

NOTICE OF DISTRICT MEASURE ELECTION

Corbett School Dist

(Name of District)

Notice is hereby given that on May 16, 2006
(Date of Election)

A measure election will be held in Multnomah County, Oregon.
(Name of County or Counties)

The following shall be the ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the district's voters on this date:
CAPTION (10 Words) Five Year Corbett Community Schools Local Option Levy

QUESTION (20 Words) Shall the District impose \$2.35 per \$1000.00 of assessed value for five years beginning 2006-07 to maintain current educational quality? This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

SUMMARY (175 Words) This measure may be passed only at an election with at least a 50 percent voter turnout. The total amount to be raised by this levy is \$2,653,000 over five years. The purpose of this levy is to maintain the level of service that is currently provided by the Corbett School District in spite of the loss of \$651,000.00 per year due to the expiration of the Multnomah County Income Tax. The rate is estimated to raise the following amounts: \$500,000 in 2006-07; \$515,000 in 2007-08; \$530,000 in 2008-09; \$546,000 in 2009-10; and \$562,000 in 2010-11.

The following authorized district official hereby certifies the above ballot title is true and complete.

Signature of authorized district official (not required to be notarized)

Date signed

Printed name of authorized district official

Title

Robert R. "Bob" Dunton

Superintendent

Measure Argument for County Voters' Pamphlet

Primary Election 20 06 General Election 20__ Special Election _____ (date)

Measure No.: 26-79
 Argument in Favor
 Argument in Opposition

This Information Furnished By (as it should appear in the county voters' pamphlet):

Name of person: CHARLES O'NEIL

Original Argument

Amended Argument

Name of organization person is authorized to represent, if applicable:

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ATTACHED IS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Measure Argument
 Statement(s) of Endorsement, if applicable (number filed: _____)

Note: Language that violates any provision of ORS 251.405 or 251.415 may be excluded from the voters' pamphlet.

By signing this document, I hereby state I am responsible for the content of this argument. ORS 251.415 (2)

Charles R. O'Neil
Signature of person furnishing argument
(must be person listed in "This information furnished by" box above)

3-20-06
Date signed

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Statement(s) of Endorsement? NO YES # _____

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Situation: The expiration of the ITAX means a \$651,000.00 reduction in revenues for Corbett. It also means an end to extra Corbett dollars being paid to the county through the ITAX. The district is asking the community to make up less than 80% of the loss. This is the time for Corbett to take control of its own destiny.

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NOT ONE DOLLAR OF CORBETT'S OPERATING LEVY WILL CROSS THE SANDY RIVER!

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Quality: Corbett Schools are among the finest in the state. While spending nearly \$1,000.00 less per pupil than the Multnomah County average, the district has produced the county's greatest gains and the strongest results on several measures of achievement. Corbett High School was one of two in the county to receive an EXCEPTIONAL rating on the 2005 State of Oregon Report Card. Corbett's participation rates in the Advanced Placement Program rivals that of the top schools in the United States.

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Dedication: These results have not come without a price. Corbett voters have supplemented inadequate state funding by paying a County Income Tax for the past three years. These dollars allowed Corbett to continue to thrive while many schools around the state struggled. Many community members added volunteer time and generous donations to show their commitment to kids.

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Efficiency: For the 2003-2004 school year, the latest for which we have comparative data, Corbett was 127th of 197 Oregon districts in per pupil spending. In Multnomah County, Portland, Reynolds, Parkrose, and Centennial spent from 6 to 21% more than Corbett. Corbett has reduced staffing levels by nearly 30% in the past seven years.

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Cost: For most families, Corbett's proposed operating levy will cost less than the ITAX. According to TSCC, the average tax to be levied after the Measure 5 restrictions are applied would be \$2.17 per \$1,000 of appraised value. That would be \$434.00 on a property with an appraised value of \$200,000.00. It is not too much to pay for EXCEPTIONAL local schools.

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