

# Notice of Measure Election

## District

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Notice			
Date of Notice	Name of District	Name of County or Counties	Date of Election
	Forest Grove School District No. 15	Washington County	November 8, 2022

**Final Ballot Title** The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the district's voters. The ballot title notice has been published and the ballot title challenge process has been completed.

**Caption** 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure.

Bonds to increase safety, security; replace school; update classrooms, technology

**Question** 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure.

Shall District increase student safety, technology, replace elementary school, repair, improve schools; issue \$121.9 million dollars in bonds; audits required? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**Summary** 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect.

Forest Grove School District proposes a bond measure not to exceed \$121.9 million, will receive state matching funds of approximately \$5.7 million if bonds are approved.

Bonds would finance capital costs to fund projects that:

- Improve Safety and Security:
  - o Secure entrances, alarms, cameras
  - o New secure entry vestibule at Neil Armstrong MS
  - o Fire safety improvements
  - o Seismic upgrades
- Update, Repair, Replace Aging Schools
  - o Electrical, roofing, flooring, lighting, plumbing
  - o New HVAC to improve air quality
  - o Expand PE spaces to meet state requirements
  - o Replace Corvallis ES with modern educational facility
- Expand Student Opportunities:
  - o District-wide technology upgrades
  - o Expanded career and technical/vocational education spaces
- Early Childhood:
  - o Provide one Pre-K classroom at every elementary school
- site improvements, demolition, furnishings, equipment, bond issuance costs

Citizen oversight committee, audits required

Bonds may be issued in multiple series; each maturing within 21 years from issuance. Estimated increase over FY 2022 bond tax rate is \$1.50 per \$1,000 assessed property value. Actual levy rate may differ due to changes in interest rates and assessed value.

**Explanatory Statement** 500 words that impartially explains the measure and its effect

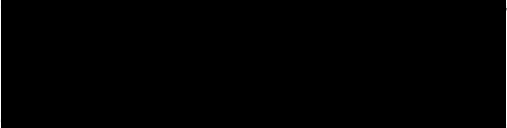
If the county is producing a voters' pamphlet an explanatory statement must be drafted and attached to this form for:  
 → any measure referred by the district elections authority; or  
 → any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance.

**Explanatory Statement Attached?**  Yes  No

**Authorized District Official** Not required to be notarized.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>
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**By signing this document:**  
 → I hereby state that I am authorized by the district elections authority to submit this Notice of Measure Election; and  
 → I certify that notice of receipt of ballot title has been published and the ballot title challenge process for this measure completed.



8/29/22  
 Date Signed

Signature

**FOREST GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 15  
WASHINGTON COUNTY, OREGON**

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT: (500 WORD LIMIT)**

The Forest Grove Schools District serves approximately 5,500 students in 6 elementaries, one upper elementary, one middle, one high school and four program sites for the communities of Forest Grove, Cornelius, Dilley and Gales Creek.

The average age of district buildings is 46 years with four schools more than 70 years old including:

- Dilley Elementary (80 years old)
- Cornelius Elementary (77 years old)
- Oak Grove Academy (74 years old)
- Harvey Clarke Elementary (73 years old)

**Aging school facilities:**

- **Safety and Security:** School buildings provide too many points of entry for visitors and the general public including multiple exterior doors that open directly to classrooms and fire safety systems that are over 30 years old.
- Buildings across the district have items such as electrical, HVAC, roofs and plumbing that have reached end of their usable life.
- Limited space for early childhood education
- Cornelius Elementary built in 1945 - the second oldest school in district - has failing building systems, is at student capacity and has security issues with 7 classrooms that can only be accessed from outside the building and nearly every classroom have exterior doors that directly open to the non-secured area of the school campus.

**Community identified priorities:** In 2021, after the completion of an independent school facility evaluation, the district formed a bond advisory committee that gathered public input on the needs of school buildings. This committee put forth a recommend plan to improve every school in the district to the school board.

**School Board refers bond measure, seeks community support.** The school board seeks voter approval of a \$121.9 million general obligation bond. District will receive state matching funds of approximately \$6.7 million if bonds are approved.

Bonds would finance capital costs to fund the following improvements that:

- **Improve Safety and Security:**
  - Secure entrances, alarms, cameras
  - New secure entry vestibule at Neil Armstrong ES
  - Fire safety improvements
  - Seismic upgrades
- **Update, Repair, Replace Aging Schools:**
  - Electrical, roofing, flooring, lighting, plumbing

- New HVAC to improve air quality
- Expand PE spaces to meet state requirements
- **Expand Student Opportunities:**
  - District-wide technology upgrades
  - Expanded career and technical /vocational education spaces
- **Replace Cornelius Elementary School with a modern educational facility**
- **Early Childhood:**
  - Provide one Pre-K classroom at every elementary school.
- site improvements, demolition, furnishings, equipment, bond issuance costs

Citizen oversight committee will monitor bond progress and issue reports to the community, audits required.

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