

Lind-Ritzville Cooperative Schools
Regular Board Meeting
October 27, 2025 - 6:30 PM - LRHS Collaboration Room

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RITZVILLE

1. Call to Order and Establish a Quorum
 - a. Action to Excuse Absent Members
2. Approval of Agenda

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 - b. Action to Excuse Absent Members
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JOINT ITEMS

3. Public Comment
4. Clear Risk Solutions Presentation
5. Student Representatives Report
6. Discussion - LRCS host the WASSDA Regional Meeting tentatively scheduled for May 19 from 6:00 - 8:30PM
7. First Reading - Policy 6230 Management Support Relations with Vendor
8. First Reading - Policy 3210 Nondiscrimination
9. Second Reading & Adoption - Policy 4260 Use of School Facilities
10. Resolution # 2025-26 02 - EP&O Levy - **(Ritzville Only) Roll Call Vote**
11. Resolution # 2025-26 03 - Capital Projects Levy **(Ritzville Only) Roll Call Vote**
12. Resolution #2025-26 02 - EP&O Levy - **(Lind Only) Roll Call Vote**
13. Resolution #2025-26 03 - Capital Projects Levy **(Lind Only) Roll Call Vote**
14. Information on Superintendent Search - Staff & Community Forums
15. Finance
 - a. October Enrollment
 - b. Budget Status
 - c. F-196 Year End Report
16. Board Director Reports
17. Consent Agenda **(Ritzville Only)**
 - a. Approval of September 22, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
 - b. Approval of October 15, 2025 Special Board Meeting Minutes

- c. General Fund Accounts Payable - \$157,521.85
 - d. Transportation Cooperative Accounts Payable - \$51,635.95
 - e. Associated Student Body Fund Accounts Payable - \$16,452.93
 - f. Payroll for October 31, 2025 - \$460,641.47
 - g. Personnel Actions
 - New Hires - MS Boys Basketball Head Coach - Morgan Knight
18. Consent Agenda (**Lind Only**)
- a. Approval of September 22, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
 - b. Approval of October 16, 2025 Special Board Meeting Minutes
 - c. General Fund Accounts Payable - \$63,620.63
 - d. Transportation Cooperative Accounts Payable - \$51,635.95
 - e. Associated Student Body Fund Accounts Payable - \$1797.07
 - f. Payroll for October 31, 2025 - \$358,972.09
 - g. Personnel Actions
 - New Hires - MS Boys Basketball Head Coach - Morgan Knight
19. Executive Session per - RCW 42.30.110 - with no action to follow
20. Adjournment

Looking Ahead: OSPI Study and Survey - Lind & Ritzville Timeline

- Interlocal Agreements
- Transportation
- Early Learning Center Planning
- Superintendent Search Community Forums

Relations with Vendors

Financial and business transactions of the district will conform to the law and be consistent with sound and ethical business practices. Purchasing decisions will be made on the basis of objectivity and will not be influenced by friendships or other personal relationships. Board members, administrators or staff will not accept a gift or favor from vendors or prospective vendors or other firms or individuals who have had or hope to have transactions with the district. Financial interests of board members, administrators or staff in any district purchase, sale or other transaction will be prohibited.

Third-Party Receipting for Online Fundraising and/or Ticket Sales

If the district contracts with a vendor, firm, individual, or other entity for third-party receipting, the district will include in its contract appropriate provisions establishing the details of the payment remittance process in accordance with the Washington State Auditor's Guidance for Third Party Receipting.

Cross References:

Policy 1610 Conflicts of Interest

Policy 5251 Conflicts of Interest

Legal References:

2 CFR 200.318(c)(1)

RCW 42.23.030 Interest in contract prohibited — Exceptions

RCW 42.23.040 Remote interests

Adoption Date: 08.26.13

Lind-Ritzville Cooperative Schools

Revised:

Book: WSSDA Model Policies
Section: 3000 - Students
Title: Nondiscrimination
Number: 3210

* Revised Policy * Nondiscrimination

The district is committed to complying with anti-discrimination laws.

Definition

"Protected status" is short for the phrase "sex, race, ethnicity, creed, religion, color, national origin, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, homelessness, immigration or citizenship status, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, neurodivergence, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability."

Nondiscrimination Statement

The district will adopt a nondiscrimination statement that must include the following:

1. Notice that the district may not discriminate in any programs or activities based on sex, race, ethnicity, creed, religion, color, national origin, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, homelessness, immigration or citizenship status, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, neurodivergence, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal.
2. The name or title, office address, and telephone number of the employee designated as the compliance officer under this policy, the Section 504 Coordinator, and the Title IX Coordinator.
3. Notice that the district provides equal access to the Boy Scouts of America and any other youth group listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society.

The district will include this statement in written announcements, notices, recruitment materials, employment application forms, and other publications made available to all students, parents, or employees.

The district may combine the statement described above with the notice described in Policy 3205.

Model Student Handbook Language

The district will adopt the model student handbook language described in RCW 28A.300.286 and include the language in any student, parent, employee, and volunteer handbook it or its schools publish and on its and its schools' websites.

Discriminatory Harassment

Students have a right to be free from discriminatory harassment. The district violates that right if the following conditions are met:

1. The alleged conduct is based on a student's protected status.

2. The alleged conduct creates a hostile environment. A hostile environment is created if the alleged conduct is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive that it limits or denies a student's ability to participate in or benefit from the district's course offerings, including any educational program or activity. A hostile environment could impact a student's life in many ways. Physical illness, anxiety about going to school, or a decline in grades or attendance could signal a hostile environment.

3. After receiving notice of the alleged conduct, the district fails to take prompt and appropriate action to investigate it or fails to take prompt and effective steps reasonably calculated to end the harassment, eliminate the hostile environment, prevent its recurrence, and remedy its effects as appropriate. The district has notice of discriminatory harassment if a reasonable employee knew or, in the exercise of reasonable care, should have known about the harassment. Employees may have notice of discriminatory harassment if they receive an oral report from a student, parent, or other individual; receive a written complaint; witness harassing conduct; or become aware of harassment by members of the community or the media.

Harassing conduct may include verbal acts and name-calling, graphic and written statements, or other conduct that may be physically threatening, harmful, or humiliating.

When the district receives notice of potential discriminatory harassment, it will take prompt and appropriate action to investigate and, as applicable, take prompt and effective steps reasonably calculated to end the harassment, eliminate the hostile environment, prevent its recurrence, and remedy its effects. Examples of the steps the district might take include imposing discipline, separating individuals, developing a safety plan, offering counseling, and providing additional training and instruction. These steps will not penalize the student who was harassed.

Complaint Procedure

The district will adopt a complaint procedure in accordance with chapter 392-190 WAC.

Annually, the district will publish a notice of the complaint procedure in a way that is reasonably calculated to inform all students, parents, and employees of it. The district will provide the notice in a language each parent can understand, which may require language assistance in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 for those with limited English proficiency.

The district will not adopt any policy, procedure, or practice that would limit a person's right to file a complaint under the complaint procedure.

Compliance Officer

The superintendent will designate an employee who is responsible for monitoring and coordinating the district's compliance with chapter 392-190 WAC and the guidelines the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction has adopted under WAC 392-190-005.

The compliance officer is responsible for ensuring that all complaints filed under the complaint procedure are promptly investigated and resolved.

Training

The district will train all administrators, certificated personnel, and classroom personnel regarding their responsibilities under this policy and chapter 392-190 WAC. The training will aim to raise awareness of and eliminate bias based on sex, race, creed, religion, color, national origin, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal.

