

**Skamania School
Property Ideas
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Provide an educational benefit to the school and area.

- Outdoor school camp
- STEM building to support science lessons
- Walking trails
- Outdoor theatre
- Magnet site - rent out to other districts
- Partner with other organizations to offer education programs such as Fish and Game, DNR, Skamania Lodge, interpretive center.
- Help students to become 'ambassadors' to the Gorge
- Incorporate a specialty school with a magnet focus such as STEM, forest and wildlife management, agriculture, etc.
- Horse riding school
- Learn about local employment opportunities related to forest management, recreation, etc.
- Involve students in the problem solving and what to do with the property

Provide responsible land management

- Conduct a selective tree harvest
- Create buffers to the stream and spring
- Do not treat root rot
- Examine the economic value for logging
- Check into the topography and access
- Identify watershed
- Hire local for logging
- Examine further the variety of tree species
- Protect the community water system
- Manage the invasive species
- No clear cutting
- Consider agriculture uses
- Be cautious about scenic restrictions

Provide a financial benefit to the school that may include producing revenue.

- Sell the property
- Keep it for an investment
- Cell phone tower
- Greenhouses - farm to school food program
- Explore agriculture businesses such as Christmas tree farm, orchards, blueberry farm, outdoor adventure park, etc.