



Skamania School District's REPLACEMENT EP&O LEVY

This February, Skamania School District will ask voters to renew a three-year Educational Programs & Operations (EP&O) levy. **This is not a new tax**; if approved, this measure would continue a previously approved local funding measure that is set to expire at the end of 2026.

If approved by voters, the levy would continue funding for...

- Teachers & support staff for small class sizes
- Counseling & student support services
- Music & enrichment programs
- Training & professional development
- Food services staff who make nutritious meals
- Daily & extracurricular transportation
- Facility maintenance & school operations
- Administrative support

What is an EP&O levy?

An educational programs and operations levy, also called an EP&O levy or an enrichment levy, is a funding measure that helps bridge the gap between education funding provided from the state and federal governments and what it actually costs to run a school district. Local levy funds allow for districts like Skamania to continue to provide services and educational programs that our community values.

Proposed Rates & Amounts:

Collection Year	Rate*	Amount Collected
2027	\$1.10	\$302,500
2028	\$1.11	\$325,000
2029	\$1.12	\$347,000
		\$975,000 total

**Rate is per \$1,000 of assessed property value. Future tax rates are estimates and can vary, depending on community growth and property valuation changes.*

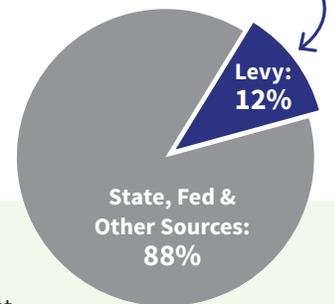
Skamania School District minimizes taxpayer burden

by managing needs underfunded by the state, including technology, transportation, and educational and enrichment programs, through a single levy and diverse funding sources such as grants, without seeking additional taxes such as capital levies or bonds that many other districts require.

[See local tax rate comparisons on reverse →](#)



In Skamania, local levy funds provide **about 12%** of the district's overall budget.



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Skamania's Replacement Levy Quick Facts:



- 1** This is not a new tax. It would replace a previously approved, expiring local funding measure.
- 2** In Skamania, local levy funds support music and enrichment programs, transportation, staff to maintain small class sizes, facility maintenance, student support services, and more.
- 3** Skamania's local levy tax rate is well below the average and is projected to stay about the same as the current rate if the replacement levy passes.

Ballots are due by February 10, 2026.

Voting in Washington State is done by mail, and it's easy! Simply register to vote, and you will receive a ballot in the mail around January 23 for the February election.

Turn in your completed ballot by 8 p.m. on February 10. Scan the QR code below or visit votewa.gov for more voting information.



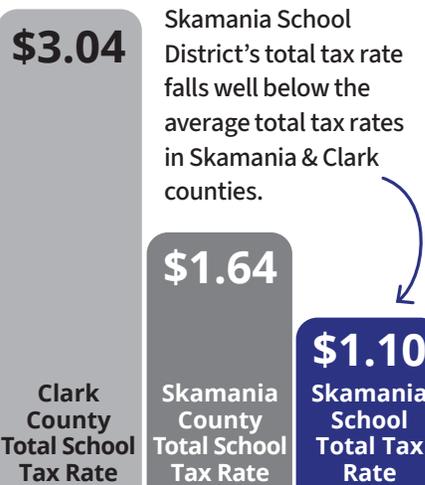
More Information:

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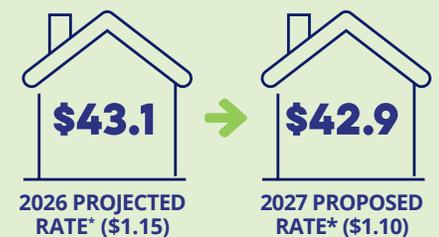


2025 LOCAL TAX RATE COMPARISON



ESTIMATED RATES & MONTHLY COST

Homeowner cost is projected to be slightly less in 2027, compared to 2026.



*Rate is per \$1,000 of assessed property value. Levy taxes are based on a home valued at \$450,000 in 2026, increasing in valuation by 4% to \$468,000 in 2027.



Tax exemptions are available!

Disabled persons and those over age 61 may be exempt from part or all of local school levy taxes.

To find out if you qualify, visit:

skamaniacounty.org or call 509-427-3720