



In February 2025 the Ephrata School District will run a four-year REPLACEMENT Levy.

Educational Programs & Operations (EP&O) Levy funds are critical to certain programs and services for more than **2,800** Ephrata students.

DID YOU KNOW?

APPROXIMATELY

10%

of the Ephrata School District budget is funded by levy dollars and Local Effort Assistance Funds.

LEVY DOLLARS PROVIDE FUNDING FOR:



EHS and EMS Athletics

Roughly **1,100** participated

2023-2024 School Year



K-12 Activities

Nearly **600** participated

2023-2024 School Year



Elective Classes

AT EHS, EMS AND PARKWAY



Instructional Technology

AT ALL SCHOOLS



Staff Training

AT ALL SCHOOLS



Safety & Security

AT ALL SCHOOLS



College in the High School

AT EHS



Unfunded Materials, Supplies & Operating Costs

DISTRICT-WIDE



Ephrata School District is considered a property-poor district, making us eligible for Local Effort Assistance (LEA) funding from the state. This program provides an additional \$3.2 - \$3.3 million annually in additional support, **but only if the levy passes**. That's more than we generate through local taxes.

REPLACEMENT LEVY PROPOSED COSTS

Year	Tax Rate*	Average Monthly Cost for \$375K Homeowner	Tax Amount Collected	Projected Local Effort Assistance (LEA) from State
2025 (current)	\$1.58**	\$49.38	\$2,230,000	\$3,323,592
2026	\$1.85	\$60.13***	\$2,713,253	\$3,272,029
2027	\$1.85	\$62.53***	\$2,821,783	\$3,317,456
2028	\$1.85	\$65.03***	\$2,934,654	\$3,277,482
2029	\$1.85	\$67.63***	\$3,052,040	\$3,292,615

*Estimated rate per \$1,000 of assessed property value.

**Voters approved \$2.03 as part of the '21 EP&O Levy. Increases to assessed property values in Ephrata led taxpayers to pay just \$1.58.

***Assumes 4% increase in assessed property values per year.



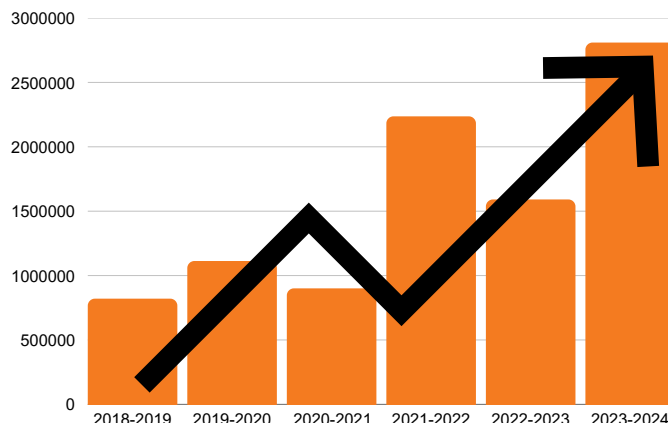


School Operating Costs Continue to Exceed State Funding

Levies are for Learning

This EP&O Levy is not a new tax. It replaces the 2021 voter-approved levy, which expires in 2025. Levy dollars fund things that the state does not and bridge the gap between what the state pays for and what it *actually* costs to run a school district.

UNFUNDED MATERIALS, SUPPLIES & OPERATING COSTS



43.6%

The percentage of Materials, Supplies & Operating Costs not funded by the state in 2023-2024. Levy dollars help Ephrata Schools with these costs.

HISTORIC LEVY RATES

■ Approved Levy ■ Proposed Levy



DID YOU KNOW?

285

The number of levy funded **bus trips** Ephrata students & athletes took to extracurricular events outside of Ephrata in 2023-2024.



39,680

The number of **miles** students and athletes traveled to levy funded extracurricular events. That's more than **1.5 times** around the globe!



Ephrata's Excellent School System Raises:

**Strong Schools Create
A Strong Community**



Property Values



Neighborhood Safety

**Community
Employment Rates**



TigersVote.org

Low-income senior citizens and disabled adults may qualify for tax exemptions. Please contact the Grant County Assessor's Office at (509) 754-2011 or grantcounty.wa.gov/248/assessor for more information.

LEVY IN 2025 - BOND ANTICIPATED IN 2026

Phase 1

Academic Excellence For
Each Student Every Day

OPERATIONS LEVY (2025)

Phase 2

Crucial Building Updates to Support
Ephrata's Growing Population

CAPITAL BOND (2026)