

# NOVEMBER 5, 2024 FUNDING MEASURE FACTS

*Strong schools. Strong community.*



PORT ANGELES  
SCHOOL DISTRICT



**Port Angeles School District  
will have two school funding measures  
on the November 5 general election ballot:**

## **Proposition 1: EP&O Levy Renewal**



The proposed levy renewal would collect \$34.7 million over four years (2026–2029). The Educational Programs & Operations (EP&O) Levy supports staff, services, and programs not fully funded by Washington State.

### **ABOUT THE LEVY**

The proposed EP&O Levy renews a previously approved levy that is expiring in 2025 at a new rate. Port Angeles has had a levy in place since the 1960s. Levy dollars support:

- Athletics Programs
- Music Programs (Orchestra, Band, Choir)
- School Nurses
- Counselors
- Social Workers
- Special Education
- Transportation

*...and more!*

## **Proposition 2: 2024 Bond**



A \$140 million bond of up to 20 years would replace an expiring capital levy and pay for new construction and building renovations to improve safety and accessibility of schools and facilities constructed over 70 years ago.

### **ABOUT THE BOND**

Port Angeles School District's proposed bond projects are Phase 2 of a 30-year plan developed by over 150 community members over the past decade. The goal of the 30-year plan is to make timely updates to Port Angeles schools while:

- Maximizing dollars from the state
- Providing a long-range, performance-based plan with a consistent rate
- Minimizing the burden on local taxpayers
- Prioritizing facilities with the greatest need



*The 30-year plan is working: **consistent tax rate & updated facilities***

Tax rates and amounts are projected to stay stable with these proposed measures.

# OUR 30-YEAR FACILITIES PLAN

## A STRATEGIC, PHASED APPROACH

The 2024 Bond is Phase 2 of the district's 30-year facilities plan, which aims to improve our aging school buildings, keep tax rates stable for home owners and strengthen the quality of education provided. Phases 3–5 will be funded by future proposed bonds as the district pays down its debt, keeping rates stable. This approach means voters will decide every 5-6 years whether to continue with the plan.

### PHASE 1 | 2021–2025 | LEVY

Safety & security districtwide	COMPLETE
Monroe playfield	COMPLETE
Stevens Middle School	IN PROGRESS

### PHASE 2 | 2026–2031 BOND (CURRENT PROPOSAL)

Franklin Elementary School  
Port Angeles High School  
Port Angeles Performing Arts Center

### PHASE 3 | 2032–2037 | BOND

Port Angeles High School  
Vocational buildings & Gym

### PHASE 4 | 2038–2043 | BOND

Hamilton Elementary School

### PHASE 5 | 2044–2048 | BOND

Roosevelt Elementary School



Utilizing funds through property sales, timber revenues, and Phase 1 Capital Levy funds, PASD opened an artificial turf field in October 2023 at the former site of Monroe Elementary School.

## It takes a community.

On November 5, 2024, the Port Angeles community will vote on a bond measure to fund the replacement of two schools and the renovation of the Port Angeles Performing Arts Center.

The 2024 Bond is Phase 2 in a 30-year community-based facilities plan for our schools that began with a Capital Levy in February of 2020.

More than 150 community members have recommended improvements or replacements to Port Angeles schools over the past decade. Our long-range plan is based on the community's priorities: It keeps tax rates consistent while making updates to our schools over time, and prioritizing those schools with the greatest needs.

## Maximizing State Dollars

We are eligible for an estimated **\$36.5 million** in funding from the state on our projects, but

**only if the bond passes.**





# Proposed Bond Projects

Port Angeles High School and Franklin Elementary School were selected as the focus for Phase 2 of the 30-year plan based on community input and the needs of both facilities. These schools are both 70+ years old and are the oldest facilities in our school district. Because of consistent maintenance the facilities have far exceeded the average school building service-life of 42 years.

