HOW DO I TAKE THE 2020 CENSUS?

In mid-March 2020, every address in the country will receive an invitation to complete a simple questionnaire.

THERE ARE 3 WAYS TO RESPOND:

1. ONLINE
2. BY PHONE
3. BY MAIL

For those who don’t respond, a Census taker from your community will follow up and assist you.

Visit www.PierceCountyCensus.org for more information.


Using a Drop Box? (No stamp required)
Drop off ballot by 8 PM February 11, 2020.

Mailing your ballot? (No stamp required)
Must be postmarked by February 11, 2020. We recommend mailing no later than February 7, 2020.

Not registered to vote?
To register to vote, you must be:
• A citizen of the United States.
• A legal resident of Washington state.
• At least 18 years old by Election Day.
• Not under the authority of the Department of Corrections.

Registration Deadlines:
• Online and by mail - February 3, 2020
• In person - February 11, 2020

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Peninsula School District No. 401

Special Election - Proposition No. 1

Educational Programs and Operations Levy

Ballot Title

The Board of Directors of Peninsula School District No. 401 adopted Resolution No. 19-22 concerning educational funding. If approved, Proposition No. 1 will authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, to replace an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, to maintain and support the District's educational programs and operations, which are not funded or not fully funded by the State:

- **Collection Year**
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Statement For

Vote Yes to Renew the Expiring Levy - Not a New Tax

This three-year renewal will replace the expiring levy that was overwhelmingly approved by more than 70% of the voters in 2016. There will be no new taxes with this renewal. In fact, the tax rate is estimated to be equal to or lower than the expiring levy.

Lowest Education Tax Rate in Pierce County

We have top performing schools while maintaining the lowest overall education tax rate in Pierce County. Peninsula School District has outstanding audit history and top credit rating for financial responsibility. Thank you for continuing to support our schools.

Statement Against

School Board Refuses to Maintain the Existing School Buildings?

Taxpayers voted a new $321 Million Capital Bond tax but less than $250 Million goes toward building four new schools. $1 Million went to interest zero dollars can be used to maintain our existing schools.

Teachers Get Huge Pay Raises From McCleary While Our Existing Schools Deteriorate.

The maintenance levy was replaced by the enrichment levy requiring a spending plan be approved, but the taxpayers were not invited to participate in that approval so no dollars from the spending plan will be allocated to maintaining existing school.

The School Board Has a New Development Plan That Looks Like This.

Let existing schools dilapidate over the next 5 years and then come back to the taxpayers, demanding another Capital Bond to replace the worst of the old buildings. Repeat this scenario every 5 years.

The New McCleary Law Requires New Math to Determine Annual Levy Funding.

The new levy tax is set by multiplying the number of Students in the District by $2,500. 9,000 students equals $22,500,000 not $25,140,000. Let’s vote no on a $3 Million overcharge and tell them we want all the schools maintained now.

Rebuttal of Statement Against

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Committee Members:
- Jennifer Butler and Deborah Krishnasadam, info@standup4schools.org, www.standup4schools.org
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(800) 724-8172

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(253) 475-0782 (voice)
(253) 474-1748 (TTY)
(253) 292-2209 (videophone)

Tacoma Area Coalition of Individuals with Disabilities
(253) 565-9000 (voice)
(253) 711 (TTY)