



2018 REPLACEMENT OF EXPIRING SCHOOL PROGRAM AND OPERATIONS LEVY

A four-year replacement of an expiring School Program & Operations (SP&O) Levy will be presented to voters on Tuesday, February 13, 2018. The proposed levy is a replacement of the current levy, which expires in 2018. It is not a new tax.

How School Program and Operations Levy Dollars are Spent

Funds from the levy support Monroe School District's school programs and operations not funded by the State of Washington. The replacement School Program and Operations Levy helps support our growing number of students and allow us to continue with current programs, including the following:



School safety and security



Athletics and extracurricular activities



Student transportation



Special education programs



Student support programs



Professional learning for staff



District operations and maintenance



Instructional supplies and materials

The School Board was very intentional in their decision to run a levy that would allow us to continue on the path we are on while not making a new financial impact on our community. Quite simply, we are asking our community to replace our local levy so we can continue to deliver on our commitment of powerful instruction, equitable access and high expectations to all of our students.

DR. FREDRIKA SMITH
Superintendent

Changes to the State School Levy Funding



In July 2017, the Washington State Legislature made a decision to increase the amount of funding the state provides to schools and to reduce the amount of local taxes school districts can request and collect. This changes how school districts receive funding, but does not change the need for local levies.

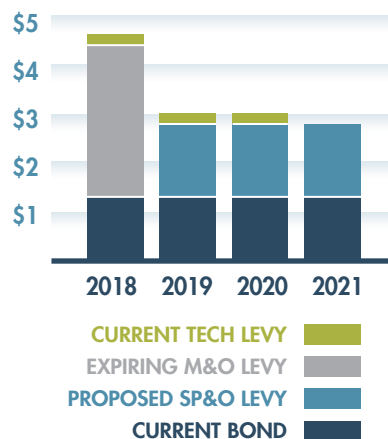
How Tax Amounts are Determined for Property Owners



Each property owner pays a different amount of taxes because the assessed value for each property is different. Monroe School District can only collect the levy amount approved by voters - no matter how much the assessed values increase. As more people move into the Monroe School District boundaries, more property owners contribute to the total levy amount. This means that each property owner will likely pay less.

Total Local School District Tax Rate

If approved by voters, the Replacement School Program and Operations Levy would allow the school district to collect \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. This would be a decrease in the local school tax rate from the estimated \$3.16 per \$1,000 of assessed property value that is currently being collected for the expiring Maintenance and Operations Levy.





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THE LEVY MEASURE AS IT WILL APPEAR ON THE FEBRUARY 13TH ELECTION BALLOT.

This is the total amount the school district may collect per year until the levy expires. No more than \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property value can be collected from taxpayers. The school district cannot collect more per year than the levy amount listed on the right.

**REMEMBER
TO VOTE BY**



PROPOSITION NO. 1 MONROE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 103 REPLACEMENT OF EXPIRING SCHOOL PROGRAM AND OPERATIONS LEVY

The Board of Directors of Monroe School District No. 103 approved Resolution No. 14-2017 concerning a proposition for a replacement levy for education. This proposition authorizes the District to meet the educational needs of its students by levying the following excess taxes, to replace an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to support educational programs and operations expenses not funded by the State, as provided in Resolution No. 14-2017:

COLLECTION YEARS	EST. LEVY RATE/\$1,000 ASSESSED VALUE	LEVY AMOUNT
2019	\$1.50	\$10,350,062
2020	\$1.50	\$11,902,571
2021	\$1.50	\$13,687,957
2022	\$1.50	\$15,741,150

SHOULD THIS PROPOSITION BE APPROVED?

YES ← →

NO ← →

Notice of Non-discrimination

The Monroe School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation including gender expression or identity, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following employees have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination: Title IX Coordinator - Joanne Dickinson, Section 504/ADA Coordinator - David Paratore, Compliance Coordinator for 28A.640 and 28A.642 RCW - Joanne Dickinson, 200 East Fremont Street, Monroe, WA 98272, (360) 804-2500. The Monroe School District will also take steps to assure that national origin persons who lack English language skills can participate in all education programs, services and activities. For information regarding translation services or transitional bilingual education programs, contact: Ginnie Ayres, (360) 804.2558

Exemptions

Senior citizens and disabled persons may qualify for a tax exemption. More information about tax relief programs is available on the Snohomish County Assessor's website, <https://snohomishcountywa.gov> or by calling 425-388-3433.

General Ballot/Voting Information

January 15: Deadline for voter registration, address change and other updates.
January 26: Start of 18-day voting period. County Elections Departments may mail ballots before this date.
February 5: Deadline for new Washington State voter registration (in person only).
February 13: Special Election - ballots must be postmarked by midnight. They may also be dropped off at the 24-hour secure ballot drop box near the library at 1070 Village Way, Monroe, WA 98272. Drop boxes close promptly at 8:00 p.m.

