**February 11, 2014 Special Election**

**King County**

**Official Local Voters’ Pamphlet**
as requested by Tahoma School District No. 409

---

**Voting materials available in Chinese and Vietnamese**

To comply with Section 203 of the Federal Voting Rights Act, King County is required to provide voting materials in Chinese and Vietnamese. To request voting materials, update your language preference or register to vote, visit www.myvote.wa.gov or call 206-296-VOTE (8683).

---

**To obtain this pamphlet in an alternate format please contact King County Elections at 206-296-VOTE (8683).**

---

**Returning your ballot**

- Ballot return locations and accessible voting centers can change with every election. See below for a list of the ballot return sites for the February 11, 2014 special election.
- All ballots postmarked by the respective return deadline will be counted.
- Ballots that arrive after the return deadline will have their votes counted if the ballots are postmarked by the respective return deadline.
- Voters may also return ballots at these locations during business hours.

**Keep your voter registration current**

- Your voter registration is current if you vote in a regular election at least once every two years.
- If your registration is inactive, you may register to vote at any time.
- If you have changed your name, address, or party affiliation, you may update your registration at any time.
- To update your registration, visit the website or call 206-296-VOTE (8683).

---

**Contact us**

Phone: 206-296-VOTE (8683)
1-800-325-6165
TTY Relay: 711

Email: elections@kingcounty.gov

Online: www.kingcounty.gov/elections

Mail or in-person:
919 SW Grady Way
Renton, WA 98057

Voter Registration
King County Administration Building
500 4th Ave., Room 311
Seattle, WA 98104

Annex:

**For more information call 206-296-VOTE (8683) or visit www.kingcounty.gov/elections**
To register to vote in Washington, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States;
- A legal resident of Washington State;
- At least 18 years old by Election Day; and
- Not under the authority of the Department of Corrections.

**How to register**

- Register online with the Secretary of State, www.vote.wa.gov.
- Download a registration form from the King County Elections website and return it by mail.
- Register in person at the King County Elections office or annex.

**Registration deadlines**

While you may register to vote at any time, there are registration deadlines prior to each election. The deadlines for the February 11, 2014, special election:

- **January 13** – Deadline to register to vote online or by mail, or update existing voter registration information.
- **February 3** – In-person registration deadline for people not currently registered in Washington. Register in person at the Elections office in Renton or at the Voter Registration Annex in Seattle.

**Keep your voter registration current**

Update your registration if you have moved or changed your name, or if your signature has changed. Simply submit a new registration form to update your information.

**Accessible voting centers**

Accessible voting centers are available for voters who need assistance completing their ballot. Trained staff and specialized equipment is available to help voters with disabilities cast a private, independent ballot.

Voters may also return ballots at these locations during business hours.

**King County Elections**

919 SW Grady Way, Renton 98057

- **January 24 - February 10**:
  - Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
  - Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**Bellevue City Hall**

401 4th Avenue NE, Bellevue 98004

- **February 10**:
  - Monday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
  - Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**Federal Way City Hall**

33325 8th Avenue S, Federal Way 98003

- **February 11**:
  - 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**Lake Forest Park City Hall**

17425 Ballinger Way NE, Lake Forest Park 98155

**Regional Justice Center**

401 4th Avenue N, Kent 98032

- **February 10**:
  - Monday, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Redmond Senior Center**

8703 160th Avenue NE, Redmond 98052

- **February 10**:
  - Monday, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

To obtain this pamphlet in an alternate format, please contact King County Elections at 206-296-VOTE (8683).
Proposition No. 1
Replacement of Existing Educational Programs and Operations Levy

The Board of Directors of Tahoma School District No. 409 adopted Resolution No. 2013-28 concerning educational funding. This proposition authorizes the District to levy the following excess taxes, to replace an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to support the District’s educational programs and operations:  

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Collection Years</th>
<th>Approximate Assessed Value</th>
<th>Levy Rate/$1,000</th>
<th>Levy Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2015</td>
<td>$3.69</td>
<td>$16,336,987</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2016</td>
<td>$3.69</td>
<td>$16,990,466</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2017</td>
<td>$3.69</td>
<td>$17,670,085</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2018</td>
<td>$3.69</td>
<td>$18,376,888</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

all as provided in the Resolution. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

Statement in favor

Statement in opposition

Union officials in the Tahoma Schools have pressured the school board to divert levy funds from student services in order to pay teachers more. Our levy should pay for student services, not for wage increases.

In the collective bargaining agreement sought by union officials, the average state-provided wage of $53,584 for teachers will be enhanced by 10.9 percent from levy and levy-matched funds. This costs roughly $2.06 million per year which could be better used to help at-risk students or reduce class sizes. The school district leads taxpayers to believe the levy money is being used for students, yet large amounts support union priorities instead.