Retaliation Prohibited

The district will not intimidate, threaten, coerce, or discriminate against any individual who seeks to secure their rights under this policy or chapter 392-190 WAC or because the individual has filed a complaint under the complaint procedure. Further, the district will not tolerate someone else retaliating against another because they sought to secure their rights under this policy or chapter 392-190 WAC or because they have filed a complaint under the complaint procedure.

Any person who retaliates will be subject to appropriate discipline.

Legal References

RCW 28A.300.286 Discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying•••Policies and complaint procedures•••Posting of model student handbook language
Chapter 392-190 WAC Equal Educational Opportunity•••Unlawful Discrimination Prohibited
Chapter 28A.640 RCW Sexual equality
Chapter 28A.642 RCW Discrimination prohibition
Chapter 49.60 RCW Discrimination ••• Human rights commission
WAC 392-190-020 Training•••Staff responsibilities•••Bias awareness
20 U.S.C. •• 7905 Boy Scouts of American Equal Access Act
42 U.S.C. •••• 12101-12213 Americans with Disabilities Act
20 U.S.C. •••• 1681•••1688 Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972
42 U.S.C. •••• 2000d, et seq. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
34 CFR Part 100 Nondiscrimination Under Programs Receiving Federal Assistance Through the Department of Education Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
34 CFR 104 Nondiscrimination on the basis of handicap in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance
34 CFR Part 106 Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance

Cross References

2020 - Course Design, Selection, and Adoption of Instructional Materials
2030 - Service Animals in Schools
2140 - Guidance and Counseling
2150 - Co-Curricular Program
2151 - Interscholastic Activities
3205 - Sexual Harassment of Students Prohibited
3206 - Pregnant and Parenting Students
3207 - Prohibition of Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying of Students

3211 - Gender-Inclusive Schools

4217 - Effective Communication

4260 - Use of School Facilities

Management Resources

2016 - March Issue

2014 - December Issue

2013 - April Issue

2012 - December Issue

2011 - June Issue

Policy News, August 2007 Washington's Law Against Discrimination

Use of School Facilities

The board believes that public schools are owned and operated by and for the community. The public is encouraged to use school facilities, but will be expected to reimburse the district for such use to ensure that funds intended for education are not used for other purposes. On recommendation of the superintendent, the board will set the rental rates schedule.

The superintendent is authorized to establish procedures for use of school facilities, including rental rates, supervisory requirements, restrictions, and security. Those using school facilities will maintain insurance for accident and liability covering persons using the district's facilities under the sponsorship of the organization.

The district does not discriminate based on race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, honorably-discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation including gender expression or identity, marital status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability and provides equal access to Boy Scouts of America and other designated youth groups.

Community athletics programs that use district facilities will not discriminate against any person on the basis of sex in the operation, conduct or administration of their programs. The district will provide copies of the district's nondiscrimination policy to all third parties using district facilities.

For rental rate purposes, organizations seeking the use of school facilities have been divided into three categories:

School or Child-Related Groups or Other Government Agencies

School or Child-related Groups or Other Government Agencies include those organizations whose main purpose is to promote the welfare of students, or to provide members of the community access to government programs or opportunities for civic participation. Examples are: Scouts, Campfire, PTA, 4-H, city or county sponsored recreation groups, polling places, political caucuses and governmental groups. The district will provide official recruiting representatives of the state and United States military forces, Job Corps, Peace Corps and AmeriCorps with access to school facilities (including number of days and type of presentation space) equal to and no less than the access provided to other post-secondary occupational or educational representatives.

When facilities are used outside of regular school hours, or when the district incurs extra utility, cleaning or supervision costs, a fee, established by the superintendent, will be charged to recoup those costs. Additionally, youth organizations engaged in sports activities and using school facilities must provide a statement of compliance with the policies for the management of concussion and head injury in youth sports as required by [RCW 28A.600](#).

Nonprofit Groups

Nonprofit groups and organizations may use school facilities for lectures, promotional activities, rallies, entertainment, college courses, or other activities for which public halls or commercial facilities generally are rented or owned. The district may charge a rental rate in excess of costs incurred. Excess charges may be waived when a service club or other nonprofit group is raising funds for charitable purposes.

Professional fund raisers representing charities must provide evidence that they are registered and bonded by the state of Washington. Such fund-raisers must provide evidence that the charity will receive at least sixty (60) percent of the gross revenues received from the public prior to approval to use the facilities.

Similar treatment may be granted public universities and colleges when offering college courses within the community or when any university/college is offering a course for staff at the request of the district. Nonprofit groups of the kind that in most communities have their own facilities (churches, lodges, veterans groups, granges, etc.) who wish to use district facilities on a regular, but temporary, basis may do so under this rental rate.

Commercial Enterprises

Commercial Enterprises include profit-making organizations and business-related enterprises. While the district would prefer these organizations use commercial or private facilities, facilities may be rented for non-regular use at the prevailing rate charged by commercial facilities in the area.

District-sponsored activities, including curricular and co-curricular functions, retain first priority in use of facilities. Authorization for use of school facilities will not be considered as endorsement or approval of the activity, group or organization.

Cross References: 3422 - Student Sports – Concussion, Head Injury and Sudden Cardiac Arrest

Legal References: RCW 28A.230.180 Access to campus and student information directories by official recruiting representatives — Informing students of educational and career opportunities.
RCW 4.24.660 Liability of school districts under contracts with youth programs
RCW28A.320.510 Night schools, summer schools, meetings, use of facilities for
RCW 28A.335.150 Permitting use and rental of playgrounds, athletic fields, or athletic facilities
RCW 28A.335.155 Use of buildings for youth programs — Limited immunity
20 USC Sec. 7905 Boys Scout of America Equal Access Act
34 CFR Sec. 108.6 Equal Access to Public School Facilities For The Boy Scouts of America and Other Designated Youth Groups
AGO 1973 No. 26, Initiative No. 276 - School districts — Use of school facilities for presentation of programs — Legislature — Elections

Management Resources: 2014 - February Issue
2013 - July Issue
2013 - June Issue
2011 - December Issue
2009 - August Issue

Adoption Date: **June 14, 1999**

Last Revised: **February 01, 2014**

Classification: **Essential**

Prior Revised Dates: **08.09; 12.11; 06.13; 07.13**

RITZVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 160-67
ADAMS AND LINCOLN COUNTIES, WASHINGTON

PROPOSITION NO. 1 - REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND
OPERATION LEVY

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-26 02

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Ritzville School District No. 160-67, Adams and Lincoln Counties, Washington, providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a special election to be held on February 10, 2026, of a proposition authorizing an excess tax levy to be made annually for two years commencing in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$1,235,429, and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$1,310,666, for the District's General Fund to pay expenses of educational programs and operation; designating the District's Business Manager and special counsel to receive notice of the ballot title from the Auditor of Adams County, Washington; and providing for related matters.

ADOPTED: OCTOBER 27, 2025

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RITZVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 160-67
ADAMS AND LINCOLN COUNTIES, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-26 02

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Ritzville School District No. 160-67, Adams and Lincoln Counties, Washington, providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a special election to be held on February 10, 2026, of a proposition authorizing an excess tax levy to be made annually for two years commencing in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$1,235,429, and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$1,310,666, for the District's General Fund to pay expenses of educational programs and operation; designating the District's Business Manager and special counsel to receive notice of the ballot title from the Auditor of Adams County, Washington; and providing for related matters.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF RITZVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 160-67, ADAMS AND LINCOLN COUNTIES, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. Findings and Determinations. The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Ritzville School District No. 160-67, Adams and Lincoln Counties, Washington (the "District"), takes note of the following facts and makes the following findings and determinations:

(a) Calendar year 2026 is the last year of collection of the District's current two-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy, which was authorized pursuant to Resolution No. 2023-001, adopted by the Board on November 27, 2023, and approved by the voters at a special election held and conducted within the District on February 13, 2024.

