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Bellevue School District approves funding measure for the February 11, 2020 election.

BELLEVUE, Wash. – On Tuesday night, the Bellevue School Board approved a resolution asking voters to consider a capital bond in the February 11, 2020 election. The measure will help improve the safety of our schools, build more space for our students, and help us plan for future growth.

This funding measure includes safety and security improvements for all our schools and the replacement of aging buildings to ensure students have access to high quality learning spaces. The bond will also provide funding to renovate and build additions to Newport and Interlake High Schools, provide updated learning spaces for our students, and designate funds to purchase properties for future school locations.

“We are proud of our students, staff, schools and community here in Bellevue, and continue the work started 20 years ago to ensure every student receives an equitable education at our schools,” said Superintendent Ivan Duran. “We know students learn best in a building that is safe and modern. This bond will rebuild schools and improve security across our district.”

School districts rely on voter-approved funding measures to cover costs that are not funded by the state. If approved in February, the local tax rate for our schools will increase by 3 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value, an increase of less than 1 percent. For the average home of \$850,000, a Bellevue resident currently paying \$2.43 per \$1,000 of assessed property value, will see an increase by 3 cents a year, to \$2.46 per \$1,000 of assessed property value, or \$25.50 per year total.

Bellevue School District plans to spend time in the months leading up to February 11 to talk more about our funding proposal and what they mean for our students, schools, and community. In the meantime, for more information, visit the website at www.bsd405.org/2020bond.

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