



### **EDUCATE PREPARE INSPIRE**

Levies and Bond 2020

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

### Important Information About The Feb. 11, 2020 Ballot

Arlington Public Schools is asking voters to consider three education funding measures to ensure students have equal access to:

- Safe and secure school buildings
- High quality learning opportunities
- Strong educational programs and supports







### **Educate All Of Our Students**

# PROP. 1: Renews Educational Programs And Operations Levy (EP&O)

- Renews funding for critical day-to-day operations and student supports not fully funded by the state
- Teachers, counselors, paraeducators, nurses
- Technology and instructional materials
- Activities such as robotics, band, choir, drama and athletics

**RATE:** \$1.70 per \$1,000 of assessed home value through 2024. The rate is less than the rate approved by voters in 2016



### How Did We Determine These Measures? We Listened, And We Learned.

These three measures are about our students. Before putting them on the ballot, we convened a Facility Advisory Committee, asked questions about past and future measures, and listened to community feedback. You said we need to prioritize. Therefore, the bond is only about replacing Post Middle School, and other capital projects are in the levy.

We appreciate your ongoing support for our schools, and we look forward to working together into the future.

- Dr. Chrys Sweeting, Superintendent

### Want to learn more?

Visit asd.wednet.edu/2020\_levies\_and\_bond

## Prepare Our Students For The Future

## PROP. 2: Capital Levy

- Safety and security improvements at every school. Depending on need: Secure entrances, fencing, cameras/access controls, door locks, fire alarms/fire sprinklers, intercom system, improvements to pedestrian and traffic safety
- Classroom additions. Reduces crowding at Arlington High School
- Modern learning spaces to prepare students for STEM career fields. Adds science, technology, engineering, art, math workshop at Arlington High School
- Extends the life of school buildings and improves energy efficiency at select schools

**RATE:** \$1.15 per \$1,000 of assessed home value through 2024

## **Inspire Students With A Modern Learning Environment**

PROP. 3:
Post Middle School Bond

- A new Post Middle School will provide a modern, energy-efficient building that meets our students' needs and reduces operating costs
- Provide a safe and secure building, classrooms and athletic facilities
- **Ensure access** to comprehensive educational facilities equal to other schools in the district
- Inspire students in modern classrooms with appropriate 21st-century learning opportunities, adequate space for STEM programs and infrastructure to support learning

RATE: Estimated cost of 64 cents per \$1,000 of assessed home value for four years, then 96 cents per \$1,000 assessed home value per year until 2040

### What Is The Cost For The Two Levies And The Bond?

YEAR	PROP 1 EP&O	PROP 2 Capital	PROP 3 Bond	<b>TOTAL</b> EP&O + Capital +Bond	For a house valued at \$300,000, the yearly cost for Arlington Public Schools taxes
2017	\$3.51	0	\$1.42	\$4.93	\$1,479
2018	\$3.31	0	\$1.37	\$4.68	\$1,404
2019	\$1.50	0	\$1.19	\$2.69	\$807
2020 If approved ···	\$1.50	0	\$1.19	\$2.69	\$807
2021-24	\$1.70	\$1.15	\$0.64	\$3.49	\$1,047
2025-40	\$1.70	0	\$0.96	\$2.66	\$798



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### What's Inside?

Information about the Feb. 11, 2020 ballot Arlington Public Schools is asking voters to consider three important education funding measures to continue our work to educate, prepare, and inspire every student.

## Why Do We Need Local Funding For Our Schools?

Like all school districts in the state,
Arlington Public Schools is funded through
state, local and federal dollars. There is
a gap between what the state funds for
K-12 education and what our students
need. Every four years, we ask voters to
consider renewing the local EP&O Levy.
The state provides limited funds for school
construction and improvements. These
capital projects are funded primarily through
local, voter-approved levies and bonds.

### **Tax Relief Options**

Senior citizens over the age of 61, people with disabilities, disabled veterans, and people with limited incomes may qualify for property tax exemptions or deferral under Washington state law. Contact the Snohomish County Assessor's office for more information.

**Phone:** 425-388-3540

**Email:** contact.assessor@co.snohomish.wa.us

Online: snohomishcountywa.gov/328/

Property-Tax-Exemptions



## PLEASE REMEMBER TO VOTE BY FEBRUARY 11

