

Levy Committee Meeting
Thursday, October 20, 2022 4:30 PM

Dr. Matthew Prophet Education Center
501 N. Dixon St.
Portland, OR 97227

Agenda

1. Review of 2019 local option receipts annually and the detailed annual reports of fund expenditures; how it fits within the district's operating budget -- discussion
2. Review CBRC reports for 2020, 2021, 2022 -- discussion
3. Review materials from the 2019 Levy Referral; election results -- discussion
4. Review of potential election dates for a Board referral -- discussion
5. Recommendations components:
 - Purpose
 - Tax rate
 - Election date
 - Other considerations
6. What information Committee members need to make a recommendation to the Board; what questions do Board and staff members have about the legal guardrails on allowable pre/post referral activity – discussion
7. Stakeholders to engage in the planning process -- ideation
8. Materials and actions (e.g. public hearings) required by law for the referral – discussion/questions
9. Public Comment

2019-20 General Fund Local Option Levy Staffing By School

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School / Department	FY19-20 Audited Enrollment	All General Fund Staff	Without Levy	Local Option Levy
All PPS	45,758	3,061.00	2,153.00	908.00

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Alameda	704	30.00	20.00	10.00
Atkinson	391	23.00	16.00	7.00
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James John	351	21.00	15.00	6.00
Kelly	476	29.00	21.00	8.00
Lee	269	16.00	11.00	5.00
Lewis	410	19.00	13.00	6.00
Llewellyn	509	22.00	14.00	8.00
Maplewood	374	20.00	14.00	6.00
Markham	430	22.00	15.00	7.00
Martin Luther King Jr	321	23.00	17.00	6.00
Peninsula	265	18.00	13.00	5.00
Richmond	627	27.00	17.00	10.00
Rieke	368	18.00	12.00	6.00
Rigler	307	20.00	15.00	5.00
Rosa Parks	280	18.00	13.00	5.00
Rose City Park	538	29.00	20.00	9.00
Sabin	418	22.00	15.00	7.00
Scott	485	31.00	23.00	8.00
Sitton	374	23.00	17.00	6.00
Stephenson	371	18.00	12.00	6.00
Vestal	249	15.00	11.00	4.00
Whitman	220	17.00	13.00	4.00
Woodlawn	308	19.00	14.00	5.00
Woodmere	273	16.00	11.00	5.00
Woodstock	543	29.00	20.00	9.00
Elementary Schools	16,037	848.00	584.00	264.00

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Beaumont Middle	573	30.00	20.00	10.00
da Vinci Arts Middle	450	21.00	14.00	7.00
George Middle	438	26.00	19.00	7.00
Gray Middle	566	24.00	15.00	9.00
Hosford Middle	430	30.00	21.00	9.00
Jackson Middle	651	32.00	20.00	12.00
Lane Middle	793	25.00	18.00	7.00
Mt Tabor Middle	432	32.00	20.00	12.00
Ockley Green	724	28.00	21.00	7.00
Roseway Heights	487	34.00	24.00	10.00
Sellwood Middle	614	25.00	15.00	10.00
Tubman Middle	588	25.00	18.00	7.00
West Sylvan Middle	833	36.00	23.00	13.00
Middle Schools	7,579	368.00	248.00	120.00

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ACCESS Program	300	20.00	14.00	6.00
Arleta	526	28.00	20.00	8.00
Astor	416	25.00	17.00	8.00
Beverly Cleary	742	36.00	24.00	12.00
Bridger	516	34.00	24.00	10.00
Cesar Chavez	549	37.00	28.00	9.00
Creative Science School	468	22.00	14.00	8.00
Creston	375	22.00	15.00	7.00
Faubion	701	36.00	27.00	9.00
Harrison Park	637	37.00	27.00	10.00
Hayhurst	640	31.00	21.00	10.00
Laurelhurst	698	33.00	21.00	12.00
Lent	475	34.00	25.00	9.00
Marysville	383	24.00	17.00	7.00
Metro Learning Center	390	22.00	14.00	8.00
Skyline	248	16.00	11.00	5.00
Sunnyside Environmental	549	28.00	19.00	9.00
Vernon	607	32.00	22.00	10.00
Winterhaven	299	16.00	10.00	6.00
K-8 Schools	9,519	533.00	370.00	163.00

