

FACTS ABOUT THE REDUCED EP&O Levy Request



We listened and revised our “ask.”



Based on our community's feedback, we have:

- **Made \$1.3 million in budget cuts** furthest from the classroom
- **Reduced our levy “ask”** to our community by \$3.4 million, compared to the previous proposal



Why is North Mason asking voters to approve an EP&O levy again?

Educational Programs & Operations (EP&O) levies help pay for school staffing and student programs that the state of Washington **does not fully fund**, including:



ATHLETICS & ELEMENTARY P.E.



SAFETY OFFICERS & SECURITY UPGRADES



ELEMENTARY ART & MUSIC



BAND, CHOIR & DRAMA



EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES



SCHOOL NURSES & COUNSELORS



SCHOOL CUSTODIANS



TECH SUPPORT & LEARNING TECHNOLOGY



TEACHER SUPPORT (CURRICULUM, SUBS)

If the levy fails, North Mason School District will need to **reduce or eliminate levy funded programs and/or additional positions** for the 2026-27 school year.

Remember to vote by April 28!

Learn more at northmasonschools.org/levy





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**Vote by
April 28!**

2026 REDUCED EP&O LEVY REQUEST

This levy replaces a previously approved levy that expired at the end of 2025.

COLLECTION AMOUNTS AND RATE*



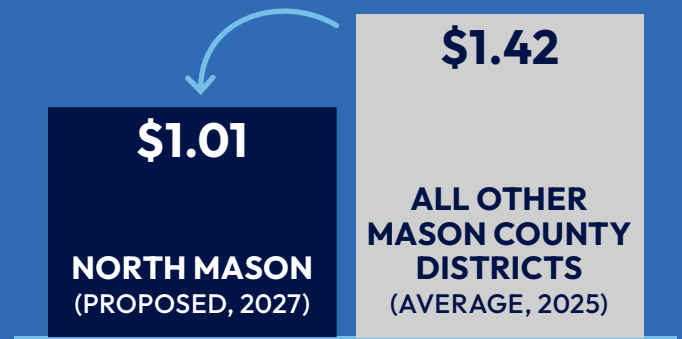
If approved, collection would begin in January of 2027.

YEAR	ESTIMATED TAX RATE*	COLLECTION AMOUNTS
2027	\$1.01	\$4,500,000
2028	\$1.01	\$4,650,000
2029	\$1.01	\$4,800,000
2030	\$1.01	\$4,950,000

LOCAL EP&O LEVY RATE COMPARISON*



If the levy passes, North Mason would still be well under the county average.



VOTER INFORMATION & FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

HOW WILL THE EP&O LEVY IMPACT MY TAXES?

Calculate your estimated monthly property tax cost using this formula:

$$\begin{aligned} &(\text{Assessed home value}) \times \\ &(\text{estimated rate}) \div 1000 \div 12 \\ &= \text{Monthly Cost} \end{aligned}$$

ARE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS AVAILABLE?

Some seniors, persons with disabilities, and low-income homeowners may be eligible for property tax relief programs. Contact the Mason County Assessor's Office at 360-427-9670, Ext. 491 to learn more.

HOW DO I VOTE?

Ballots arrive in the mail to registered voters around April 10. **They must be returned to a drop-box or postmarked by April 28.** You can check to make sure your ballot was received and counted at votewa.gov.

* Estimates, based on current trends. Rates are expressed per \$1,000 of assessed property value and rounded to the nearest hundredth. The district cannot collect more than the amount approved by the voters. Increases in property values do not generate more revenue for the district.

**Scan to
learn more.**

