or call 206-296-VOTE (8683).

Để thực hiện theo Mục 203 của Đạo Luật Liên Bang về Quyền Bỏ Phiếu, Quận King được yêu cầu phải cung cấp các tài liệu bỏ phiếu bằng tiếng Trung Quốc và tiếng Việt. Để yêu cầu các tài liệu bầu cử, cập nhật lựa chọn ngôn ngữ của quý vị hoặc đăng ký bỏ phiếu, ghé đến www.myvote.wa.gov hoặc gọi 206-296-VOTE (8683) và bấm số 3.

根據聯邦投票權利法案第203節之要求，金郡需要提供中文和越南文版的選舉資訊。欲要索取選舉資訊，更新您的語言選擇或登記投票，請查看網站www.myvote.wa.gov或致電206-296-VOTE(8683)，然後按“2”字。



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