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Alliance High School	198	22.00	16.00	6.00
Benson	1,055	58.00	41.00	17.00
Cleveland	1,560	77.00	50.00	27.00
Franklin	1,936	96.00	64.00	32.00
Grant	1,813	84.00	56.00	28.00
Jefferson	641	43.00	32.00	11.00
Lincoln	1,588	77.00	50.00	27.00
Madison	1,079	67.00	47.00	20.00
Roosevelt	1,195	65.00	47.00	18.00
Wilson	1,558	73.00	47.00	26.00
High Schools	12,623	662.00	450.00	212.00

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Athletics	None	9.00	6.00	3.00
Dual Language Programs	None	7.00	7.00	-
Early Learner Programs: P-3	None	3.00	2.00	1.00
ESL	None	91.00	56.00	35.00
Headstart	None	-	-	-
Human Resources	None	18.00	13.00	5.00
Mult Pathways to Graduation	None	9.00	6.00	3.00
Portland DART Schools	None	1.00	1.00	-
Special Education Svcs-Mgmt	None	468.00	374.00	94.00
SPED - Comm Transition Pgm	None	14.00	11.00	3.00
SPED - Holladay Center	None	26.00	21.00	5.00
Teen Parent / FACS	None	4.00	4.00	-
Centrally Administered	-	650.00	501.00	149.00

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Alameda	623	30.00	20.00	10.00
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Chapman	375	22.00	15.00	7.00
Chief Joseph	305	19.00	14.00	5.00
Creston	385	22.00	16.00	6.00
Duniway	468	22.00	15.00	7.00
Forest Park	348	17.00	11.00	6.00
Glencoe	395	21.00	13.00	8.00
Grout	350	20.00	14.00	6.00
Hayhurst	380	20.00	13.00	7.00
Irvington	320	17.00	12.00	5.00
James John	316	22.00	16.00	6.00
Kelly	419	27.00	19.00	8.00
Lee	262	16.00	11.00	5.00
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Martin Luther King Jr	319	23.00	17.00	6.00
Marysville	402	24.00	18.00	6.00
Peninsula	237	18.00	13.00	5.00
Richmond	600	27.00	19.00	8.00
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Rigler	268	20.00	15.00	5.00
Rosa Parks	266	18.00	14.00	4.00
Rose City Park	529	27.00	19.00	8.00
Sabin	360	19.00	13.00	6.00
Scott	460	31.00	23.00	8.00
Sitton	337	24.00	18.00	6.00
Stephenson	322	18.00	12.00	6.00
Vestal	228	16.00	12.00	4.00
Whitman	185	14.00	10.00	4.00
Woodlawn	315	19.00	14.00	5.00
Woodmere	269	16.00	11.00	5.00
Woodstock	526	28.00	19.00	9.00
Elementary Schools	17,337	992.00	700.00	292.00

School Name	FY20-21 Audited Enrollment	General Fund Staff	Without Levy	Local Option Levy
Beaumont Middle	518	32.00	23.00	9.00
da Vinci Arts Middle	443	21.00	15.00	6.00
George Middle	432	29.00	22.00	7.00
Gray Middle	509	25.00	17.00	8.00
Hosford Middle	676	30.00	21.00	9.00
Jackson Middle	803	36.00	24.00	12.00
Lane Middle	416	24.00	18.00	6.00
Mt Tabor Middle	721	34.00	23.00	11.00
Ockley Green	487	27.00	20.00	7.00
Roseway Heights	617	32.00	23.00	9.00
Sellwood Middle	549	26.00	17.00	9.00
Tubman Middle	443	26.00	19.00	7.00
West Sylvan Middle	802	37.00	25.00	12.00
Middle Schools	7,416	379.00	267.00	112.00

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ACCESS Program	318	20.00	14.00	6.00
Astor	394	26.00	18.00	8.00
Beverly Cleary	692	34.00	23.00	11.00
Cesar Chavez	544	37.00	27.00	10.00
Creative Science School	450	22.00	14.00	8.00
Faubion	697	40.00	30.00	10.00
Harrison Park	601	39.00	29.00	10.00
Laurelhurst	688	34.00	23.00	11.00
Metro Learning Center	377	22.00	15.00	7.00
Odyssey	244	12.00	9.00	3.00
Skyline	181	15.00	11.00	4.00
Sunnyside Environmental	522	26.00	17.00	9.00
Vernon	569	35.00	25.00	10.00
Winterhaven	291	16.00	11.00	5.00
K-8 Schools	6,568	378.00	266.00	112.00

