# **Notice of Measure Election**

District

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Date of Notice	Name of District	Name of County or Counties	Date of Election
9/8/22	Parkrose School District	Multnomah	11/8/22
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Caption 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure.			
FIVE-YEAR OPERATING LEVY FOR PARKROSE SCHOOL DISTRICT			
Question 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure.			
Shall district retain teachers, classroom assistants by levying one dollar per one thousand dollars assessed value for five years beginning 2023? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.			
Summary 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect.			
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Authorized Distr	ict Official Not required to be notarized.	<u> </u>	
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#### Caption:

FIVE-YEAR OPERATING LEVY FOR PARKROSE SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### Question:

Shall district retain teachers, classroom assistants by levying one dollar per one thousand dollars assessed value for five years beginning 2023? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

#### Summary:

The Parkrose School district currently estimates a \$3.2 million dollar budget shortfall for the 23/24 school year leaving the District unable to maintain current services and programs. A \$3.2 million dollar budget reduction is equivalent to eliminating 26 teaching positions or 18 school days.

The measure, if approved, would allow the District to raise approximately \$2 million dollars per a year to retain teachers and classroom instructional assistants.

The levy would fund approximately 22 educational positions (60% teachers, 40% classroom instructional assistants) focused on:

- Keeping class sizes low at the K-2 level
- Specialists to provide career oriented electives at middle and high school level
- One educational assistant in every kindergarten in District
- Meeting state mandates requiring that every elementary student have access to physical education

The measure will raise approximately \$2,600,000 in 2023-24, \$2,700,000 in 2024-25, \$2,700,000 in 2025-26, \$2,800,000 in 2026-27, and \$2,900,000 in 2027-28, a total of \$13,700,000 over five years at a rate estimated not to exceed \$1.00 cents per \$1,000 of taxable assessed value within the District beginning July 1, 2023.

The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression and the collection rate.

## **Explanatory Statement:**

The Parkrose School District currently serves over 2,800 students in six schools and other programs throughout the Parkrose community. Parkrose School District is proud to be one of the most diverse student populations in the state. Dedicated staff provide academics, mentoring, music and arts, science, sports and physical education to help all students learn, grow and succeed.

# A Record of Fiscal Stewardship

In serving the students of Parkrose, the district continuously strives to be fiscally responsible with taxpayer resources. Through many years of budget cuts, the school district and Board have worked to preserve classroom education. At the same time, Parkrose School District has advocated for a greater level of state investment by the Legislature and worked to ensure that all dollars are spent well and used for educational services for students.

In November, 2021 independent auditors gave Parkrose a clean financial bill of health and the district will continue to receive regular independent performance audits to monitor effective use of taxpayer resources.

## **Anticipated Budget Shortfall**

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#### Proposed Levy to Help Retain Teachers, Education Assistants

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# Fiscal accountability and independent oversight

- Regular audits ensures that all funds raised are directed to the voter-approved purpose of supporting schools.
- This local option requires independent citizen oversight so that tax dollars are used only for purposes approved by local voters.
- Funds will be placed in a separate fund structure to ensure their correct use and accurate reporting and to prevent commingling of dollars.
- No funds from this local option levy will be used for district administration.

### **Estimated Tax Impact**

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