



Lake Washington
School District

Facility Advisory Committee Meeting

FAC 2025-26

SAMANTHA SMITH ELEMENTARY
23305



Welcome to
Samantha Smith Elementary School!

Thursday, November 20, 2025

5:30-7:30

Facilitators

- Barbara Posthumus
- Brian Buck
- Laura DeGooyer
- Toby Brenner

Agenda

Focus:

Creating processes to share information and ideas for ongoing improvement of LWSD facilities plans



- 5:30-5:45: ***Welcome & Introductions***
- 5:45-6:30: ***Information Sharing & Engagement***
 - FAC Purpose and Process
 - Spring *Levy Advisory Committee* Recap
 - Communicating 2026 Levy Measures
- 6:30-6:35: ***Break***
- 6:35-7:15: ***Feedback & Recommendations***
 - Facility & Construction Updates
 - *Facilitron* Community Building Use Management
 - Building Excellence, Phase 1: Project Updates
 - FAC Work Plans
- 7:15-7:30: ***Facility Tour – Samantha Smith Elementary School***

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CHECK-IN: THANKSGIVING!

1. Pick a picture that represents you on Thanksgiving
2. Introduce yourself by sharing your name, role, and interest as a representative on the committee
3. Share which picture you chose and why

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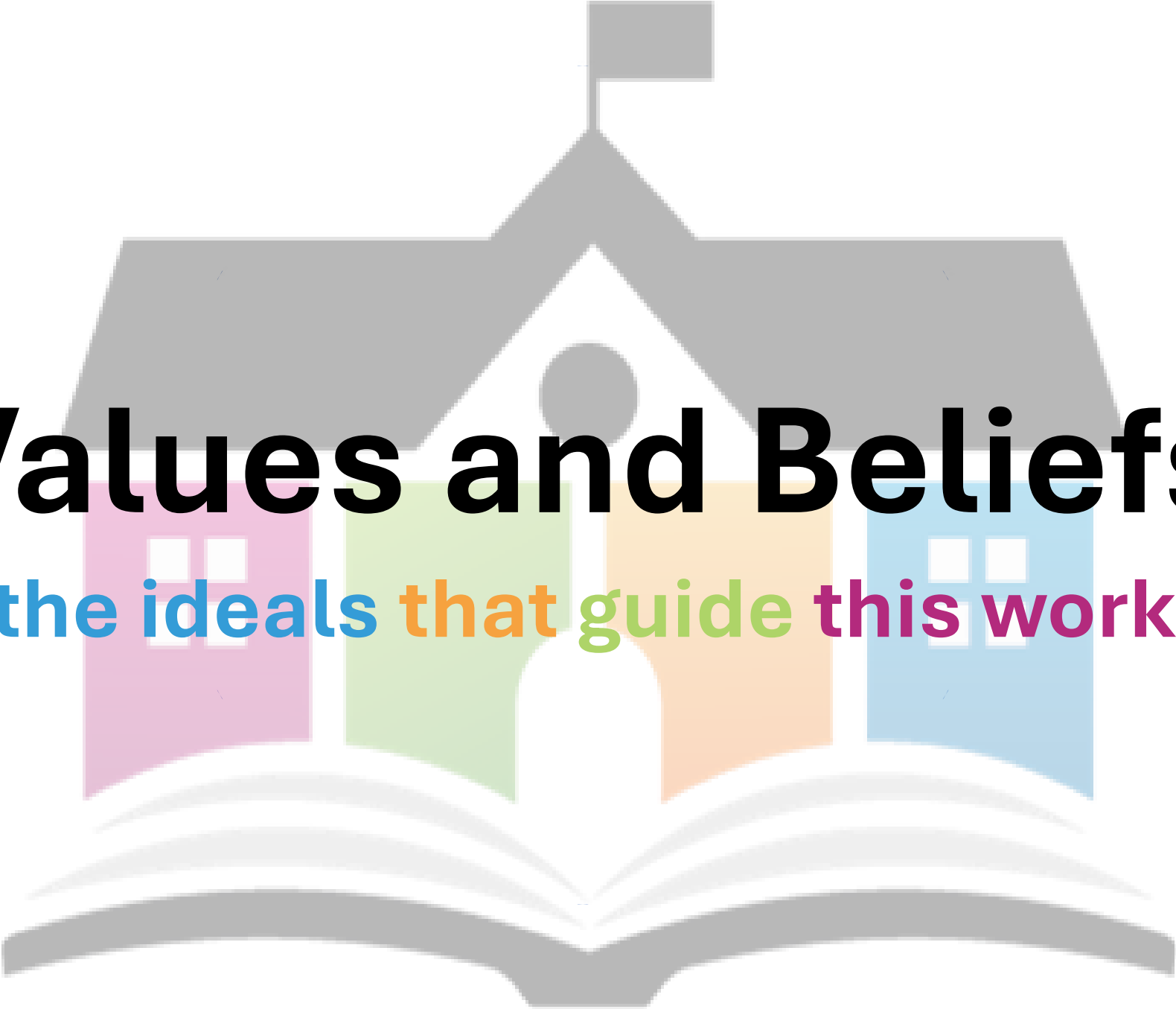


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Values and Beliefs

the ideals that guide this work

LWSD Mission and Vision



Our mission

Each student will graduate prepared to lead a rewarding and responsible life as a contributing member of our community and greater society.



Our vision

Every Student Future Ready:

- Prepared for College
- Prepared for the Global Workplace
- Prepared for Personal Success

