What's on the Feb. 11, 2020 ballot for Arlington Public Schools?

Arlington Public Schools will ask the community to consider three education funding measures — a levy to fund day-today operations, a levy for safety and security and additional learning spaces, and a bond to rebuild Post Middle School.



Levies and Bond 2020
ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

These measures:

Educate all of our students

PROP. 1: Renews Educational Programs and Operations Levy (EP&O)

- Continues critical day-to-day operations not funded by the state including teachers, paraeducators, counselors, nurses, and other staff who support Arlington students
- Funds technology, instructional materials, and activities such as robotics, band, choir, drama and athletics
- · Replaces an expiring levy
- · New levy would expire end of 2024

Prepare our students for the future

PROP. 2: Capital Levy



- Funds safety and security improvements for every school in the district
- Ensures modern learning spaces to prepare students for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) career fields
- Builds additional classrooms to reduce crowding and adds science and art space for students at Arlington High School
- Capital Levy expires end of 2024

Inspire students with a modern learning environment

PROP. 3: Post Middle School Bond



- Builds a safe and secure Post Middle School
- Ensures Post Middle School students have access to comprehensive educational facilities equal to other schools in the district
- Provides a modern, energyefficient building that reduces operating costs
- Bond paid off in 2040

What is the combined cost of the three measures?

Unlike state taxes for education, this funding stays in our district to support APS students, schools and staff.

YEAR	PROP 1 EP&O	PROP 2 Capital	PROP 3 Bond	TOTAL EP&O + Capital + Bond	For a house valued at \$300,000, the yearly cost for Arlington Public Schools taxes
2017	\$3.51	0	\$1.42	\$4.93	\$1,479
2018	\$3.31	0	\$1.37	\$4.68	\$1,404
2019	\$1.50	0	\$1.19	\$2.69	\$807
2020 If approved	\$1.50	0	\$1.19	\$2.69	\$807
2021-24	\$1.70	\$1.15	\$0.64	\$3.49	\$1,047
2025-40	\$1.70	0	\$0.96	\$2.66	\$798

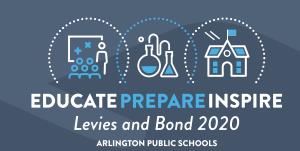
Why do we need local funding for schools?

School districts are funded through state, local and federal dollars. There is a gap between what the state funds for K-12 education and what Arlington Public Schools' students need. Every four years, the district asks voters to consider renewing an EP&O Levy. In addition, the state provides limited funds for school construction and improvements. These capital projects are primarily funded through local, voterapproved levies and bonds.





Capital Levy Projects Make Improvements to Every School



Arlington High School: Classroom addition to ensure adequate classroom space; new Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math Workshop to support preparation for STEM career fields; secure entry, cameras and access controls, and classroom door locks to improve security.

Weston High School: Secure entry, cameras and access controls, and classroom door locks to improve security; heating system replacement to increase resource efficiency.

Post Middle School: Fencing, secure entry, and classroom door locks to improve security; pedestrian and traffic safety improvements for safety.

Haller Middle School: Secure entry, cameras and access controls, and classroom door locks to improve security.

Eagle Creek Elementary School: Secure entry, cameras and access controls, and classroom door locks to improve security; fire sprinklers, fire alarm, and clock/ intercom for safety; new heating system controls to increase resource efficiency; carpet replacement and gym floor replacement to extend the useful life of the building.

Kent Prairie Elementary School: Secure entry, cameras and access controls, and classroom door locks to improve security; student drop off area for safety; heating system upgrades to increase resource efficiency; carpet replacement and gym floor replacement to extend the useful life of the building.

Pioneer Elementary School: Secure entry, cameras and access controls, and classroom door locks to improve security.

Presidents Elementary School: Secure entry, cameras, and classroom door locks to improve security.

Stillaguamish Valley Learning Center: Cameras and classroom door locks to improve security.

Tax relief options

Senior citizens over the age of 61, people with disabilities, disabled veterans, and people with limited incomes may qualify for property tax exemptions or deferral under Washington state law.

Contact the Snohomish County Assessor's office for more information.

Phone: 425-388-3540

Email: contact.assessor@co.snohomish.wa.us

Online: https://snohomishcountywa.gov/328/Property-Tax-Exemptions

