

Notice of District Measure Election

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Reynolds School District #7
Name of District

Notice is hereby given on date of election November 7, 2006. A measure election will be held in

name of county or counties Multnomah County, Oregon.

The following shall be the ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the district's voters on this date: November 7, 2006

CAPTION 10 words

General Obligation Bonds to Construct and Upgrade Reynolds Schools

QUESTION 20 words

Shall the Reynolds School District #7 be authorized to issue general obligation bonds not exceeding \$115,000,000?

If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY 175 words

If approved, the bonds will provide funds to:

- Make extensive capital improvements at Fairview and Troutdale Elementary Schools and replace Wilkes Elementary School, all of which were constructed prior to 1926.
• Create safer, more efficient schools and meet current standards by making capital improvements including windows, structural, electrical, HVAC and mechanical upgrades
• Relieve crowding and make space for all day kindergarten by adding 16 classrooms to existing elementary schools
• Finance the purchase of the Edgefield property and construction of the Four Corners School
• Meet elementary enrollment growth by constructing a school on the Edgefield property
• Relieve high school crowding and meet enrollment growth by remodeling existing buildings and constructing a new grade 6-12 magnet school on the Edgefield property
• Provide similar learning environments and comparable facilities district-wide by renovating, expanding and/or adding libraries, cafeterias, covered play areas, computer labs and specialty classrooms at existing schools

The Bonds would mature in twenty-one (21) years or less from the issuance date and may be issued in one or more series.

signature

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

[Handwritten signature of Terry K. Kneisler]

signature of authorized district official not required to be notarized

Terry K. Kneisler

printed name of authorized district official

Superintendent

title

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JOHN KAUFFMAN
DIRECTOR OF ELECTIONS
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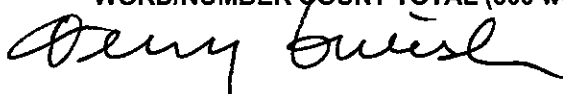
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ELECTION DATE November 7, 2006	MEASURE NUMBER 26-88	
BALLOT TITLE CAPTION Reynolds School District #7 General Obligation Bond Authorization		
NAME OF PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTENT OF STATEMENT Terry Kneisler, Superintendent		
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SIGNATURE OF PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR CONTENT OF STATEMENT

DATE

Attachment A – Reynolds School District #7 Explanatory Statement

Reynolds School District continues to grow, with 1,312 more students enrolled since 2000. Rapid growth is projected at the east end of the district.

Community Involvement

Beginning in 2004, over 50 community members reviewed district facilities and enrollment trends. The Task Force prioritized the district needs contained in this \$115 million measure. These projects increase capacity to meet projected enrollment, protect the investment in current facilities and provide comparable learning environments across the district.

High Schools

Reynolds High School is one of the largest high schools in the state with 2,800 students. Projected enrollment is 3,165 high school students by the year 2010.

This bond will add classrooms, expand the media center and computer lab, and make capital improvements at RHS.

The bond would ease high school crowding by:

- Building a magnet school on the Edgefield property serving up to 500 students with career-focused training.
- Making improvements at the Natural Resources Academy, an off-campus career-focused program near Corbett.

Students in these programs attend RHS on alternating days. Students have career training and full access to RHS programs (e.g. advanced and elective classes, athletics and clubs) without building duplicate specialty classrooms or a second comprehensive high school.

Middle Schools

Enrollment at Walt Morey is projected to grow by 12.7% in five years. This bond would build a magnet school on the Edgefield property to meet enrollment growth. Other projects include: expanding computer labs and media centers, adding covered play areas, updating entry vestibules, updating electrical, HVAC and structural systems.

Elementary Schools

A new school will be built on the Edgefield property to accommodate enrollment growth on the district's east end.

Comparable Learning Environments

Wilkes, Fairview and Troutdale Elementary Schools, built over 75 years ago, are in need of major repairs or replacement and do not meet current district facility standards. This measure would replace Wilkes and make extensive upgrades at Fairview and Troutdale Elementary Schools. Other elementary improvements

include: adding classrooms for all-day kindergarten programs, upgraded libraries and computer labs, covered play areas and specialty classrooms.

Land Purchase

The bond would finance the purchase of:

- 53-acres near Edgefield, where rapid enrollment growth is projected. The site is large enough for two schools and other small programs.
- Four Corners School will serve up to 120 special needs students, improve services for disabled students and reduce expenses within Reynolds School District.

Accountability

The Reynolds School District will report on bond projects monthly to citizens at the regular School Board meeting and through updates to the community. Community participation will be sought for design teams for new schools and the Wilkes replacement. Bond funds can only be used for capital improvement projects, not operating expenses.

Cost to Taxpayers

Taxpayers would pay an average of \$1.73 per \$1,000 of assessed value. On a home assessed at \$200,000, taxpayers would pay an average of \$346 per year or about \$0.95 per day.