

Special Election - February 11, 2020

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Drop Boxes Open 24/7 — Jan. 24 - Feb. 11. Close at 8 PM Feb. 11, 2020.

- ASHFORD** - Ashford County Park, 29801 SR 706
- BONNEY LAKE** - Bonney Lake Park and Ride, Sky Island Dr E & 184th Ave E
- BROWNS POINT/NORTHEAST TACOMA** - NE Police Substation, 4731 Norpoint Way NE
- BUCKLEY** - Buckley Library, 123 S River Rd
- DUPONT** - DuPont Ross Plaza, 1500 Wilmington Dr
- EATONVILLE** - Barney's Corner, 40512 Meridian E * Eatonville Town Hall, 201 Center St W
- EDGEWOOD** - Edgewood City Hall, 2224 104th Ave E
- FIFE** - Fife City Hall, 5411 23rd St E
- FIRCREST** - Fircrest City Hall, 115 Ramsdell St
- FOX ISLAND** - Fox Island Fire Station 53, 906 Kamus Dr
- GIG HARBOR/KEY PENINSULA** - Gig Harbor Fire Station, 6711 Kimball Dr * Gig Harbor Library, 4424 Point Fosdick Dr NW * Home Park, 17220 8th Ave NW * Key Center Food Market, 9021 Key Peninsula Hwy NW * Lake Kathryn Food Market, 14220 92nd Ave NW * Purdy Fire Station, 5210 144th St NW
- GRAHAM** - Graham Fire & Rescue Station 91, 10012 187th St E
- LAKEWOOD** - Lakewood City Hall, 6000 Main St SW * Lakewood (SR 512) Park and Ride, 10417 South Tacoma Way
- MILTON** - Milton City Hall, 1000 Laurel St
- ORTING** - Orting Public Safety Building, 401 Washington Ave SE
- PARKLAND/SPANAWAY** - Parkland/Spanaway Library, 13718 Pacific Ave S * Roy Y Park and Ride, SR 507 & Pacific Ave S
- PUYALLUP/SOUTH HILL** - Puyallup Library, 324 S Meridian * Skookum Archers, 11209 Shaw Rd E * South Hill Library, 15420 Meridian E

Using a Drop Box?

(No stamp required)
Drop off ballot by 8 PM
February 11, 2020.



Mailing your ballot?

(No stamp required)
Must be postmarked by
February 11, 2020. We recommend mailing
no later than February 7, 2020.

- ROY** - Roy City Hall, 216 McNaught Rd S
- SOUTH PRAIRIE** - South Prairie Fire Department, 350 Highway 162
- STEILACOOM** - Steilacoom Library, 2950 Steilacoom Blvd
- SUMMIT** - Summit Library, 5107 112th St E
- SUMNER** - Sumner Library, 1116 Fryer Ave
- TACOMA** - 72nd Street Transit Center, 1319 E 72nd St * Central District, 902 S L St * Community Health Care at Salishan, 1708 E 44th St * Kandle Park Police Substation (parking lot), 5140 N 26th St * Pierce County Annex, 2401 S 35th St * Puyallup Tribal Administration, 3009 Portland Ave * Tacoma Area Coalition of Individuals with Disabilities, 6315 S 19th St * Wapato Park, S 72nd St & S Ainsworth Ave * Wheelock Library, 3722 N 26th St
- TILLICUM** - Tillicum Community Center, 14916 Washington Ave SW
- UNIVERSITY PLACE** - West Pierce Fire & Rescue, 3631 Drexler Dr W
- WILKESON** - Wilkeson Town Hall, 540 Church St

Not registered to vote?

To register to vote, you must be:

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

Registration Deadlines:

- Online and by mail - February 3, 2020
Register at VoteWa.gov
- In person - February 11, 2020
Pierce County Election Center,
2501 S 35th St, Ste C, Tacoma, WA 98409
Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM,
Election Day, 7:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Special Election - Proposition No. 1 Supplemental Educational Programs and Operations Levy

See complete resolution text at
PierceCountyElections.org

Ballot Title

The Board of Directors of White River School District No. 416 adopted Resolution No. 19-23, concerning education funding. If approved, Proposition No. 1 will authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes for funding to sustain the District's current educational programs to meet student needs beyond what the State funds, including security, nurses, mental health support, counselors, special education, athletic programs, music, the arts and early learning as a legislatively authorized supplement to the District's prior approved levy:

<u>Collection Year</u>	<u>Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2021	\$1.00	\$3,750,000
2022	\$1.00	\$3,750,000

Should Proposition No. 1 be approved?