EXCEPTIONAL EXPERIENCES for Each Learner

Commitment 1

Commitment 2

**Equitable & Just
Systems**

**Inclusive &
Rigorous
Learning**

Perseverance
Adaptability
Agency
Curiosity
Acceptance

**Integrated
Sustainability**

**Operational
Excellence**

Commitment 3

Commitment 4



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FAC Meeting Structure



**Information
Sharing**



**Feedback &
Recommendations**



**Facility Tours for
Context**

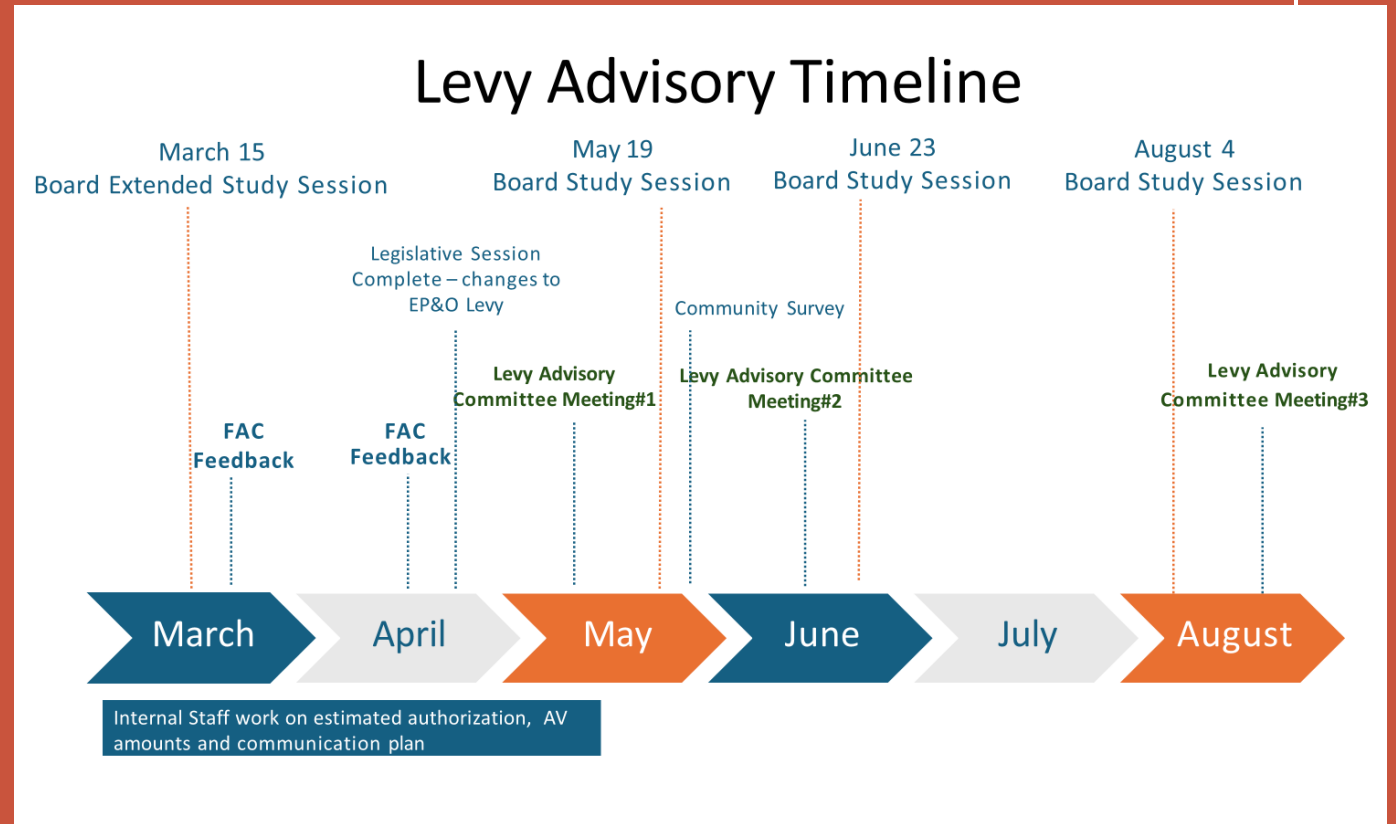




Proposed Meeting Norms/Ground Rules

- Start / end on time
- Silence electronics
- Ask questions of each other for the purposes of gaining clarity and understanding
- Express yourself in terms of your needs and interests and the outcomes you wish to achieve
- Listen respectfully, and sincerely try to understand the other person's needs and interests
- Demonstrate curiosity and willingness to learn

Levy Advisory Committee Process Review





Community Engagement

- Facility Advisory Committee (FAC) and Budget Advisory Committees (BAC) formed in 2023
- Levy Advisory Committee – made up of BAC and FAC members
 - Met in May, June and August
 - Provided feedback and advice on options
- Board Study Sessions
 - March through August

Levy Advisory Committee Facility Recommendation

- Fund all recommended projects
- Includes upgrades to tracks and stadiums and multi-purpose field additions
 - Highly sought by community
 - Allows year-round use
- Reserve funds for construction inflation, unknown impacts, and sustainability projects

Facility Amount by category

	Avg Annual	Totals
 Building Systems & Improvements	\$9.3M	\$37.3M
 Site improvements, Athletics & Playfield Upgrades	\$13.6M	\$54.3M
 School & Program Improvements	\$2.7M	\$10.8M
 Code Compliance, Health & Safety	\$1.5M	\$6.0M
<i>Totals</i>	\$27.1M	\$108.4M

Next Steps

Communicating 2026 Levy Plans

2026 Education Levies

EXCEPTIONAL EXPERIENCES for Each Learner

Ballots due by: **February 10, 2026**





Proposition 1

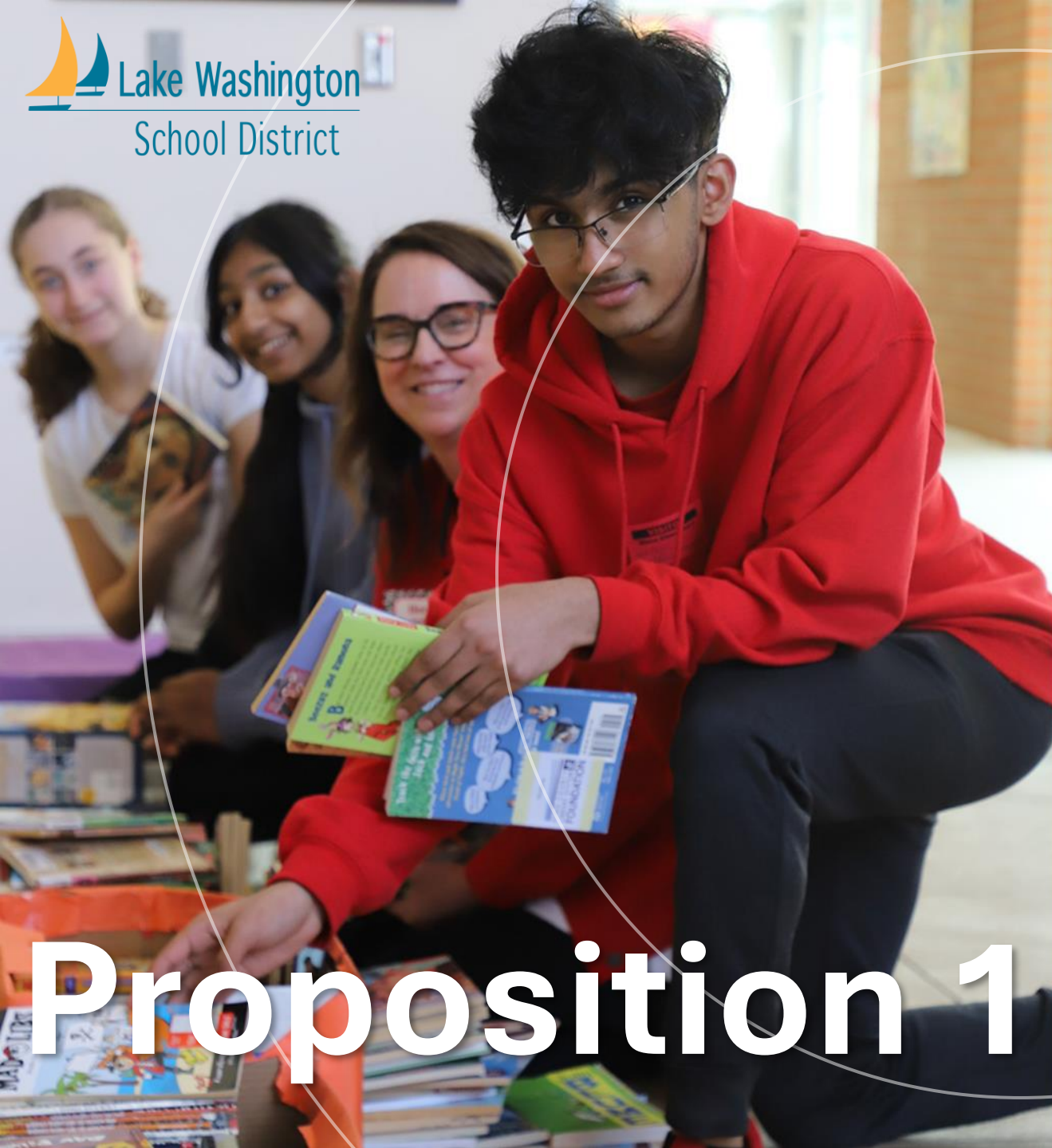
Educational Programs and Operations Levy (EP&O)