(b) With the expiration of the District's current two-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy, it appears certain that the money in the District's General Fund for the school years 2026-2027, 2027-2028 and 2028-2029 will be insufficient to permit the District to meet the educational needs of its students and pay expenses of educational programs and operation not funded by the State of Washington, all as more particularly set forth in Section 3 of this resolution, during such school years, and that it is necessary that a replacement excess tax levy of \$1,235,429 be made in 2026 for collection in 2027, and \$1,310,666 be made in 2027 for collection in 2028 for the District's General Fund to provide the money required to meet those expenses.

(c) The District's proposed two-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy authorized in this resolution provides for approximately the same educational programs and operation purposes as the District's expiring two-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy.

(d) Pursuant to Article VII, Section 2(a) of the Washington Constitution and Revised Code of Washington ("RCW") 84.52.053, the District may submit to its voters at a special election, for their approval or rejection, a proposition authorizing the District to levy annual excess property taxes for support of (*i.e.*, to pay or finance) the District's educational programs and operation expenses.

(e) The District has received or, prior to the time the ballot proposition authorized in this resolution is submitted to the voters, the District will have received approval of its educational programs and operation tax levy expenditure plan from the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction under RCW 28A.505.240 as required by RCW 84.52.053, a copy of which is or will be on file with the District.

Section 2. Calling of Election. The Auditor of Adams County, Washington, as *ex officio* Supervisor of Elections (the “Auditor”), and the proper officer of the county to which the District belongs pursuant to chapter 28A.323 RCW, is requested to call and conduct a special election in the District, in the manner provided by law, to be held on February 10, 2026, for the purpose of submitting to the District’s voters, for their approval or rejection, the proposition authorizing a replacement General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy on all of the taxable property within the District (the assessed value of such representing 100% of true and fair value unless specifically provided otherwise by law) to be made annually for two years commencing in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$1,235,429, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$2.02 per \$1,000 of assessed value, and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$1,310,666, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$2.02 per \$1,000 of assessed value, all in excess of the maximum tax levy allowed by law for school districts without voter approval. The exact tax levy rate and amount to be collected may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District and the limitations imposed by law at the time of the levy.

Section 3. Use of Taxes. If the proposition authorized by this resolution is approved by the requisite number of voters, the District will be authorized to levy the excess property taxes up to the amounts provided in this resolution to meet the educational needs of its students and pay expenses of educational programs and operation not funded by the State of Washington, including, but not limited to, teachers, support staff, athletics, extracurricular activities, nutrition, maintenance and operations and transportation, during the school years 2026-2027, 2027-2028 and 2028-2029, all as may be authorized by law and determined necessary and advisable by the Board. Pending the receipt of those taxes, the District may issue short-term obligations pursuant to chapter 39.50 RCW or contract indebtedness pursuant to RCW 28A.530.080. Upon receipt, the District may use those taxes to repay such short-term obligations or indebtedness, all as may be authorized by law and determined necessary and advisable by the Board.

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Section 4. Form of Ballot Title. Pursuant to RCW 29A.36.071, the Adams County Prosecuting Attorney, as the county prosecuting attorney of the county within which the majority area of the District is located, is requested to prepare the concise description of the aforesaid proposition for the ballot title in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

RITZVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 160-67

REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATION LEVY

The Board of Directors of Ritzville School District No. 160-67 adopted Resolution No. 2025-26 02, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for support of the District’s educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State of Washington:

<u>Collection Year</u>	<u>Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2027	\$2.02	\$1,235,429
2028	\$2.02	\$1,310,666

all as provided in Resolution No. 2025-26 02 and subject to legal limits on levy rates and amounts at the time of levy. Should this proposition be approved?

LEVY . . . YES LEVY . . . NO

Section 5. Authorization to Deliver Resolution to Auditor and Perform Other Necessary Duties. The Secretary to the Board (the “Secretary”) or the Secretary’s designee is authorized and directed to: (a) present a certified copy of this resolution to the Auditor and the Auditor of Lincoln County, Washington, no later than December 12, 2025; and (b) perform such other duties as are necessary or required by law to submit to the District’s voters at the aforesaid special election, for their approval or rejection, the proposition authorizing the District to levy annual excess property taxes for support of the District’s educational programs and operation expenses.

Section 6. Notices Relating to Ballot Title. For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot title required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates (a) the District’s Business Manager (Kris Robbins), telephone: 509.659.1660; email: krobbins@lrschools.org; and (b) special counsel, Foster Garvey P.C. (Lee Marchisio), telephone: 206.447.6264; email: lee.marchisio@foster.com, as the individuals to whom the Auditor and the Auditor of Lincoln County, Washington, shall provide such notice. The Secretary is authorized to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, determined necessary by the Auditor or the Adams County Prosecuting Attorney.

Section 7. Execution; General Authorization and Ratification. This resolution may be executed by the Directors being present and voting in favor of the resolution, or only the Chair of the Board (the “Chair”), and attested by the Secretary, in tangible medium, manual, facsimile or electronic form under any security procedure or platform, and notwithstanding any other District resolution, rule, policy or procedure, or in any other manner evidencing its adoption. The Chair, the Secretary, the District’s Business Manager, other appropriate officials of the District and the District’s special counsel, Foster Garvey P.C., are further severally authorized and directed to take such actions and to create, accept, execute, send, use and rely upon such tangible medium, manual, facsimile or electronic documents, records and signatures under any security procedure or platform, and notwithstanding any other District resolution, rule, policy or procedure, as in their judgment may be necessary or desirable to effectuate the provisions of this resolution. All actions taken prior to the effective date of this resolution in furtherance of and not inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution are ratified and confirmed in all respects.

Section 8. Severability. If any provision of this resolution is declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, then such provision shall be null and void and shall be separable from the remaining provisions of this resolution and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this resolution, or of the levy or collection of excess property taxes authorized herein.

Section 9. Effective Date. This resolution takes effect from and after its adoption.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Ritzville School District No. 160-67, Adams and Lincoln Counties, Washington, at a regular open public meeting held on October 27, 2025.

RITZVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 160-67
ADAMS AND LINCOLN COUNTIES,
WASHINGTON

Chair and Director

Vice Chair and Director

Director

Director

Director

ATTEST:

GARY WARGO
Secretary to the Board of Directors

CERTIFICATION

I, GARY WARGO, Secretary to the Board of Directors of Ritzville School District No. 160-67, Adams and Lincoln Counties, Washington (the “District”), hereby certify as follows:

1. The foregoing Resolution No. 2025-26 02 (the “Resolution”) is a full, true and correct copy of the Resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the “Board”) held at its regular meeting place on October 27, 2025 (the “Meeting”), as that Resolution appears in the records of the District, and the Resolution is now in full force and effect; and

2. The Meeting was duly convened, held and included an opportunity for public comment, in all respects in accordance with law, a quorum of the members of the Board was present throughout the Meeting, and a sufficient number of members of the Board present voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the Resolution.

Dated: October 27, 2025.

RITZVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 160-67
ADAMS AND LINCOLN COUNTIES,
WASHINGTON

GARY WARGO
Secretary to the Board of Directors

RITZVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 160-67
ADAMS AND LINCOLN COUNTIES, WASHINGTON

PROPOSITION NO. 2 - REPLACEMENT CAPITAL LEVY FOR
EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS,
FACILITY UPGRADES AND MAJOR REPAIRS

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-26 03

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Ritzville School District No. 160-67, Adams and Lincoln Counties, Washington, providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a special election to be held on February 10, 2026, of a proposition authorizing an excess tax levy to be made annually for two years commencing in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$100,000 and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$100,000, for the District's Capital Projects Fund to support the modernization and remodeling of school facilities; designating the District's Business Manager and special counsel to receive notice of the ballot title from the Auditor of Adams County, Washington; and providing for related matters.

