

Special Election – February 12, 2013

Don't wait to mail your ballot!

Your ballot must be postmarked by **February 12, 2013** to be counted. If you mail your ballot on Election Day, check the mail pick-up time to ensure it will be postmarked on time.

You can drop off your ballot (postage free) at a drop box anytime after you've voted it.

Ballot Drop Boxes: Open January 11th - February 12th

Browns Point/

Northeast Tacoma

NE Police Substation
4731 Norpoint Way NE
Tacoma, WA 98422

Edgewood

Edgewood City Hall
2224 104th Ave E
Edgewood, WA 98372

Puyallup

Puyallup Library
324 South Meridian
Puyallup, WA 98371

South Hill Library
15420 Meridian E
Puyallup, WA 98375

Tacoma

Kandle Park
Police Substation
5140 N 26th St
Tacoma, WA 98407

72nd Street Transit Center
1319 E 72nd St
Tacoma, WA 98404

Pierce County Annex
2401 S 35th St
Tacoma, WA 98409

Pierce County
Community Connections
S 36th and Pacific Ave
Tacoma, WA 98418

Tacoma Area Coalition of
Individuals with Disabilities
6315 S 19th St
Tacoma, WA 98466

Tacoma Dome Park and Ride
610 Puyallup Ave E
Tacoma, WA 98421

County-City Building
930 Tacoma Ave S
Tacoma, WA 98402
(Outside 2nd Floor Entrance)

University Place

University Place
Fire Department
3631 Drexler Dr W
University Place, WA 98466

All drop boxes close at 8 p.m. on February 12, 2013.

Voting Centers: Open February 12th, 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Pierce County Election Center

2501 S 35th St, Suite C
Tacoma, WA 98409

Puyallup Library

324 S Meridian
Puyallup, WA 98371

Tacoma Area Coalition of Individuals with Disabilities (TACID)

6315 S 19th St
Tacoma, WA 98466

Services available:

- *Ballot drop off.*
- *Provisional ballots.*
- *Voting assistance from Election staff.*
- *Accessible voting using touch screen equipment.*
- *Voter registration.*

If you want to vote on the accessible voting equipment, don't return your ballot.

Bring photo ID.

How to register:

- Online -
piercecountyelections.org
- In person -
Pierce County Election Center.
- By mail -
Call to request a mail-in form.

Registration Deadline:

It's not too late to register **in person** for the February Election.

In person deadline is **February 4, 2013.**
New Washington voters only.

Questions?

Need a replacement ballot?

Pierce County Elections
piercecountyelections.org
pcelections@co.pierce.wa.us
253-798-VOTE (8683) or
800-446-4979

**2501 S 35th St, Suite C
Tacoma, WA 98409**

Need to register to vote?

You must be:

- A citizen of the United States.
- A legal resident of Washington.
- At least 18 years old by Election Day.
- Not under the authority of the Department of Corrections.



Tacoma School District No. 10 - Proposition No. 1 Neighborhood School Improvements and Safety Upgrades General Obligation Bonds - \$500,000,000

Ballot Title:

The Board of Directors of Tacoma School District No. 10 adopted Resolution No. 1923 concerning a proposition to finance capital improvements to its education facilities. If approved, this proposition would authorize the District to replace or renovate 14 deteriorating neighborhood schools across Tacoma, improve learning environments, implement health, safety, security and technology upgrades, earthquake safety, roof repairs, alarm/sprinkler systems, energy-efficient heating/lighting, electrical/plumbing, and improved playgrounds, playfields and athletic facilities by issuing \$500,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum term of 25 years and to levy annual excess property taxes to repay the bonds, as provided in Resolution No. 1923. Should Proposition No. 1 be approved or rejected?

Explanatory Statement:

Proposition 1 addresses safety, security, and neighborhood school improvements to aged and deteriorating elementary, middle and high schools district-wide. If the measure is approved, the District will replace or fully renovate 14 schools across Tacoma with an average age of 74 years (many built in the 1920s) and address anticipated student enrollment and demographic shifts. The measure authorizes improvements to nearly all District schools, except those recently updated. Proposition 1 will implement Basic Life Safety and security improvements, 911 emergency communications, ADA upgrades and accessibility, earthquake safety, roof repairs, alarm/sprinkler systems, energy-efficient heating and windows, and HVAC and plumbing upgrades to maintain clean air and safe water. Proposition 1 will improve learning and teaching environments, provide adequate space to permit small classes at elementary schools, replace portable classrooms, upgrade technology, and improve playgrounds/playfields and athletic facilities to meet current safety standards. The \$500,000,000 of general obligation bonds would mature within a maximum term of 25 years and be repaid from annual excess property tax levies. *Major renovation or replacement: Elementary Schools – Arlington, Birney, Browns Point, Boze, Downing, Grant, Lyon, McCa-rver, Wainwright, Washington. Middle Schools – Stewart and Hunt. High Schools – Wilson and Science and Math Institute (SAMI).*

Statement For:

Renew Our Commitment – Yes! Tacoma-wide School & Safety Improve-ments.

Every Tacoma child deserves an excellent education, the opportunity to achieve his or her full potential, and the best possible environment for learning and teaching. Prop. 1 addresses current/projected student enrollment, replaces/fully renovates 14 aged and deteriorated neighborhood schools, and helps maintain small classes in elementary schools district-wide.

Yes! Safety, Security & Health First for Students and Teachers.

Prop. 1 addresses life safety, security and health for all students and teachers including 911 emergency communications, intercom, alarm/fire/sprinkler systems, earthquake safety, roof repairs, and air/heating/electrical/plumbing upgrades to maintain clean air and safe water.

Yes! Record-low financing and construction costs stretch funding further.

The longer we wait, the more deterioration and higher costs in the future. Historically low rates will afford needed investments in nearly all neighborhood schools. Cost to the average homeowner: \$58.24 annually or \$4.85 per month.

Yes! Endorsements: Tacoma PTA, Teachers, Principals, Early Childhood & Youth, Civic, Business & Labor.

League of Women Voters, PTA/Boosters, Boys and Girls Clubs, Firefighters, Safe Streets, Ministerial Alliance, First5 FUNdamentals, Black Collective, Korean Women's Association, Realtors, Urban League, Tacoma Education and Principals' Associations (partial list).

Committee Members: Willie Stewart, 253-282-4937, Dan Barkley, and Kathleen Merryman renewourcommitment@gmail.com, www.renewourcommitment.org, Tacoma Citizens for Schools

Statement Against:

No statement was submitted against this issue.