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Alliance High School	198	23.00	17.00	6.00
Benson	1,005	60.00	43.00	17.00
Cleveland	1,581	74.00	50.00	24.00
Franklin	2,010	98.00	68.00	30.00
Grant	1,965	88.00	59.00	29.00
Jefferson	620	42.00	31.00	11.00
Lincoln	1,481	73.00	49.00	24.00
McDaniel	1,173	64.00	46.00	18.00
Roosevelt	1,292	78.00	57.00	21.00
Ida B. Wells-Barnett	1,540	74.00	49.00	25.00
High Schools	12,865	674.00	469.00	205.00

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Athletics	None	9.00	5.00	4.00
Dual Language Programs	None	7.00	7.00	-
Early Learner Programs: P-3	None	2.00	1.00	1.00
ESL	None	92.00	60.00	32.00
Headstart	None	-	-	-
Human Resources	None	22.00	18.00	4.00
Mult Pathways to Graduation	None	10.00	7.00	3.00
Portland DART Schools	None	2.00	1.00	1.00
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Teen Parent / FACS	None	5.00	5.00	-
Centrally Administered	-	656.00	504.00	152.00

School Year	Amount \$ raised	District total operating budget*	FTE purchased (number)	Total FTE for the year
2019-20	\$97M	\$846M	908	3061
2020-21	\$101M	\$901M	873	3079
2021-22**	\$105M	\$1B	851	3075
<i>*Includes General Fund and Special Revenue Fund (e.g. SIA & ESSER)</i>				
<i>**Estimates to be finalized after external audit (post December)</i>				

Portland Public Schools

CBRC Annual Local Option Levy Review

June 8, 2020

Overview

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CBRC examined Levy data to determine the use of funds in the following areas:

1. Help maintain and lower class sizes that permit more individual attention for students;
2. Help to support a well-rounded program, with enrichments for elementary and middle grades and electives in varied interest areas and disciplines for high school students;
3. Provide funding equivalent to at least the 640 teaching positions initially projected.

Findings

CBRC finds in the fiscal year 2019-20 that all Levy funds are being spent as approved by voters.

With respect to the use of Levy funds for maintaining teaching positions, PPS has received \$95,370,974 as of April 29, 2020, from Multnomah, Washington, and Clackamas Counties. Based on the 2019-20 receipts and an average teacher cost of \$106,240 (salary, taxes, and benefits), Levy funds will support approximately 890 teaching positions for the 2019-20 fiscal year. This meets the Levy goal of supporting at least 640 teaching positions. At the same time last year, the Levy funded approximately 870 teachers.

With the help of Levy, funding PPS has been able to maintain smaller class sizes than would be the case with state funding alone. Appended to this report is a summary of how many teachers were funded by the local option levy at each school for the 2018-19 school year.

The Levy is also designed to help support teaching positions and classroom supports at every school in the district. Since the Levy was renewed in November 2019, the following actions have been implemented by the District to begin providing additional support as a result of the added staffing outlined above:

- Represent approximately one-third of all teaching positions in Portland Public Schools.
- Teach core classes, as well as enrichments for elementary and middle grades and electives in varied interest areas and disciplines for high school students.
- Teach career and technical programs and STEM programs, including computer science education, and college and career readiness skills.
- Provide specialized academic support for students, in areas such as reading and math.

Effective with the 2013-2014 fiscal year, PPS established a procedure adopted for the federal stimulus funds and which was acceptable to the federal government whereby Levy funds are placed in a “sub-account” within the General Fund and can only be used to pay teachers’ salaries and benefits. This provision was written into Measure 26-161’s Explanatory Statement and is part of the current Levy language. The Local Option Levy Funds for 2019-20 have been deposited into this sub-account.

Finally, the Levy language continues to require independent community oversight to ensure that tax dollars are used as approved by local voters. The PPS Board of Education has appointed CBRC as the community oversight body to perform this function.

CBRC would like to take this opportunity to again thank the voters for approving this vital funding source for Portland Public Schools that will help ensure that our students continue to receive benefits from the additional teachers, lower class sizes, and enriched classroom offerings afforded as a result of our Local Option Levy. The Local Option Levy helps mitigate the state’s failure to adequately fund K-12 education.