Proposition 2

Technology and Capital Projects Levy

WHAT?



Proposition 1



Educational Programs and Operations Levy (EP&O)

Supports student programs and
operational needs not funded by
the state.

EP&O

Provides
Support
for
Students



Health
and
Safety

Transportation

Substitutes

Early
Learning

Multilingual Services

Highly Capable Program

Music / Arts

Athletics / Activities

Professional Learning (New
teacher training, teacher LEAP
days)

SEL / Mental
Health

Safety and Security

Staffing - Certificated, Classified, Administrative

Special Education

Additional Course Offerings
Beyond Basic

EXCEPTIONAL EXPERIENCES for Each Learner



Proposition 2



School Technology and Capital Projects Levy

Supports technology and facility
needs for students and staff not
funded by the state.

Technology and Capital Projects Renewal

Student and Staff Devices and Classroom Technology Are All Funded by Levy.

Technology and Capital Projects Renewal



Levy Funds Upgrades to Facilities and HVAC Replacements.

Technology and Capital Projects Renewal



88% of LWSD Technology Budget Provided by Levy (Network, Wifi, Devices, Staff, Help Desk)

Technology and Capital Projects Renewal



94% of LWSD Capital Project Budget Provided by Levy (Roofs, Flooring, Fields, Lights, HVAC, Classroom Spaces)

Technology and Capital Projects Renewal



**Prioritizes Upgrades and Maintenance to
Schools and Community Investments in
Technology Program**

Technology and Capital Projects

Provides Support for Students



EXCEPTIONAL EXPERIENCES for Each Learner

2026 Levy Rates on Ballot Measure



EP&O Levy



Tech/Capital Projects

Collection Year	EP&O Levy	Tech/Capital Projects
2027	\$0.99	\$0.44
2028	\$0.97	\$0.44
2029	\$0.95	\$0.44
2030	\$0.92	\$0.44

2026 Levy Proposed rates below original commitment to voters

Estimated EP&O Rate

Estimated Capital Rate

\$0.99 to \$0.92

\$0.44



\$1,500,000
Assessed Value

+\$210

+\$45

Estimated Change

Estimated Change



Total Estimated Change

- \$255 increase for EP&O and Technology and Capital Projects levies
- \$0.17 / \$1,000 of AV

2026 Education Levies

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Levy Info



For more information or to
request a presentation,
please visit:

lwsd.org/2026-levies



 Lake Washington
School District

2026 Education Levies

Online Information on LWSD website



Levy Info

The screenshot shows the Lake Washington School District website. The header includes the district logo, navigation links (TRANSLATE, SAFETY CONCERN, HELP, STAFF, SCHOOLS, STUDENTS & FAMILIES), and a menu with links to ABOUT, EMPLOYMENT, GET INVOLVED, PROGRAMS, SERVICE, and 2026 LEVIES (highlighted with a red circle). Below the header, a dark blue banner displays two levy titles: "Replacement of Existing Educational Programs and Operations (EP&O) Levy" and "Replacement of Existing School Technology and Capital Projects Levy". The main content area features a breadcrumb trail "HOME / 2026 LEVIES", a large heading "LEVIES - FEBRUARY 10, 2026", and a subheading "TWO LEVY RENEWALS TO SUPPORT EXCELLENCE FOR EVERY STUDENT". A paragraph explains that the February 10, 2026 measures continue funding for all students. Two bullet points list the propositions: "Proposition 1: Renewal of Educational Programs & Operations Levy" and "Proposition 2: Renewal of School Technology & Capital Projects Levy". A paragraph states that these levies renew funding for staff, programs, and services. Another paragraph notes that levies expire after four years and must be renewed by voters. A sidebar on the right contains an orange button "REQUEST A LEVY PRESENTATION", a blue box with the two levy titles, and a blue box titled "RESOURCES" with links to "School funding in LWSD", "Facilities department", "Current construction projects", and "Budgets and financial reports". A small icon of a person is in the bottom right corner.

Lake Washington School District

TRANSLATE SAFETY CONCERN HELP STAFF SCHOOLS STUDENTS & FAMILIES

ABOUT EMPLOYMENT GET INVOLVED PROGRAMS SERVICE **2026 LEVIES**

Replacement of Existing Educational Programs and Operations (EP&O) Levy Replacement of Existing School Technology and Capital Projects Levy

HOME / 2026 LEVIES

LEVIES - FEBRUARY 10, 2026

TWO LEVY RENEWALS TO SUPPORT EXCELLENCE FOR EVERY STUDENT

The February 10, 2026 measures continue funding that benefits every student in the district. The measures ensure access to the programs, technology and facilities that support safe schools, strong teaching and opportunities for all.

- **Proposition 1: Renewal of Educational Programs & Operations Levy**
- **Proposition 2: Renewal of School Technology & Capital Projects Levy**

Together, these levies renew funding to maintain staff, programs and services that ensure students have the skills they need for their next step, whether that's a two- or four-year college, a technical certification, or joining the work force.

These levies stay in our community and directly support Lake Washington students. The levies expire after four years and must be renewed by voters to continue the funding. As more properties are built in our community or as property values increase, the individual tax rate has historically decreased.

