

Joint County Voters' Pamphlet Measure Argument

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Argument In Favor Argument In Opposition

Measure # 26-254 Order # 1 of 2

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- (If applicable) JCVP-02 Statement of Endorsement(s) #: _____.
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Jason Williams 9/6/2024

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Taxpayers Association of Oregon
urges NO on Measure 26-254

**Why increase taxes for schools
when Parkrose enrollment is down 13%?**

By one estimate, Parkrose enrollment is down 13% since 2018. Politicians tell us we have to raise taxes if more students attend school ... but ... when enrollment plummets by double digits they still raise our taxes. It doesn't make sense.

**Why increase taxes for schools
when they lowered graduation standards?**

As The Oregonian noted, "Oregon high school students won't have to prove basic mastery of reading, writing or math to graduate from high school ... The vote went against the desires of dozens of Oregonians who submitted public comments insisting the standards should be reinstated" (1). Oregon became one of the states with the lowest standards in the entire nation. Why are we raising taxes for less teaching?

Say no to **MORE** taxes
to pay for **FEWER** students, **LESS** teaching.

The district should come back later with a smaller sized tax increase we can afford.

No on 26-254

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and government waste for 25 years.

(1) Source: "Oregon again says students don't need to prove mastery of reading, writing or math to graduate, citing harm to students of color", Sami Edge, The Oregonian, 10/22/23.

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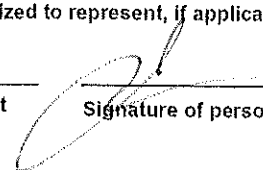
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Taxpayers Association of Oregon
urges Vote NO on Measure 26-254

**In just over 10 years,
Oregon schools received \$6.8 billion
from brand "new" sources!**

2012 = Politicians helped a pass measure taking the business Kicker Tax Refund and diverting 100% of it to education. Result = **\$2,000,000,000.00 more** for education since.

2014 = School advocates backed legalizing marijuana because the pot tax would fund schools. Result = **\$220 million more** for education since.

2016 = Voters approved Ballot Measure 99 to divert lottery funds towards funding school outdoor programs. Result = nearly **\$50 million more** for education since.

2019 = Lawmakers approved one of the largest taxes in Oregon history (Corporate Activities Tax) to fund schools. Result = **\$2,800,000,000 more** for education since.

2022 = Congress had fully awarded Oregon \$1.7 billion in Covid school assistance. Much of the Covid money was still unspent by 2024. Result = **\$1.7 billion more** for schools.

**There is no discernable savings for taxpayers
for the extra \$6.8 billion that Oregon schools have been given.**

Simply put, the politicians keep raising our taxes for schools only to keep coming back for more taxes, again and again. It never stops.

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