CBRC respectfully submits this report to the PPS Board of Education:

Sara Kerr, Co-Chair
Thomas Lannom, Co-Chair
Tastonga Davis
Roger Kirchner
Jeff Lewis
Judah McAuley
Krystine McCants
Brad Nelson
Irina Phillips
Christine Pitts
Leesha Posey
Betsy Salter
Jennifer Samuels
Parker Myrus, Student Representative
Judith Solomon, Student Representative

Portland Public Schools

CBRC Annual Local Option Levy Review May 8, 2021

Overview

The Community Budget Review Committee (CBRC) conducted a general review of Portland Public Schools (PPS) expenditures of the Local Option Levy (Levy) funds approved by voters in November 2019. Measure 26-207 mandates independent citizen oversight to ensure tax dollars are used for purposes approved by local voters. The review period for this report is expenditures from the prior school year, **FY 2020-21**.

CBRC examined Levy data to determine the use of funds in the following areas:

1. Help maintain and lower class sizes that permit more individual attention for students;
2. Help to support a well-rounded program, with enrichments for elementary and middle grades and electives in varied interest areas and disciplines for high school students;
3. Provide funding equivalent to at least the 825 teaching positions initially projected.

Findings

CBRC finds in the fiscal year 2020-21 that all Levy funds are being spent as approved by voters.

With respect to the use of Levy funds for maintaining teaching positions, PPS has received \$95,722,996 as of April 1, 2021, from Multnomah, Washington, and Clackamas Counties. Based on the 2020-21 receipts and an average teacher cost of \$108,476 (salary, taxes, and benefits), Levy funds will support approximately 884 teaching positions for the 2020-21 fiscal year. This meets the Levy goal of supporting at least 825 teaching positions. At the same time last year, the Levy funded approximately 908 teachers.

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- Provide specialized academic support for students, in areas such as reading and math.

Effective with the 2013-2014 fiscal year, PPS established a procedure adopted for the federal stimulus funds and which was acceptable to the federal government whereby Levy funds are placed in a “sub-account” within the General Fund and can only be used to pay teachers’ salaries and benefits. This provision was written into Measure 26-207’s Explanatory Statement and is part of the current Levy language. The Local Option Levy Funds for 2020-21 have been deposited into this sub-account.

Finally, the Levy language continues to require independent community oversight to ensure that tax dollars are used as approved by local voters. The PPS Board of Education has appointed CBRC as the community oversight body to perform this function.

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CBRC respectfully submits this report to the PPS Board of Education:

Sara Kerr, Co-Chair
Judah McAuley, Co-Chair
Irina Phillips, Co-Vice Chair

Parker Myrus, Co-Vice Chair and Student Representative

Tastonga Davis

Roger Kirchner

Brad Nelson

Leesha Posey

Jennifer Samuels

Hoang Samuelson

Lisa Selman

Renee Watson

Jackson Weinberg, Student Representative

**Portland Public Schools
CBRC Annual Local Option Levy Review
May 13, 2022**

Overview

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Findings

CBRC finds in FY21-22 that all Levy funds are being spent as approved by voters.

With respect to the use of Levy funds for maintaining teaching positions, PPS has received \$99,269,534 as of April 1, 2022, from Multnomah, Washington, and Clackamas Counties. Based on the 2021-22 receipts and an average teacher cost of \$116,883 (salary, taxes, and benefits), Levy funds will support approximately 851 teaching positions for FY21-22. This meets the Levy goal of supporting at least 825 teaching positions. At the same time last year, the Levy funded approximately 873 teachers.

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The following CBRC members respectfully submit this report to the PPS Board of Education:

Roger Kirchner, Chair/Committee Member

Renee Anderson, Committee Member

Lisa Selman, Committee Member

Elona Wilson, Committee Member

Parker Myrus, Student Member

Hobbs Waters, Student Member

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Lent	476	31.00	24.00	7.00
Lewis	368	20.00	14.00	6.00
Llewellyn	460	22.00	15.00	7.00
Maplewood	347	17.00	11.00	6.00
Markham	416	21.00	15.00	6.00
Martin Luther King Jr	319	23.00	17.00	6.00
Marysville	402	24.00	18.00	6.00
Peninsula	237	18.00	13.00	5.00
Richmond	600	27.00	19.00	8.00
Rieke	329	18.00	12.00	6.00
Rigler	268	20.00	15.00	5.00
Rosa Parks	266	18.00	14.00	4.00
Rose City Park	529	27.00	19.00	8.00
Sabin	360	19.00	13.00	6.00
Scott	460	31.00	23.00	8.00
Sitton	337	24.00	18.00	6.00
Stephenson	322	18.00	12.00	6.00
Vestal	228	16.00	12.00	4.00
Whitman	185	14.00	10.00	4.00
Woodlawn	315	19.00	14.00	5.00
Woodmere	269	16.00	11.00	5.00
Woodstock	526	28.00	19.00	9.00
Elementary Schools	17,337	992.00	700.00	292.00

