



FACTS ON THE REPLACEMENT LEVY

The Stanwood-Camano School District will place a four-year Replacement Capital Projects and Technology Levy on the April 26, 2022 special election ballot to replace an expiring 2019-22 levy.

The local levy continues our community's investment in our students. It will maintain essential funding beyond state basic education to support educational technology, facility improvements, and student safety and security.



Replacement
 levy—not a
 new tax

This is a proposed replacement of an expiring levy and will not increase school taxes.

Educational Technology

The levy funds technology devices and supports student learning

- Student/Staff devices
- Learning tools
- Personnel
- Infrastructure
- Security
- Software



Capital Projects

The levy funds prioritized facility improvements

- Safety improvements
- Building improvements
- Asset preservation
- Site maintenance
- Equipment replacement



Financial Information for the Replacement Levy

Approval of the replacement levy would assess no more than \$0.27 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. Property values may fluctuate, but according to state law, the district may collect no more than the total dollar amount voters approve. When property values rise, levy rates go down. **See the tax rate chart on the next page.**





THE STANWOOD-CAMANO SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Stanwood-Camano School District Board of Directors consists of five citizens who reside within the School District. Board members are elected by voters to serve four-year terms. The board is the policy-making body for the district, while the superintendent is responsible for implementing those policies and plans. Learn more at: stanwood.wednet.edu/school_board

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SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Stanwood-Camano Community,

Our district is incredibly fortunate to be part of a community that places such a strong importance on the value of education in the lives of children.

In recent years, the state has increased the amount of funding it provides to public schools. However, it still does not fully cover the cost of educating our students or maintaining our facilities. All school districts rely on local levies to bridge this funding gap. On April 26, 2022, Stanwood-Camano voters will have the opportunity to vote on the Replacement Capital Projects and Technology Levy.

This is not a new tax; it is a replacement of an expiring levy. It will maintain essential funding to support student safety and security, facility improvements, and educational technology.

If the levy fails a second time, the district may not place it on the ballot again until 2023. Planned capital projects would be delayed and the district would not be able to upgrade its technology and maintain its buildings to support student learning as planned.

Please read through this issue of **Currents** to learn more about this replacement levy and how it positively affects our students and staff while keeping a stable school tax rate. In addition, more information is available on our website at www.stanwood.wednet.edu/levy.

Respectfully,

Deborah Rumbaugh, Ed.D.

No increase in the total tax rate if approved



Date/Measure		2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
PROPOSED BALLOT MEASURE	2023-2026 Capital Projects and Technology Replacement Levy April 26, 2022	\$0.27	\$0.25	\$0.27	\$0.27	\$0.27	\$0.27
PASSED 2020	Educational Programs and Operations Levy	\$1.57	\$1.64	\$1.60	\$1.60	\$1.57	\$1.57
PASSED 2017	Facilities Bond	\$1.30	\$1.25	\$1.19	\$1.17	\$1.15	\$1.15
Total Tax Rate		\$3.14	\$3.14	\$3.06	\$3.04	\$2.99	\$2.99

REPLACEMENT CAPITAL PROJECTS AND TECHNOLOGY LEVY



CAPITAL PROJECTS

SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

- Upgraded intercoms at Stanwood ES and Stanwood MS
- New bleachers at Stanwood MS
- Structural upgrades to Stanwood ES covered walkway
- Fencing and gates at Port Susan MS and Cedarhome ES

\$593,740

BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

- Flooring at Stanwood MS
- Reconfigure multiple learning spaces
- Accessible path at Utsalady ES playfield
- Add shower to health room at Twin City ES
- Awning over Stanwood ES gym door

\$348,934

ASSET PRESERVATION

- New roof at Cedarhome ES
- Portable preservation at Port Susan MS
- Re-Roof maintenance shed at Stanwood MS
- Entry and corridor tile replacement at Stanwood MS

\$2,447,230

EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

- Fire sprinkler lines, replace piping and heads at Elger Bay & Utsalady ES
- Boiler replacement at Cedarhome and Elger Bay ES

\$791,570

SITE MAINTENANCE

- Parking lot replacement at Transportation
- Parking lot and playground paving repairs at Cedarhome ES

\$958,250



TECHNOLOGY

INFRASTRUCTURE

- UPS (Uninterruptible Power Supply) battery replacement
- Web Filter to help protect students from harmful internet content
- Wireless Access Points provide high-speed internet access

\$168,640

LEARNING TOOLS

- Assistive Technology
- Read Naturally
- Read & Write
- Renaissance
- Robotics
- SMART Notebook
- Screencastify
- Typing Agent

\$747,770

DEVICES

Renews:

- 25% of Student Chromebooks per Year (about 1,100 devices)
- 25% of Staff Computers per Year (about 100 devices)

\$1,612,196

PERSONNEL

- Administrative Tech Staff
- One Help Desk position
- Two technicians
- One Tech TOSA (Teacher On Special Assignment)

\$2,288,641

SOFTWARE

- School Messenger notification system
- Smore newsletters for parents and staff
- SolarWinds network monitoring and technology help desk
- WSIPC student information systems

\$277,980

SECURITY

- Camera installs and maintenance
 - Access control licensing
- These systems provide monitoring against unauthorized entry in order to safeguard the well-being of our staff and students.

\$69,150

FOR MORE INFORMATION, visit www.stanwood.wednet.edu/levy

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REMEMBER TO VOTE BY APRIL 26, 2022

How can I vote?

The April 26, 2022, special election is an all-mail election.

Ballots will be mailed to registered voters who live in the Stanwood-Camano School District boundary on April 8, 2022. Ballots must be returned by Tuesday, April 26, 2022. No postage is required to return your ballot by mail. To register to vote, visit vote.wa.gov.



There is a secure ballot drop box near the Stanwood Library (left) at 9701 271st St. N.W. and at the Island County Administration Building (right) at 121 N. East Camano Drive on Camano Island. The drop boxes are open until 8 p.m. on April 26, 2022.



TAX EXEMPTIONS

Low-income seniors and individuals with disabilities may qualify for exemptions from property taxes.

For additional information or to apply for an exemption, contact the Snohomish County or Island County Assessor's Office:

Snohomish County: snohomishcountywa.gov
or call (425) 388-3433.

Island County: islandcountywa.gov or call (360) 679-7303.

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Inquiries regarding compliance and/or grievance procedures may be directed to the District's Title IX/Affirmative Action Officer and Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator, Maureen Stanton (mstanton@stanwood.wednet.edu), or the Section 504/American Disabilities Act Coordinator, Robert Hascall (rhascall@stanwood.wednet.edu) Stanwood-Camano School District, 26920 Pioneer Hwy, Stanwood, WA 98292. Telephone: (360) 629-1200.

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