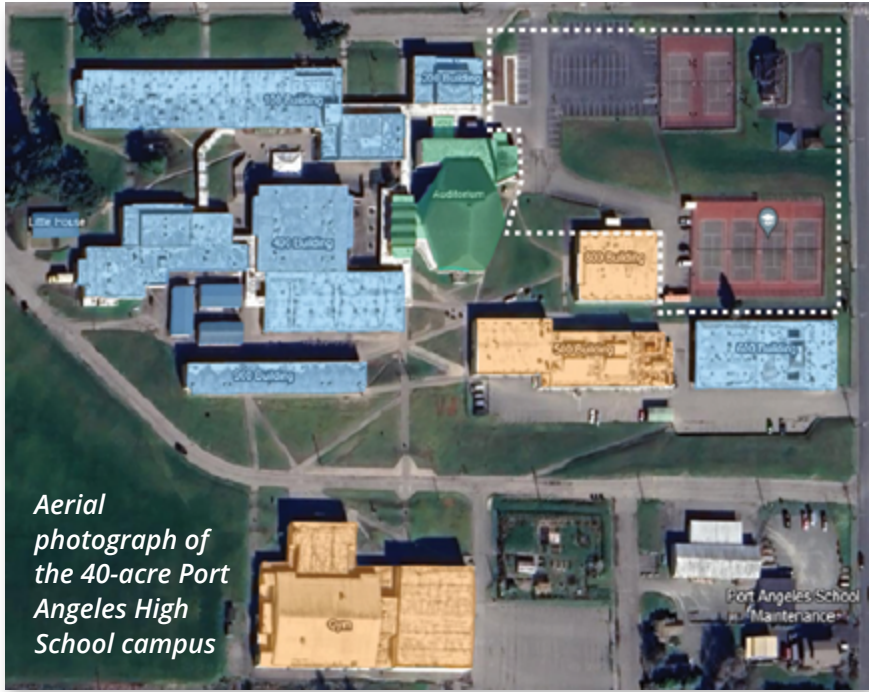


## PORT ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL

**The Need:** The current facility has 13 buildings with 147 exterior doors. The school opened in 1953 and has not received a major update since the 1970s.

**The Plan:** Construct a new, multi-story instructional building. The new building would consolidate nine separate structures and feature modern security with a single entry. The aerial photo shows the approx. footprint of the proposed new building and the buildings that would be consolidated.

**The Cost:** \$103.5 million



*Aerial photograph of the 40-acre Port Angeles High School campus*

-  **Approximate footprint of proposed new building**
-  **Gym and CTE buildings (Phase 3)**
-  **Instructional buildings to be removed**
-  **Performing Arts Center (see reverse)**



*Please remember to vote by November 5, 2024!*  
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*“The PAPAC is an indispensable artistic and educational resource for our community and a vital part of the cultural life of our entire region.”*

– Jonathan Pasternack, Artistic Director  
Port Angeles Symphony Orchestra



Luca Stricagnoli  
performs for  
PASD students.

## PORT ANGELES PERFORMING ARTS CENTER (PAPAC)

**The Need:** The current facility was built in 1959 and is the largest performance facility on the Olympic Peninsula with seating for 1,122. The Performing Arts Center is known for its outstanding acoustic properties. It is also difficult for people with disabilities and the elderly to access, and its bathrooms require significant updates.

**The Plan:** Renovate the Port Angeles Performing Arts Center, while preserving the renowned acoustics. Accessibility to and within the building will be improved so all can enjoy the facilities.

**The Cost:** \$30 million



## FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY

**The Need:** The current facility has reached the end of its useful life and is the most expensive building in the district to maintain. The school opened in 1954 and has not received a major update since the 1970s. It would cost more to renovate the building than to replace it.

**The Plan:** Replace the existing Franklin Elementary School with a modern building.

**The Cost:** \$43 million



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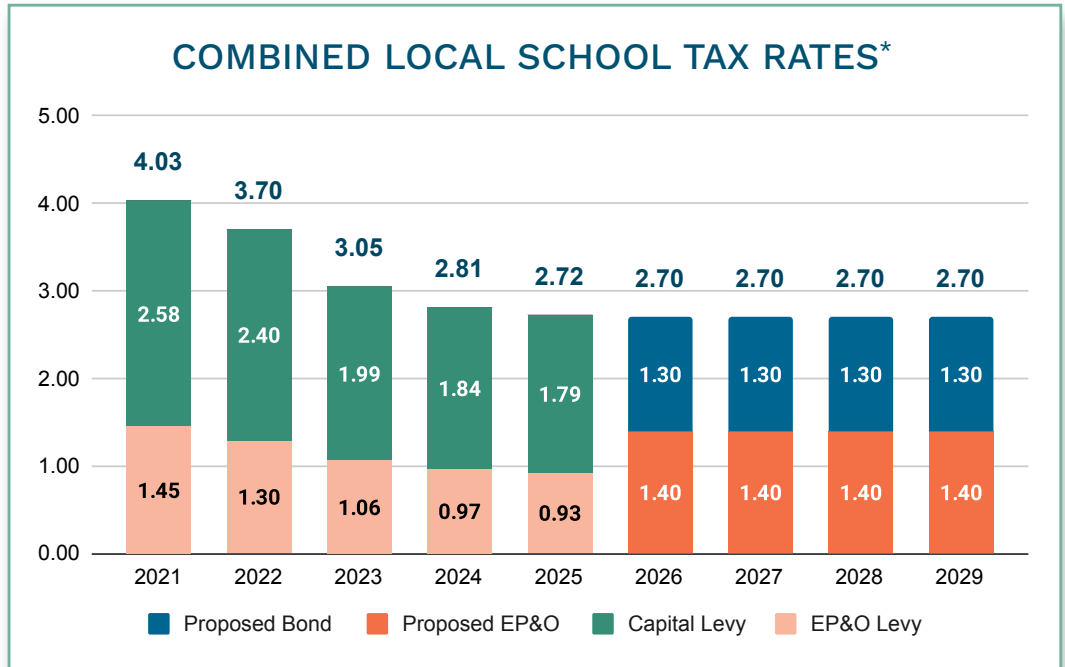


