

# Measure 20-210

## Information about a Eugene School District Bond Measure

*\$170 million bond measure would replace four aging school buildings, improve technology, update instructional materials, upgrade security, and repair schools*

### Why a bond measure?

Bond measure funds would allow the Eugene School District to:

- Replace aging buildings that are worn and costly to maintain
- Provide better instructional facilities for students
- Support effective classroom instruction by acquiring updated technology and instructional materials
- Address student safety and security across the district

### What would it cost?

If the measure is approved, property tax rates for Eugene School District bond debt would increase by about 24¢ per \$1,000 assessed value. Property taxes would increase by about \$42 a year for the median homeowner in the district, with an assessed value of \$174,000. The bonds would be paid off over 20 years.

### Why now?

- The bond would fund investments in classroom technology and curriculum improvements that the district otherwise cannot afford due to school budget cuts.
- The bond would reduce building operating costs by replacing older, inefficient school buildings.
- Current construction costs are competitive due to the economic downturn. In the past, local firms have bid on and won 4J construction contracts, creating local jobs.
- Current interest rates are low, reducing costs to taxpayers.

### Can bond money pay for teachers and school programs directly?

No. By law, bond money can ONLY be spent on capital facilities (such as buildings, athletic fields and parking lots), equipment and technology.

### Will there be other bond measures in the future?

Yes. The bond measure is part of a long-range facilities plan that guides the district in replacing and renovating outdated school buildings. The plan calls for another bond measure in 2017 or 2018 to replace or renovate four more aging schools.

### What's next?

To be eligible to vote on the bond measure you must reside within the Eugene School District and be registered to vote by April 30. Ballots will be mailed to registered voters beginning May 3. Completed ballots must be returned to the county elections office or a ballot drop box by 8 p.m. on May 21.

## How would the bond funds be spent?

As proposed, the \$170 million bond measure would pay for:

**\$133 M**



### Replacement or major renovation of four aging schools

Roosevelt Middle School	\$42 M
Jefferson/ATA Middle School	\$35 M
Howard Elementary School	\$32 M
River Road Elementary School	\$24 M

**\$7 M**



### Additions at two schools

Gilham Elementary School track and field	\$5 M
Kelly Middle School	\$2 M

**\$10.48 M**



### Technology upgrades at all schools

Improve classroom technology to support student learning  
Improve technology infrastructure

**\$5.22 M**



### Instructional materials at all schools

Update science, writing and math curriculum  
Update science lab equipment

**\$3 M**



### School safety and security

Including entry security, video surveillance and security fencing

**\$4.3 M**



### Building repairs, improvements, equipment

Upgrade building systems, replace roofs, make other repairs and improvements

**\$6 M**



### Bus purchases

**\$1 M**



### Safe routes to school improvements



### Cost 24¢ per \$1,000 assessed value

\$42 a year for median home with assessed value of \$174,000