ADOPTED: OCTOBER 27, 2025

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RITZVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 160-67
ADAMS AND LINCOLN COUNTIES, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-26 03

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Ritzville School District No. 160-67, Adams and Lincoln Counties, Washington, providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a special election to be held on February 10, 2026, of a proposition authorizing an excess tax levy to be made annually for two years commencing in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$100,000 and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$100,000, for the District's Capital Projects Fund to support the modernization and remodeling of school facilities; designating the District's Business Manager and special counsel to receive notice of the ballot title from the Auditor of Adams County, Washington; and providing for related matters.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF RITZVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 160-67, ADAMS AND LINCOLN COUNTIES, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. Findings and Determinations. The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Ritzville School District No. 160-67, Adams and Lincoln Counties, Washington (the "District"), takes note of the following facts and makes the following findings and determinations:

(a) Calendar year 2026 is the last year of collection of the District's current two-year Capital Projects Fund tax levy, which was authorized pursuant to Resolution No. 2023-002, adopted by the Board on November 27, 2023, and approved by the voters at a special election held and conducted within the District on February 13, 2024.

(b) The District's instructional programs and existing condition of educational technology equipment and infrastructure and educational facilities require the District to support the modernization and remodeling of school facilities, all as more particularly defined and described in Section 2 herein (collectively, the "Projects").

(c) With the expiration of the District's current two-year Capital Projects Fund tax levy, it appears certain that the money in the District's Capital Projects Fund will be insufficient to permit the District to pay costs of the Projects, and that it is necessary that a replacement excess tax levy of \$100,000 be made in 2026 for collection in 2027 and \$100,000 be made in 2027 for collection in 2028, for the District's Capital Projects Fund to provide the money required to pay those costs.

(d) The proposed two-year Capital Projects Fund tax levy authorized in this resolution will replace the District's expiring two-year Capital Projects Fund tax levy.

(e) Pursuant to Article VII, Section 2(a) of the Washington Constitution and Revised Code of Washington ("RCW") 84.52.053, the District may submit to its voters at a special election, for their approval or rejection, a proposition authorizing the District to levy annual excess property taxes to support (*i.e.*, to pay or finance) costs of the Projects.

(f) The best interests of the District's students and other inhabitants require the District to carry out and accomplish the Projects.

Section 2. Description of the Projects. The Projects to be paid for with the excess property taxes authorized herein are more particularly defined and described as follows:

(a) Acquire, install, implement, upgrade and modernize student and teacher technology devices and other educational technology equipment, infrastructure, systems and facilities, and make other improvements and upgrades to the District's technology systems and facilities, all to improve student access to technology, and all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board. The foregoing educational technology equipment, infrastructure, systems, facilities, improvements and upgrades shall be part of the District's integrated technology systems and facilities for instruction and operations.

(b) Renovate, modernize, upgrade, repair and improve school buildings and facilities, all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board.

(c) Acquire, construct and install all necessary furniture, equipment, apparatus, accessories, fixtures and appurtenances in or for the foregoing, all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board.

(d) Pay costs associated with: (1) implementing the foregoing technology systems, facilities, projects, equipment and infrastructure, including, but not limited to, upgrading, acquiring, constructing and installing hardware, licensing software and online applications and training related to the installation of the foregoing; and (2) the application and modernization of technology systems for operations and instruction, including, but not limited to, ongoing fees for online applications, subscriptions, or software licenses, including upgrades and incidental services, and ongoing training related to the installation and integration of these products and services, all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board. Such costs constitute a part of the Projects. The hardware, software or applications shall be an integral part of the District's technology systems, facilities or projects.

(e) Pay incidental costs incurred in connection with carrying out and accomplishing the Projects. Such incidental costs constitute a part of the Projects and include, but are not limited to: (1) payments for fiscal and legal costs; (2) costs of establishing and funding accounts; (3) necessary and related engineering, architectural, planning, consulting, permitting, inspection and testing costs; (4) administrative, managerial and relocation costs; (5) site assessment and improvement costs; (6) demolition costs; (7) costs related to demolition and/or deconstruction of existing school facilities to recycle, reclaim and repurpose all or a portion of such facilities and/or building materials; (8) costs of on and off-site utilities and road improvements; and (9) costs of other similar activities or purposes, all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board.

The Projects, or any portion or portions thereof, shall be accomplished insofar as is practicable with available money and in such order of time as shall be determined necessary and advisable by the Board. The Board shall determine the application of available money between the various parts of the Projects so as to accomplish, as near as may be, all of the Projects. The Board shall determine the exact order, extent and specifications for the Projects. The Projects are to be more fully described in the plans and specifications to be filed with the District.

Section 3. Calling of Election. The Auditor of Adams County, Washington, as *ex officio* Supervisor of Elections (the “Auditor”), and the proper officer of the county to which the District belongs pursuant to chapter 28A.323 RCW, is requested to call and conduct a special election in the District, in the manner provided by law, to be held on February 10, 2026, for the purpose of submitting to the District’s voters, for their approval or rejection, the proposition authorizing a replacement Capital Projects Fund excess property tax levy on all of the taxable property within the District (the assessed value of such representing 100% of true and fair value unless specifically provided otherwise by law) to be made annually for two years commencing in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$100,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$0.16 per \$1,000 of assessed value, and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$100,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$0.16 per \$1,000 of assessed value, all in excess of the maximum tax levy allowed by law for school districts without voter approval. The exact tax levy rate may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District at the time of the levy.

Section 4. Use of Taxes. If the proposition authorized by this resolution is approved by the requisite number of voters, the District will be authorized to levy the excess property taxes provided in this resolution to pay costs of the Projects, all as may be authorized by law and determined necessary and advisable by the Board. Pending the receipt of those taxes, the District may issue short-term obligations pursuant to chapter 39.50 RCW or contract indebtedness pursuant to RCW 28A.530.080. Upon receipt, the District may use those taxes to repay such short-term obligations or indebtedness, all as may be authorized by law and determined necessary and advisable by the Board.

Section 5. Sufficiency of Taxes. If the excess property taxes authorized herein are more than sufficient to carry out the Projects, or should state or local circumstances require any alteration in the Projects, the District may apply such taxes to other capital purposes, or reduce or eliminate the excess property tax levies authorized herein, all as the Board may determine by resolution and as permitted by law.

If the Board determines that it has become impractical to accomplish the Projects or any portion thereof by reason of state or local circumstances, including changed conditions or needs, regulatory considerations, incompatible development or costs substantially in excess of those estimated, or for any other reason determined by the Board, the District will not be required to accomplish such Projects and may apply the excess property taxes authorized herein or any portion thereof to other capital purposes of the District, or reduce or eliminate the excess property taxes authorized herein, all as the Board may determine by resolution and as permitted by law. In the event that the excess property taxes, plus any other money of the District legally available therefor, are insufficient to accomplish all of the Projects, the District may use the available money for

paying the cost of that portion of the Projects that the Board determines most necessary and in the best interests of the District.

Notwithstanding anything in this resolution to the contrary, the excess property taxes authorized herein may be used only to support the construction, modernization or remodeling of school facilities or implementation of the District’s technology facilities plan.

