

Special Election - February 9, 2016

Return your ballot early.



Drop by 8 p.m. February 9

Mail by February 8

Ballot Drop Boxes: Open January 22 - February 9

Bonney Lake

Bonney Lake (South)
Park and Ride
Sky Island Dr E &
184th Ave E

DuPont

DuPont Ross Plaza
1500 Wilmington Dr

Fife

Fife City Hall
5411 23rd St E

Gig Harbor/Key Peninsula

Gig Harbor Fire Station
6711 Kimball Dr

Key Center Fire Station
8911 Key Peninsula Hwy KPN

Pt. Fosdick Haggen/Safeway
4811 Pt. Fosdick Dr NW

Purdy Fire Station
5210 144th St NW

Graham

Graham Fire & Rescue
Station 91
10012 187th St E

Lakewood

Lakewood City Hall
6000 Main St SW

Lakewood (SR 512)
Park and Ride
10417 South Tacoma Way

Orting

Orting Public Safety Building
401 Washington Ave SE

Parkland/Spanaway

Parkland/Spanaway Library
13718 Pacific Ave S

Roy Y Park and Ride
SR 507 and Pacific Ave S

Puyallup/South Hill

Puyallup Library
324 South Meridian

South Hill Library
15420 Meridian E

Roy

Roy City Hall
216 McNaught Rd S

Sumner

Sumner Library
1116 Fryer Ave

Tacoma

Pierce County Annex
2401 S 35th St

**All drop boxes
close at 8 p.m.
February 9**

Voting Centers: Open February 9, 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Gig Harbor Civic Center

3510 Grandview St, Gig Harbor

Puyallup Library

324 South Meridian, Puyallup

Pierce County Election Center

2501 S 35th St, Suite C, Tacoma

Tacoma Area Coalition of Individuals with Disabilities (TACID)

6315 S 19th St, Tacoma

To vote on a touch screen, don't return your ballot and bring photo ID.

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.

How to register:

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

Registration deadline:

In person deadline (new Washington voters only) is **February 1, 2016.**

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**



Special Election - Proposition No. 1 General Obligation Bonds - \$98,825,000

See complete resolution text at
PierceCountyElections.org

Ballot Title

The Board of Directors of White River School District No. 416 adopted Resolution No. 15-18 concerning a proposition to finance capital improvements to District facilities. If approved, this proposition will authorize the District to renovate, upgrade and/or expand building capacity at Glacier Middle School and Elk Ridge, Wilkeson, Mountain Meadow and Foothills Elementary schools; upgrade safety, security, technology equipment and community activity fields throughout the District and construct an athletic stadium at White River High School; to issue \$98,825,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum of 20 years; and to levy additional property taxes annually to repay the bonds, all as provided in Resolution No. 15-18. Should Proposition No. 1 be approved or rejected?

Explanatory Statement

White River School District No. 416 seeks voter approval to sell \$98,825,000 in bonds to finance projects at all elementary, middle and high schools.

The proposed projects will modernize existing facilities, create additional classroom space and allow for future enrollment growth, including: (a) renovating major portions of Glacier Middle School; (b) renovating and increasing capacity of Elk Ridge Elementary; (c) replacing multi-purpose room and kitchen and conversion of portable space at Wilkeson Elementary; (d) repairing and upgrading Foothills Elementary and Mountain Meadows Elementary, including roof replacement, fire alarm, sprinkler, and school intercom system upgrades, HVAC and plumbing upgrades and installation of energy-efficient heating and windows; (e) constructing a new athletic stadium at White River High School; (f) upgrading community playfields; (g) renovating the library wing at White River Educational Service Center; and (h) upgrading safety, security, technology and equipment in all schools.

If authorized by the voters, the property taxes would be collected at an estimated rate of \$2.80 per thousand, *the same amount as the current rate*. This new bond would replace the current bond which will be paid off in 2016.

Statement For

Yes! For district-wide building improvements

Thanks to our retired bond, we can continue to improve the space and technology of our schools *without adding to our tax burden*. Upgraded classrooms will accommodate collaborative learning and continue developing 21st Century Skills.

Yes! For upgraded safety and system improvements

In addition to creating quality learning environments, all schools will receive updated safety, security, fire alarms, improved communications, intercom and phone systems. Roof repairs and air/heating/electrical/plumbing upgrades will help maintain clean and safe environmental conditions for staff and students.

Yes! For improved sports fields, playgrounds, and gymnasiums

This proposition will upgrade community sports fields, playgrounds, existing gymnasiums, and build a stadium at White River High School.

Yes! Now is the time to get the most for our money

This proposition will *replace* an expiring bond at approximately the *same tax rate*. We can also leverage State matching funds to reduce our costs. Now is the time to act to ensure our children have the best opportunity to continue our success as evidenced by having nearly the highest graduation rate in Pierce County.

Committee Members: Keith Banks, irwin426@q.com, Milt Tremblay, and Annie Roehr
Citizens for White River Schools

Statement Against

No statement was submitted against this issue.