Levies are great for funding local priorities and unique services for our area students, but taxpayers should hold off giving the school district any more money until the school board is able to put student services above the demands of union officials.

Statement submitted by: Laurie Lyford, Renay Bennett, and Tom Henningsgards propertyrights4us@gmail.com

Explanatory statement

This levy replaces one that expires at the end of 2014. This levy pays for school staff, education programs, classroom support, athletics, maintenance, utilities, transportation and school supplies that are not funded or are under-funded by the state. The levy represents about 20 percent of the school district’s general fund, which pays for day-to-day operations.

If this replacement levy is approved, taxable property within the district would continue to be taxed to pay for school programs and operations over the next four years, with the estimated rate to be $3.69 per year for each thousand dollars of assessed property value. This levy would generate funding in the amount of $18,336,987 in the first year, $16,990,466 in the second year, $17,670,085 in the third year and $18,376,888 in the fourth year.

For additional questions regarding this measure contact:

Kevin Patterson + Public Information Officer
425-413-3400 + kpatters@tahomasd.us

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at www.kingcounty.gov/elections.

Proposition No. 2
Replacement of Existing Capital Projects Levies

The Board of Directors of Tahoma School District No. 409 approved Resolution No. 2013-27 for educational facilities and technology levies. This proposition authorizes the improvement and upgrade of District facilities, including educational technology, software and training; building and site improvements; and authorizes the following excess levies for such purposes on all taxable property within the District:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Collection Years</th>
<th>Approximate Levy Rate/$1,000</th>
<th>Levy Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2015</td>
<td>$0.62</td>
<td>$2,700,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2016</td>
<td>$0.60</td>
<td>$2,700,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2017</td>
<td>$0.58</td>
<td>$2,700,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2018</td>
<td>$0.56</td>
<td>$2,700,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

all as provided in the Resolution. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

Statement in favor

Statement in opposition

Levies are great for funding local priorities and unique services for our area students, but taxpayers should hold off giving the school district any more money until the school board is able to put student services above the demands of union officials.

Statement submitted by: Laurie Lyford, Renay Bennett, and Tom Henningsgards propertyrights4us@gmail.com

Explanatory statement

This levy replaces one that expires at the end of 2014. This levy pays for educational technology tools, including computers, software, network infrastructure, document cameras, projectors, and other technology needs. It also pays for staff to maintain equipment and assist teachers and students with training and support.

The Technology Levy is the primary source of funds for electronic instructional tools and training. If the levy is approved, taxable property within the district would continue to be taxed to pay for school technology over the next four years, with the estimated rate ranging from $0.62 to $0.56 per year for each thousand dollars of assessed property value. This levy would generate funding in the amount of $2,700,000 for each year of the levy.

For additional questions regarding this measure contact:

Kevin Patterson + Public Information Officer
425-413-3400 + kpatters@tahomasd.us

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at www.kingcounty.gov/elections.

_PROPERTYRIGHTS4US@GMAIL.COM_
Proposition No. 1
Replacement of Existing Educational Programs and Operations Levy

The Board of Directors of Tahoma School District No. 409 adopted Resolution No. 2013-28 concerning educational funding. This proposition authorizes the District to levy the following excess taxes, to replace an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to support the District’s educational programs and operations:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Collection Years</th>
<th>Assessed Value</th>
<th>Levy Rate/$1,000</th>
<th>Levy Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2015</td>
<td>$16,336,987</td>
<td>$3.69</td>
<td>$60,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2016</td>
<td>$16,990,466</td>
<td>$3.69</td>
<td>$60,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2017</td>
<td>$17,670,085</td>
<td>$3.69</td>
<td>$60,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2018</td>
<td>$18,376,888</td>
<td>$3.69</td>
<td>$60,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

all as provided in the Resolution. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

Statement in favor

No statement submitted.

Statement in opposition

No statement submitted.

Statement submitted by: Laurie Lyford, Renay Bennett, and Tom Henningsgards

propertyrights4us@gmail.com

Explanatory statement

This levy replaces one that expires at the end of 2014. This levy pays for school staff, education programs, classroom support, athletics, maintenance, utilities, transportation and school supplies that are not funded or are under-funded by the state. The levy represents about 20 percent of the school district’s general fund, which pays for day-to-day operations. If this replacement levy is approved, taxable property within the district would continue to be taxed to pay for school programs and operations over the next four years, with the estimated rate to be $3.69 per year for each thousand dollars of assessed property value. This levy would generate funding in the amount of $16,336,987 in the first year, $16,990,466 in the second year, $17,670,085 in the third year and $18,376,888 in the fourth year.