School Name	FY20-21 Audited Enrollment	General Fund Staff	Without Levy	Local Option Levy
Beaumont Middle	518	32.00	23.00	9.00
da Vinci Arts Middle	443	21.00	15.00	6.00
George Middle	432	29.00	22.00	7.00
Gray Middle	509	25.00	17.00	8.00
Hosford Middle	676	30.00	21.00	9.00
Jackson Middle	803	36.00	24.00	12.00
Lane Middle	416	24.00	18.00	6.00
Mt Tabor Middle	721	34.00	23.00	11.00
Ockley Green	487	27.00	20.00	7.00
Roseway Heights	617	32.00	23.00	9.00
Sellwood Middle	549	26.00	17.00	9.00
Tubman Middle	443	26.00	19.00	7.00
West Sylvan Middle	802	37.00	25.00	12.00
Middle Schools	7,416	379.00	267.00	112.00

School Name	FY20-21 Audited Enrollment	General Fund Staff	Without Levy	Local Option Levy
ACCESS Program	318	20.00	14.00	6.00
Astor	394	26.00	18.00	8.00
Beverly Cleary	692	34.00	23.00	11.00
Cesar Chavez	544	37.00	27.00	10.00
Creative Science School	450	22.00	14.00	8.00
Faubion	697	40.00	30.00	10.00
Harrison Park	601	39.00	29.00	10.00
Laurelhurst	688	34.00	23.00	11.00
Metro Learning Center	377	22.00	15.00	7.00
Odyssey	244	12.00	9.00	3.00
Skyline	181	15.00	11.00	4.00
Sunnyside Environmental	522	26.00	17.00	9.00
Vernon	569	35.00	25.00	10.00
Winterhaven	291	16.00	11.00	5.00
K-8 Schools	6,568	378.00	266.00	112.00

School Name	FY20-21 Audited Enrollment	General Fund Staff	Without Levy	Local Option Levy
Alliance High School	198	23.00	17.00	6.00
Benson	1,005	60.00	43.00	17.00
Cleveland	1,581	74.00	50.00	24.00
Franklin	2,010	98.00	68.00	30.00
Grant	1,965	88.00	59.00	29.00
Jefferson	620	42.00	31.00	11.00
Lincoln	1,481	73.00	49.00	24.00
McDaniel	1,173	64.00	46.00	18.00
Roosevelt	1,292	78.00	57.00	21.00
Ida B. Wells-Barnett	1,540	74.00	49.00	25.00
High Schools	12,865	674.00	469.00	205.00

Department Name	FY20-21 Audited Enrollment	General Fund Staff	Without Levy	Local Option Levy
Athletics	None	9.00	5.00	4.00
Dual Language Programs	None	7.00	7.00	-
Early Learner Programs: P-3	None	2.00	1.00	1.00
ESL	None	92.00	60.00	32.00
Headstart	None	-	-	-
Human Resources	None	22.00	18.00	4.00
Mult Pathways to Graduation	None	10.00	7.00	3.00
Portland DART Schools	None	2.00	1.00	1.00
Special Education Svcs-Mgmt	None	468.00	368.00	100.00
SPED - Comm Transition Pgm	None	13.00	10.00	3.00
SPED - Holladay Center	None	26.00	22.00	4.00
Teen Parent / FACS	None	5.00	5.00	-
Centrally Administered	-	656.00	504.00	152.00

PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

Measure 26-207

Referred to the People by the City Council

BALLOT TITLE

Levy Renewal to Maintain Teaching Positions and Classroom Supports

Question: Shall district maintain teaching positions, classroom supports; renew levy of \$1.99 per \$1,000 assessed value for five years beginning 2020? This measure renews current local option taxes.

Summary: Portland Public Schools' current local option levy was approved by voters in 2014 to provide funding for schools over 5 years. The renewed levy will provide an estimated \$99.9 million in the first year. Over the past five years, the levy has funded an average of 825 teaching positions each year and, if approved, the renewed levy is projected to maintain that average over the next five years.