Section 6. Form of Ballot Title. Pursuant to RCW 29A.36.071, the Adams County Prosecuting Attorney, as the county prosecuting attorney of the county within which the majority area of the District is located, is requested to prepare the concise description of the aforesaid proposition for the ballot title in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 2

RITZVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 160-67

REPLACEMENT CAPITAL LEVY FOR EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS, FACILITY UPGRADES AND MAJOR REPAIRS

The Board of Directors of Ritzville School District No. 160-67 adopted Resolution No. 2025-26 03, concerning funding for educational technology improvements, facility upgrades and major repairs. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to acquire and install student and teacher technology devices and other technology equipment and infrastructure, all to improve student access to technology, and upgrade and repair school buildings and facilities:

<u>Collection Year</u>	<u>Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2027	\$0.16	\$100,000
2028	\$0.16	\$100,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 2025-26 03. Should this proposition be approved?

LEVY . . . YES

LEVY . . . NO

Section 7. Authorization to Deliver Resolution to Auditor and Perform Other Necessary Duties. The Secretary to the Board (the “Secretary”) or the Secretary’s designee is authorized and directed to: (a) present a certified copy of this resolution to the Auditor and the Auditor of Lincoln County, Washington, no later than December 12, 2025; and (b) perform such other duties as are necessary or required by law to submit to the District’s voters at the aforesaid special election, for their approval or rejection, the proposition authorizing the District to levy annual excess property taxes to pay costs of the Projects.

Section 8. Notices Relating to Ballot Title. For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot title required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates (a) the District's Business Manager (Kris Robbins), telephone: 509.659.1660; email: krobbins@lrschools.org; and (b) special counsel, Foster Garvey P.C. (Lee Marchisio), telephone: 206.447.6264; email: lee.marchisio@foster.com, as the individuals to whom the Auditor and the Auditor of Lincoln County, Washington, shall provide such notice. The Secretary is authorized to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, determined necessary by the Auditor or the Adams County Prosecuting Attorney.

Section 9. Execution; General Authorization and Ratification. This resolution may be executed by the Directors being present and voting in favor of the resolution, or only the Chair of the Board (the "Chair"), and attested by the Secretary, in tangible medium, manual, facsimile or electronic form under any security procedure or platform, and notwithstanding any other District resolution, rule, policy or procedure, or in any other manner evidencing its adoption. The Chair, the Secretary, the District's Business Manager, other appropriate officials of the District and the District's special counsel, Foster Garvey P.C., are further severally authorized and directed to take such actions and to create, accept, execute, send, use and rely upon such tangible medium, manual, facsimile or electronic documents, records and signatures under any security procedure or platform, and notwithstanding any other District resolution, rule, policy or procedure, as in their judgment may be necessary or desirable to effectuate the provisions of this resolution. All actions taken prior to the effective date of this resolution in furtherance of and not inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution are ratified and confirmed in all respects.

Section 10. Severability. If any provision of this resolution is declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, then such provision shall be null and void and shall be separable from the remaining provisions of this resolution and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this resolution or of the levy or collection of excess property taxes authorized herein.

Section 11. Effective Date. This resolution takes effect from and after its adoption.

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ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Ritzville School District No. 160-67, Adams and Lincoln Counties, Washington, at a regular open public meeting held on October 27, 2025.

RITZVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 160-67
ADAMS AND LINCOLN COUNTIES,
WASHINGTON

Chair and Director

Vice Chair and Director

Director

Director

Director

ATTEST:

GARY WARGO
Secretary to the Board of Directors

CERTIFICATION

I, GARY WARGO, Secretary to the Board of Directors of Ritzville School District No. 160-67, Adams and Lincoln Counties, Washington (the “District”), hereby certify as follows:

1. The foregoing Resolution No. 2025-26 03 (the “Resolution”) is a full, true and correct copy of the Resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the “Board”) held at its regular meeting place on October 27, 2025 (the “Meeting”), as that Resolution appears in the records of the District, and the Resolution is now in full force and effect; and

2. The Meeting was duly convened, held and included an opportunity for public comment, in all respects in accordance with law, a quorum of the members of the Board was present throughout the Meeting, and a sufficient number of members of the Board present voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the Resolution.

Dated: October 27, 2025.

RITZVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 160-67
ADAMS AND LINCOLN COUNTIES,
WASHINGTON

GARY WARGO
Secretary to the Board of Directors

LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 158
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

PROPOSITION NO. 1 - REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND
OPERATION LEVY

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-26 02

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Lind School District No. 158, Adams County, Washington, providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a special election to be held on February 10, 2026, of a proposition authorizing an excess tax levy to be made annually for two years commencing in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$696,150, and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$736,610, for the District's General Fund to pay expenses of educational programs and operation; designating the District's Business Manager and special counsel to receive notice of the ballot title from the Auditor of Adams County, Washington; and providing for related matters.

ADOPTED: OCTOBER 27, 2025

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LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 158
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-26 02

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Lind School District No. 158, Adams County, Washington, providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a special election to be held on February 10, 2026, of a proposition authorizing an excess tax levy to be made annually for two years commencing in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$696,150, and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$736,610, for the District's General Fund to pay expenses of educational programs and operation; designating the District's Business Manager and special counsel to receive notice of the ballot title from the Auditor of Adams County, Washington; and providing for related matters.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 158, ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. Findings and Determinations. The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Lind School District No. 158, Adams County, Washington (the "District"), takes note of the following facts and makes the following findings and determinations:

(a) Calendar year 2026 is the last year of collection of the District's current two-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy, which was authorized pursuant to Resolution No. 23/24-01, adopted by the Board on November 27, 2023, and approved by the voters at a special election held and conducted within the District on February 13, 2024.

(b) With the expiration of the District's current two-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy, it appears certain that the money in the District's General Fund for the school years 2026-2027, 2027-2028 and 2028-2029 will be insufficient to permit the District to meet the educational needs of its students and pay expenses of educational programs and operation not funded by the State of Washington, all as more particularly set forth in Section 3 of this resolution, during such school years, and that it is necessary that a replacement excess tax levy of \$696,150 be made in 2026 for collection in 2027, and \$736,610 be made in 2027 for collection in 2028 for the District's General Fund to provide the money required to meet those expenses.

(c) The District's proposed two-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy authorized in this resolution provides for approximately the same educational programs and operation purposes as the District's expiring two-year General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy.

(d) Pursuant to Article VII, Section 2(a) of the Washington Constitution and Revised Code of Washington ("RCW") 84.52.053, the District may submit to its voters at a special election, for their approval or rejection, a proposition authorizing the District to levy annual excess property taxes for support of (*i.e.*, to pay or finance) the District's educational programs and operation expenses.

(e) The District has received or, prior to the time the ballot proposition authorized in this resolution is submitted to the voters, the District will have received approval of its educational programs and operation tax levy expenditure plan from the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction under RCW 28A.505.240 as required by RCW 84.52.053, a copy of which is or will be on file with the District.

Section 2. Calling of Election. The Auditor of Adams County, Washington, as *ex officio* Supervisor of Elections (the “Auditor”), is requested to call and conduct a special election in the District, in the manner provided by law, to be held on February 10, 2026, for the purpose of submitting to the District’s voters, for their approval or rejection, the proposition authorizing a replacement General Fund educational programs and operation tax levy on all of the taxable property within the District (the assessed value of such representing 100% of true and fair value unless specifically provided otherwise by law) to be made annually for two years commencing in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$696,150, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$1.23 per \$1,000 of assessed value, and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$736,610, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$1.26 per \$1,000 of assessed value, all in excess of the maximum tax levy allowed by law for school districts without voter approval. The exact tax levy rate and amount to be collected may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District and the limitations imposed by law at the time of the levy.

