## Levy FAQ's

### What is a levy?

A levy is a local property tax passed by voters of a school district that generates revenue to fund programs and services that the state does not pay for as part of "basic education".

### Is this levy a new tax?

No, this levy is not a new tax. This will replace a levy that is currently being collected.

How much is the district seeking and what would that mean for our property tax rates?

The district is asking for an estimated \$1.34 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

# How does the proposed replacement levy compare with other current levies in the area?

As of October 24, 2023 our district's total tax rate was in the bottom 25% of schools in Lewis and Thurston Counties, as well as the bottom 25% in school districts in Washington State with similar assessed value. If this levy is passed, we will remain in the bottom 25% in both of these categories.

### Toledo Replacement Levy

Washington School Districts 2023 - With Similar Assessed Values							
Capital							
District	Assessed Value	Bonds	EP&O	Projects	Trans.	Total	
Ephrata SD No. 165	\$ 1,234,595,907	\$ 1.92	\$ 1.62	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.24	\$ 4.43	
Toppenish SD No. 202	904,960,536	0.35	1.64	1.84	-	3.83	
Hoquiam SD No. 028	1,063,162,401	1.31	2.50	-	-	3.81	
Freeman SD No. 358	1,170,102,433	1.48	1.24	0.96	-	3.69	
Royal SD No. 160	940,795,865	1.65	1.46	-	-	3.11	
Kittitas SD No. 403	974,220,328	0.81	1.85	0.41	-	3.07	
Rainier SD No. 307	1,000,595,821	0.77	2.13	-	-	2.91	
Medical Lake SD No. 326	1,233,418,894	1.23	1.24	0.25	-	2.71	
Wapato SD No. 207	1,000,257,432	1.17	1.54	-	-	2.71	
Liberty SD No. 362	1,053,966,641	0.94	1.49	0.17	-	2.59	
La Conner SD No. 311	890,007,167	1.46	1.12	-	-	2.58	
Wahluke SD No. 73	926,244,121	-	2.34	-	-	2.34	
Columbia (Burbank) SD No. 400	1,171,898,676	-	1.92	0.36	-	2.28	
Conway SD No. 317	886,481,018	0.73	1.36	0.09	-	2.18	
Kiona-Benton City SD No. 52	1,083,659,898	0.68	1.44	-	-	2.12	
Grapeview SD No. 54	1,239,292,247	0.82	0.63	-	-	1.44	
Concrete SD No. 11	1,145,566,632	-	1.40	-	-	1.40	
Winlock SD No. 232	977,182,494	-	0.98	0.18	-	1.16	
Toledo SD No. 237	1,037,240,732	-	1.11	-	-	1.11	
Mossyrock SD No. 206	995,030,995	-	0.99	-	-	0.99	
Easton SD No. 28	1,083,278,870	-	0.26	0.31	-	0.57	



<sup>\*</sup>The bond payment is expected to begin in 2026 and will be an estimated \$0.42 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

Assessed Value	Current Monthly Amount	New Monthly Amount (\$1.34 per \$1000 of assessed value)	Monthly \$ Increase	Current Yearly Amount	New Yearly Amount	Yearly \$ Increase
\$300,000	\$27.67	\$33.50	\$5.83	\$332.10	\$402.00	\$69.90
\$400,000	\$36.90	\$44.67	\$7.77	\$442.80	\$536.00	\$93.20
\$600,000	\$55.35	\$67.00	\$11.65	\$664.20	\$804.00	\$139.80
\$800,000	\$73.80	\$89.33	\$15.53	\$885.60	\$1,072.00	\$186.40



### SBAC Testing 2023 Lewis County High Schools

	English Language Arts	Math	Science
	(ELA)		
Toledo High School, Toledo, WA	75.0%	31.3%	35.6%
WF West High School	63.0%	29.1%	42.1%
Centralia High School	40.3%	18.5%	21.5%
Adna High School	48.0%	22.7%	36.6%
Napavine High School	43.7%	31.9%	45.0%
Winlock High School	39.0%	9.8%	32.7%
Mossyrock High School	47.5%	18.8%	25.9%
Onalaska High School	48.7%	17.1%	25.8%
Morton High School	55.0%	37.5%	54.5%
PeEll High School	35.3%	25.7%	35.7%
White Pass High School	50.0%	18.2%	22.2%
Adna High School Napavine High School Winlock High School Mossyrock High School Onalaska High School Morton High School PeEll High School	43.7% 39.0% 47.5% 48.7% 55.0% 35.3%	31.9% 9.8% 18.8% 17.1% 37.5% 25.7%	45.0% 32.7% 25.9% 25.8% 54.5% 35.7%

<sup>\*</sup> Data sourced from OSPI

### Reason Toledo is asking for \$1.34

- Insurance Costs Increased by Over \$100,000
- Lost Over \$430,000 of State Local Effort Assistance (LEA) Funds in 2023-2024
- Rising Utility Costs (The District is Underfunded by the State in Utilities by more than \$150,000 this year)

### **Potential Cuts if Levy Does Not Pass**

- Transportation
- CPA (Alternative School)
- Para Professionals
- Teachers (Larger Class Sizes)
- Activities, Clubs, and Sports
- Band/Music
- Class offerings (Advanced High School Courses)
- **Counseling Services**
- Life Skills