

How to Register to Vote

You must be a citizen of the United States; at least 18 years of age by the date of the next election; a resident of Pierce County; and not presently denied your civil rights as a result of a felony conviction. You may obtain a form online at vote.wa.gov, register at the Pierce County Elections Department, 2401 S 35th St, Rm 200, Tacoma, or a form can be mailed to you by calling (253) 798-7430 or 1-800-446-4979. If you register by mail, your application must be postmarked at least 30 days prior to an election to vote (Jan. 6, 2007). If you are a new registrant in Washington State, you may register to vote in person at the Elections Department no less than 15 days prior to the election. (Jan. 22, 2007)

Address or Name Change

If you move, be sure to notify the Auditor's Office of your new address, either by using the online address change form - piercecountywa.org/auditor or call (253) 798-7430. If your name has changed, you will need to submit a new registration form to update your signature.

Cancellation of Registration

You will only be removed from the registration files if you fill out a cancellation card or register to vote in another county or state. If a voter is deceased, another voter may fill out a card to cancel his or her registration.

If you want to vote by mail permanently, please fill out this form and send it in.



If you already receive your ballot by mail for every election, you do not need to fill this out.

| Permanent Absentee Ballot Request Form | |
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| Permanent Request <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Send To: Pat McCarthy, Pierce County Auditor 2401 S 35th St, Rm 200, Tacoma, WA 98409 (253) 798-7430 • 1-800-446-4979 |
| Print Name as Registered | |
| Print Address Where You Live City/Town Zip Code | |
| Date of Birth | Home Phone Number |
| Year-Round Mailing Address (required if different from address where you live) | |
| City/Town Zip Code | |
| X | |
| Signature of Applicant | Date |



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Special Election – February 6, 2007 Sumner School District No. 320 Official Local Voters' Pamphlet

This election is being conducted entirely by mail.
No Polling Places will be open. You should receive your ballot by Friday, Jan. 26, 2007.

Special Election - February 6, 2007

Ballots may be returned by mail or dropped off at the following Express Booth locations:



- Bonney Lake Fred Meyer, 20901 Highway 410 - New!
- Sumner Fred Meyer, 1201 Valley Ave
- Puyallup Fred Meyer, 1100 N Meridian & River Rd
- Surprise Lake Shopping Center, 900 Meridian E
- Thun Field, 16715 Meridian E

Express Booths are open: Friday, February 2 through Tuesday, February 6 from 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Voted ballots may also be dropped off any time on or before Election Day at the Pierce County Auditor's Office at 2401 S 35th Street, Room 200, between 8:30 a.m and 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday or at the Pierce County Auditor's Election Center 24-hour drop box located at 3009 S 36th Street in Tacoma. This box is closed at 8:00 p.m. on Election night.

If you need a replacement ballot: contact Pierce County Elections at (253) 798-7430 / (800) 446-4979 or appear in person on or before February 5, 2007 at 2401 S 35th Street, Room 200, Tacoma, Washington, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or on February 6, 2007 (Election Day) between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

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Special Election - Proposition No. 1

Submitted by Sumner School District No. 320

BONDS FOR LAND, MODERNIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION



Official Ballot Title:

The Board of Directors of Sumner School District No. 320 adopted Resolution No. 7/06-07 concerning a proposition to purchase land and modernize and reconstruct schools. If passed, Proposition No. 1 would authorize the District to purchase land for future school sites; modernize Sumner High School, modernize Victor Falls, Bonney Lake and Maple Lawn Elementary Schools and Sumner Middle School; reconstruct and modernize Lakeridge Middle School; issue up to \$114,406,211 of general obligation bonds maturing within 20 years; and levy annually excess property taxes on all taxable property within the District to pay and retire the bonds, all as provided in Resolution No. 7/06-07.

Should Proposition No. 1 be approved?

Explanatory Statement:

Passage of Proposition 1 would authorize Sumner School District to issue \$114,406,211 of general obligation bonds to reconstruct and modernize Lakeridge Middle School, modernize Sumner High School, modernize Victor Falls, Bonney Lake and Maple Lawn Elementary Schools and Sumner Middle School, and purchase land for future school sites. Significant enrollment growth, the existing condition of school facilities and the desire to improve and support the delivery of academic and instructional programs necessitate these improvements. The District anticipates receiving approximately \$31,156,297 in State of Washington construction matching money to complete the improvements.

The bonds will be repaid from annual property tax levies over a period of 20 years. The District estimates the tax rate to repay the bonds will be approximately \$2.10 per \$1,000 of assessed value in 2007. The tax rate declines over the life of the bonds.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to homeowners who are 61 or older, or disabled, and who meet certain income requirements. To determine if you qualify, call the Pierce County Assessor (253) 798-2169.

Statement For:

Whether you have kids in public school or not, our communities benefit when students receive the best education we can give them.

Our schools need modernized facilities, updated technology and improved safety features. By voting **yes**, we can build and improve our schools as recommended by a citizens' committee. **And, school tax rates will not increase.**

Lower tax rates

The overall bond rate is \$2.10 per \$1,000. That's lower than the current rate and lower than neighboring districts.

The state will invest \$31 million in our schools, but only when you **vote yes**. If the measure fails, these dollars go to other communities.

Soaring academic achievement

Test scores are at an all-time high. Compared to other districts, our students are at the top. It is important we provide quality facilities and technology to enhance our kids' future success.

Committee Members: Mark Evers, April Evers and Linda Brenner. Citizens for Education Committee

Rebuttal of Statement Against:

Don't believe misinformation from someone who doesn't understand the facts.

Concerned parents want aging schools brought up to current fire and earthquake codes. These schools are 41 years old on average. Our kids deserve a safe place to learn!

Get the Facts

According to State officials, the district is eligible for \$31 million. Matching funds from the new high school helped improve Sumner High and Emerald Hills, not the Administration Building.

Vote Yes for Kids

Committee Members: Mark Evers, April Evers and Linda Brenner. Citizens for Education Committee

Statement Against:

We Voted Last Year a 50% Increase for Schools.

This was done under the threats to parents and students that sports and busing would be cut. When they got the money they still made cuts. Don't be manipulated. Voting for this Bond will not bring \$31 million from the State.

How Much Money is Hidden Now?

Voters were asked to pay 100% of the \$44,000,000 to build the high school. After we voted yes, magically \$4,500,000 appeared for a new Administration Building. Why wasn't the money used for schools? They knew you'd pay for a new school but not an over priced building for administrators.

First a Deep Cut in Administration is Needed!

The administration hasn't made some of the proposed improvements knowing that your child's discomfort is their ticket to more money. Isn't it interesting that the administrators enjoy all the comforts, when your children do without. Vote **No!** brianbernecker@hotmail.com

Committee Member: Brian Bernecker

Rebuttal of Statement For:

More Money Doesn't Mean Better Education

National test results show states that spend the least per student have the highest test scores. 70% of our 8th grade students didn't pass state testing, 7th grade math scores dropped by 30% and reading by 22%. If this is "Soaring" then worms can fly!

They deceive again! This bond increases the tax dollars you pay.

Generate the money from deep cuts in administration overhead not from increased taxes. Vote cuts in administration! Vote No!

Committee Member: Brian Bernecker