# Seattle Public Schools Levy Renewals

Seattle Public Schools is asking voters to consider renewing two expiring levies. These levies provide continued funding for the education, safety, and well-being of our students.

### **PROPOSITION 1: Educational Programs & Operations (EP&O) Levy Renewal**

This levy bridges the gap between what the state funds and what our students and schools need, continuing funding for day-to-day operations, staffing, services and student programs.

#### **Student Safety & Support**

Funds salaries, including school security, special education, and multilingual support staff. Of the **73** SPS security specialists, the state funds just **9.3** a year, while the levy funds **63.7** positions. Student Services & Programs Ensures continued funding for special education, healthy student meals, and student transportation. SPS spends **\$224 million** a year for special education. The state provides **\$150 million** a year, leaving a **\$74 million** gap.

#### **Student Opportunities**

Supports student activities such as athletics, arts, music, and drama. SPS spends **\$5.5** million a year on student athletics, the state provides **\$0** funding for athletics.



## **PROPOSITION 2: Building Excellence VI (BEX VI) Capital Levy Renewal**

This levy funds district-wide technology for schools and students, safety and security improvements, and school building renovations, repairs and replacements to ensure safe and welcoming schools that foster student learning.

- Student and staff computers plus classroom technology
- Safety and security projects at every school
- Renovations or replacements at five school buildings
- Building repairs and improvements







**These levies are not a new tax.** They renew the current levies, which expire in 2025. If approved, property owners would pay an estimated rate of \$2.12 per \$1,000 of assessed property value for Seattle Public Schools.

For more information, scan the QR code or visit www.seattleschools.org/levies

