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## **Notice of Measure Election**

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Notice				
Date of Notice Name of District	Name of County or Counties	Date of Election		
8/6/2025 Lake Oswego School District No. 7J	Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington	November 4, 2025		
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 improve safety, security; update classrooms, capacity; modernize facilities				
Question 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the me	asure.			
Shall District maintain current estimated bond tax rate, issue bonds to improve safety, repair schools; expand classrooms, career/technical education? 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.				
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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?  III Yes  No				
Authorized District Official Not required to be notarized.				
Name	Title			
Dr. Jennifer Schiele	Superintendent			
Mailing Address 2455 Country Club Road, PO Box 70, Lake Oswego, OR 97034-0070	Contact Phone (503) 534-2300			
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.				

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#### NOTICE OF MEASURE ELECTION

## LAKE OSWEGO SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7J CLACKAMAS, MULTNOMAH AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES, OREGON

Date of Notice Name of District Name of County or Counties

July 22, 2025 LAKE OSWEGO SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7J MULTNOMAH AND 2025

WASHINGTON

Date of Election Counties Name of County or Counties Date of Election Counties Name of County or Counties Date of Election Counties Name of County or Counties

#### **Ballot Title**

**CAPTION: (10 WORD LIMIT)** 

Bonds to improve safety, security; update classrooms, capacity; modernize facilities

**QUESTION: (20 WORD LIMIT)** 

Shall District maintain current estimated bond tax rate, issue bonds to improve safety, repair schools; expand classrooms, career/technical education?

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 WORD LIMIT)**

This measure is expected to maintain current estimated Lake Oswego School District bond levy rate and authorizes \$245 million in principal amount of bonds to finance capital costs, including:

#### Safe, Secure Schools:

Update fire alarm systems
Standardize secure classroom doors
Install hardened glass
Expand security camera coverage
Upgrade emergency communication systems
Improve seismic structural resilience

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#### Replace Two Oldest Schools

Replace Forest Hills and Lake Grove Elementary Schools. Built in 1940s, plumbing is embedded in concrete, and foundations cannot support seismic strengthening.

#### **Improve Aging Facilities**

Upgrade roofs, windows, HVAC, plumbing, electrical systems Update recreation facilities Acquire furnishings, equipment, technology

#### **Modern Learning Environments**

Expand Science Technology Education Math (STEM), Career and Technical Education (CTE) spaces at both high schools
Purchase property, remodel for Community Transition Program
Add classrooms to meet demand at Palisades

#### Requires community oversight, regular audits

Bonds may be issued in multiple series, each maturing within 26 years. Estimated not to increase bond rate above \$2.90 per \$1,000 assessed value. Actual levy rates may differ due to interest rates and property value changes.

# EXPLANATORY STATEMEN TO ACKAMAS COUNTY ELECTIONS LAKE OSWEGO SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 7J CLACKAMAS, MULTNOMAH, AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES, OREGON

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT: (500 WORD LIMIT Current Count: 494)

Lake Oswego School District (LOSD) serves approximately 6,800 students across 11 schools and is consistently recognized among Oregon's top-performing K-12 education systems, according to Niche.

## COMMUNITY INVESTMENT IN SCHOOLS

This bond measure represents the final phase of a three-part initiative to build safe, modern, and resilient schools in Lake Oswego.

### **Projected to Maintain Current Tax Rate**

If approved, the \$245 million bond is projected to maintain LOSD's current estimated bond tax rate of \$2.90 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. No increase in the bond tax rate is anticipated.

#### ADDRESS CURRENT NEEDS

## Safety and Emergency Preparedness

Several schools would receive safety improvements, including new fire alarm systems, secure classroom doors, expanded security camera coverage, emergency communication upgrades, and hardened glass window installations.

## Aging Infrastructure

Many school buildings are several decades old and rely on outdated systems. Roofs, windows, HVAC, plumbing, and electrical systems would be repaired or replaced to support healthy, safe, and efficient operations.

## Oldest Schools Replacements

Forest Hills and Lake Grove Elementary Schools, built in the 1940s, have obsolete systems and deteriorating infrastructure, including plumbing embedded in concrete and foundations that cannot be seismically upgraded. Replacements would be less costly than major repairs.

## Learning Space Capacity

Lakeridge and Lake Oswego High Schools would receive expanded and upgraded classrooms for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) and Career and Technical Education (CTE). Palisades Elementary would receive additional classrooms to support growing enrollment. Community Transition Program, which supports students with developmental delays preparing for independent living, would receive a dedicated facility.

#### 2025 BOND REQUEST

Developed in collaboration with community representatives, this bond proposal is designed to address current needs while maintaining LOSD's current estimated bond tax rate.

If passed, the bond would fund:

## Health, Safety, and Security Improvements

- Update fire alarm systems
- Install secure classroom doors and hardened glass windows
- Expand security camera coverage
- Upgrade emergency communication systems
- Add seismic reinforcements to Level 4 "Immediate Occupancy" standards

## **Facility Preservation and Upgrades**

- Improve roof, window, HVAC, plumbing, and electrical systems
- Restore physical activity facilities
- Replace deficient furnishings, equipment, and technology

## Oldest Elementary Schools Replacements

Rebuild Forest Hills and Lake Grove Elementary Schools at current sites

## **Learning Space Expansions**

- Add STEM/ CTE classrooms at both high schools
- Purchase and remodel a facility for Community Transition Program
- Add classrooms at Palisades Elementary

## OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Bond funds may only be used for voter-approved projects. Oversight includes:

- A citizen-led Bond Accountability Committee
- Regular audits and quarterly expenditure reports
- Monitoring by the Lake Oswego School Board
- Compliance with bond program objectives and state law

#### COSTS

Bonds may be issued in series, each maturing within 26 years. While the LOSD's total bond tax rate is estimated to remain at \$2.90 per \$1,000 of assessed value, actual rates may vary based on interest rates and assessed property values.

Learn more at losdschools.org/bond2025.