



SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY RENEWAL ELECTION

Tuesday, March 12, 2019

The supplemental levy fills the gap between state funding and local operating costs. The levy provides local support for local children and supports about 12 percent of the Pocatello/Chubbuck School District 25 operating costs. The levy has been an integral part of student success for more than 60 years.

The levy supports increased costs to maintain existing programs and services, including:

- Learner safety.
- Learner academic, fine arts and athletic programs.
- Learner success at all levels through quality instruction.
- Learner textbooks, instructional supplies and materials.
- Fixed costs such as lights, heat, water, insurance.
- Highly qualified teachers and paraprofessionals.

WHAT IS A SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY?

1. The supplemental levy supports the education of more than 12,500 local learners. All supplemental levy funds stay in our local community and do not go to Boise or Washington, DC.
2. A supplemental levy asks citizens for additional property tax dollars to support the operation of local schools. The levy requires a simple majority to pass.
3. A supplemental levy is used to make up the difference between state and federal funding and local needs. Because of state budget reductions, more than 80 percent of Idaho's school districts now use supplemental levies to fund operations. The trend is going up.
4. Funds from the supplemental levy protects basic programs and day-to-day operations of schools.

FACT: This is not a new tax. The levy has been in place for more than 60 years.

FACT: The amount of money to be generated is **unchanged**; \$9.25 million, per year, for two years.

FACT: PCSD 25 has not changed the levy amount in more than four years.

FACT: PCSD 25 retired all General Obligation Debt in 2016, reducing the overall school tax burden to patrons by an amount of \$2.1M annually.

Approximate Cost to Homeowners for \$9.25 Million Levy

Taxable home value (after homeowners exemption)	\$ 75,000	\$100,000	\$200,000
2017/18 monthly levy	\$15.44	\$20.59	\$41.18
Proposed 2019/20 monthly levy	\$15.04	\$20.06	\$40.11
Decrease from 2017/18 levy	\$.40	\$.53	\$ 1.07

ELECTION INFORMATION

The Supplemental Levy Renewal Election will be held **Tuesday, March 12, 2019**. The election will be conducted by Bannock County due to the state Election Consolidation Law.

- A simple YES/NO VOTE to renew the supplemental levy.
- Polls open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Voting will be at various locations designated by Bannock County as Election Consolidation Law requires the County to run all elections.
- **NOTE:** Voters **must** vote at their residential precinct location.
 - For voting locations contact Bannock County elections at (208) 236-7330 or visit bannockcounty.us/elections.
- Early walk-in voting begins **February 25, 2019** at the Bannock County Courthouse.

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