Section 3. Use of Taxes. If the proposition authorized by this resolution is approved by the requisite number of voters, the District will be authorized to levy the excess property taxes up to the amounts provided in this resolution to meet the educational needs of its students and pay expenses of educational programs and operation not funded by the State of Washington, including, but not limited to, teachers, support staff, athletics, extracurricular activities, nutrition, maintenance and operations, and transportation, during the school years 2026-2027, 2027-2028 and 2028-2029, all as may be authorized by law and determined necessary and advisable by the Board. Pending the receipt of those taxes, the District may issue short-term obligations pursuant to chapter 39.50 RCW or contract indebtedness pursuant to RCW 28A.530.080. Upon receipt, the District may use those taxes to repay such short-term obligations or indebtedness, all as may be authorized by law and determined necessary and advisable by the Board.

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Section 4. Form of Ballot Title. Pursuant to RCW 29A.36.071, the Adams County Prosecuting Attorney is requested to prepare the concise description of the aforesaid proposition for the ballot title in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 158

REPLACEMENT EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND OPERATION LEVY

The Board of Directors of Lind School District No. 158 adopted Resolution No. 2025-26 02, concerning a proposition to finance educational programs and operation expenses. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for support of the District’s educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State of Washington:

<u>Collection Year</u>	<u>Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2027	\$1.23	\$696,150
2028	\$1.26	\$736,610

all as provided in Resolution No. 2025-26 02 and subject to legal limits on levy rates and amounts at the time of levy. Should this proposition be approved?

LEVY . . . YES

LEVY . . . NO

Section 5. Authorization to Deliver Resolution to Auditor and Perform Other Necessary Duties. The Secretary to the Board (the “Secretary”) or the Secretary’s designee is authorized and directed to: (a) present a certified copy of this resolution to the Auditor no later than December 12, 2025; and (b) perform such other duties as are necessary or required by law to submit to the District’s voters at the aforesaid special election, for their approval or rejection, the proposition authorizing the District to levy annual excess property taxes for support of the District’s educational programs and operation expenses.

Section 6. Notices Relating to Ballot Title. For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot title required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates (a) the District’s Business Manager (Kris Robbins), telephone: 509.677.3499; email: krobbins@lrschools.org; and (b) special counsel, Foster Garvey P.C. (Lee Marchisio), telephone: 206.447.6264; email: lee.marchisio@foster.com, as the individuals to whom the Auditor shall provide such notice. The Secretary is authorized to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, determined necessary by the Auditor or the Adams County Prosecuting Attorney.

Section 7. Execution; General Authorization and Ratification. This resolution may be executed by the Directors being present and voting in favor of the resolution, or only the Chair of the Board (the “Chair”), and attested by the Secretary, in tangible medium, manual, facsimile or electronic form under any security procedure or platform, and notwithstanding any other District resolution, rule, policy or procedure, or in any other manner evidencing its adoption. The Chair, the Secretary, the District’s Business Manager, other appropriate officials of the District and the District’s special counsel, Foster Garvey P.C., are further severally authorized and directed to take such actions and to create, accept, execute, send, use and rely upon such tangible medium, manual, facsimile or electronic documents, records and signatures under any security procedure or platform, and notwithstanding any other District resolution, rule, policy or procedure, as in their judgment may be necessary or desirable to effectuate the provisions of this resolution. All actions taken prior to the effective date of this resolution in furtherance of and not inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution are ratified and confirmed in all respects.

Section 8. Severability. If any provision of this resolution is declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, then such provision shall be null and void and shall be separable from the remaining provisions of this resolution and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this resolution, or of the levy or collection of excess property taxes authorized herein.

Section 9. Effective Date. This resolution takes effect from and after its adoption.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Lind School District No. 158, Adams County, Washington, at a regular open public meeting held on October 27, 2025.

LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 158
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Chair and Director

Vice Chair and Director

Director

Director

Director

ATTEST:

GARY WARGO
Secretary to the Board of Directors

CERTIFICATION

I, GARY WARGO, Secretary to the Board of Directors of Lind School District No. 158, Adams County, Washington (the “District”), hereby certify as follows:

1. The foregoing Resolution No. 2025-26 02 (the “Resolution”) is a full, true and correct copy of the Resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the “Board”) held at its regular meeting place on October 27, 2025 (the “Meeting”), as that Resolution appears in the records of the District, and the Resolution is now in full force and effect; and

2. The Meeting was duly convened, held and included an opportunity for public comment, in all respects in accordance with law, a quorum of the members of the Board was present throughout the Meeting, and a sufficient number of members of the Board present voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the Resolution.

Dated: October 27, 2025.

LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 158
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

GARY WARGO
Secretary to the Board of Directors

LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 158
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

PROPOSITION NO. 2 - REPLACEMENT CAPITAL LEVY FOR
EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENTS,
FACILITY UPGRADES AND MAJOR REPAIRS

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-26 03

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Lind School District No. 158, Adams County, Washington, providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a special election to be held on February 10, 2026, of a proposition authorizing an excess tax levy to be made annually for two years commencing in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$100,000 and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$100,000, for the District's Capital Projects Fund to support the modernization and remodeling of school facilities; designating the District's Business Manager and special counsel to receive notice of the ballot title from the Auditor of Adams County, Washington; and providing for related matters.

ADOPTED: OCTOBER 27, 2025

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LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 158
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-26 03

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Lind School District No. 158, Adams County, Washington, providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a special election to be held on February 10, 2026, of a proposition authorizing an excess tax levy to be made annually for two years commencing in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$100,000 and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$100,000, for the District's Capital Projects Fund to support the modernization and remodeling of school facilities; designating the District's Business Manager and special counsel to receive notice of the ballot title from the Auditor of Adams County, Washington; and providing for related matters.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 158, ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. Findings and Determinations. The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Lind School District No. 158, Adams County, Washington (the "District"), takes note of the following facts and makes the following findings and determinations:

(a) Calendar year 2026 is the last year of collection of the District's current two-year Capital Projects Fund tax levy, which was authorized pursuant to Resolution No. 23-24-02, adopted by the Board on November 27, 2023, and approved by the voters at a special election held and conducted within the District on February 13, 2024.

(b) The District's instructional programs and existing condition of educational technology equipment and infrastructure and educational facilities require the District to support the modernization and remodeling of school facilities, all as more particularly defined and described in Section 2 herein (collectively, the "Projects").

(c) With the expiration of the District's current two-year Capital Projects Fund tax levy, it appears certain that the money in the District's Capital Projects Fund will be insufficient to permit the District to pay costs of the Projects, and that it is necessary that a replacement excess tax levy of \$100,000 be made in 2026 for collection in 2027 and \$100,000 be made in 2027 for collection in 2028, for the District's Capital Projects Fund to provide the money required to pay those costs.

(d) The proposed two-year Capital Projects Fund tax levy authorized in this resolution will replace the District's expiring two-year Capital Projects Fund tax levy.

(e) Pursuant to Article VII, Section 2(a) of the Washington Constitution and Revised Code of Washington ("RCW") 84.52.053, the District may submit to its voters at a special election, for their approval or rejection, a proposition authorizing the District to levy annual excess property taxes to support (*i.e.*, to pay or finance) costs of the Projects.

(f) The best interests of the District's students and other inhabitants require the District to carry out and accomplish the Projects.

Section 2. Description of the Projects. The Projects to be paid for with the excess property taxes authorized herein are more particularly defined and described as follows:

(a) Acquire, install, implement, upgrade and modernize student and teacher technology devices and other educational technology equipment, infrastructure, systems and facilities, and make other improvements and upgrades to the District's technology systems and facilities, all to improve student access to technology, and all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board. The foregoing educational technology equipment, infrastructure, systems, facilities, improvements and upgrades shall be part of the District's integrated technology systems and facilities for instruction and operations.

(b) Renovate, modernize, upgrade, repair and improve school buildings and facilities, all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board.

(c) Acquire, construct and install all necessary furniture, equipment, apparatus, accessories, fixtures and appurtenances in or for the foregoing, all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board.

