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# Notice of Measure Election

## District

### Notice

<b>Date of Notice</b> Mar 20, 2019	<b>Name of District</b> Lake Oswego School District	<b>Name of County or Counties</b> Clackamas County	<b>Date of Election</b> May 21, 2019
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**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.

See attached.

**Question** 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure.

See attached.

**Summary** 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect.

See attached.

**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?**  Yes  No

**Authorized District Official** Not required to be notarized.

<b>Name</b> Michael Musick	<b>Title</b> Superintendent
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*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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Signature

Date Signed

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**LEVY ELECTION | MAY 21, 2019**  
**LAKE OSWEGO SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Clackamas County, Oregon

**BALLOT TITLE**

**Caption**

Five Year Local Option Levy for Teachers and Educational Programs

**Question**

Shall District expand, preserve programs, class sizes; levy \$1.64 per \$1000 assessed value for operations for five years beginning 2019-2020? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

**Summary**

The local option school levy was most recently renewed in 2013. It currently provides over 12% of Lake Oswego School District's annual operational funding. If approved, this levy would provide funds to preserve and expand current programs and operations, including:

- Preserve over 80 current teacher and other staff positions funded by the current levy.
- Maintain class sizes; increase individual instructional opportunities, enhance programs by hiring up to 20 additional teachers.
- Preserve and expand vocational, technical and STEM programs at all schools, including computer science education, to improve college and career readiness.
- Preserve and expand reading, early literacy, mental health support for all students.
- Fund enhanced safety and security on school campuses.

Spending would be subject to annual audits. This measure would supersede the current local option levy at a maximum rate of \$1.64 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The proposed rate is estimated to raise approximately \$13,000,000 in 2019-2020, \$13,390,000 in 2020-2021, \$13,790,000 in 2021-2022, \$14,200,000 in 2022-2023 and \$14,620,000 in 2023-2024, for a total of \$60,000,000 over five years.

# Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Measure Explanatory Statement

**!** Important! Read all instructions before completing this form.

Use this form when filing a 'JCVP-05 Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Measure Explanatory Statement' with your County Elections office. If a local government/jurisdiction is located in more than one county, the County Elections office of the county in which the city hall of the City or the administrative office of the local government is located shall be the filing officer for the JCVP-05.

### Filing Information

Election:  Primary \_\_\_\_\_  General \_\_\_\_\_  Special \_\_\_\_\_

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Ballot Title Caption  
Five Year Local Option Levy for Teachers and Educational Programs

Name of Person responsible for content of 'Measure Explanatory Statement' (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

Michael Musick

Name of Jurisdiction/Organization the person is authorized to represent (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

Lake Oswego School District

### Contact Information:

Phone: Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Work: 503-534-2000 Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature  
Signature Redacted

[Redacted Signature]

3/20/19 Date

Signature of person responsible for the content of "Measure Explanatory Statement"

### Measure Explanatory Statement

See attached for "Measure Explanatory Statement" (500 word/number MAX)

### For Office Use only:

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed?  Yes  No

Explanatory Statement attached?  Yes  No

Intake Staff Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Word Count (500 max): \_\_\_\_\_

Providing digital copy?  Yes  No

Received digital copy?  Yes  No

Review Staff Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

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## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Lake Oswego School District Local Option Levy was first passed by District voters in 2000 at \$1.18 per \$1,000.00 assessed value. In 2004, voters approved an increase to \$1.39 per \$1,000.00 assessed value, which was renewed two times without an increase. The levy currently funds more than 12% of the District's current annual operating budget and sunsets June 30, 2020. This measure seeks voter approval to levy \$1.64 per \$1,000.00 for five years beginning July 1, 2019. If approved, funds generated by this levy would be used to support Lake Oswego School District schools and would not be subject to redistribution through the state government.

### **Background**

Local option levies were created by the legislature to allow voters to approve local taxes for local classrooms above and beyond what the State provides. If approved, this measure would maintain more than 80 teaching and classified positions while creating additional resources to hire 20 licensed staff, provide expanded emotional/social counseling supports, enhance STEM programs and support the District's goals to improve individualized learning opportunities and early literacy outcomes.

This measure seeks approval for the first increase in the District's local option levy since 2004, increasing the current rate of \$1.39 to \$1.64 per \$1,000.00 assessed value. This 25 cent increase is estimated to cost the median District homeowner with an assessed value of \$450,000 an additional \$9.33 per month absent compression.

If this measure is not approved, the District's operating budget would be reduced by an estimated 12%, or over \$10 million, beginning in 2020-2021. That would result in the estimated loss of over 80 teaching and classified positions.

### **Individualized Learning Opportunities**

This measure, if passed, maintains current staffing while adding up to 20 licensed staff to help increase individualized learning opportunities, especially at the elementary level. If passed, the levy would also maintain more than 80 existing licensed and classified staff and retain existing programs, specialists, secondary elective opportunities, and overall class sizes.

### **Counseling and Emotional/Social Supports**

This measure, if passed, will augment existing counseling and/or social emotional supports at each level for our students and families to provide a school program supporting the academic, career, and personal/social development of each student.

### **STEM Programs**

If passed, this measure would support the District's goal of 100% college and career readiness through individualized learning programs that provide each student opportunities in challenging coursework and hands-on activities. This measure, if passed, would provide funding for advanced, hands-on programs in science, technology, engineering, math (STEM), and computer science programs.

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**K-3rd Grade Literacy**

If passed, this measure will provide elementary students with reading and learning supports and specialists at each elementary school to help achieve the District's goal of all students reading at grade level.

**Accountability**

All District finances and expenditures are subject to accountability measures, including annual audits and School Board oversight, to ensure funds are used as intended.

Submitted by

Michael Musick  
Superintendent  
Lake Oswego School District