REQUEST A LEVY PRESENTATION

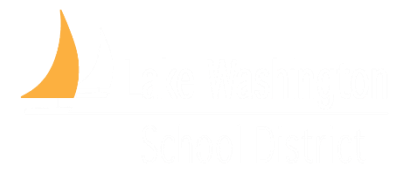
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Replacement of Existing School Technology and Capital Projects Levy

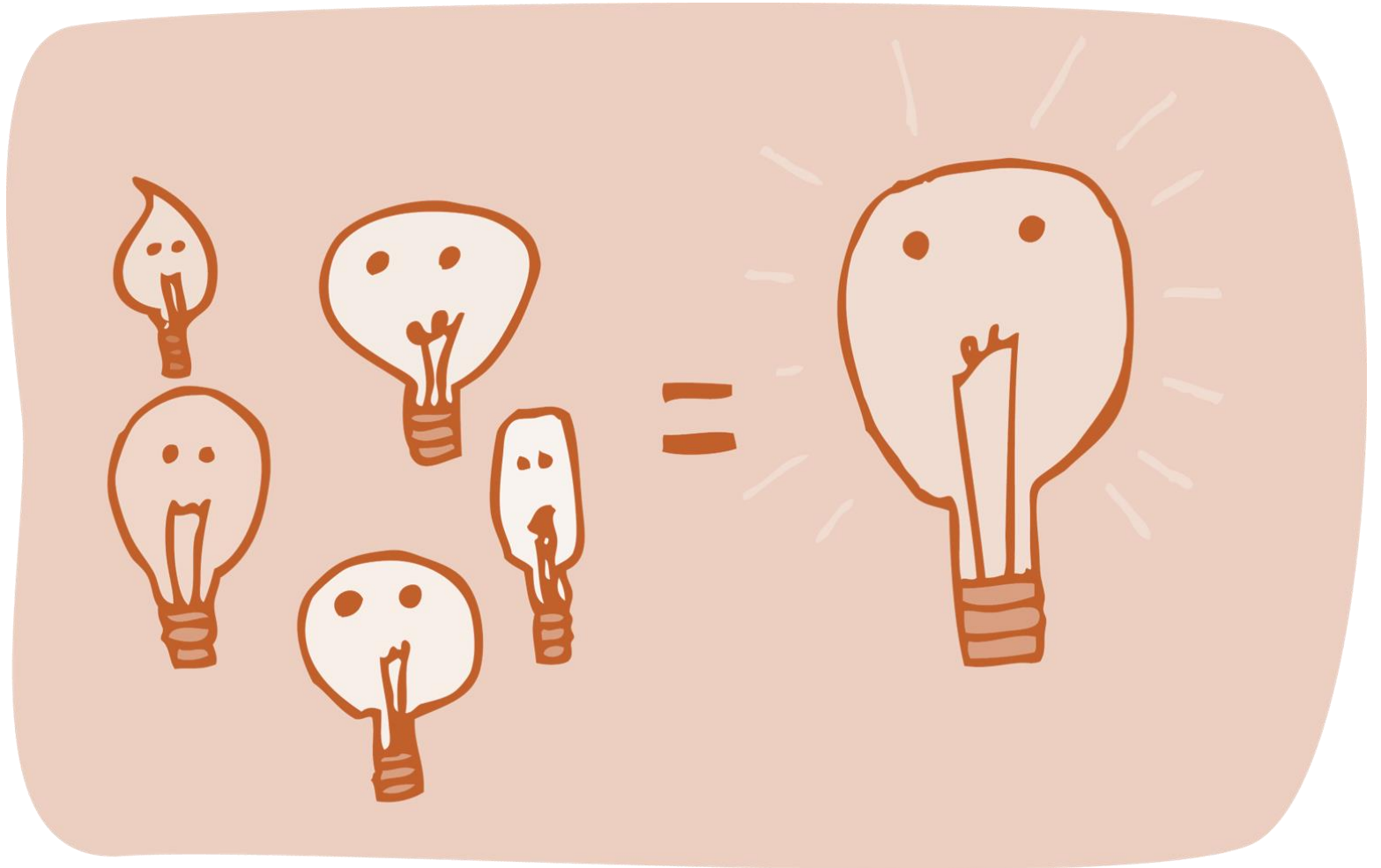
RESOURCES

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- [Facilities department](#)
- [Current construction projects](#)
- [Budgets and financial reports](#)

lwsd.org/2026-levies



FAC Feedback:
Additional Questions, Comments, Ideas?





Break - Take 5!

Take 5 minutes to grab a snack and a stretch!

Coming Up:

- **Building Excellence, Phase 1 Project Updates**
- **Developing FAC Work Plan 2025-26**
- **Facilities Tour**



Facilities Project Updates

Fall 2025: Building Excellence Phase 1 & Ongoing Projects

Building Excellence, Phase 1: 2022 Construction Levy Updates

- Middle School Additions
- Rockwell Elementary School
- High School Additions
 - Eastlake HS
 - Redmond HS
- Emerson Campus

BUILDING EXCELLENCE PLAN - PHASE 1

In February 2022 voters approved this levy to fund school construction to make sure our students have room to learn in our fast-growing district. This levy provides funding to build critical classroom space across our district:

- Due to change in enrollment since the levy passed, the plan to add a new elementary school on the Redmond Elementary campus was changed to rebuild and enlarge Rockwell Elementary. This change was approved by the LWSD school board. [See the press release for more information.](#)
- Additions at Finn Hill, Kirkland and Redmond middle schools, providing capacity for 600 more students.
- Additional high school capacity at Redmond and Eastlake high schools and the Emerson campus for about 1,200 more students.
- Acquisition of property for future schools.



