



# Community · Enrichment · Achievement

## Replacement EP&O Levy 2024

### TUMWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### What's on the ballot?

Tumwater School District is asking the community to consider a \$109,703,045 funding measure for 2025–2028 to continue providing quality educational opportunities for all students as we prepare them for success in our schools and after graduation.

#### What's an EP&O levy?

An Educational Programs and Operations (EP&O) levy is a local property tax that helps school districts pay for educational programs and operations costs that the state does not fully fund.

**Existing Rate, 2020–24**  
**\$2.50 per \$1,000**  
 of assessed property value

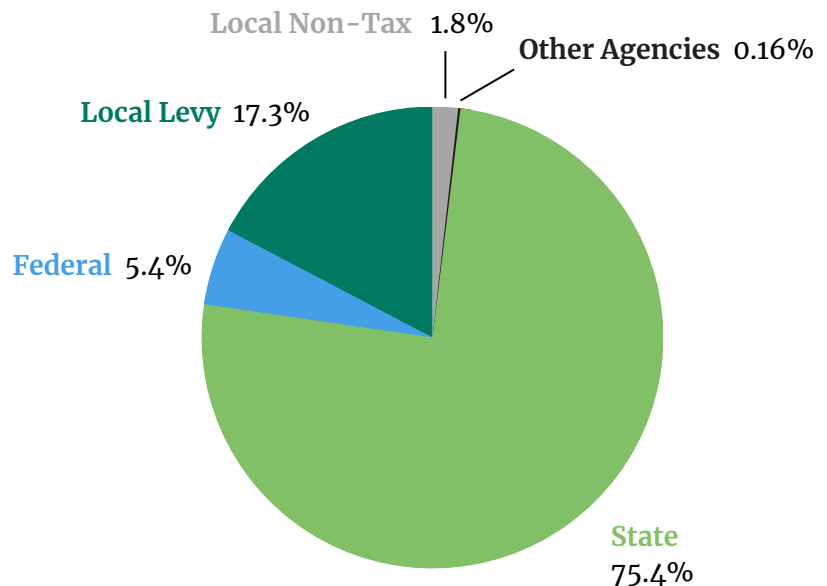
**Proposed Rate, 2025–28**  
**\$2.50 per \$1,000**  
 of assessed property value

**This is NOT a new tax. It will replace the existing levy.**

#### How is Tumwater School District funded?

Tumwater School District receives funding from a variety of sources, including federal and state funding. Local levies fund a portion of its budgeted revenue.

The state funds 75% of actual costs. Our local levy ensures adequate funding for student support and enrichment, including staffing, classes in STEM and the arts, special education, and extracurricular programs such as athletics.





## What will the levy support?



Staffing



Special Education



School Health and Safety



STEM Programs



Activities, Athletics, Enrichment

### Funding Use: Staffing (FTE Equivalent)



State funds  
430.05

TSD employs  
727.05

*Almost 300 FTE-equivalent staff  
positions are levy-funded*

## Who qualifies for levy exemptions?

Senior and disabled citizens may be eligible for an exemption from all or part of a levy. Call the Thurston County Auditor's Office for an application and additional information: 360-867-2200.

Please remember to vote by  
**February 13, 2024**

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