For additional questions regarding this measure contact:
Kevin Patterson - Public Information Officer
425-413-3400  •  kpatters@tamahsd.us

Proposition No. 2
Replacement of Existing Capital Projects Levies

The Board of Directors of Tahoma School District No. 409 approved Resolution No. 2013-27 for educational facilities and technology levies. This proposition authorizes the improvement and upgrade of District facilities, including educational technology, software and training; building and site improvements; and authorizes the following excess levies for such purposes on all taxable property within the District:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Collection Years</th>
<th>Assessed Value</th>
<th>Levy Rate/$1,000</th>
<th>Levy Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2015</td>
<td>$2,700,000</td>
<td>$0.60</td>
<td>$1,620,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2016</td>
<td>$2,700,000</td>
<td>$0.58</td>
<td>$1,620,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2017</td>
<td>$2,700,000</td>
<td>$0.56</td>
<td>$1,620,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2018</td>
<td>$2,700,000</td>
<td>$0.62</td>
<td>$1,620,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

all as provided in the Resolution. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

Statement in favor

No statement submitted.

Statement in opposition

Union officials in the Tahoma Schools have pressured the school board to divert levy funds from student services in order to pay teachers more. Our levy should pay for student services, not for wage increases. In the collective bargaining agreement sought by union officials, the average state-provided wage of $53,584 for teachers will be enhanced by 10.9 percent from levy and levy-matched funds. This costs roughly $2.06 million per year which could be better used to help at-risk students or reduce class sizes. The school district leads taxpayers to believe the levy money is being used for students, yet large amounts support union priorities instead.

Levies are great for funding local priorities and unique services for our area students, but taxpayers should hold off giving the school district any more money until the school board is able to put student services above the demands of union officials.

Statement submitted by: Laurie Lyford, Renay Bennett, and Tom Henningsgards

propertyrights4us@gmail.com

Explanatory statement

This levy replaces one that expires at the end of 2014. This levy pays for educational technology tools, including computers, software, network infrastructure, document cameras, projectors, and other technology needs. It also pays for staff to maintain equipment and assist teachers and students with training and support. The Technology Levy is the primary source of funds for electronic instructional tools and training. If the levy is approved, taxable property within the district would continue to be taxed to pay for school technology over the next four years, with the estimated rate ranging from $0.62 to $0.56 per year for each thousand dollars of assessed property value. This levy would generate funding in the amount of $2,700,000 for each year of the levy.

For additional questions regarding this measure contact:
Kevin Patterson - Public Information Officer
425-413-3400  •  kpatters@tamahsd.us

Statement submitted by: Laurie Lyford, Renay Bennett, and Tom Henningsgards

propertyrights4us@gmail.com
King County
February 11, 2014 Special Election

Official Voters’ Pamphlet

February 11, 2014 Special Election

Voting materials available in Chinese and Vietnamese
King County is required to provide voting materials in Chinese and Vietnamese. To request voting materials, update your language preference or register to vote, visit www.myvote.wa.gov or call 206-296-VOTE (8683).

To obtain this pamphlet in an alternate format please contact King County Elections at 206-296-VOTE (8683).

Registering to vote

Requirements
To register to vote in Washington, you must be:

• A citizen of the United States;
• A legal resident of Washington State;
• At least 18 years old by Election Day; and
• Not under the authority of the Department of Corrections.

How to register

• Register online with the Secretary of State, www.vote.wa.gov;
• Download a registration form from the King County Elections website and return it by mail;
• Register in person at the King County Elections office or annex.

Registration deadlines

While you may register to vote at any time, there are registration deadlines prior to each election. The deadlines for the February 11, 2014, special election:

• January 13 – Deadline to register to vote online or by mail, or update existing voter registration information.
• February 3 – In-person registration deadline for people not currently registered in Washington.

Keep your voter registration current

Update your registration if you have moved or changed your name, or if your signature has changed. Simply submit a new registration form to update your information.

Accessible voting centers

Accessible voting centers are available for voters who need assistance completing their ballot. Trained staff and specialized equipment is available to help voters with disabilities cast a private, independent ballot.

Voters may also return ballots at these locations during business hours.

King County Elections
919 SW Grady Way, Renton 98057
January 24 - February 10: Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
February 11: Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Bellevue City Hall
450 110th Ave NE, Bellevue 98004
February 10: Monday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
February 11: Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Through the mail

You can vote and return your ballot through the U.S. Postal Service as soon as you receive it. Ballots must be postmarked by February 11. Mailed ballots require first class postage.

24-hour drop boxes

Return your ballot without using the U.S. Postal Service or a first class stamp at a ballot drop box.

Ballot drop boxes are open: 24 hours a day beginning January 24.

Ballot drop boxes close: on Election Day, February 11, at 8 p.m.

More information inside