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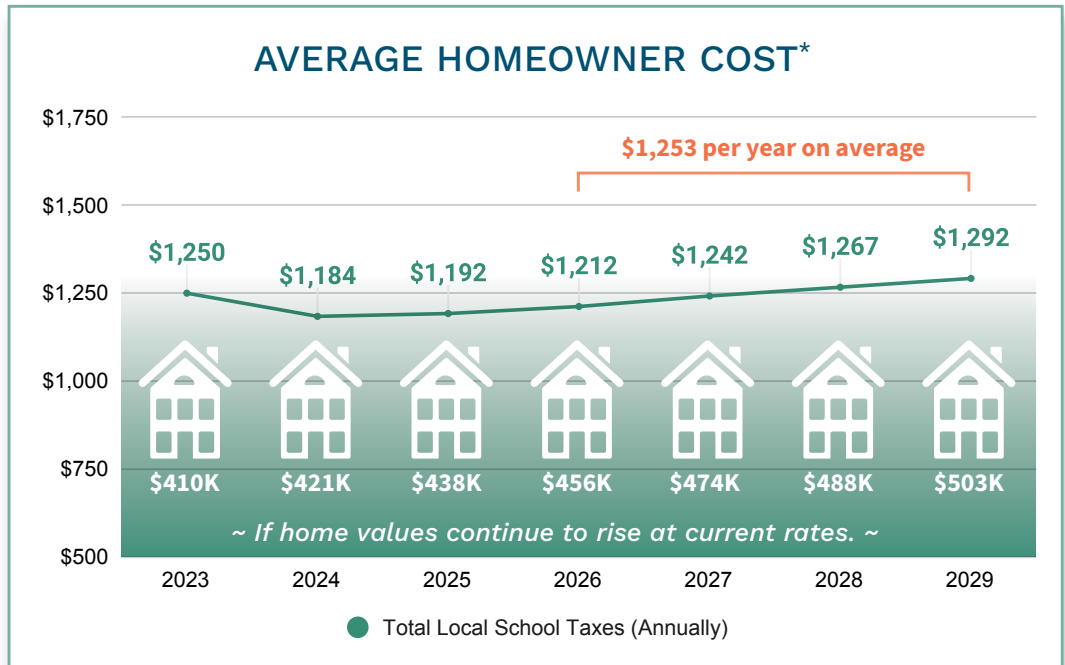
## Projected Tax Rates

Tax rates are projected to stay consistent because the bond and levy replace existing levies that are expiring.



## Homeowner Contribution

We work to keep costs consistent for taxpayers. Fluctuation can occur because of changing home values. Total local school taxes are projected to remain similar to what homeowners paid in 2023.



\*Tax rates are per \$1,000 assessed property value. Future tax rates are estimates. Tax rates may fluctuate, based on community growth and assessed values, but the district cannot collect more than approved by voters.



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# TOP FACTS ABOUT THE 2024 FUNDING MEASURES:



## THESE ARE REPLACEMENT TAXES, NOT ADDITIONAL TAXES.

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## OUR EP&O LEVY (PROPOSITION 1) FUNDS PROGRAMS NOT COVERED BY THE STATE.

The Educational Programs & Operations (EP&O) Levy funds staff, services, and programs not fully funded by Washington State, including **athletics, music programs, special education and much more!**



## THE BOND (PROPOSITION 2) IS PART OF A COMMUNITY-LED 30-YEAR PLAN.

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## VOTER INFORMATION

Ballots arrive in the mail around October 18, 2024 and must be postmarked by November 5, 2024.

**Tax exemptions** are available for some seniors/disabled residents, and **income thresholds to qualify were raised in 2024.** Learn more at: [www.clallamcountywa.gov/157/Assessor](http://www.clallamcountywa.gov/157/Assessor)



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