EASTLAKE HIGH
SCHOOL
ADDITION



FINN HILL
MIDDLE SCHOOL
ADDITION



KIRKLAND
MIDDLE SCHOOL
ADDITION



REDMOND HIGH
SCHOOL
ADDITION



REDMOND
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ADDITION



REBUILD &
ENLARGE
ROCKWELL
ELEMENTARY



REBUILD &
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EMERSON
CAMPUS

Building Excellence, Phase 1 Construction Updates

*Rockwell Elementary School
Rebuild & Enlarge*



Building Excellence, Phase 1 Construction Updates

High School Additions

- *Eastlake High School*
- *Redmond High School*



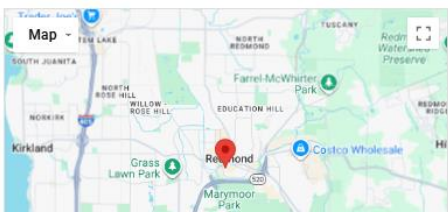
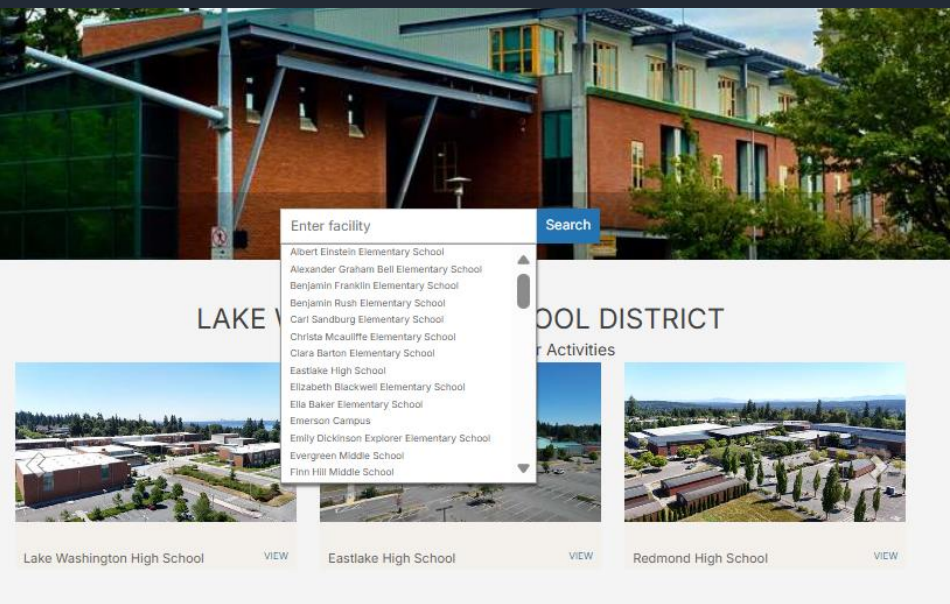
Building Excellence, Phase 1 Construction Updates

Emerson Campus Rebuild & Enlarge

- *K-12 – High School*



Facilitron: Community Building Use Management



Lake Washington School District (LWSD) is located between Lake Washington and the Cascade Mountains. The district is east of Seattle and covers 76 square miles. LWSD is the public school district for the cities of Kirkland, Redmond and about half of Sammamish. On the north end of the district, some Bothell and Woodinville residents also attend our schools.

[Learn more about our facility rental policies](#)

Samantha Smith Elementary School

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November 16 — 22, 2025

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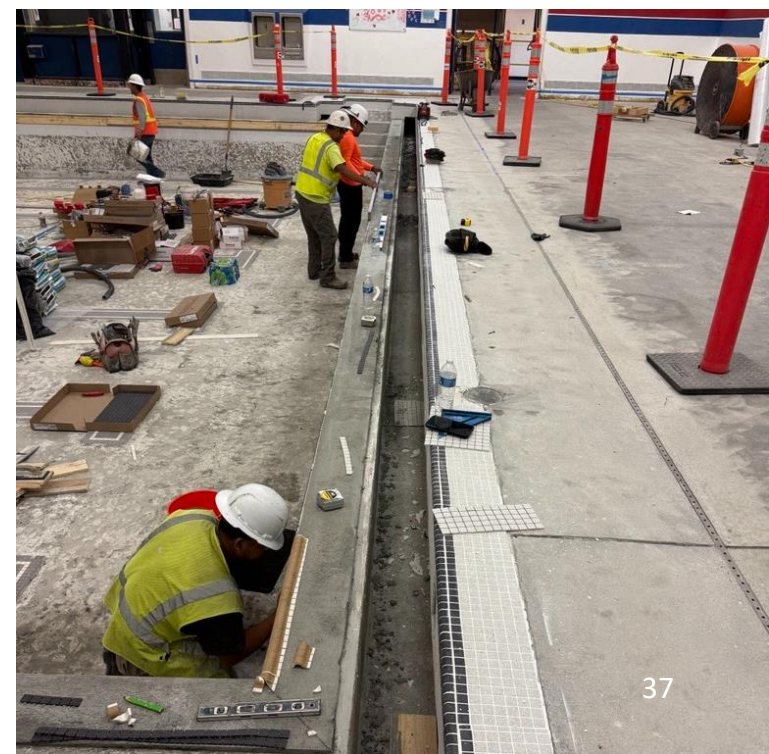
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	8:10am - 9:10am MAINTENANCE Writing Club Room P159 - Art/PTSA	4pm - 6:30pm Multi Purpose Room	2:30pm - 4pm Library	8:10am - 9:10am MAINTENANCE Chess Room P159 - Art/PTSA(+ 1 more)	8am - 9am MAINTENANCE MOEMS Small Gym	
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- Online system for community use of LWSD schools and facilities
- Allows for consistent and equitable community access
- Streamlines reservation process from multiple systems into one comprehensive system, providing quick access to all available LWSD facilities
- Manages all fees, including transparent staffing and energy costs
- Provides data for space use and revenue for future decision making