(d) Pay costs associated with: (1) implementing the foregoing technology systems, facilities, projects, equipment and infrastructure, including, but not limited to, upgrading, acquiring, constructing and installing hardware, licensing software and online applications and training related to the installation of the foregoing; and (2) the application and modernization of technology systems for operations and instruction, including, but not limited to, ongoing fees for online applications, subscriptions, or software licenses, including upgrades and incidental services, and ongoing training related to the installation and integration of these products and services, all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board. Such costs constitute a part of the Projects. The hardware, software or applications shall be an integral part of the District's technology systems, facilities or projects.

(e) Pay incidental costs incurred in connection with carrying out and accomplishing the Projects. Such incidental costs constitute a part of the Projects and include, but are not limited to: (1) payments for fiscal and legal costs; (2) costs of establishing and funding accounts; (3) necessary and related engineering, architectural, planning, consulting, permitting, inspection and testing costs; (4) administrative, managerial and relocation costs; (5) site assessment and improvement costs; (6) demolition costs; (7) costs related to demolition and/or deconstruction of existing school facilities to recycle, reclaim and repurpose all or a portion of such facilities and/or building materials; (8) costs of on and off-site utilities and road improvements; and (9) costs of other similar activities or purposes, all as determined necessary and advisable by the Board.

The Projects, or any portion or portions thereof, shall be accomplished insofar as is practicable with available money and in such order of time as shall be determined necessary and advisable by the Board. The Board shall determine the application of available money between the various parts of the Projects so as to accomplish, as near as may be, all of the Projects. The Board shall determine the exact order, extent and specifications for the Projects. The Projects are to be more fully described in the plans and specifications to be filed with the District.

Section 3. Calling of Election. The Auditor of Adams County, Washington, as *ex officio* Supervisor of Elections (the “Auditor”), is requested to call and conduct a special election in the District, in the manner provided by law, to be held on February 10, 2026, for the purpose of submitting to the District’s voters, for their approval or rejection, the proposition authorizing a replacement Capital Projects Fund excess property tax levy on all of the taxable property within the District (the assessed value of such representing 100% of true and fair value unless specifically provided otherwise by law) to be made annually for two years commencing in 2026 for collection in 2027 of \$100,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$0.17 per \$1,000 of assessed value, and in 2027 for collection in 2028 of \$100,000, the estimated dollar rate of tax levy required to produce such an amount being \$0.17 per \$1,000 of assessed value, all in excess of the maximum tax levy allowed by law for school districts without voter approval. The exact tax levy rate may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District at the time of the levy.

Section 4. Use of Taxes. If the proposition authorized by this resolution is approved by the requisite number of voters, the District will be authorized to levy the excess property taxes provided in this resolution to pay costs of the Projects, all as may be authorized by law and determined necessary and advisable by the Board. Pending the receipt of those taxes, the District may issue short-term obligations pursuant to chapter 39.50 RCW or contract indebtedness pursuant to RCW 28A.530.080. Upon receipt, the District may use those taxes to repay such short-term obligations or indebtedness, all as may be authorized by law and determined necessary and advisable by the Board.

Section 5. Sufficiency of Taxes. If the excess property taxes authorized herein are more than sufficient to carry out the Projects, or should state or local circumstances require any alteration in the Projects, the District may apply such taxes to other capital purposes, or reduce or eliminate the excess property tax levies authorized herein, all as the Board may determine by resolution and as permitted by law.

If the Board determines that it has become impractical to accomplish the Projects or any portion thereof by reason of state or local circumstances, including changed conditions or needs, regulatory considerations, incompatible development or costs substantially in excess of those estimated, or for any other reason determined by the Board, the District will not be required to accomplish such Projects and may apply the excess property taxes authorized herein or any portion thereof to other capital purposes of the District, or reduce or eliminate the excess property taxes authorized herein, all as the Board may determine by resolution and as permitted by law. In the event that the excess property taxes, plus any other money of the District legally available therefor, are insufficient to accomplish all of the Projects, the District may use the available money for paying the cost of that portion of the Projects that the Board determines most necessary and in the best interests of the District.

Notwithstanding anything in this resolution to the contrary, the excess property taxes authorized herein may be used only to support the construction, modernization or remodeling of school facilities or implementation of the District’s technology facilities plan.

Section 6. Form of Ballot Title. Pursuant to RCW 29A.36.071, the Adams County Prosecuting Attorney is requested to prepare the concise description of the aforesaid proposition for the ballot title in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 2

LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 158

REPLACEMENT CAPITAL LEVY FOR EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY
IMPROVEMENTS, FACILITY UPGRADES AND MAJOR REPAIRS

The Board of Directors of Lind School District No. 158 adopted Resolution No. 2025-26 03, concerning funding for educational technology improvements, facility upgrades and major repairs. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to acquire and install student and teacher technology devices and other technology equipment and infrastructure, all to improve student access to technology, and upgrade and repair school buildings and facilities:

<u>Collection Year</u>	<u>Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value</u>	<u>Levy Amount</u>
2027	\$0.17	\$100,000
2028	\$0.17	\$100,000

all as provided in Resolution No. 2025-26 03. Should this proposition be approved?

LEVY . . . YES

LEVY . . . NO

Section 7. Authorization to Deliver Resolution to Auditor and Perform Other Necessary Duties. The Secretary to the Board (the “Secretary”) or the Secretary’s designee is authorized and directed to: (a) present a certified copy of this resolution to the Auditor no later than December 12, 2025; and (b) perform such other duties as are necessary or required by law to submit to the District’s voters at the aforesaid special election, for their approval or rejection, the proposition authorizing the District to levy annual excess property taxes to pay costs of the Projects.

Section 8. Notices Relating to Ballot Title. For purposes of receiving notice of the exact language of the ballot title required by RCW 29A.36.080, the Board hereby designates (a) the District's Business Manager (Kris Robbins), telephone: 509.677.3499; email: krobbins@lrschools.org; and (b) special counsel, Foster Garvey P.C. (Lee Marchisio), telephone: 206.447.6264; email: lee.marchisio@foster.com, as the individuals to whom the Auditor shall provide such notice. The Secretary is authorized to approve changes to the ballot title, if any, determined necessary by the Auditor or the Adams County Prosecuting Attorney.

Section 9. Execution; General Authorization and Ratification. This resolution may be executed by the Directors being present and voting in favor of the resolution, or only the Chair of the Board (the "Chair"), and attested by the Secretary, in tangible medium, manual, facsimile or electronic form under any security procedure or platform, and notwithstanding any other District resolution, rule, policy or procedure, or in any other manner evidencing its adoption. The Chair, the Secretary, the District's Business Manager, other appropriate officials of the District and the District's special counsel, Foster Garvey P.C., are further severally authorized and directed to take such actions and to create, accept, execute, send, use and rely upon such tangible medium, manual, facsimile or electronic documents, records and signatures under any security procedure or platform, and notwithstanding any other District resolution, rule, policy or procedure, as in their judgment may be necessary or desirable to effectuate the provisions of this resolution. All actions taken prior to the effective date of this resolution in furtherance of and not inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution are ratified and confirmed in all respects.

Section 10. Severability. If any provision of this resolution is declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, then such provision shall be null and void and shall be separable from the remaining provisions of this resolution and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this resolution or of the levy or collection of excess property taxes authorized herein.

Section 11. Effective Date. This resolution takes effect from and after its adoption.

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ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Lind School District No. 158, Adams County, Washington, at a regular open public meeting held on October 27, 2025.

LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 158
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Chair and Director

Vice Chair and Director

Director

Director

Director

ATTEST:

GARY WARGO
Secretary to the Board of Directors

CERTIFICATION

I, GARY WARGO, Secretary to the Board of Directors of Lind School District No. 158, Adams County, Washington (the “District”), hereby certify as follows:

1. The foregoing Resolution No. 2025-26 03 (the “Resolution”) is a full, true and correct copy of the Resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the “Board”) held at its regular meeting place on October 27, 2025 (the “Meeting”), as that Resolution appears in the records of the District, and the Resolution is now in full force and effect; and

2. The Meeting was duly convened, held and included an opportunity for public comment, in all respects in accordance with law, a quorum of the members of the Board was present throughout the Meeting, and a sufficient number of members of the Board present voted in the proper manner for the adoption of the Resolution.

Dated: October 27, 2025.

LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 158
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON

GARY WARGO
Secretary to the Board of Directors

RITZVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT #160-67 and LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT #158
JOINT BOARD MEETING
September 22, 2025

The meeting of the Board of Directors of Ritzville School District #160-67 and Lind School District #158 was held in the Lind-Ritzville Middle School Cafeteria on September 22, 2025. The following members were in attendance:

Lind School Board Members:	Adam Labes	Breanne Williamson
	Jim Weidemann	Andy Wahl
	Greg Schmunk	

Ritzville School Board Members:	Erin Repp	Reid Phillips
	Tia Kubik	Andy Powell
	Scott Carruth	

Lind Chair Labes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Lind Chair Labes called the Lind School Board meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Lind Director Schmunk moved to excuse Director Weideman, until he arrives. Lind Director Williams seconded the motion. A voice vote was heard with all present members voting aye. The motion carried. Lind Director Weidemann arrived at 6:39 P.M.

Lind Director Williamson moved to approve the agenda. Lind Director Wahl seconded the motion. A voice vote was heard with all present members voting aye. The motion carried.

Ritzville Vice-Chair Kubik called the Ritzville School Board meeting to order at 6:32 P.M., with Ritzville Chair Repp joining by phone.

Ritzville Director Phillips moved to approve the agenda. Ritzville Director Powell seconded the motion. A voice vote was heard with all present members voting aye. The motion carried.

Joint Items

Public Comment - After Lind Chair Labes read the rules and regulations for public comment, Travis DeVore spoke to the boards and felt more information was needed to be provided about the proposed 4-day school week.

There was a first reading of Policy 3210 Nondiscrimination and Policy 4260 Use of School Facilities. The minor changes to the existing policies are recommended by WSSDA.

Superintendent Wargo shared information about the 4-day waiver. He recently spoke with a person from the legal department at OSPI and was advised that based on our combine

agreement, the districts do not need separate resolutions or applications, it can be a joint resolution.

Superintendent Wargo explained that the board vote on Resolution 25-26-01 could be a separate vote by each respective district, if the joint board approves a one-time waiver of the Cooperative Schools Agreement, Section VI(1). Superintendent Wargo further explained that he was tasked, by the Board Chairs, to come up with a process that would honor the boards separate voting, in regards to the 4-Day School Week Resolutions, that occurred during regular board meetings in December 2024, January 2025 and February 2025. In the future, votes of the school boards on issues or matters that fit within Section VI of the Lind-Ritzville Cooperative Schools Agreement will be conducted as a joint board vote.

Ritzville Director Kubik moved for a one-time waiver of a joint board vote for the Lind-Ritzville Cooperative Schools Resolution 2025-26-01 Requesting A Waiver For The Implementation Of A Four-Day School Week. Lind Director Williamson seconded the motion. A voice vote was heard with all present members voting aye. The motion carried.

Lind Director Wahl moved to approve Lind-Ritzville Cooperative Schools Resolution 2025-26-01 Requesting A Waiver For The Implementation Of A Four-Day School Week. Lind Director Williamson seconded the motion. A voice vote was heard with four ayes and one nay. The motion passed.

Ritzville Director Phillips moved to approve Lind-Ritzville Cooperative Schools Resolution 2025-26-01 Requesting A Waiver For The Implementation Of A Four-Day School Week. Ritzville Director Powell seconded the motion. A voice vote was heard with three ayes and two nays. The motion passed.

Superintendent Report - Superintendent Wargo reported on homecoming activities throughout the districts.

Finance Report - Business Manager Kris Robbins was not in attendance, enrollment and financial reports were provided to the board.

Board Member Reports - There was nothing new to report.

Lind Director Schmunk moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Approval August 25, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, General Fund Accounts Payable - \$179,788.66, \$29,938.23 (August 2nd Batch), Transportation Cooperative Accounts Payable - \$132,212.44, Associated Student Body Fund Accounts Payable - \$1283.66, Payroll for August 29, 2025 - \$2747.98 (2nd Batch), Payroll for September 30, 2025 - \$351,209.31, Personnel Actions: New Hires - LES Custodian - Dave Randall, LRMS Custodian - Scott Donovan, MS Assistant Volleyball Coach - Shannon Court, MS/HS Assistant Cross Country Coach - Bryce Court, Approval of Adult Meal Prices, Approval of Out of Endorsement Teaching Assignments. Lind Director Williamson seconded the motion. A voice

vote was heard with all present members voting aye. The motion carried.

Ritzville Director Phillips moved to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: Approval August 25, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, General Fund Accounts Payable - \$\$275,233.12, \$7,000 (August 2nd Batch), Transportation Cooperative Accounts Payable - \$132,212.44, Associated Student Body Fund Accounts Payable - \$25,515.07, Payroll for September 30, 2025 - \$457,479.58, Personnel Actions: New Hires - RGS Paraeducator - Breanna Smith, MS Assistant Volleyball Coach - Shannon Court, MS/HS Assistant Cross Country Coach - Bryce Court, Resignations - RGS Paraeducator - Natalie Lewis, Approval of Adult Meal Prices, Approval of Out of Endorsement Teaching Assignments. Ritzville Director Powell seconded the motion. A voice vote was heard with all present members voting aye. The motion carried.

With no further business before the board, the meeting for the Lind & Ritzville School Boards adjourned at 6:59 P.M.

Chairman/Date

Chairman/Date

Secretary to the Board

LIND SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 158
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
October 16, 2025

The special meeting of the Board of Directors of Lind School District was held in the Lind-Ritzville Middle School Collaboration Room on October 16, 2025. The following members were in attendance:

Lind School Board Members:	Adam Labes	Breanna Williamson
	Greg Schmunk	Andy Wahl
	Jim Weidemann	

Also present was Superintendent Gary Wargo.

Lind Chair Repp called the Lind School Board meeting to order at 5:35 P.M.

The Boards discussed:

Levy Information

Superintendent Wargo presented information to the boards about the upcoming levy. The boards discussed levy limitations for the Lind School District and reviewed levy collection rate that voters are paying in calendar year 2025. The board also discussed keeping the overall levy rate similar to that of 2025 or raising the rate slightly in order to increase the capital projects levy from \$50,000 per year to \$100,000 per year. The board was presented with updated facility repair needs and it was suggested they consider raising the capital projects levy in order to begin accumulating funds needed to address major maintenance projects over the next 3-5 years.

The consensus of the board was to use 170 FTE students for the levy rate and total levy resolutions that will be discussed and approved at the October regular board meeting.

Superintendent Search

Superintendent Wargo shared a draft survey from Andy Wolf (from NW Leadership Association) that would be used to collect input on the professional and personal qualities the community would like to see in applicants for the superintendent position. All agreed that the survey could be shared with staff and the community. The survey will be communicated via various means, such as district website, email to families, social media posts and newspaper ad.

At 6:05 P.M. an Executive Session (per - RCW 42.30.110) was called for approximately 10 minutes with no action to follow. The Board came out of Executive Session at 6:15 P.M.

With no further business, Ritzville Chair Repp adjourned the meeting at 6:16 P.M.

Chairman/Date

Secretary to the Board