Explanatory Statement

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would authorize the District to levy excess taxes for funding to sustain our current educational programs to meet student needs beyond what the state funds. The levy would fund security, nurses, mental health support, counselors, and special education in our schools. Levy dollars also fund athletic programs, music, the arts and early learning as a legislatively authorized supplement to the District's prior approved levy. The additional levy amount is \$3,750,000 annually for collection in the years 2021 and 2022. In accordance with Resolution No. 19-23 approving this proposition, these taxes would be deposited in the White River School District's General Fund to pay part of the necessary expenses of operating the District. If authorized by the voters, and based on projected assessed valuation information, the estimated levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed value would be approximately \$1.00 for collection in the years 2021 and 2022.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. To determine if you qualify, call the Pierce County Assessor at (253) 798-6111.

Statement For

We Need Your Help to Restore Voter Approved Funding.

The state limited what our district could collect in 2019-20, cutting local levy collection for our schools by almost 50%. Our district used reserve funds to cover the gap, but this is unsustainable.

How Much Will this Cost?

If approved the WRSD tax rate for the EP&O Levy will be no more than \$2.50 per \$1000 of assessed valuation, lower than the voter approved rate from previous years.

Save Our Programs!

Approving this levy will save programs such as athletics, band, choir, preschool and special education. It will also preserve current levels of staffing for safety and security, school counselors, nurses, social workers and mental health professionals. Levy dollars also help maintain manageable class sizes. None of these are fully funded by the state and some like athletics, aren't funded at all.

Support the Children of Our Community.

Please continue supporting our most precious resource. Vote Yes. For more information visit www.whiteriver.wednet.edu

Committee Members: Clarence and Stephanie Courtney,
cvcourtney@gmail.com
Citizens for White River Schools

Statement Against

No statement was submitted against this issue.

Need help?



Voting Center

Services available 18 days prior to Election:

- Register to vote.
- Update voter registration.
- Get a ballot and vote.
- Replacement ballots for lost, damaged, or mismatched ballots.
- Disability assistance — Large font, color contrast, and audible ballot options.

Pierce County Elections

2501 S 35th St, Suite C
Tacoma, WA 98409

Hours:

Open Monday - Friday
8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Extended hours on Election Day
7:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Questions?

PierceCountyElections.org
Elections@PierceCountyWa.gov
(253) 798-VOTE (8683) or (800) 446-4979

Libraries Become Points of Assistance on Election Day.

The Pierce County Library System, Tacoma Public Library, and the Puyallup Public Library have volunteered to be Points of Assistance on Election Day.



POINT OF ASSISTANCE
Pierce County Elections + Libraries
— Election Day Help —

If you are unable to reach our Voting Center on Election Day, visit a library. These libraries have volunteered to function as conduits for voter services. They'll be ready to help you with registration, replacement ballots and voting. Think of library staff as knowledgeable, friendly, election helpers.

Hours:

Libraries will be available during their regular business hours up until 8 PM to help and assist voters on February 11, 2020 only.

Questions?

(253) 798-VOTE (8683)

Services available on Election Day only:

- Register to vote.
- Update voter registration.
- Get a ballot and vote.
- Replacement ballots for lost, damaged, or mismatched ballots.
- Get a voters' pamphlet.

Disability Assistance



Center for Independence
(253) 582-1253 (voice)
(800) 724-8172

Hearing, Speech & Deafness Center
(253) 475-0782 (voice)
(253) 474-1748 (TTY)
(253) 292-2209 (videophone)

Tacoma Area Coalition of
Individuals with Disabilities
(253) 565-9000 (voice)
711 (TTY)