<https://www.facilitron.com/lwsd98052>

Design + Construction Updates

Community Pool at Juanita High School



Design + Construction Updates

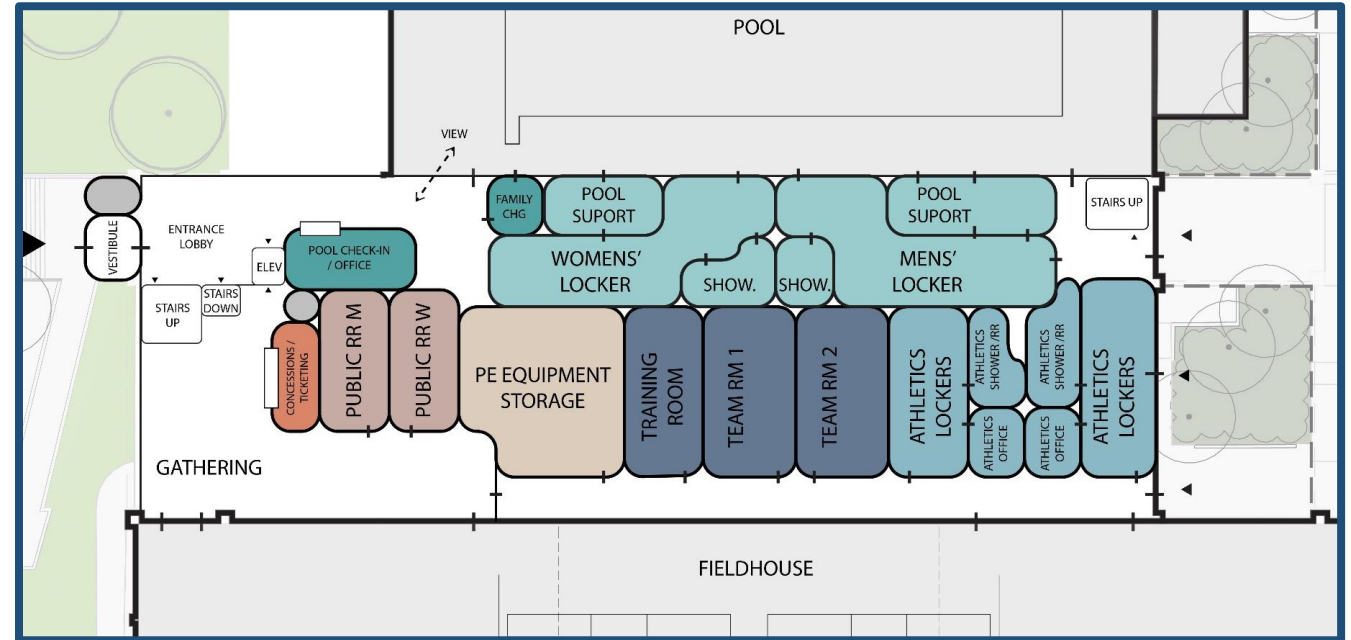
JHS Field House Concept Designs

- Full interior reconfiguration
- No separate locker Addition

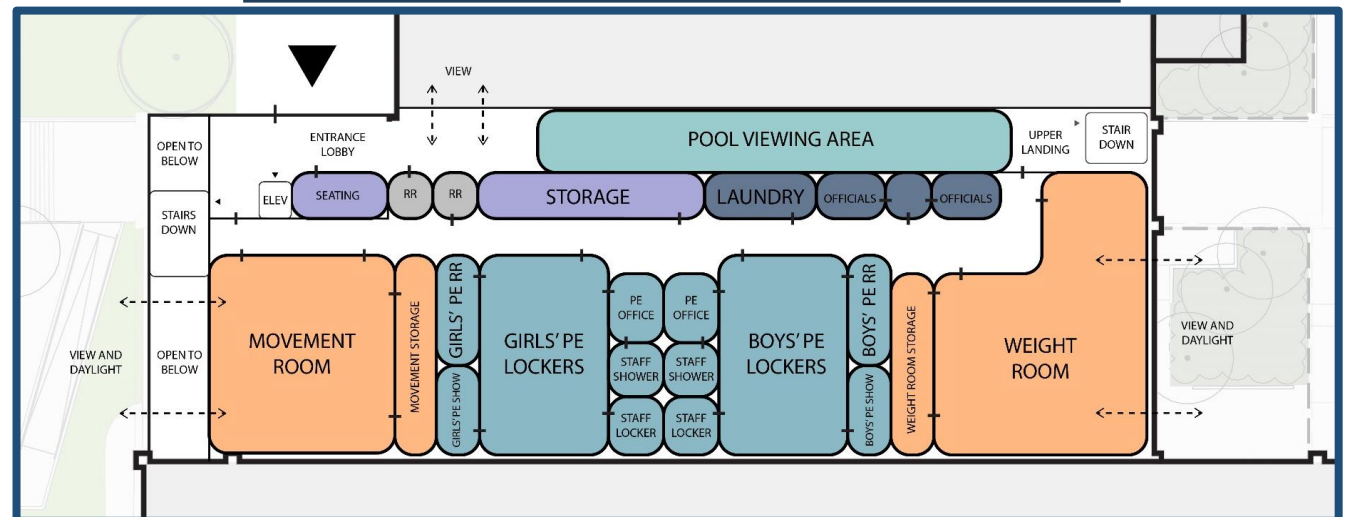
Opportunities & Impacts

- Modernizes existing space
- Doesn't require extra Addition
- Maintains parking and lot flow
- Access impacted during construction
- Design limited by structural constraints

L1 Entry & Athletics Reconfiguration



L2 Entry & PE/Locker Reconfiguration



Design + Construction Updates

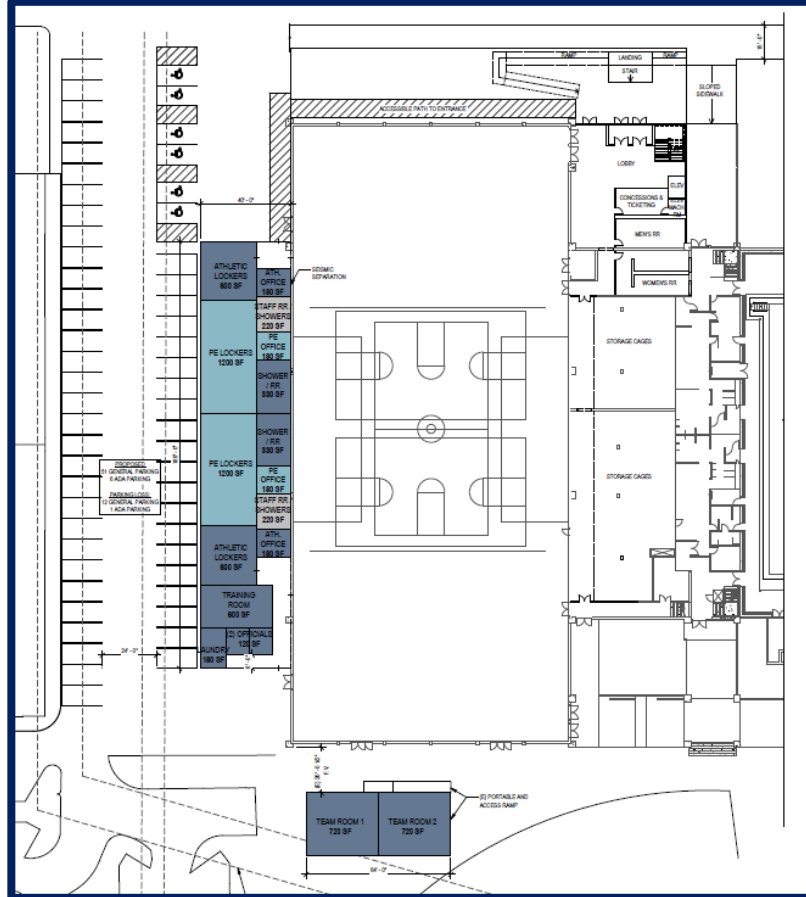
JHS Field House Concept Design

- Addition – lockers, athletics, PE

Opportunities & Impacts

- Expands student access
- Athletic circulation
- Storage above Ed Spec
- Reduced school impacts during construction
- Reduced parking spaces, restricts lot flow