This renewed local option levy would continue to fund teaching positions to:

- Support a well-rounded education, including career and technical programs and enrichments and electives for all students.
- Help maintain class sizes
- Provide supports, such as reading specialists, for struggling students.

Levy cost remains \$1.99 per \$1,000 assessed property value, the same as the 2014 levy.

Funds will be placed in a sub-account, and independent citizen oversight will review expenditures to verify that funds are used as approved by voters. No levy funds will be spent for administration. Performance auditing of school district programs also will be done.

The levy will produce an estimated \$99.9 million in 2020-2021; \$103.9 million in 2021-2022; \$108.1 million in 2022-2023; \$112.4 million in 2023-2024; and \$111.9 million in 2024-2025. The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression and the collection rate.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Portland Public Schools currently serves over 49,000 students in 81 schools and other programs throughout the neighborhoods of Portland.

For the ninth straight year, PPS' 4-year graduation rates increased in 2017-2018. The graduation rate of 79.6% remains above the statewide average and has risen more than 17 points since 2010.

In serving the students of Portland, the district continuously strives to be fiscally responsible with taxpayer resources. Through many years of budget cuts, the school district and Board have worked to preserve classroom education. At the same time, PPS has advocated for a greater level of state investment by the Legislature and worked to ensure that all dollars are spent well and used for educational services for students. In

December 2018, independent auditors gave PPS a clean bill of financial health. The district will receive regular performance audits to monitor effective use of taxpayer resources.

The legislature has recently increased its investment in K-12 education, but more investments are needed to continue to build career and technical programs, maintain class size and better support struggling students. In the meantime, funds raised by this local option levy will help to close the funding gap.

If renewed, the levy is estimated to produce \$99.9 million for Portland Public Schools in school year 2020-2021. The proposed levy renewal would:

Fund teaching positions and classroom supports at every school in the district

- The funds help support a well-rounded education, with enrichments for elementary and middle grades and electives in varied interest areas and disciplines for high school students.
- The funds help support career and technical programs and STEM programs, including computer science education, so students can graduate with the skills necessary to be career or college ready.
- Over the past five years, the levy funded an average of 825 teaching positions annually. If approved, that average will be maintained.
- Academic support for struggling students is included.

Continue to provide fiscal accountability and independent oversight

- This renewal maintains the existing local option levy rate of \$1.99 per \$1,000 assessed value and ensures that all funds raised are directed to the voter-approved purpose of supporting schools.
- This local option requires independent citizen oversight so that tax dollars are used only for purposes approved by local voters.
- Funds will be placed in a sub-account to ensure their correct use and accurate reporting.
- No funds from this local option levy will be used for district administration.

Maintain the existing tax rate of \$1.99 per \$1,000 of assessed value

- For a home with an average assessed value of \$233,925, the cost would be less than \$39 per month, or \$465 per year.

This local option levy replaces the one passed by voters in 2014, and maintains the existing tax rate.

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Board Chair, Portland Public Schools

NO ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION TO THIS MEASURE WERE FILED.

Levy Referral – Potential Election Dates

The PPS Local Option Levy is a five year levy, and was last renewed in November of 2019. The last cycle of taxes will be paid in November of 2024 for the 2025-26 school year.

The election options are: May 2023, November 2023, May 2024, November 2024, and May 2025. (Note: A levy renewal could be on the May 2025 ballot and still have time to levy a tax for FY 2025-26 with no interruption to the tax collection.)

Regardless of the election selected, the new local option would not be levied until the 2025-26 fiscal year, which means that it would expire in FY 2029-30.

Multnomah County Election Referral Deadlines for the 2023 Elections.

The deadlines for the May 16, 2023 election:

- **Fri. Feb. 24, 2023** - Last day for County or Special District to file notice of election (SEL 805)
- **Thur. March 16, 2023** - Last day to file noticed measure of election (SEL 801, 802 or 803)
- **Mon. March 20, 2023** - Measure argument filing deadline for County Voters' Pamphlet

The deadlines for the November 7, 2023 election:

- **Friday, August 18, 2023** - Last day for County or Special District to file notice of election (SEL 805)
- **Thursday, Sept. 7, 2023** - Last day to file noticed measure of election (SEL 801, 802 or 803)
- **Monday, Sept. 11, 2023** - Measure argument filing deadline for County Voters' Pamphlet