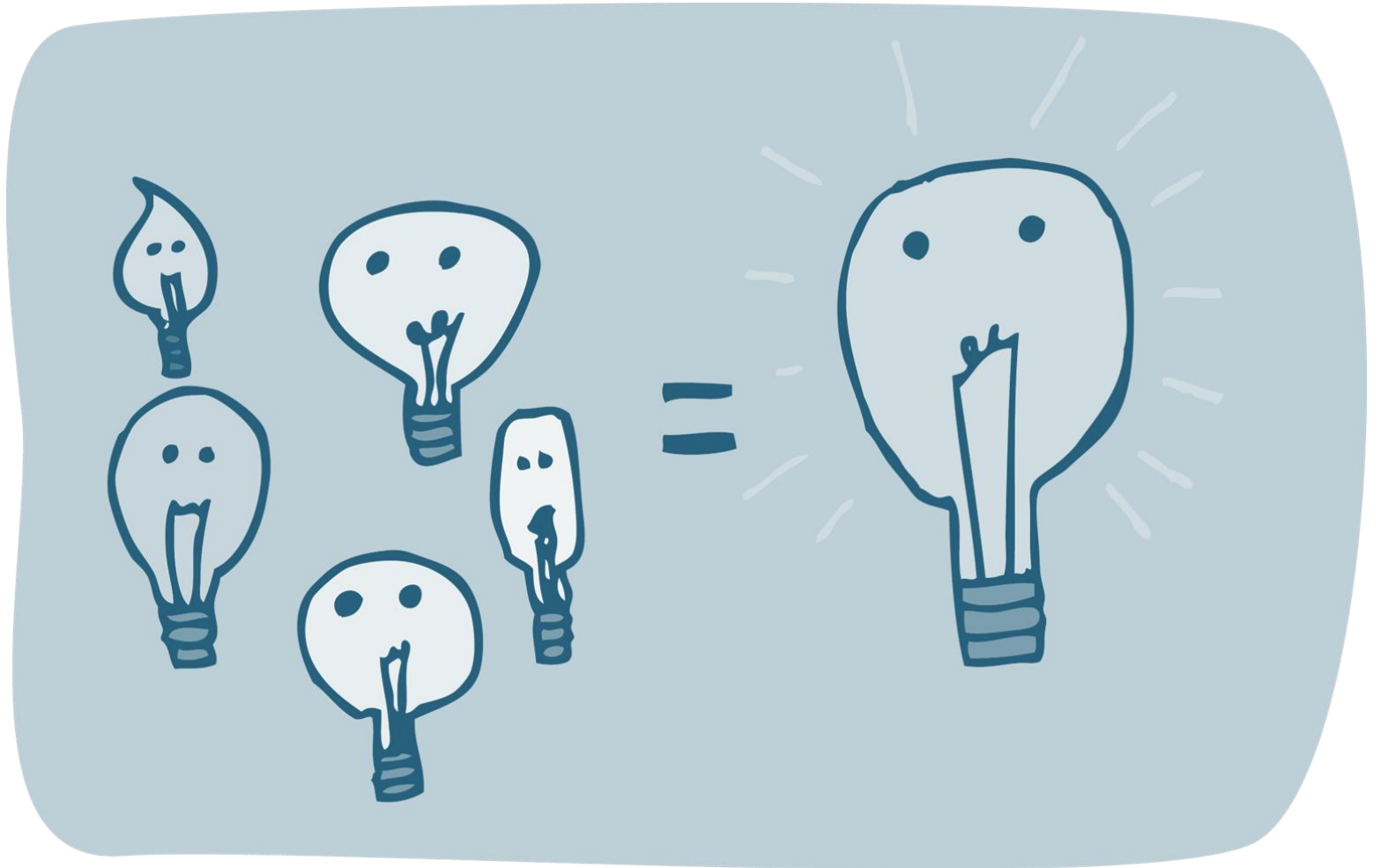
Full Addition Design Option 1: Locker Addition (7,560 sf) + L1 Interior Storage



Hybrid Design Option 2: Locker Addition (5,600 sf) + L1 Interior Reconfiguration



FAC Feedback:
Additional Questions, Comments, Ideas?



FAC Outcomes



Share updates and information between funding measures

Project Updates
Financial updates/status



Develop and provide input on future funding measures



Understanding ongoing legislative and regulatory requirement



Provide feedback to strengthen community engagement opportunities



Committee Meeting Dates & Work Plan 2025-26



Topics for consideration:

- Sustainability for facilities
- Clean Buildings Legislation
- Efficient facility use
- Design Advisory
- Others?

Date Quarterly, 3 rd Thursday/month	Location 5:30-7:30	Topics
November 20	Samantha Smith ES <i>Sammamish</i>	• Levy 2026: Overview & Feedback • Building Excellence Project Updates Phase 1-2 • FAC Work Plan • Facility Tour: Smith Elementary Rebuild & Enlarge
January 15	Juanita HS <i>Kirkland</i>	• TBD • Facility Tour: Juanita High School Community Pool & Fieldhouse
March 19	Eastlake HS <i>Sammamish</i>	• TBD • Facility Tour: Eastlake High School Classroom Additions
May 21	Rockwell ES <i>Redmond</i>	• TBD • Facility Tour: Rockwell Elementary Rebuild & Enlarge

❖ *Content of agendas may evolve*

FAC Meeting Input

Respond to the following questions using a separate sticky note for each response:

1. Which facilities topics would you like to **learn more about**?
2. Which topics would you like to **provide feedback & recommendations** about?



Agendas and Presentations: Posted on LWSD FAC Website

<https://www.lwsd.org/get-involved/committees-workgroups/facility-advisory-committee>



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ABOUT EMPLOYMENT **GET INVOLVED** PROGRAMS SERVICES 2026 LEVIES

Committees LINKS Lunch Buddy Program LWSF Parent/Community Partnerships PTSA Council Volunteering in LWSD

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FACILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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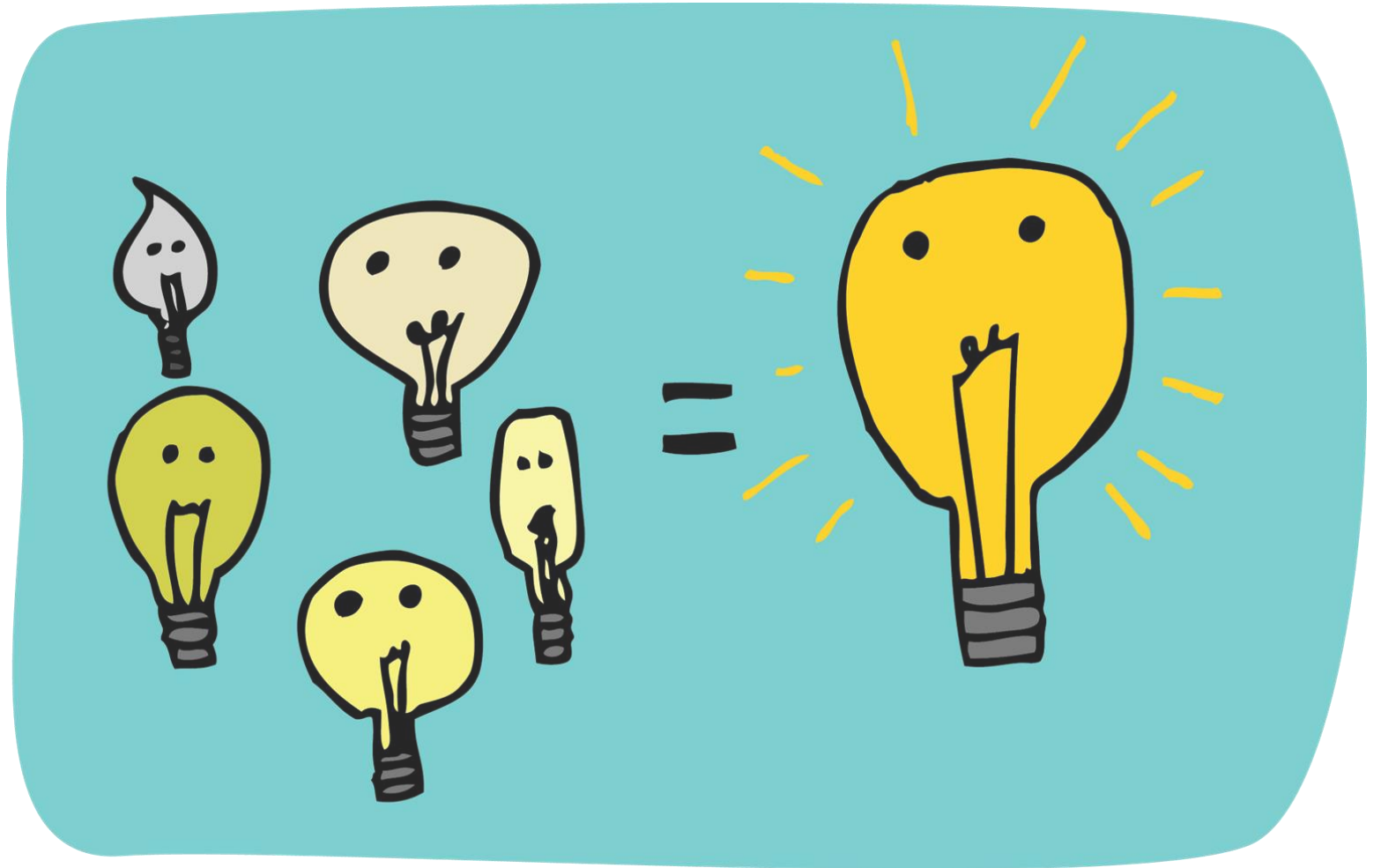
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MEETINGS

The Facility Advisory Committee will be on ongoing standing committee and meetings will be held quarterly on Thursdays from 5:30-7:30 p.m. (generally the third Thursday of the month). Meetings may be held more frequently when needed.

Meeting dates for 2025-26:
TBA

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Facility Tour: Samantha Smith Elementary School



Laura DeGooyer
Director of Capital Projects

Toby Brenner
Support Services Planning Principal



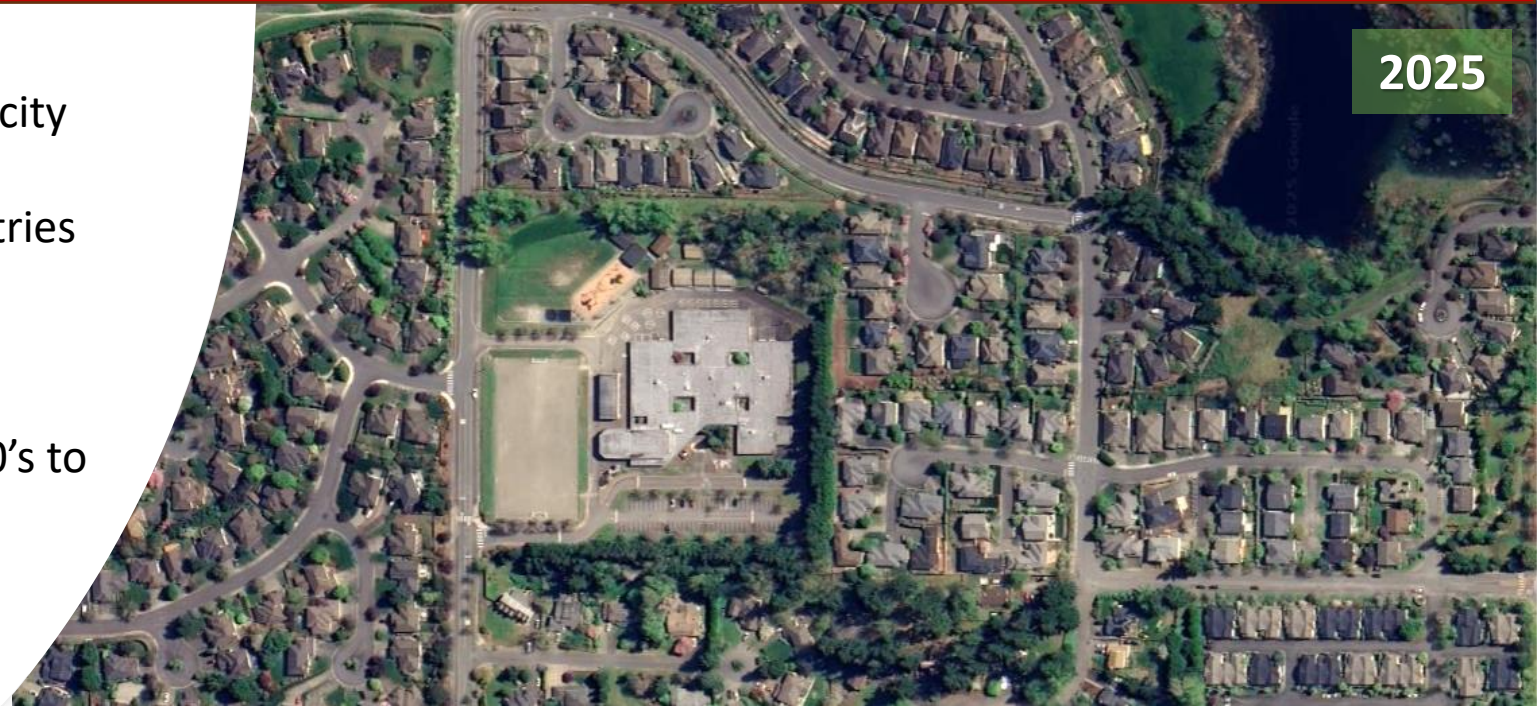


Facility Tour: Samantha Smith Elementary School

1990



2025



- Built in 1988
- 26 classrooms, 8 portables, 483 permanent capacity
- Single story, open concept classroom design
- Outdoor hallways, courtyards, and classroom entries
- Lack of shared instructional spaces
- Low natural daylight
- No Commons/Cafeteria in original building
 - Converted covered play area to gym in 1990's to create commons, added new covered play structure
- Exponential growth in community since opening

Facility Tour: Samantha Smith Elementary School



- Collaborative SCIT process with Smith ES and Alcott ES for common core design – “kit of parts”
- Limited buildable space @ Smith requires creative construction siting
- Sustainable planning through waste diversion

Smith Elementary School
Bird's Eye Perspective

